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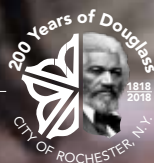
# Recreation

Summer 2018

A COMPLETE GUIDE TO SUMMER CAMPS,  
SWIM AND SPLASH SITES, SPECIAL EVENTS AND MORE!

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**Rochester City Council**

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# Hello, Sunshine!

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## Recreation Facility Rental Information

Rochester Recreation offers a number of facilities for rent for your next family party or special event. These include the rustic Tay House and Lake Riley lodges, the historic Danforth Community Center auditorium, Edgerton Stardust Ballroom, the newly renovated Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park Lodge, and two venues perfect for smaller gatherings - the newly renovated Genesee Valley Park Field House and Norton Village. Gyms and meeting rooms are also available for rent in select R-Centers.

Visit [www.cityofrochester.gov/facilityrental](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/facilityrental) or  
call 428-6755 for complete information.

## Important Dates

### May 28, Memorial Day

Administration Office and R-Centers closed

### June 18 – 22, Staff Training

R-Centers closed

### June 25 – Aug. 17

Summer Recreation Season

### July 4, Independence Day

Administration Office and R-Centers closed

### September 4 -7, Staff Training

R-Centers closed

### September 3, Labor Day

Administration Office and R-Centers closed

### September 10

Fall programming starts





**The City's Summer Recreation Season offers a host of activities for children to keep their minds sharp and their bodies fit while also experiencing the childhood joys of summer vacation.**

These programs engage our youth in sports, art, literacy and a variety of positive activities designed to keep their bodies and minds sharp all summer long. Meanwhile, the City's many parks feature sports fields, playgrounds, picnic areas and rental lodges, making them the perfect place to play or host a family event. City pools and spray parks provide a fun, safe way to learn to swim, join a swim team and beat the heat.

I invite you and your family to take advantage of all that the City's Recreation Bureau has to offer.



*Lovely A. Warren*

**Lovely A. Warren, Mayor**  
City of Rochester, NY



# SUMMER CAMPS

## MAKE THE BEST MEMORIES

### ArtSmart

ArtSmart youth set their imaginations free, exploring visual arts, dance, music, and more in beautiful Cobb's Hill Park. ArtSmart Camp also includes group games and outdoor activities in a spacious, inspiring, outdoor play area. Field trips to exciting and educational Rochester attractions add to the fun. At the end of camp, families are invited to celebrate with a final creative showcase.

### Great Adventures Summer Camp

Great Adventures Summer Camp is a journey of discovery and exploration which will take your camper on countless adventures in a format never before explored through our Recreation and Youth Services programming. Located at the LaGrange R-Center, youth will have the opportunity to pursue their multifaceted interests in one location and awaken interest in areas they may never have gotten the opportunity to experience. Each week the camp will feature a different

theme focused on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and the arts, exploring their environment and sports. A corresponding weekly field trip will bring their areas of study to life intertwining play and learning in the most interactive, hands-on ways possible.

### Youth Sports Camp

In Youth Sports Camp, located in Genesee Valley Park, youth try a different sport each week—no previous experience necessary. Teamwork, mentorship, sportsmanship and positive behavior on and off the field are emphasized. Youth learn skills and healthy habits that are the foundation for a successful future, enjoy fun field trips and the chance to meet professional athletes.

### Why Not All?

Interested in all? ArtSmart, Great Adventures Summer Camp and Youth Sports Camp?

Sign up for a different camp each week! All Camps are offered for youth ages 6 - 13, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily, July 2 - August 24 at the affordable rate of \$100 per week for city

residents, and \$145 per week for those living outside the city. Additional siblings can join in the fun at a \$25 discount. Breakfast and lunch are included.

### Get Started

A diverse group of friends, caring staff, affordable prices and convenient locations are just a few reasons to choose R-Center Camps this summer. Don't miss out on these great programs, they fill up fast! To sign-up, download an application at [www.cityofrochester.gov/summercamps](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/summercamps). For more information call 428-6755.



# R-CENTER PROGRAMS



## FIND YOUR TALENT HERE

### Magnet Programs

R-Centers offer opportunities for youth to explore their passions at “magnet sites” which offer activities centered on focused areas of interest. In these programs, youth learn through investigation, experimentation and problem-solving. Each Magnet Program also includes time for organized play, field trips related to the magnet theme and outings to Rochester’s recreational and cultural attractions. Breakfast and lunch are included. [Register by calling or visiting any R-Center. Programs run June 25 - Aug. 17, Mon. - Fri., 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.](#)

### Sports Center

Youth who play sports do better in school, develop personal discipline and learn how to get along with others. At Sports Center, youth will explore a new sport each week. Kids learn basic skills through age-appropriate clinics, try fitness exercises, practice as a team, play group games and compete in tournaments. The program culminates with the R-Center “Olympics” at the end of the summer. [Available at: Flint Street R-Center.](#)

### Creative Arts Workshop

Creativity is using the imagination to see the world or solve a problem in a new way—a valuable skill for academics and

life. In this arts-infused program, youth can unleash their imagination. Local artists and trained staff will lead daily activities exploring dance, theater, creative writing, music, arts and crafts and more.

[Available at: Edgerton R-Center.](#)

### The STEM Explosion

Exploring STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) subjects with hands-on activities helps youth connect learning to their own lives and the world around them. This program will ignite and expand your child’s interest in science and technology. [Available at: Carter Street R-Center.](#)

### Earth Explorer Expeditions

In this program, youth will discover the great urban outdoors. Kids will explore local parks and natural areas and learn about nature, urban gardening, nutrition, healthy cooking, reusing and recycling and more.

[Available at: Humboldt R-Center.](#)



### ROCmusic Summer Strings Camp

Week 1, June 25 - 29 & Week 2, August 20 - 24. ROCmusic’s week-long day-camps are free and open to city kids age 6-18. The June Camp Week 1 is open to those who have prior musical training, are currently enrolled ROCmusic students, or have already play a bowed-stringed instrument at their school. The August Camp Week 2 is open to new students who are interested in joining ROCmusic during the upcoming school year. [Applications available online: \[www.ROCmusic.org\]\(http://www.ROCmusic.org\)](#)

**New in Summer 2018** ROCmusic joins Recreation on the Move mobile R-Center to offer drum circles across the Downtown community. Join for improvisation, dancing, music and more! [For more information, visit \[www.ROCmusic.org\]\(http://www.ROCmusic.org\).](#)







## Biz Kid\$

Biz Kid\$ is a week-long camp that teaches youth ages 10-13 how to build their own business through a fun and fast-paced program of interactive games and activities. Youth learn how to manage money, make a good impression, set goals and create a business plan. Participants also get real sales experience by operating a lemonade stand at City Hall and pocket the profit! On the final day of camp, youth vie for cash and other great prizes by presenting their business plans to a panel of local business professionals. Many Biz Kid\$ graduates have gone on to create successful businesses selling hand-made jewelry, providing pet-sitting, bicycle repair, and landscaping services and more.

