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SUMMER IN THE PARKS 2026

Your guide to hundreds
of free experiences in the
Downtown Detroit Parks

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#1 PUBLIC SQUARE IN THE US CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK



EXPLORE DOWNTOWN DETROIT'S PARKS

For over a century, the Downtown Detroit Partnership (DDP) has been a driving force behind Detroit's transformation, including its efforts to create vibrant, award-winning public spaces.

Summer 2026 will bring an exciting lineup of free events, programs, and classes that showcase the city's diversity, energize and engage visitors, and support local businesses and artists. As the leader in Downtown Detroit placemaking, DDP proudly manages and programs the city's most dynamic parks in partnership with the City of Detroit, the Downtown Detroit Business Improvement Zone (BIZ), and Detroit Parks and Recreation.



BEACON PARK



CADILLAC SQUARE



CAPITOL PARK



GRAND CIRCUS PARK



**PARADISE VALLEY PARK
AND PLAZA**



WOODWARD ESPLANADE



EAT + DRINK



LUMEN DETROIT BEACON PARK

RESERVATIONS
+ MORE INFO



Upscale modern American cuisine in a stylish locale. The restaurant offers a large patio, open air rooftop seating, park side dining and panoramic views of Beacon Park and Detroit's skyline.



CABANA 313

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

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GARDNER WHITE

A seasonal outdoor dining destination situated beachside at Campus Martius Park that exudes a sultry, chic style.

Enjoy a fresh, contemporary culinary experience with creative selections and specialty cocktails, plus live entertainment and Happy Hour.

Made possible by generous funding from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation Revitalization and Placemaking Program, the William Davidson Foundation, the Downtown Development Authority, and Grand Prixmiere.

FOR HOURS +
MORE INFO



DOWNTOWN STREET EATS

STREET EATS
SCHEDULE

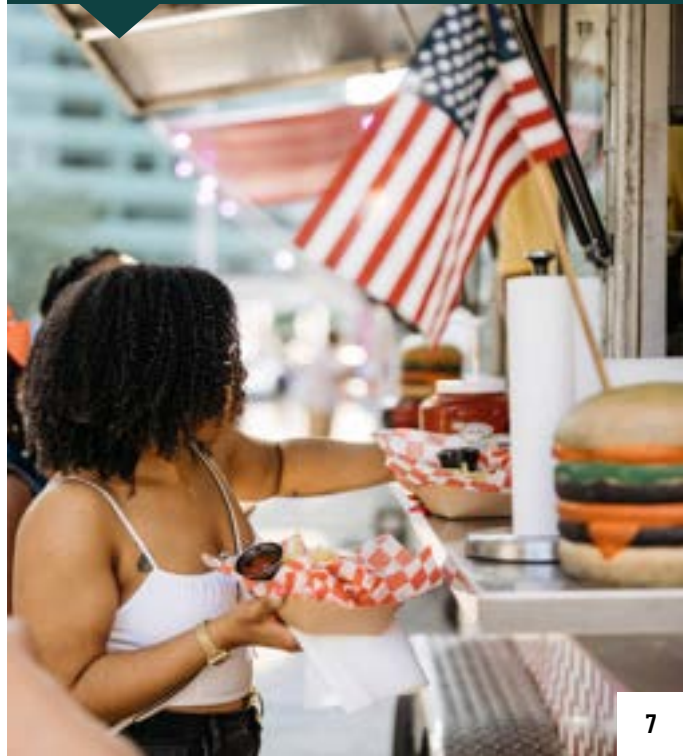


CADILLAC SQUARE

Monday - Friday • 11 am - 3 pm

Now in its 14th season, Michigan's largest and most popular food truck rally offers a diverse mix of delectable cuisine from our rotating fleet of more than 80 food trucks weekdays through October at Cadillac Square.

Take it back to the office or enjoy it at any number of seating areas.





SHOP THE PARKS



DOWNTOWN DETROIT SMALL BUSINESSES

Small businesses are the heartbeat of the city. Downtown Detroit offers endless ways to shop, dine, and discover, with over 300 small businesses creating a vibrant mix of local experiences. Scan the QR code to view our Downtown Detroit business directory and start discovering it all.

FOR MORE
INFO





MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE D

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

Fridays • July 3 – August 28

Movies start at 7 pm

All movies are closed-captioned.

Families and friends can enjoy a variety of beloved films on the big screen at Campus Martius Park during our free outdoor movie series. Bring a chair or blanket to join us on the lawn for a relaxing summer evening under the stars.

