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Summer fun starts here, and this event guide is your gateway to exploring everything your city has to offer! The listings here highlight some of the biggest and best downtown events, but there's so much more going on all the time.

The Downtown Dayton Partnership also publishes new activities every day on the DowntownDayton.org website. Be sure to check out the online calendar for events, and use the maps, business directories, and parking guides to plan your next downtown Dayton adventure!

## **AES OHIO SUMMER IN THE CITY SPECIAL EVENTS**

## BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT... BE DOWNTOWN.



## **DOWNTOWN HOUSING TOUR • MAY 13**

Find out why downtown is the hottest, most in-demand real estate market in the region! Tour a variety of downtown living options at your own pace, get sneak peeks at projects in development, and hear from downtown residents about what it's like to live here. Sponsored by: AES Ohio, CenterPoint Energy, Dayton.com, Glasshouse Realty Group, Key Ads, and RTA.



# **ART IN THE CITY • AUGUST 5**

Celebrate the arts with live demos and performances, hands-on activities, a juried art show, artisan market, and much more from hundreds of area visual and performing artists. A preview night will be held August 4. Sponsored by: AES Ohio, Dayton.com, Montgomery County, the Ohio Arts Council, and PNC



The beginning of every month starts with a bang in downtown Dayton. First Friday is a free art hop featuring exhibit openings at the galleries, along with a variety of entertainment options, arts demonstrations, live music and more. Find each month's event details at facebook.com/FirstFridayDayton. Presented by: Downtown Dayton Partnership

## THE SQUARE IS WHERE •

## **MAY-SEPTEMBER WEEKDAYS AT LUNCH**

Enjoy summer fun every Tuesday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Courthouse Square during The Square Is Where. Free lunchtime entertainment, including music, games, trivia, food vendors, and more. Find the current schedule at DowntownDayton.org.

Presented by: Downtown Dayton Partnership and Montgomery County

## FIRST FRIDAY • THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

# **EVERY DAY OF THE WEEK** BECAUSE THE OPTIONS ARE ENDLESS... BE DOWNTOWN.

In addition to special events, there are museums, sporting venues, galleries, markets, and other attractions offering fun all summer (or all year) long! Use our website at DowntownDayton.org to locate these attractions; look up their scheduled events; and find parking, shopping, and dining options nearby:

2ND STREET MARKET 600 E. Second St., (937) 228-2088, metroparks.org/localfood

**AMERICA'S PACKARD MUSEUM** 420 S. Ludlow St., (937) 226-1710, americaspackardmuseum.org

**CARILLON HISTORICAL PARK** 1000 Carillon Blvd., (937) 293-2841, daytonhistory.org

THE CONTEMPORARY DAYTON 25 W. Fourth St., (937) 224-3822, thecontemporarydayton.org

**THE DAYTON ART INSTITUTE** 456 Belmonte Park North, (937) 223-4278, daytonartinstitute.org

**DAYTON DRAGONS BASEBALL** Day Air Ballpark, 220 N. Patterson Blvd., (937) 228-2287,

daytondragons.com

DAYTON LIVE (937) 228-3630, daytonlive.org One-stop shop for tickets to Dayton Ballet, Opera, Philharmonic, Human Race Theatre Company, Muse Machine, and peformances at the Benjamin & Marian Schuster Performing Arts Center, Victoria Theatre, The Loft Theatre, and the PNC Arts Annex

**DAYTON METRO LIBRARY** 215 E. Third St., (937) 463-BOOK, daytonmetrolibrary.org Dozens of programs, reading clubs, and more all summer long

THE INTERNATIONAL PEACE MUSEUM 10 N. Ludlow St., (937) 227-3223, peace.museum K12 GALLERY & TEJAS 341 S. Jefferson St., (937) 461-5149, k12gallery.org

**LEVITT PAVILION DAYTON 134 S. Main St.,** levittdayton.org Levitt Pavilion's season brings 50 free concerts downtown, June - September

LINK: DAYTON BIKE SHARE linkdayton.org, Dozens of bike hubs throughout downtown

THE NEON MOVIETHEATER 130 E. Fifth St., neonmovies.com

RIVERSCAPE METROPARK 111 E. Monument Ave., (937) 278-2607, metroparks.org/riverscape Enjoy Community Fitness workouts (The Unit, Tai Chi & Qigong, SWERK, INNERGIZE, and BootyMix) most Mondays, Tuesdays, & Wednesdays thru September. For available bikes, child accessories, and pricing information, visit metroparks.org/rentals