Biz Kid\$ camp is offered in two, week-long sessions at the Danforth Community Center, located at 200 West Ave., July 9 - 13 and August 6 - 10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. City residents can enroll for free; those who live outside the city can participate for \$60. Breakfast and lunch is provided each day. **Space is limited so enroll soon by visiting: [www.cityofrochester.gov/bizkids](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/bizkids)**

# R-Center Locations & Amenities

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|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Playground</b>     | <b>Fitness Center</b>          |
| <b>Outdoor Courts</b> | <b>Computer Lab</b>            |
| <b>Swimming Pool</b>  | <b>Summer Meals</b>            |
| <b>Spray Park</b>     | <b>Community Meeting Space</b> |
| <b>Gym</b>            | <b>Performance Space</b>       |
| <b>Game Room</b>      |                                |
| <b>Teen Lounge</b>    |                                |

## Adams Street

**Address:** Relocating to Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, 141 Adams St. starting June 15, for summer renovations. **Phone:** 428-7266 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Flint Street

**Address:** 271 Flint St. **Phone:** 428-7001 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Roxie Ann Sinkler

**Address:** 75 Grover St. **Phone:** 428-7827 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Closed Sat.

## Humboldt

**Address:** 1045 Atlantic Ave. **Phone:** 428-7294 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Closed Sat.

## Frederick Douglass

**Address:** 999 South Ave. **Phone:** 428-6015 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Thomas P. Ryan

**Address:** 530 Webster Ave. **Phone:** 428-7828 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Avenue D

**Address:** 200 Ave. D **Phone:** 428-7934 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Carter Street

**Address:** 500 Carter St. **Phone:** 428-7890 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## David F. Gantt

**Address:** 700 North St. **Phone:** 428-7149 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Campbell Street

**Address:** 524 Campbell St. **Phone:** 428-7860 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Edgerton

**Address:** 41 Backus St. **Phone:** 428-6769 **Hours:** M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. | Closed Sat.

*The Department of Recreation and Youth Services offers activities for youth ages six and over. A responsible person must accompany, and remain with any child under six. Staff are not authorized to hold youth in most activities or on the premises. Parents may inquire about programs that are designed to allow staff to keep participants until a specific time. Call 428-6755 for more information.*



Did you know that the 113-year old City of Rochester Public Market at 280 North Union Street is a facility and program of the Department of Recreation and Youth Services? And did you know that this iconic Rochester institution is open year-round, and that it also offers almost 50 days each year with free-admission special events such as Community Garage Sales, Food Truck Rodeos, Flower City Days plant sales and Holidays at the Market?

Regular Market shopping days are Tuesday and Thursdays (6 a.m. to 1 p.m.) and Saturdays (5 a.m. to 3 p.m.); special events at the Market are listed in the events calendar listings on page 11 and 12 of this guide.

The Public Market offers a huge volume and wide variety of produce and other foods and general merchandise from the most local to the most international. It is a place to experience culture and community as well as commerce. In many ways, it is an “old world” market experience complete with musicians and other street performers, community organization exhibits and tables, free nutrition and cooking demonstrations, samplings, and much more to enhance your market experience.

### **Variety and Value: Use Your SNAP Benefits at the Market**

The Market Token Program is the nation’s best farmers’ market program for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition “food stamp”) benefit recipients. SNAP recipients simply visit the Market Token Center with their electronic benefits card and receive wooden tokens that function as cash at dozens of Market vendors.

### **An Even Better Market in 2018**

While the Public Market is largely an outdoor experience (we have three covered outdoor vending sheds), a brand-new, state-of-the-art fully enclosed vendor building opened in 2017 as part of an \$8.5 million improvement project. A new outdoor covered vendor shed, modeled beautifully after an original structure that was demolished in the 1960s, provides more opportunity for vendors and even more variety for shoppers.

### **Getting to Market**

If you’re driving, the best access point to the Market is from the Scio Street entrance, which opens into a large surface parking lot. A handy pedestrian/trolley bridge over North Union Street is available from this lot, built on a retired railroad spur. The Market also offers a Bike Incentive/Reward Program for those who use bicycles as transport to the Market, and a free Market Mobile Shuttle from the East End Parking Garage on busy Saturdays from May through October. The first shuttle leaves the East End Garage near the corner of Main and Scio Streets at 8 a.m., and the last one departs the Public Market just across the street from the North Union Street

gateway entrance at 1 p.m. The Market Mobile Shuttle runs in efficient 20-30 minute loops.

The tractor-pulled, open-air Market Trolley also ferries customers from the Market to the distant parking areas and bus stop locations on Thursdays and Saturdays from May through October as well.

### **Selling at the Market**

The Public Market makes it easy for businesses and entrepreneurs to sell their wares to a large, diverse and enthusiastic customer base. To learn more about qualifying products and the vendor process, call 428-6907 Tuesday through Friday mornings, or go to [www.cityofrochester.gov/marketvendors](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/marketvendors). In 2018, qualifying city-based businesses can get their first vending day at the Market free through the new City Entrepreneurs at the Market program. Call 428-7282 for more information.

**Make the Market part of your regular Rochester experience—it’s commerce, culture and community year-round.** For more information, go to [www.cityofrochester.gov/publicmarket](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/publicmarket).



# LEAGUES & LESSONS

## Adult Leagues (Ages 18+)

### Baseball

The City hosts two adult baseball leagues organized by The Rochester Baseball League, a NABA wood bat league. The season begins in late May and runs through early August. For a complete game schedule, or to join, visit [www.rochesterbaseball.com](http://www.rochesterbaseball.com). For more information, contact Nick D'Ambrosio at: 208-8954 or [ndambrosio56@gmail.com](mailto:ndambrosio56@gmail.com).

### Softball and Kickball

Nothing says summer like a game of softball or kickball. The Department of Recreation and Youth Services is set to kick off the 44th season of adult softball leagues at Cobb's Hill Park. The 2018 season brings more improvements to the program - RocSports, LLC continues as the official League Coordinator and will look to further expand the overall portfolio of adult sport offerings to meet the ever increasing demands of our growing city.

The softball program is called "RocSoftball @ Cobb's Hill" and will provide leagues for everyone across all skill levels - a combination of co-ed, mens, and womens specific programs will be offered five nights of the week! To learn more about RocSports, LLC, or to register for the RocSoftball @ Cobb's Hill league, please visit [www.rocsportsny.com](http://www.rocsportsny.com), call our office at 428-6755, send an email to [rocsportsny@yahoo.com](mailto:rocsportsny@yahoo.com), or check out "RocSports" on Facebook.

The Summer softball season begins in May and runs through July. Fall softball leagues run from August until October. Games are played at Cobb's Hill Park. Cost is \$735 per team.

Kickball seasons and pricing vary. More information may be found on the RocSports website at [www.rocsportsny.com](http://www.rocsportsny.com). For more information or to register, call RocSports at 455-7827 or the Bureau of Recreation at 428-6755.

## Adult Lessons (Ages 18+)

### Swim Lessons for Adults

Learn to love the water this summer! Affordable swimming lessons for adults are offered at the Wilson Foundation Academy at Madison. Cost is \$20 per six-lesson session. For complete information, call 428-7888 or visit [www.cityofrochester.gov/aquatics](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/aquatics).

### Tennis Lessons

The City's Adult Tennis Program, in partnership with the Swing Tennis Academy, offers professional instruction for all levels of play. Morning and evening classes are available during four sessions: May 30 - June 26; June 27 - July 24; July 25 - Aug. 21; or Sept. 5 - Oct. 2. Cost is \$99 for eight 90 minute lessons. Pre-registration and pre-payment is required. For complete information or to download a registration form, visit [www.cityofrochester.gov/tennislessons](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/tennislessons).



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# BECOME A BETTER YOU

## LEAGUES & LESSONS

### Youth Leagues

#### Youth Basketball

Youth ages 13 and under are invited to have fun shooting hoops while developing a sense of sportsmanship, increasing self-esteem and learning self-discipline. Games are played Mondays and Wednesdays, 4-7 p.m., July 2 - Aug. 15 at the Edgerton R-Center. Register at the Edgerton R-Center beginning Monday, June 25. [For more information, call Tina Langston at 428-7521.](#)

#### Soccer League

New York State Youth Soccer Association is a co-ed program that offers high quality soccer instruction for city kids. Players learn the rules of the game, practice their skills and engage in team play in a fun environment that focuses on fairness and character development. Teams are divided into five age groups: 3-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-17. The season runs June through July. [For more information, call Nicole Hercules at 305-1136 or Don Corey at 428-7592.](#)

#### Youth Softball

City R-Centers sponsor two softball leagues for youth ages 8-15 (13U and 14-16) focusing on skill development, team play, competition and fun. Tryouts are not necessary and all are welcome. At the end of the season, teams from all the sites vie for the coveted City Championship on August 14 (Rain date August 15). League members are also invited to play in the family-friendly Rochester Invitational Softball Tournament, August 7 - 9. To register, call or visit your local R-Center. The season begins July 9/10 for each league, Mon.-Thurs., 2 - 6 p.m. [For more information call 428-7592.](#)

#### Rochester Rapids Swim Team

The popular Rochester Rapids are a competitive swim team for youth ages 6-18. Swimmers are divided into practice groups by age and ability so each gets the level of instruction they need to progress. New swimmers can practice with the team for a two-week trial period before committing to joining the Rapids. The cost is \$400 per year for city residents; \$575 for non-residents. Summer fees are \$100 for PM practice only and \$150 for AM/PM practices. Scholarships are available for city

residents. The team practices three to six days a week at the Genesee Valley Sports Complex Pool, 131 Elmwood Ave. Register online at [www.rochesterrapids.com](http://www.rochesterrapids.com).