July 3

National Treasure | PG

Special America 250 Screening

July 10

Cars | G

July 17

Lilo & Stitch | PG

July 24

A Minecraft Movie | PG

July 31

Anaconda | PG-13

August 7

Zootopia 2 | PG

August 14

Superman | PG-13

August 21

KPop Demon Hunters | PG

August 28

High School Musical | G

New! VIP Movie Night Experience

Guests can enter for a chance to win upgraded seating and an exclusive prize pack, courtesy of

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CAMPUS MARTIUS

BEACH PARTIES



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MORE EVENTS:

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

Select Saturdays

June - September • 6 pm - 10 pm

Soak up the summer vibes at The Beach at Campus Martius Park presented by Diversified Members Credit Union with our free Saturday Beach Parties! Once a month, the sand turns into a dance floor with live music from some of the best local bands and DJs. Kick back with a drink, enjoy the sun, and let the music set the tone for your weekend in the heart of downtown.

PRESENTED BY:



SCHEDULE

June 20 Country Roots Beach Party
Featuring Julian Joel + Ryan Jay

July 18 Rock the Boardwalk Beach Party
Featuring Dusty Mixtape

August 29 Y2K Pop Punk Beach Bash
Featuring The Crampton Brothers

September 19 Sol Beats Beach Fiesta
Featuring DJ Sabor

SAND STAGE
PRESENTED BY:





THE BEACH AT CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

PRESENTED BY: **Diversified**
MEMBERS CREDIT UNION

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

Open Daily • Ages 21+ after 9 pm
June - September

The Beach at Campus Martius Park is a sun-soaked oasis that offers a uniquely Detroit experience. It's the perfect place for visitors to sit back and relax, build sandcastles with the kids, take in live music, people watch and enjoy a refreshing cocktail with friends.

TACOS + TRIVIA

CABANA 313

Tuesdays • June 30 – September 15
6 pm – 8 pm

Trivia kicks off at 6 pm and is free to play, with fun prizes for the top teams. Whether you're rolling deep with your trivia crew or just stopping by for the tacos and summer vibes, this is the perfect way to unwind midweek.

No registration needed—just show up, grab a drink, and get ready to play!

PRESENTED BY:

The Finnish
**LONG
DRINK**
Legend of 1952



THURSDAY MARKETS

CADILLAC SQUARE

Thursdays • May 21 – August 27 • 11 am – 3 pm

Discover something new and support local at Thursday Markets in Cadillac Square. This lively pop-up brings together small business owners, entrepreneurs and artisans each week, offering everything from handmade accessories and beauty products to tasty takeaway bites. It's the perfect way to champion Detroit's creative community.

SUMMER MUSIC SERIES

BEACON PARK

Select Saturdays 7 pm - 10 pm

Get ready to take your city nights to another level! Enjoy the sounds and energy of Downtown with live music, select vendors, seasonal beverage offerings and parkside dining by Lumen Detroit. The three-part outdoor music series will feature exciting acts including:

June 27: Thornetta Davis (Soul/R&B)

July 25: Mega 80s (Rock/Pop)

August 22: Rob Stone (Rock/Country)

Visit DTEBeaconPark.com for more information.



CAMPUS KIDS DAY

PRESENTED BY:

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

Select Days 1 pm - 5 pm



Join us for Campus Kids Day presented by Corewell Health and supported by the Detroit Zoo. Families and attendees can enjoy a fantastic array of themed entertainment and hands-on activities.

July 12: Under the Sea Splash

August 9: Back to School Bash

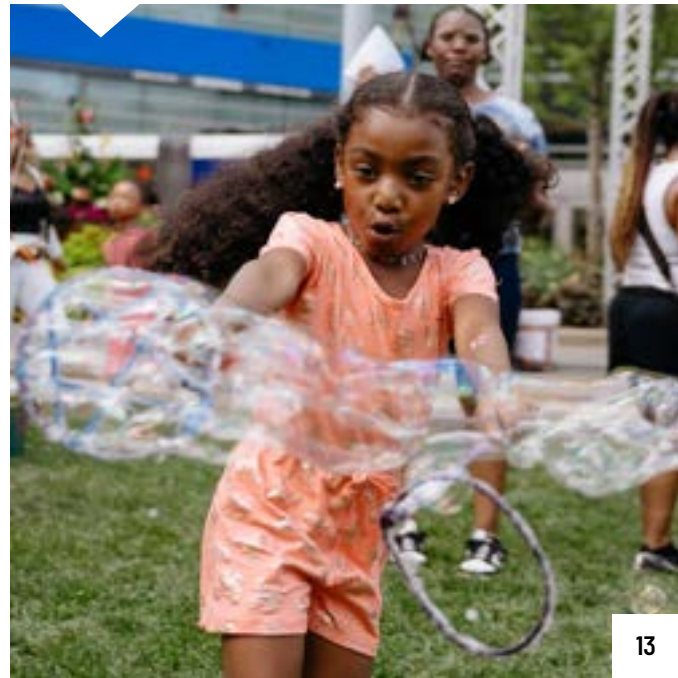
September 13: Harvest Hangout

October 4: Lil' Boo Bash

SUPPORTED BY:



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CITY GLOW YOGA

CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK AND BEACON PARK

Monthly Mondays at Campus Martius Park
June 15, July 13, August 10, September 7
Class begins at 7 pm

Monthly Mondays at Beacon Park
June 29, July 27, August 24, September 28
Class begins at 7 pm

Designed to give fun-seeking Detroiters an escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, City Glow Yoga is a feel-good, city-inspired yoga program that hosts immersive outdoor yoga sessions using silent disco technology. Plan to bring a yoga mat and water bottle.

