

Wilks' Neighborhood Gems

1. WOMEN AND CHILDREN FIRST

Andersonville

Can't miss neighborhood bookstore! Support local business in Andersonville at this warm, inviting, feminist book shop.

2. FOURSIDED

Lake View

Offering a large selection of curated handmade greeting cards, local and regional art, prints, and gifts.

3. TANGO SUR

Lakeview

Wonderful BYO Argentinian restaurant prefect for date night. For your best social distancing option, stop by the Bodega Sur next door.

4. SIDE PROJECT COFFEE

Lincoln Square

Filipino-owned café that sells a variety of different drinks and pastries each month. Every weekend they showcase a small business in their shop.

5. SEMICOLON BOOKSTORE

River North

This Black- and woman-owned bookstore and gallery space offers customers a pleasant ambiance and a phenomenal selection of literature.

6. ADORNMENT + THEORY

Logan Square

Everything here is unique and has a story, and they work with and represent emerging artists. The owner, Viviana, is a brilliant jewelry designer in her own right and focuses on one-of-a-kind statement pieces and bridal designs.

7. CITY SOLES

Wicker Park

Carrying unique fashion and footwear from around the world. The shoes here are sure to turn heads.

8. VIRTU

Bucktown

This beautiful gift and jewelry shop has been independently owned and operated for nearly 20 years. Offering a constantly changing selection of goodies you'll be delighted each time you visit.

9. PRINTER'S ROW WINE SHOP

Printer's Row

Printer's Row offers a curated collection of affordable artisanal wines, local craft beer and small batch spirits from all over the world.

10. JIBARITOS ON HARLEM

Dunning (Northwest side)

A fantastic Puerto Rican and Latin American restaurant. The food is always fresh and delicious and the service is always quick.

11. THE CAREFUL PEACH

Oak Park

Offers a unique and carefully selected assortment of apothecary luxuries, handmade jewelry, accessories, stationery, gourmet foods, cooking accessories, home decor, and more.

12. NEW REBOZO

Oak Park

A local favorite for more than 20 years! Chef Paco, a.k.a. Francisco Lopez, has brought his wonderful authentic Mexican recipes to Oak Park.