[For more information email \[rrst.register@gmail.com\]\(mailto:rrst.register@gmail.com\) or call 428-7456.](#)

#### R-Center Track Club

A quad-based track club in all four quadrants of the city. USATF age rule guidelines (15-18) apply. Meets will be held on July 19, July 26 and August 2 with a Championship Track Meet held on August 9 at Franklin High School. Additional meets may be available for qualified runners at Penfield High School on Tuesday nights.

[Sign up by contacting Demetrius Bennett at Gantt R-Center at 428-7149.](#)

#### Youth Wrestling

Wrestling requires strength, stamina, speed, technique, strategy and intensity. Wrestling helps youth learn the relationship between effort and achievement. R-Centers, in partnership with the City-Catholic Wrestling Association, offer city youth ages 8-14 a chance to try this unique sport. The team meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, July 2 - August 8, Campbell St. R-Center. [Contact Anthony Calderon at 428-7190.](#)



# LEAGUES & LESSONS

## Youth Lessons

### Summer Swim Academy

The Summer Swim Academy offers free swim lessons for youth ages 6-18 at six different skill levels--from beginner to advanced. Half-hour daytime lesson times vary between 9:30 a.m.-noon, based on skill and enrollment. Evening sessions run from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Lessons are conducted at several indoor and outdoor pools around the city. [For more information or to register, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/swimlessons.](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/swimlessons) Classes begin July 2.

### Youth Tennis Lessons

Learning tennis is like learning to ride a bike--once you learn to play, you never forget. The City of Rochester hosts the Maplewood YMCA's Love 15 Summer Tennis Camp, where youth ages 8-16 learn tennis fundamentals. Morning and evening sessions run Monday through Friday, July 9- August 17. [Contact Chuck Hazlett at 277-1654 or at chuck.hazlett@rochesterymca.org,](mailto:chuck.hazlett@rochesterymca.org) or visit the Maplewood Family YMCA, 25 Driving Park Ave. for more information.

## Keep Your Cool This Summer

### The City of Rochester offers many ways to beat the heat

Indoor and outdoor pools are located at: Avenue D R-Center, Flint Street R-Center, Genesee Valley Sports Complex, Clinton-Baden Community Center, Charlotte HS, East HS, Wilson Foundation Academy at Madison and Franklin HS. The City also offers spray features, especially for the little ones, age 6 and under, at the following locations: 4th and Peck Street Park, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park and at the Troup Street playground.



The City of Rochester's  
**Recreation on the Move Van**  
is rolling into your neighborhood!

[www.cityofrochester.gov/reconthemove](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/reconthemove)



### Spring 2018 (3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.)

DATES	EAST SIDE	WEST SIDE
May 1-4	Ellwanger & Barry Park	Bronson Park
May 8-11	Baden Park	JR Wilson Park
May 15-18	Conkey Corners Park	Tacoma Park
May 22-25	Fourth & Peck Park	Jefferson Terrace Park
May 29- June 1	Grand Ave Playground	JP Riley Park
June 5-8	Pulaski Park	LaGrange Park
June 12-15	University Ave. Playground	Troup Street Park

### Summer 2018 (2 p.m. - 6 p.m.)

DATES	EAST SIDE	WEST SIDE
June 26-29	Fourth & Peck Park	Jones Square Park
July 3-6	Pulaski Park	Aberdeen Square Park
July 10-13	Field St. Playground	JP Riley Park
July 17-20	Ellwanger & Barry Park	Bronson Park
July 24-27	Conkey Corners Park	Jefferson Terrace Park
July 31-August 3	Grand Ave. Playground	Troup Street Park
August 7-10	Don Samuel Torres Park	JR Wilson Park
August 14-17	Marketview Lodge	Tacoma Park





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ONLINE DEADLINE: JUNE 11

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## School is out & summer is in!

This summer, kids ages 18 and under can enjoy a **free** nutritious breakfast and lunch daily at your local R-Center.



To find the nearest site, call 211 or visit: [cityofrochester.gov/summermeals](http://cityofrochester.gov/summermeals)

### **Flower City Days at the Market**

Sundays, May 6, 13, 20, May 27 & June 3:  
8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Also open over Memorial Day Weekend  
(Fri., May 25, Sun., May 27  
and Mon., May 28)

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

Rochester's "Flower City" nickname is alive and well at these huge horticultural sales that bring hundreds of area growers and attract thousands upon thousands of shoppers. At Flower City Days, you can join in Rochester's green revolution by recycling and claiming plant containers of all shapes and sizes. Master gardeners from Monroe County Cornell Cooperative Extension will also be available to answer your gardening questions. Free admission. Want to be a Flower City Days vendor?

Call (585) 428-6907 or go to  
[www.cityofrochester.gov/flowercitydays](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/flowercitydays) for  
vendor information, application forms and  
instructions.

### **Urban Agriculture Garden Conference**

Audubon School #33, 500 Webster Ave.  
Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Join gardeners from around the city of Rochester for a day of hands-on workshops, demonstrations, tours, seed swaps and more. All groups, individuals and skill levels welcome and lunch is provided.

For more information about the event  
and to register, visit:  
[www.rocurbangardens.org](http://www.rocurbangardens.org).

### **Food Truck Rodeos at the Market**

Wednesdays 5-9 p.m., April 25, May 30,  
June 27, July 25, Aug. 29, Sept. 26

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

Food Truck Rodeo have quickly become a Rochester must-do tradition. Rodeos brings up to three dozen of our community's creative mobile cuisine trucks to the Market. Local brew and bands add to the fun. Free admission. For more information visit: [www.cityofrochester.gov/foodtruckrodeo](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/foodtruckrodeo).

### **Flower City Youth Picnic and Planting Day**

Thursday, June 7, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Ontario Beach Park, 4800 Lake Ave.

Each year, thousands of Rochester City School District students visit Ontario Beach Park to plant flowers that they've started in their classrooms. They've learned more than just how seeds grow--they've learned about the importance of plants in our lives. Youth enjoy a day of gardening, free lunch donated by Wegmans, and free rides on the historic Dentzel Carousel. This event is co-sponsored by the Frontier Pioneers.

### **Celebration of Rochester Neighbors and Neighborhoods at the Public Market with NeighborWorks Rochester**

Monday, June 4, 5-7:30 p.m.

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

A public celebration of the neighborhoods and neighbors that make our city strong. Live music, free food, vendors,

neighborhood associations and organizations are all part of the festivities. Free admission.

### **28<sup>th</sup> Annual Maplewood Rose Celebration**

Horticulture, History and Heritage of the Maplewood Neighborhood

Saturday, June 9 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Maplewood Rose Garden, corner of Lake Ave. and Driving Park Ave.