**RIVERSCAPE RIVER RUN** (937) 275-7275, metroparks.org/river-run

Take advantage of on-river floats, kayaking, and other fun river programming

**YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS** various locations,

downtowndayton.org/things-to-do/summercamps Check out our 2023 list of summer camps offered in or near downtown Dayton

## **OUT ON 5TH returns to the Oregon District!**

Fifth Street will close to vehicular traffic between Patterson Boulevard and Wayne Avenue on weekends, to create a pedestrian mall in the Oregon District with more space to shop, dine, and relax in the open air. Enjoy your DORA alcoholic beverage to-go on expanded outdoor seating.

Out on 5th will occur every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday through the spring and summer months.

# 2023 AES OHIO SUMMER IN THE CITY EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Downtown's your destination for festivals, food, art, music, shows, shops, and everything that makes summer fun! Here is just a slice of what's happening in your city. Visit DowntownDayton.org for details and even more events and activities, and to subscribe to the weekly "e-vents" email newsletter.

## THROUGHOUT SUMMER

FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH FIRST FRIDAYS

Throughout downtown Dayton, downtown events & entertainment, downtowndayton.org

THE SQUARE IS WHERE LUNCHTIME ENTERTAINMENT Courthouse Square, downtowndayton.org

FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH ART HOP AT FRONT STREET Front Street Galleries, frontstreet.art

**3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH ART HOP & MARKET AT FRONT STREET** Front Street Galleries, *frontstreet.art* 

**MULTIPLE DATES** DAYTON DRAGONS BASEBALL HOME GAMES

Day Air Ballpark, see schedule at daytondragons.com

**EVERY THURSDAY-SATURDAY, JUNE 1-SEPTEMBER 16 LEVITT DAYTON 50 FREE MUSIC CONCERTS** 

Levitt Pavilion Dayton, levittdayton.org

**ONGOING WATER STREET DISTRICT PINT PATH** various breweries in Water Street District, waterstreetdayton.com

FIRST FULL WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH MUSEUMS ON US
The Dayton Art Institute, daytonartinstitute.org

ONGOING THRU JULY 2 EXHIBITS AT THE CO.
The Contemporary Dayton, See the exhibits "Between" by Arturo Herrera, "A voice from I don't know where" by Tyler Macko, and films by Kevin Jerome Everson, *codayton.org* 

**FIRST FRIDAYS, MAY- SEPT SUMMER FIRST FRIDAYS AT THE CO.** The Contemporary Dayton, Open late until 10 p.m. with music, artist talks, and more, *codayton.org* 

**MONDAYS-WEDNESDAYS COMMUNITY FITNESS CLASSES**RiverScape MetroPark, *metroparks.org* 

JUNE 3, 17, & 24, JULY 8, 15, & 22, AUGUST 5, 12, 19, & 26 FITNESS IN THE PARK - FREE YOGA OR ZUMBA WORKOUTS

RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

VARIOUS SATURDAYS, STARTING JUNE 10 THE FAMILY SUMMER FILM FEST

The Neon, *neonmovies.com* 

**ONGOING THRU MAY 20 EXHIBIT: INSPIRE(D)** 

Dayton Society of Artists, daytondsa.org

**ONGOING THRU MAY 21 EXHIBIT: NEW BEGINNINGS: AN AMERICAN** STORY OF ROMANTICS & MODERNISTS IN THE WEST

The Dayton Art Institute, daytonartinstitute.org

MAY 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, & 13 DRAGONS HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL SHOWCASE

Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com

MAY 4 2023 LEVITT DAYTON SEASON ANNOUNCEMENT PREVIEW CONCERT, FEATURING DAYTON SALSA PROJECT

Levitt Pavilion Dayton, levittdayton.org

MAY 4-14 DISNEY'S FROZEN

Schuster Center, daytonlive.org **MAY 5 MAYFAIR PLANT SALE** 

2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood

**MAY 5 MONTGOMERY COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT MEMORIAL** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

