



### **Fort Worth Architecture Tour**

Open a window onto the city's fascinating history and cultural riches with a one-day architectural tour.

Start in the **Cultural District** where four art museums, renowned for their collections, are further distinguished by building design that represent singularly significant achievements of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries: **Amon Carter Museum of American Art** by **Philip Johnson**; **Kimbell Art Museum** by **Louis Kahn**, with a new pavilion designed by **Renzo Piano**; the **Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth** by **Tadao Ando** and the **Fort Worth Museum of Science and History** by **Legorreta + Legorreta**.

Next, explore the **Fort Worth Stockyards National Historic District** where the city's western heritage remains on display. Hotels, bars and storefronts (and some wooden sidewalks) are reminiscent of the 19th-century when the cattle and livestock industry rose to prominence. Be sure to stop and admire the **Cowtown Coliseum**, in handsome Mission and Spanish Revival style, home of the world's only year-round rodeo.

**Downtown** has its share of modern skyscrapers, including a pair by 20<sup>th</sup>-century modernist Paul Rudolph (located in **Sundance Square**), but also buildings that speak eloquently to the city's urban unfolding: the neo-Romanesque **Knights of Pythias Castle Hall** (in **Sundance Square**) built in 1901; and the modestly-scaled seven-story **flatiron** (on the corner of Houston and W. 9<sup>th</sup> St.), modeled after the New York City landmark, which dates to 1906 and is adorned by distinctive bas-reliefs of panthers, one of the city's symbols. Both buildings were designed by local architect firm Sanguinet & Staats.

Nearby, in **General Worth Square**, the **JFK Tribute**, a dignified homage to a single moment in American history: the site of the visionary speech made by President John F. Kennedy in the early morning of November 22, 1963, to the citizens of Fort Worth, in front of what-was-then the Texas Hotel, today the **Hilton Fort Worth**.