Bring your family and friends for a photo opportunity with over 5,000 roses. Held during the peak of the blooming season, the event focuses on the beauty of more than 300 rose varieties within the historic Maplewood Rose Garden. The weekend will boast garden tours, horticultural vendors, Maplewood history and gorge tours, garden workshops, live music, wine tasting and much more! For a detailed schedule: [www.cityofrochester.gov/maplewoodrosefest](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/maplewoodrosefest)

### **Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament**

Saturday, June 30 and Sunday, July 1  
Downtown

The Gus Macker Tournament is designed so that anyone can play: male and female, young and old, short and tall, the most experienced or not experienced at all. Maintaining the purity and integrity of the driveway game is the goal. Register at [www.macker.com](http://www.macker.com). Mail-in deadline June 2, online deadline June 5. For more information call (585) 748-6804.



# SPECIAL EVENTS

# MORE



### **Beach Bash**

Tuesday, June 26, 5 - 8 p.m.

Roger Robach Community Center,  
180 Beach Ave.

Get into summer at the annual Beach Bash hosted by the City of Rochester, Youth Voice, One Vision Mayor's Youth Advisory Council and the Campbell R-Center. City teens ages 13-18 are invited to enjoy music provided by a DJ, dancing, dinner and performances.

Admission is \$5 at the door, \$3 for youth in registered youth groups that attend with an adult advisor. Youth must present school ID at the door.

### **Rochester Rhinos Soccer Camp Day**

Tuesday, July 10, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

R-Center youth between the ages of 6 and 15 are invited to our first Rochester Rhinos Camp Day field trip. Transportation and a box lunch provided. Come experience a Rhinos practice and autograph session with the players. Interactive games such as bounce houses, speed kick, human foosball plus face painting and a DJ. Each youth will receive an admission ticket to a future game. Additional tickets for parents will be available at a discounted price.

### **Bands on the Bricks at the Public Market**

Friday, July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10,  
6 - 10 p.m.

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

One of Rochester's most popular concert series, Bands on the Bricks proves that the Rochester Public Market isn't just for morning people. Free admission. For more information: [www.cityofrochester.gov/bandsnbricks](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/bandsnbricks).

### **Rochester Youth Triathlon**

Saturday, July 28, 8:15 a.m.

(Race check-in begins at 7:30 a.m.)  
Genesee Valley Park, 131 Elmwood Ave.  
This triathlon is designed for youth ages 6-17. It's Rochester's only youth-friendly, youth-only, youth-distance triathlon. If you can swim, ride a bike and run or walk, come out and give it a try.

Pre-registration is required before 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, July 26. There will be NO registration on race day. To register, call 360-3748, email the race director at [kidstri\\_info@RochesterTriathletes.com](mailto:kidstri_info@RochesterTriathletes.com), or go to [www.rochestertriathletes.com/kidstri](http://www.rochestertriathletes.com/kidstri). Cost: city residents, \$5; non-residents, \$15. Cost for Teen Super Sprint: city residents, \$7; non-residents, \$20.

### **Gospel Jubilee**

Sunday, July 29, 4 - 7 p.m.

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

Organized by Elim Sanctuary Choir, this event features several inspirational music groups from around the region. Free admission. For more information visit: [www.cityofrochester.gov/gospeljubilee](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/gospeljubilee).

### **Buffalo Bills Training Camp**

Beginning in mid-July until mid-August, Join one of three City R-Center trips to the Buffalo Bills Training Camp at St. John Fisher College. As part of this field trip, youth ages 6-14 can meet and interact with the Bills players and try skills challenges in the Bills Experience. Transportation and lunch provided. Call your local R-Center to register.

### **Rochester Red Wings Camp Day**

Tuesday, July 17 at 11 a.m.

R-Center youth ages 6-15 are invited to the annual Rochester Red Wings Camp Day field trip. Come out and cheer our hometown team vs. the Louisville Bats. Transportation and lunch provided. Call your local R-Center to register.

### **Aqua Fest**

Friday, Aug. 3 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Genesee Valley Park Sports Complex pool,  
131 Elmwood Ave.

High school and City R-Center teams will participate in freestyle, back and breast stroke, water basketball, penny diving competitions and more. Participants range from 6 to 15 years of age. Opening ceremonies begin at 11 a.m. with competitions to follow. For more information call (585) 428-7511.

### **Rochester Invitational Softball Tournament**

August 7-9, Time varies from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Cobb's Hill Park, Culver Rd. at Norris Dr.  
Youth who participate in the city-wide R-Center softball league are invited to play in this family-friendly season-ending tournament. Families are invited to cheer on the teams. Visit your local R-Center to learn how your child can enjoy summer softball fun. The Rochester Invitational Softball Tournament is free for youth who are members of the city-wide R-Center softball league.

### **End of Summer Bash**

Thursday, August 16, 12 - 4 p.m.

Frederick Douglass R-Center  
999 South Ave.

Join the fun at the City's End of Summer Bash. Check out performances, displays and interactive activities showing off the amazing accomplishments of youth and teens in City summer programs. Enjoy a cook-out style lunch and musical entertainment. Win prizes, play games, try a new craft, bounce in an inflatable and much more! For more information, contact your neighborhood R-Center.

### **Fourth Annual Bike-In Movie at the Public Market**

Friday, August 24, 7:30 - 10 p.m.

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

Celebrate the booming bike culture in Rochester by two-wheeling it to the Market for an outdoor movie with bicycle organizations and businesses. Register for the Public Market's Bicycle Incentive Program. Food and music. Free admission. Organized in partnership with the Rochester Cycling Alliance. For more information: [www.cityofrochester.gov/bikeinmovie](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/bikeinmovie) (For more on all the bicycle improvements and programs in the Flower City, go to [www.cityofrochester.gov/bikerochester](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/bikerochester))

# ROCHESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY SUMMER PROGRAMS

## Arnett Branch Library

**Saturday Story Times:** 1 - 1:30 p.m., Every Saturday, June, July, and August, Ages 2-5

**Tuesday Story Times:** 11:15 - 11:45 a.m., Every Tuesday, June, July, and August, Ages 2-5

**Arts and Crafts:** 4:30 p.m., every Tuesday in June. 3:30 p.m., every Tuesday in July and August. Ages 12 and under

**Tail Waggin' Tutors: Kids read books to dogs!** 4 - 5 p.m., Wednesday, June 20, Ages 12 and under

**LEGO Club:** 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Thursday, June 21, Ages 12 and under

**Board Gaming Time:** 1:30 p.m., every Thursday in July & August, Ages 6-12

**Seneca Park Zoo Mobile:** 3 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, Ages 12 and under

**Scrap Art with Mary Jane Wenner:** 3 p.m., Wednesday, July 25, Ages 12 and under

**Tail Waggin' Tutors: Kids read books to dogs!** 4 - 5 p.m., Wednesday, July 18, Ages 12 and under

**LEGO Club:** 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 19, Ages 12 and under

**African Drums: Storytelling, Dance, Singing:** 3 p.m., Wednesday, August 1, Ages 8-12

**Kids Cooking Class:** 3 p.m., Wednesday, August 8, Ages 12 and under

**Tail Waggin' Tutors: Kids read books to dogs!** 4 - 5 p.m., Wednesday, August 15, Ages 12 and under

**LEGO Club:** 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Thursday, August 16, Ages 12 and under

**Kids Summer Learning Finale!** 3 p.m., Wednesday, August 22, Ages 12 and under

Note: If you can't make the Summer Learning Finale, don't worry! Summer reading prizes and activities continue through the rest of August!