MAY 5 TACO FEST FOOD TRUCK RALLY

Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabfoodtrucks.com

MAY 6 FREE COMIC BOOK DAY & MARVEL MOVIE SCREENINGS

Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org

MAY 6 DERBY DAY IN THE DISTRICT & WEINER DOG RACE Oregon District, theoregondistrict.org

MAY 6, 18, & 20 SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKER SERIES

Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org

**MAY 7 NATIVE PLANT SALE** 2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood

**MAY 10 & 23 DIVERSITY FILM SERIES** 

Sinclair Collge, sinclair.edu

MAY 10 & 24 TAP HOUSE KAYAK FLOATS

Mudlick Tap House, mudlicktaphouse.com/kayak-floats

MAY 11 OPEN COWORKING & LAUNCH PAD The Hub at The Arcade, thehubdayton.com

MAY 11 CONVERSATIONS: DEBBIE BLUNDEN-DIGGS IN

**CONVERSATION WITH MICHAEL GOODSON** 

The Tank at The Dayton Arcade, codayton.org MAY 12 & 13 THE SECRET GARDEN

victoria i neatre, *aaytoniive.org* 

**MAY 13 YMCA HEALTHY KIDS DAY** RiverScape MetroPark, *metroparks.org* 

MAY 13 SCIENCE SATURDAYS: DOWN ON THE FARM

The Engineers Club, facebook.com/ScienceSat

**MAY 13** AES OHIO SUMMER IN THE CITY:

**DOWNTOWN HOUSING TOUR** 

Multiple downtown locations, downtowndayton.org

MAY 14 SUNDAY SAND ART EVENT Now & Zen DIY Studio, shopnowandzen.com

MAY 18 CELTIC THRONE

Victoria Theatre, daytonlive.org

MAY 19 NATIONAL BIKE TO WORK DAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**MAY 19 MIAMI VALLEY CYCLING SUMMIT** 

Dayton Metro Library, bikemiamivalley.org

MAY 19 & 20 DAYTON SIDESHOW

Yellow Cab Tavern, facebook.com/daytonsideshow

MAY 19 & 20 BEETHOVEN'S SECOND SYMPHONY Schuster Center, daytonlive.org

**MAY 20 THE ADVENTURES OF MARY POPPINS** 

Victoria Theatre, daytonlive.org

MAY 20 FIGHT FOR AIR CLIMB

Day Air Ballpark, fightforairclimb.org/dayton MAY 21 TAB-A-PULL-00ZA

2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood

MAY 21 FLEURS DE FETE Carillon Park, *fleursdefete.com* 

**MAY 21 DAYTON PHILHARMONIC** YOUTH ORCHESTRA SPRING CONCERT

Schuster Center, daytonperformingarts.org

**MAY 26 PASSPORT TO METROPARKS** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**MAY 28 DRIVE ELECTRIC DAYTON** 2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood **MAY 28 HERITAGE DAY WITH THE DAYTON PHILHARMONIC** 

Carillon Park, daytonhistory.org

MAY 30-JUNE 2 NATE BARGATZE: THE BE FUNNY TOUR Schuster Center, daytonlive.org

MAY 31-JUNE 4 PRIDE ON 5TH

Oregon District & various locations, dykesofdayton.com

## JUNE

**VARIOUS DATES IN JUNE THE DAYTON JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL** The Neon, neonmovies.com

**JUNE 2 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES:** 

THE REPEATING ARMS & THE SHADY PINE

RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JUNE 2 ARTIST TALK: KEVIN JEROME EVERSON** The Contemporary Dayton, codayton.org

JUNE 2 SCOUT OVERNIGHTER

Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com

JUNE 2-4 AFFAIR ON THE SQUARE & 2023 DAYTON PRIDE PARADE & FESTIVAL

Courthouse Square, daytonlgbtcenter.org/pride

JUNE 2-4 HEARTSIQ'S MIXTAPE - A QUEER ARTS FESTIVAL Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabtavern.com

**JUNE 2-18 HEDDA GABLER** 

Dayton Theatre Guild, daytontheatreguild.org

**JUNE 2-JULY 15 ART EXHIBIT: CYNTHIA KUKLA** 

Edward A. Dixon Gallery, eadgallery.com

**JUNE 3 PRIDE IN THE PARK** Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org

**JUNE 3 DAYTON BEER 5K** 

RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JUNE 8-25 INDIGO** 

The Loft Theatre, humanracetheatre.org **JUNE 8 OPEN COWORKING & LAUNCH PAD** 

The Hub at The Arcade, thehubdayton.com

JUNE 8 ISLAND TIME

Schuster Center, daytonlive.org

**JUNE 8 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES:** THE BOB GRAY ORCHESTRA FT. VOCALIST DEB HUNTER RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JUNE 10 ART BALL** The Dayton Art Institute, daytonartinstitute.org