## Central Library

**African Drums: Storytelling, Dance, & Song:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Monday, July 9, All Ages

**Grupo Cultural Latinos En Rochester presents... Masquerader!** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Monday, July 16, All Ages

**Elements of Hip-Hop:** 1 - 2 p.m., Monday, July 23, All Ages

**Exploration Stations:** 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Thursdays, July 12, 19, 26 August 2, 9, 16,

**Petting Zoo:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Monday, August 6

## Central Teen Programs

**Foiled! ROC Fencing Club:** 3:30 - 4:45 p.m., July 18, Teen Central

**Best Way to Start Your Day. Make brunch like a BOSS:** 2 - 3:30 p.m., July 19, B-Hive

**Taste the Tropics. Spice things UP:** 4 - 5:30 p.m., August 8, B-Hive

**Teen Summer Celebration:** 4 - 5:30 p.m., August 10, B-Hive

**Foiled again! ROC Fencing Club:** 4 - 5:15 p.m., August 22, Teen Central

## Charlotte Branch Library

**Parachute Play for Little Folk:** 1 - 1:20 p.m., Mondays, July 2 - August 13 (except 7/30). Fridays, July 6 - August 17, Ages 2-7

**Mini Davinci's Craft:** 4 - 5:30 p.m., Mondays, July 9 & 23. Mondays, August 6 & 20, Ages 5-10

**Books & BINGO:** 4 - 4:30 p.m., Mondays, July 16 & 30. Mondays, August 13, Ages 5-10

**Story Time at Charlotte Beach Flagpole:** 11 - 11:45 a.m., Tuesdays, July 3 - August 14, Ages 2-10. In case of storm, meet at Charlotte Library

**Bubbles & Chalk Outside Play:** 2 - 3 p.m., Tuesdays, July 3 - August 14, Thursdays, July 5 - August 16, Ages 2-10

**Story Time:** 1:30 - 2 p.m., Fridays, June 29 - August 17, Ages 2-7

**Fun Friday:** 3 - 5 p.m. Fridays, June 29 - August 31, Ages 3-12

**Family Movie Fun:** 5 p.m., Wednesdays, July 11 - August 29. 11 a.m. Saturdays, June 23 - September 1

**Summer Reading Kickoff with The Checkers Show** 2 - 3 p.m., Monday, June 25

**Campfire Story Time:** 6 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 28

**Science VOLCANO Fun:** 6 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 5, Ages 5-10

**African Drumming:** 2 - 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, Ages 5-9, Registration required

**Tail Waggin' Tutor:** 6 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 12, Ages 5-10

**How to Make a Summer Snack:** 1 - 1:30 p.m., Thursday, July 12, Registration required

**Ice Cream Story Time:** 11 - 11:45 a.m., Saturday, July 14, Ages 4-10

**Campfire Story Time:** 6 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 19

**#PLAYROCS:** 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday, July 21

**Christmas in July Party:** 1 - 2 p.m., Monday, July 30

**Science Fair Fun:** 5 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 2, Ages 5-10

**Fire Safety with Engine 19:** 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Saturday, August 4

**Tail Waggin' Tutor:** 6 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 9, Ages 5-10

**Campfire Story Time:** 6 - 6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 16

**End of Summer Luau Party:** 3 - 5 p.m., Friday, August 17

## Teen Summer Programs

**Junior DaVincis Arts and Crafts Club:** 3 - 4 p.m., Tuesdays, July 10 - August 14, Thursdays, July 12 - August 16, Ages 10-16. Registration required

**African Drumming:** 1 - 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, Ages 10-18. Registration required

**Creature Teacher's African Animals:** 1 - 1:45 p.m., Tuesday, July 17

**Live Birds of Prey Demonstration:** 1 - 2 p.m., Wednesday, August 8

## Frederick Douglass Library

**Movie Monday:** 3 - 4:30 p.m., every Monday, July 2 - August 20

**Craftnoon:** 3 - 4 p.m., every Tuesday, July 3 - August 21

**Get in the Game:** 2 - 4 p.m., Thursdays, July 5, 12

**Storytime in the Park:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Thursdays, July 12, August 2, August 9

**WXXI Science Friday:** 2 - 4 p.m., Fridays, July 13, 27, August 10

**Wegmans ZooMobile:** 3 - 4 p.m., Wednesdays, July 18, August 15

**Music and Movement with Missy Reed:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Thursday, July 19

**Fairy Houses:** 3 - 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 25

**Yoga in the Park:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Thursday, July 26

**Music and Movement with Missy Reed:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Thursday, August 16

## Lincoln Branch Library

### Children's Summer Programs 2018

**Boomerang Club:** 10 - 10:45 a.m., Music, merriment, comedy and lots of surprises. Monday, July 2



**Introduction to the Cello with Ms. Adele:** 10:30 - 11 a.m., Includes a cello “petting zoo”. Monday, July 9

**Victory Fitness with Ms. Roslyn:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Tuesdays, July 10 and 24, Ages 3-12 (parents & caregivers welcome)

**The Enchanted Puppet Show:** 10:30 - 11:15 a.m., Wednesday, July 18

**Mini Ark Farm:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., Petting zoo with lots of farm animals. Wednesday, July 25,

#### Teen Summer Programs

**Lego Building Contest:** 2 - 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 27, ages 13-18 only

**African Drum Program with Families First of New York:** 2 - 3 p.m., Thursday, July 5, ages 13-18, but all members of the public are welcome

**Wild Wings Birds of Prey (Part One):** 1 - 2 p.m., Tuesdays, July 10 and 17, Open to the public

**Introduction to Fencing with the Rochester Fencing Club:** 1 - 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 25, Ages 13-18 ONLY. Registration required

**Henna Tattoos Lecture and Application by Roc City Henna:** 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 1, Ages 13-18. Registration required

#### TOY LIBRARY

**Pretend Play Rocks at the Toy Library!** Children ages 3-8 can explore careers using costumes, toys and props. Each week, for six weeks, the front area of the Toy Library will feature a new topic for imaginative, pretend play.

**Week One:** June 25 - June 27 Café Lincoln

**Week Two:** July 2 - July 3 (Closed Wednesday, July 4) Science Lab

**Week Three:** July 9 - July 11 Dinosaur Discovery Center

**Week Four:** July 16 - 18 Ocean Exploration

**Week Five:** July 23 - 25 Home Sweet Home

**Week Six:** July 30 - August 1 Veterinary Clinic

#### Lyell Branch Library

##### FAMILY AND CHILDREN:

##### WEEKLY/RECURRING PROGRAMS:

**Baby Storytime:** Mondays: June, July, August, 11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Ages 0-2

**Craft Tuesdays:** 3 - 5 p.m., Tuesdays: June, July, August. Ages 12 and under

**Preschool Storytime:** 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Wednesdays: June, July, August. Ages 2-5

**Take it out Thursdays:** 3 - 4 p.m., Thursdays: June 28 - August 9. Ages 12 and under

**Friday Flicks:** 3 p.m., Fridays: June 29 - August 10, For children and families

##### ONE-TIME PROGRAMS:

**The Checkers Show and Summer Reading Kickoff:** 6:30 p.m., Monday, June 25

**Mini Ark Farm Petting Zoo:** 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 11

**Rich the Magic Man:** 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 18

**Storybook Cook: Libraries Rock!** 1 - 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 25, Ages 5-12. Registration required

**Happy Pirates:** 2 p.m., Wednesday, August 8

#### Lyell Branch Teen Programs

**Coloring Club:** 1 - 3 p.m., Mondays: June, July, August. 3 - 5 p.m., Thursdays: June, July, August. Ages 13 and up

**Storybook Cook: Libraries Rock!** 3 - 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 25. Ages 13-18. Registration required

#### Maplewood Community Library

**Summer Reading Kickoff with Topher Holt:** 2 - 3 p.m., Wednesday, June 27

**Book Bingo:** 2 - 3:30 p.m., Friday, June 22, Friday, July 20, Friday, August 3, 17

**Storybook Cook:** 4 - 5 p.m., Tuesday, July 17, Ages 6-12

**Storybook Cook:** 4 - 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, Ages 13-17

**Fun with Dominos:** 2 - 3 p.m., Tuesdays, July 3, 10, 31. Tuesdays, August 7, 14

**Lego Lab:** 12:30 - 1:30 p.m., Saturdays, July 7, 21

**Lego Lab:** 2 - 3:30 p.m., Thursday, July 12, 26

**The Checkers Show:** 1 - 2 p.m., Thursday, August 9

**Exploration Station:** 2 - 4 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, 18, 25, Wednesdays, August 1, 8

#### Monroe Branch Library

**Art Makers' Station: Mixed-Up Animal Booklet:** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturdays in June, Ages 4 and up

**Art Makers' Station: One Love:** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturdays in July, Ages 4 and up

**Art Makers' Station: Resist & Reveal Painting:** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturdays in August, Ages 4 and up

**Babies & Books: Infant Story & Play Time:** 2 - 3 p.m., Every Tuesday, Ages 0-18 months

**LEGO Club & Story Lab:** 4 - 4:30 p.m., Every Wednesday, Ages 3 and up

**Summer Reading Kickoff & Registration:** 12 - 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 13, . Ages 12 and under

**Sound Wave Art:** 12 - 5 p.m., Thursday, June 21, Ages 5-12

**Mapping a Day at the Library:** 4 - 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 26, Ages 3-8

**World Instrument Petting Zoo & Makers' Workshop:** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m., Saturday, June 30

**African Stories & Drumming:** 5:30 - 7 p.m., Wednesday, July 11,

**Readers Theater: Bark, George by Jules Feiffer:** 5 - 6 p.m., Thursday, July 19, Ages 5 and up

**Rocking in Pajamas Story Time:** 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 25

#### Phillis Wheatley Library

**Scrap Art:** 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 10

**Magic Show:** 4 - 5 p.m., Monday, July 16

**Libraries Rock Food Fun:** 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 18

**African Drumming:** 4 - 5 p.m., Monday, July 23, Ages 8-12. Registration required

**Butterfly Release:** 4 - 5 p.m., Wednesday, July 25, Ages 7-12. Registration required

**Game Day:** 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Monday, July 30

**Traveling Farm:** 4 - 5 p.m., Monday, August 6

**End of Summer Reading Party:** 5 - 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 15

#### Sully Branch Library

**African Drumming:** 2 - 3 p.m., Thursday, June 28

**Child ID Cards:** 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, For children under 18

**Scrap Art:** 2 - 3 p.m., Thursday, July 12

**Mini Ark Farm Petting Zoo:** 2 - 3 p.m., Wednesday, July 18

**Stories and Swords:** 1:30 - 2:30 p.m., Friday, July 20, Ages 4-12

**KidFit:** 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., Thursday, August 2, Ages 12 and under

**The Happy Pirates:** 11 a.m. - 12 noon, Friday, August 10

#### Winton Branch Library

**Boomerang Club:** 2 - 2:45 p.m., Thursday, June 28, Ages 3-12

**Amazing Magic Joe:** 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., Saturday, July 14, Ages 3 - 10

**Omnipresent Puppet Theatre:** 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m., “The Little Mermaid”, Thursday, July 26, Ages 3-12

**Hula Hooping with Benjamin Berry:** Hoop Dance Instructor & Performer, 2:15 p.m., Wednesday, August 1, Ages 11-18

**The Happy Pirates:** 11 - 11:45 a.m., Wednesday, August 8, Ages 2-10



Pittsford. Genesee Waterways Center's exceptional coaches teach teens and adults to excel at this exciting sport. The unique venue offers controllable water levels for more than 100 days a year.

**The 17th Annual Armond Bassett Canoe and Kayak Race:** Saturday, July 7. New competitors and spectators are welcome.

**Watch the Head of the Genesee Regatta:** Saturday/Sunday, October 6-7, a rowing competition for high school, collegiate, corporate and Masters athletes. Consider getting a team together by July and train in the Corporate Challenge event.



## Wednesday Night Zumba In The Parks



The City of Rochester boasts an array of beautiful parks and green spaces. This summer, the City of Rochester has partnered with the Maplewood Family YMCA to offer family-friendly Zumba classes in beautiful park settings. **All classes are FREE and open to all abilities. Exercise sessions start at 6 p.m.**

**Zumba @ Maplewood Rose Garden.** Meet in the Rose Garden parking lot at Lake Avenue and Driving Park Avenue. • July 11 • July 18 • July 25 • August 1

**Zumba @ Cobb's Hill Park.** Meet at the Lake Riley Lodge Parking lot off of Norris Drive. • August 8 • August 15 • August 22

# BEATS @ BROOKS

*Celebrating South West Rochester Music Talent*  
*Live Music, Food & Community Networking*

**June 14:** Thomas Mariano and Friends  
**June 28:** David Haygood Jr. and Friends  
**July 12:** Bureau Cats Blues Band  
**July 26:** 19th Ward Youth Choir  
**August 9:** To be announced  
**August 23:** Mitzie Collins and Friends

**Brooks Landing @ Brooks Ave.  
and South Plymouth Ave.**

**Facebook@BrooksLandingROC**



# Wednesdays ON THE WATER

**Guided Paddles**  
The Genesee Waterways Center (GWC) is the City of Rochester's partner for adult and youth programming in many things related to our area's beautiful water resources. This summer, bring your family and friends to experience an evening paddling on the beautiful Genesee River, Erie Canal and on Red Creek.

**Adult rowing classes begin "on the water" at Genesee Waterways Center (GWC):** Weekly, beginning April 16 in Genesee Valley Park, 149 Elmwood Ave., past the ice rink/swimming pool complex. Programs are open to anyone 18 and over. Beginner, recreational, intermediate

and competitive rowing programs are held throughout the spring, summer and fall. Join the many happy people rowing with GWC!  
**Daily kayak and canoe rentals:** Daily, beginning May 26. Open for the season Memorial Day weekend at the Genesee Waterways Center.  
**Learn to Row Day events:** Saturday, June 2 at the Genesee Waterways Center from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Give rowing a try! Adults and kids ages 12 and older are invited. Come out and experience this great sport. [Pre-registration online.](#)  
**Try the thrilling sport of whitewater kayaking:** Monday-Friday, Beginning June 25: Youth and adult Whitewater Kayak Clinics happen at Lock 32 (2797 Clover St.) in





297-acre park designed by the "father of landscape architecture" Frederick Law Olmsted- and enjoy woodland trails, wildlife along Trout Lake and scenic views of the Genesee River Gorge.

**El Camino Trail.** 6 p.m., August 23. Meet at Conkey Corner Park at the corner of Conkey and Clifford Avenues. Join the Genesee Land Trust on a walk of the El Camino, a 2.2-mile urban, multi-use trail. The Thomas R. Frey Trail at El Camino, a rails-to-trail project opened in 2012, and is most known for its unique murals and trail markers that reflect the cultural history of the area. Learn more at: [www.mylcamino.org](http://www.mylcamino.org)

and landmarks. The tour ends at the National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House; consider visiting the House, or catch the free shuttle back to the Rundel library.

**Lower Falls Gorge Tour.** 6 p.m., August 2. Meet at the Maplewood Rose Garden parking lot at the corner of Lake and Driving Park Avenues. Join gorge guides on a tour of both the Upper and Lower Falls and learn about the history of the forgotten sites of Carthage and McCrackenville.

**Seneca Park.** 6 p.m., August 16. Meet at the Wegmans Lodge parking lot along the park road in Seneca Park. Join retired City of Rochester Senior Landscape Architect JoAnn Beck on a tour of this unique

**El Camino 5K**  
Join the City of Rochester, Project HOPE and The Genesee Land Trust to celebrate the 6th Anniversary of the El Camino Trail. Choose from a 5K, 2.5K, or 1K walk. All routes will travel along streets and sidewalks through the city's Northeast neighborhood and return on El Camino to Conkey Corner Park. Participate in a group and consider wearing a funky hat or matching shirts to show pride for your team. This will be a fun neighborhood celebration with food, t-shirts and entertainment. When: June 2, 2018. Registration begins at 8 a.m. The event will commence at 10 a.m. Where: Conkey Corner Park (92 Conkey Ave.)  
\*This is a free event, however donations are encouraged.