JUNE 10 RHYTHM OF THE OREGON DISTRICT MUSIC BLOCK PARTY

Oregon District, theoregondistrict.org JUNE 10 FOR DAYTON BY DAYTON FESTIVAL

RiverScape MetroPark, 4dbdayton.com **JUNE 10 THE MUSIC OF PAUL SIMON** 

Schuster Center, daytonlive.org JUNE 10 VIDIA'S CLOSET SIDEWALK SALE

Vidia's Closet, vidiascloset.com

**JUNE 11 JEWISH CULTURAL FESTIVAL** Temple Israel, tidayton.org/festival

**JUNE 11 DAYTON CITY MARKET** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JUNE 11 DAYTON JAZZ FESTIVAL** Levitt Pavilion Dayton, daytonohio.gov

JUNE 13-18 AIN'T TOO PROUD -THE LIFE AND TIMES OF THE TEMPTATIONS

Schuster Center, daytonlive.org **JUNE 15 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES:** 

**BIG GIL BLUES & HIS FUNKY ALL-STARS** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JUNE 16 HOT DOG FEST FOOD TRUCK RALLY** Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabfoodtrucks.com

**JUNE 17 COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE** 

2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood **JUNE 17 SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKER SERIES** 

Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org

**JUNE 21 TRUNK ART SHOW** Front Street Galleries, frontstreet.art

**JUNE 22 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: THE TOM DAUGHERTY ORCHESTRA** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JUNE 23 WATER STREET'S PARTY AT THE PLAZA** Day Air Ballpark, waterstreetdayton.com

JUNE 24 & 25 RAIL FESTIVAL

Carillon Park, daytonhistory.org

**JUNE 25 UNDER THE SUN: AN IMPROVISATIONAL ARTS** 

RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

JULY 1 "INDEPENDENTS" DAY BLOCK PARTY Oregon District, theoregondistrict.org

**JULY 3 CITY OF DAYTON FIREWORKS** daytonohio.gov

**JULY 6 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: THE NEW OLD-FASHIONED** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JULY 10-13 SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATORS:** A BRIDGE ACROSS THE FAULT LINES

Metropolitan Arts Center, musemachine.com/institute **JULY 13** BOB ROSS AUTO GROUP JAZZ & BEYOND:

SILVER LINING JAZZ COMBO The Dayton Art Institute, daytonartinstitute.org

**JULY 13 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: NATURAL PROGRESSION** 

RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JULY 14 DECLARE DAYTON** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**JULY 14 MAC N' CHEESE FEST FOOD TRUCK RALLY** 

Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabfoodtrucks.com **JULY 15 DRAGONS 5K** 

**JULY 19 FIELD DAY** Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org

**JULY 20 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: THE DAYTON JAZZ ORCHESTRA** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

JULY 20 & 21 HALFWAY TO HOLLY DAYS

Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com

The Dayton Arcade, arcadedayton.com

**JULY 21 SCOUT OVERNIGHTER** 

Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com

**JULY 22 GARLIC FEST DAYTON** 

Courthouse Square, facebook.com/DaytonGarlicFest

**JULY 22 & 23 GEM CITY COMIC CON** 

Dayton Convention Center, gemcitycomiccon.com

**JULY 23 STEAM ENGINE (FREE CORN ON THE COB) AT THE MARKET** 2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood

**JULY 23 DAYTON BLUES FESTIVAL** 

Levitt Pavilion Dayton, daytonohio.gov **JULY 23-30 SUMMER RESTAURANT WEEK** 

Various locations, dineoutdayton.com **JULY 28-30 UNITED IRISH OF DAYTON CELTIC FESTIVAL** 

RiverScape MetroPark, daytoncelticfestival.com

**AUGUST 4 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES:** 

**DAYTON SALSA PROJECT WITH SALSA LESSONS** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**AUGUST 4 BIRRIA FEST FOOD TRUCK RALLY** Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabfoodtrucks.com