**Highland Park.** 6 p.m., July 12. Meet outside of the Lamerton Conservatory. Join Monroe County Horticulturist Susan Maney for a tour of Highland Park - the first Olmsted-designed park in Rochester. The tour will highlight the unique and historic trees that make the park such a horticultural gem. Parking available along Reservoir Avenue.

**Downtown Heritage Trail.** 6 p.m., July 19. Meet on the north side of the Rundel Memorial Library Building at the corner of Broad Street and South Avenue. Join Deputy City Historian Michelle Finn for a walking tour of Rochester's Downtown Heritage Trail, an urban path that tells the story of the city's past through its buildings





# THURSDAY NATURAL HISTORY & WALKS

Thursday Evening Walks will highlight the historical and natural wonders of the City of Rochester. Walks last approximately 90 minutes. Wear comfortable footwear.

Thursdays, June 7 through August 23

**Spring Birds in Washington Grove.** 7:30 a.m., Tuesday, May 8. Meet at the kiosk atop Cobb's Hill Reservoir in the open field behind the pine grove (take Reservoir Road off of Highland Avenue). Join naturalist Peter Debdes of the Friends of Washington Grove as we delight in songs and sights of warblers, vireos, thrushes, woodpeckers, kinglets, flycatchers and more. Binoculars needed. Dull green or brown clothing best. Cancelled if high wind or storm.

**Neighborhood of the Arts.** 6 p.m., June 7. Meet outside Starry Nites coffee shop at 696 University Ave. The thriving

Neighborhood of the Arts (NOTA), whose tag line is "Home is Where the Art Is," has transformed into a vibrant neighborhood over the past decade. Take a walk with the Neighborhood of the Arts Association's Evan Lowenstein and be immersed in the past, present and future of this energetic and eclectic area of the city.

**Downtown Rochester.** 6 p.m., June 14. Meet at Midtown Commons, corner of Elm and Cortland Streets. From the redevelopment of Midtown to the Inner Loop Transformation, Downtown Rochester has seen a lot of changes in the past decade. The coming years will bring even more. Take a stroll with City of Rochester Senior Planner/Urban Design Specialist Jason Haremza to see some of these recent changes, learn more about the City's vision for "lively streets," and experience the renewed energy Downtown.

**Washington Grove.** 6 p.m., June 21 and 26. Meet at the kiosk atop Cobb's Hill Reservoir in the open field behind the pine grove (take Reservoir Road off of Highland Avenue). Join members of the Friends of Washington Grove to walk through the canopy of 250 year old oak trees and find out about Washington Grove's natural and cultural history, its many changes and what the future may hold.

**Corn Hill.** 6 p.m., June 28. Meet at Ralph Avery Mall at the intersection of Frederick Douglass and Adams Streets. Join Historian Jim DeVinney on a tour highlighting the history of how the Corn Hill Arts Festival and its supporters saved a historic Rochester neighborhood. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the festival. Learn about an amazing story of civic pride and the rebirth of Rochester's first residential neighborhood.

**Friends of Washington Grove**  
Washington Grove is a 26-acre old growth oak-hickory forest on glacial terrain on the eastern edge of Cobb's Hill Reservoir. Since 2009, Friends of Washington Grove have worked with the City to maintain the grove. New volunteers are always welcome! Join the Friends of Washington Grove for a volunteer day. Check out their website for more information:  
[www.friendsofWashingtonGrove.org](http://www.friendsofWashingtonGrove.org)







Seabreeze Neighborhood. A 10.5-mile ride which includes paved roads, trails and one hill climb.

**Seneca and Turning Point Parks:** July 3. Meet at Seneca Park Zoo parking lot. Cross over to the west side of the Genesee River to ride on the Genesee Riverway Trail north to the Port of Rochester. Spectacular views of the river gorge. Ride on the 4,000-foot boardwalk in Turning Point basin and under the O'Rourke Bridge. A 12-mile ride on a paved trail with a few moderate hills.

**University Ave. Neighborhood of the Arts:** July 17. Begin at the Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St. Ride along University Avenue to view sidewalk art and enjoy the George Eastman House gardens. A 10-mile ride on flat terrain, city roads.

**Park Avenue Neighborhood:** July 24. Meet at the University Avenue Business Center, 1044 University Ave. Ride along East Avenue to view the beautiful mansions along East Avenue and Brighton-Cobb's Hill Neighborhood. A 10-mile ride on city roads.

**Erie Canal to Pittsford:** July 31. Erie Canal Ride: Meet at the Genesee Valley Park pool parking lot, 131 Elmwood Ave. Bike on the Genesee Riverway Trail and explore the Corn Hill neighborhood to view the many historic and stately homes. A 10-mile ride on paved trail and city roads.

**Charlotte Neighborhood and Lake Ontario State Parkway Trail:** August 7. Meet at the Abbott's Charlotte parking lot by Estes Street. Enjoy great views of Lake Ontario and the ponds along Edgemere Drive with beachfront homes. Ride includes a short walk along the Lake Ontario "Secret Sidewalk" by beautiful lakeside homes. A 13.6-mile ride on paved trails and roads.

**Corn Hill Neighborhood:** August 14. Meet at the Genesee Valley Park pool parking lot, 131 Elmwood Ave. Bike on the Genesee Riverway Trail and explore the Corn Hill neighborhood to view the many historic and stately homes. A 10-mile ride on paved trail and city roads.

**Maplewood Neighborhood:** August 21. Meet at the Rose Garden parking lot. Lake Ave. & Driving Park Ave. Ride on the Genesee Riverway Trail through Seneca Park and view the stately homes on Seneca Parkway. Enjoy close-up views of the Lower Falls and the Genesee River Gorge. Ride the El Camino Trail and the Rochester Gas & Electric Middle Falls Dam Trail Bridge. A 9-mile ride on a paved trail and city roads with a few moderate hills.

**Erie Canal Genesee Valley Park to Brighton Town Park:** August 28. Meet at the Genesee Valley Park pool parking lot 131 Elmwood Ave. Bike on the Genesee Riverway Trail and the Erie Canal Trail east to Brighton Town Park. View the University of Rochester Campus, Empire State College Campus and Genesee Valley Park. A 8.5-mile ride on paved trails.





**TUESDAY**

**Guided**

**BICYCLE**

**TOURS**

**Tuesdays, May 1 through August 28**

**All rides start promptly at 6 p.m., please arrive by 5:45 p.m. for ride safety tips.**

**Helmets are REQUIRED for**

**all participants.**

**For more information call:**

**(585) 428-8820**

Explore the city's natural and built environments – rides will highlight neighborhoods, city landmarks, natural wonders and the rich history of our great city. Cancellations due to weather will be made at start time on the site of the ride.

**Northwest Quadrant R-Centers:** May 8. Meet at Rochester Parks Administration Offices (400 Dewey Ave.) This ride will highlight the R-Center facilities located in the NW quadrant of the City including: Edgerton and Campbell Street R-Centers.

**Northwest Quadrant R-Centers:** May 8. Avenue D and Carter Street R-Centers.

quadrant of the city including: Gantt, the R-Center facilities located in the NE (530 Webster Ave.) This ride will highlight the R-Center facilities located in the NE

**1. Meet at the Thomas P. Ryan R-Center**

**Northwest Quadrant R-Centers:** May 8. Meet at the Thomas P. Ryan R-Center

**Southeast Quadrant R-Centers:** May 15.

Meet at Lake Riley Lodge in Cobb's Hill

Park (100 Morris Dr.) This ride will highlight

the R-Center facilities located in the SE

quadrant of the City including: Frederick

Douglas and Humboldt R-Centers.

**Southeast Quadrant Recreation Centers:**

May 22. Meet at the Genesee Valley Sports

Complex (131 Elmwood Ave.) This ride will

highlight the R-Center facilities located in

the SW quadrant of the city including: Flint

Street and Roxie Sinkler.

**Seneca and Turning Point Parks:** May

29. Meet at Seneca Park Zoo parking lot.

Cross over to the west side of the Genesee

River to ride on the Genesee Riverway Trail

north to the Port of Rochester. Spectacular

views of the river gorge. Ride on the 4,000

ft boardwalk in Turning Point basin and

under the O'Rourke Bridge. A 12-mile ride on

a paved trail with a few moderate hills. This

ride is repeated during the River Romance

Weekend, October 9 at 1 p.m.

**High Falls Neighborhood:** June 5. Meet

at the Pont de Rennes Bridge, at the

Centers at High Falls. Travel along the

Genesee Riverway Trail and by road into

the community. Ride through Downtown

Rochester, Genesee Valley Park, Corn Hill

neighborhood and the Susan B. Anthony

neighborhood. A 10-mile ride on flat

terrain, city roads and paved trail. This

ride is repeated during the River Romance

Weekend, October 8 at 1 p.m.

**Genesee Valley Park Neighborhood:** June

12. Meet at the Genesee Valley Park pool

parking lot, 131 Elmwood Ave. Bike on the

Erie Canal, Genesee Riverway, Lehigh Valley

North and Genesee Valley Greenway Trails.

A 12.5 mile ride on flat terrain, paved and

unpaved trails.

**South Wedge Neighborhood:** June 19.

Meet at the Genesee Valley Park pool

parking lot, 131 Elmwood Ave. Bike on the

Genesee Riverway Trail and in the bicycle

lane on South Avenue in the South Wedge,

a neighborhood which is enjoying a rebirth

with new housing and businesses. An 11-

mile ride on paved trail and city roads.

**Durand Eastman and Seabreeze:** June

26. Meet at the Summerville Genesee

River parking lot at the end of St. Paul

Boulevard Enjoy the beauty of Durand

Beach, Durand Eastman Park and the

# Special Events

## Flower City Park Stewardship Opportunities

The City of Rochester's Department of Recreation and Youth Services is partnering with the Seneca Park Zoo Society to sponsor a series of 'park clean-up events' along the Genesee Riverway Trail. All volunteer events take place on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until noon. Tools, gloves and snacks will be provided. Please dress for the weather and bring water to stay hydrated.

To register yourself/your group for one of the clean-up dates, please email Kaila Knight at: [Kaila.knight@cityofrochester.gov](mailto:Kaila.knight@cityofrochester.gov) or call: 428-8804. Please include the clean-up date and the number of participants in your message.

**April 21:** Turning Point Park. Meet in the Turning Point Park parking lot at 260 Boxart St., off of Lake Avenue.

**May 5:** Seth Green Park. Meet in the parking area at Seth Green Park at the intersection of St. Paul Blvd. and Norton Street.

**June 2:** Maplewood Rose Garden/Lower Falls Park. Meet at the Maplewood Rose Garden parking lot at the corner of Driving Park and Lake Avenues.

**August 11:** Seneca Park. Meet at Wegmans Lodge parking lot in Seneca Park (enter the way park road to Wegmans Lodge).

**September 15:** Durand Eastman Beach. Meet at Durand Eastman Beach Parking Lot A (1342 Lake Shore Blvd.).

**Flower City Days at the Market**  
8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Sundays, May 6, 13, 20, May 27 & June 3

Extra events over Memorial Day Weekend (Fri., May 25 and Mon., May 28)

City of Rochester Public Market  
280 N. Union St.

Rochester's "Flower City" nickname is alive and well at these huge horticultural sales

that bring hundreds of area growers and attract thousands of shoppers. At Flower City Days, you can join in Rochester's green revolution by recycling and claiming plant containers of all shapes and sizes. Master Gardeners from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Monroe County will also be available to answer your gardening questions. Want to be a Flower City Days vendor? Call (585) 428-6907 or go to [www.cityofrochester.gov/flowercitydays](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/flowercitydays) for vendor information, application forms and instructions.

## Cornell Cooperative Extension of Monroe County

Look for the Master Gardeners' Annual Plant Sale on May 11 at the Lilac Festival, and their Annual Gathering of Gardeners' Symposium on April 28. For more information: <http://monroe.cce.cornell.edu/>.

## Questions about your garden? Diagnostic Lab:

CCE-Monroe provides a range of diagnostic services to identify plant diseases/insects, weeds, other insects and soil pH. Samples can be brought to the office on St. Paul Blvd weekdays between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

## 3rd Annual Urban Agriculture Garden Conference

Audubon School #33, 500 Webster Ave.  
9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday, May 12  
Join gardeners from around the city of Rochester for a day of hands-on workshops, demonstrations, tours, seed swaps and more. All groups, individuals and skill levels welcome and lunch is provided. For more information and how to register visit: [rocurbangardens.org](http://rocurbangardens.org).

## Saturday Rose Workshops at Maplewood Rose Garden,

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Greater Rochester Rose Society members will provide expert advice on roses and hands-on demonstrations. Meet by the fountain at the Maplewood Rose Garden, corner of Lake and Driving Park Avenues. Free admission and no prior registration. Workshops take place rain or shine.

**May 5:** Rose Pruning. This hands-on workshop will demystify rose pruning and help you get the very best bloom out of your roses.

**October 6:** Winterizing Roses. This hands-on workshop will help you prepare your roses for the harsh winter weather.

## 28th Annual Maplewood Rose Celebration: Horticulture, History and Heritage of the Maplewood Neighborhood

10 a.m.- 6 p.m., Saturday, June 9

Maplewood Rose Garden, corner of Lake Ave. and Driving Park Ave.  
Bring your family and friends for a photo opportunity with over 5,000 roses. Held during the peak of the blooming season, the event focuses on the beauty of more than 300 rose varieties within the historic Maplewood Rose Garden. The weekend will boast garden tours, horticultural vendors, Maplewood history and gorge tours, garden workshops, live music, wine tasting and much more! For a detailed schedule: [www.cityofrochester.gov/maplewoodrosesfest](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/maplewoodrosesfest).





# HORTICULTURAL WORKSHOPS AND TALKS

Free

## Garden Workshops

Get excited about gardening! The City of Rochester has teamed up with Master Gardeners from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Monroe County to provide several garden talks. Talks will take place weekday evenings, 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Department of Recreation Offices at 400 Dewey Ave.

**Tough As Nail Plants for Your Garden.** Thursday, April 12. Learn about the best perennials and annuals to survive difficult environmental conditions.

**Butterflies, Bees and Other Beneficials: Attracting Pollinators to Your Garden.** Tuesday, May 1. Learn how to select perennials that attract pollinators, provide food sources for birds and support butterflies.

## Rain Garden 101 Workshops

These free workshops will discuss the importance of rain gardens, and how you can construct a beautiful rain garden in your yard or community garden. Rain gardens improve storm water management and provide habitat for pollinators and birds. This workshop will cover garden design, plant selection, maintenance and other related topics. Workshops are open to city of Rochester residents interested in learning how to design, install and maintain a rain garden. Registration is required. Space is limited to 10 participants/workshop. Register by calling (585) 820-8860.

**Thursday, April 19.** 6 - 7:30 p.m. Bureau Recreation Offices, 400 Dewey Ave. Registration required by Monday, April 16.

**Thursday, April 26.** 6 - 7:30 p.m. Bureau Recreation Offices, 400 Dewey Ave. Registration required by Monday, April 23.

## Flower City Garden Contest

The efforts of hundreds of dedicated city gardeners have been recognized over the past 20 years through the Flower City Garden Contest. Any gardener may nominate his/her own garden or a neighbor's garden. Recognition and prizes are awarded in several categories, including: 1) Best Use of Container Gardening 2) Best Use of a Water Feature 3) Best Educational Garden 4) Best Community Enhancement Garden 5) Best Wildlife/Butterfly Habitat Garden, 6) Most Interesting Use of Art in the Garden, 7) Most Colorful Garden, and 8) Best Urban Farm/Garden. To register your garden: [www.cityofrochester.gov/gardencontest](http://www.cityofrochester.gov/gardencontest). Deadline for 2018: June 22.







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