AUGUST 4-SEPTEMBER 30 WE'RE DOING IT ALL WRONG -**3RD ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION** 

Edward A. Dixon Gallery, eadgallery.com **AUGUST 4** ART IN THE CITY PREVIEW PARTY

Throughout downtown Dayton, downtowndayton.org

AUGUST 4-18 ART IN THE CITY JURIED ART SHOW Throughout downtown Dayton, downtowndayton.org

**AUGUST 5** AES OHIO SUMMER IN THE CITY: **ART IN THE CITY** 

Multiple downtown locations, downtowndayton.org **AUGUST 5-12 NATIONAL FARMER'S MARKET WEEK** 

2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood **AUGUST 8 GROWING BLACK BUSINESS SYMPOSIUM** 

Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org

The Dayton Art Institute, daytonartinstitute.org

**AUGUST 10 BOB ROSS AUTO GROUP JAZZ & BEYOND: KEIGO HIRAKAWA TRIO** 

**AUGUST 10 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: RETROBUTION** RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

**AUGUST 10 2ND THURSDAY: NIGHT AT THE MARKET** 2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood **AUGUST 12 GREAT AMERICAN BEER TASTING** 

Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com **AUGUST 12 DAYTON POTATO FESTIVAL** 

Courthouse Square, facebook.com/daytonpotatofestival **AUGUST 13 DAYTON FUNK FESTIVAL** 

Levitt Pavilion Dayton, daytonohio.gov **AUGUST 17 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: LYD (LIVE YOUR DREAM)** 

RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org **AUGUST 18 DRAGONS MOVIE NIGHT** 

Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com **AUGUST 18 & 19 COME TOGETHER - A ROOFTOP BEATLES TRIBUTE** Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabtavern.com

**AUGUST 19 DRINK LOCAL FEST** Outside of Drake's Gym, miamivalleycraftbeerweek.com **AUGUST 19 & 20 AFRICAN AMERICAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL** 

Island MetroPark, daacf.com **AUGUST 19-25 MIAMI VALLEY CRAFT BEER WEEK** 

Various breweries, miamivalleycraftbeerweek.com

AUGUST 24 SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: THE KIM KELLY ORCHESTRA FT. VOCALIST FELITA LAROCK

# RiverScape MetroPark, metroparks.org

SEPTEMBER THROUGHOUT SEPTEMBER HUNGER ACTION MONTH

WITH THE FOODBANK AT THE MARKET 2nd Street Market, metroparks.org/localfood

**SEPTEMBER 3 DAYTON REGGAE FESTIVAL** Levitt Pavilion Dayton, daytonohio.gov

Day Air Ballpark, waterstreetdayton.com

Anunciation Greek Orthodox Church, daytongreekfestival.com

SEPTEMBER 8 WATER STREET'S PARTY AT THE PLAZA

SEPTEMBER 9 SCIENCE SATURDAYS: IS IT MAGIC? NO IT'S SCIENCE The Engineers Club, facebook.com/ScienceSat **SEPTEMBER 9 & 22 SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKER SERIES** 

Dayton Metro Library, daytonmetrolibrary.org SEPTEMBER 15 SEAFOOD FEST FOOD TRUCK RALLY Yellow Cab Tavern, yellowcabfoodtrucks.com

**SEPTEMBER 16 TASTE OF THE OREGON** Oregon District, theoregondistrict.org **SEPTEMBER 16 HISPANIC HERITAGE FESTIVAL** 

RiverScape MetroPark, pacodayton.org **SEPTEMBER 16 URS RUBBER DUCK REGATTA** 

RiverScape MetroPark, daytonducks.com **SEPTEMBER 17 CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE** 

Carillon Park, daytonhistory.org

**SEPTEMBER 17 BRIDAL & WEDDING EXPO** Dayton Convention Center, bridalshowsoh-dy.com

**SEPTEMBER 17 DAYTON VEGAN FOOD & DRINK FESTIVAL** Courthouse Square, facebook.com/DYTveganfestival

**SEPTEMBER 22-24 OKTOBERFEST** The Dayton Art Institute, daytonartinstitute.org

**SEPTEMBER 27 COLLEGE PREP NIGHT** Day Air Ballpark, daytondragons.com

**SEPTEMBER 30 WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S** Day Air Ballpark, act.alz.org

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