REGISTRATION
REQUIRED-\$10



COMMUNITY YOGA WITH CITIZEN YOGA

CAPITOL PARK

July 5 - August 26
Sundays • 7 pm - 8 pm
Wednesdays • 6 pm - 7 pm

Take time to center yourself with free yoga classes led by a certified instructor, while enjoying the peace and serenity of this activity in our beautiful outdoor park.





WORKOUT WEDNESDAYS

BEACON PARK

Wednesdays • July 8 - August 26
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Get your heart rate up and join us for free fitness classes and a unique outdoor recreation experience. Beacon Park is proud to bring back First Responders 4 Fitness to co-host this exciting activation. Join us at Beacon Park for this community focused series that will help participants improve health, wellness and social connections. All fitness levels are welcome.

PICKLEBALL

BEACON PARK

Monday - Friday: 6 am - 5 pm

Saturday - Sunday: 6 am - 9 am & 6 pm - 10 pm

April 13 - June 15

HOURS MAY VARY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, LEAGUES, AND TOURNAMENTS.

Join us again this year as Beacon Park brings the fastest growing sport in the country back Downtown! Pickleball at Beacon Park offers an active, social experience in a vibrant downtown setting. With open play, two courts, leagues and tournaments, the program is intentionally designed for beginners and experienced players alike. It's a fun and energizing way to stay active and connected to the local sports and fitness community.

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JOIN A LEAGUE



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:





SCULPT & GLOW WITH SCULPT PILATES

CAPITOL PARK

Biweekly Fridays • July 10 - September 25 • 11 am

Experience a dynamic, inclusive Pilates class designed for all levels. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned pro, this class will take you through a full-body movement journey that challenges and strengthens your core.

REGISTRATION
REQUIRED



RADIANT DETROIT: A FESTIVAL OF ARTS, CULTURE, AND WELLNESS

BEACON PARK

September 26 • 2:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Join InsideOut Literary Arts for an immersive day of activities and performances celebrating arts and wellness and Detroit's vibrant community spirit! The all-ages program will celebrate the end of summer and will feature a captivating lineup of poetry and musical performances and community-led activities for the whole family including: cardio-drumming, sound meditation, make and take art experiences, book giveaways, and much more.

YOUTH UP FRIDAYS

CADILLAC SQUARE

Fridays • May 8 - June 12 • 6 pm - 9 pm

A weekly series created to give young people a safe, welcoming space to connect, unwind, and access supportive resources. Each event will feature the Detroit Phoenix Center's 40-foot YouthUp Mobile Unit, along with food, games, and interactive activities designed to build connection, community, and a sense of belonging among youth.

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:



Detroit Phoenix Center
A PLACE WHERE YOUTH RISE

MEET ME AT NICK GILBERT WAY

Set between the Hudson's Detroit block building and tower, Nick Gilbert Way is your go-to destination for energy and entertainment. From refreshing cocktails at Twist, a new pop-up bar, to games, live music, books and more, this lively spot brings the spirit of summer to the heart of the city.



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CAPITOL PARK + GRAND CIRCUS PARK DOG PARKS

Open daily • 6 am - 10 pm

These off-leash parks are for both dogs and people to connect, meet their neighbors and relax.

DOG PARK EVENTS

GRAND CIRCUS PARK

Select Saturdays • 2 pm - 4 pm

Bring your pup to Grand Circus Dog Park, where every visit feels like a celebration. Monthly themed events, treats, and surprises keep things fresh for Detroit's coolest dogs and their owners—a perfect place to play, socialize, and have a howling good time.

PRESENTED BY:



SCHEDULE:

July 25:

Bark-B-Q

August 22:

Island Time Paw-ty

September 26:

Fetch + Flannels

October 24:

Howl-O-Ween

SUPPORTED BY:



Michigan Humane

CONQUERED: DETROIT FREE PRESS MARATHON AFTER PARTY

CADILLAC SQUARE +
CAMPUS MARTIUS PARK

Sunday • October 18 • 8 am - 2 pm

Conquered is the annual after party where runners and their supporters gather following Sunday's Detroit Free Press Marathon race events. It's a chance for everyone to relax and celebrate in a casual atmosphere positioned right near the finish line in Cadillac Square.



CIDER IN THE CITY BEACON PARK

Select Saturdays and Sundays
October 10 + 11, 17 + 18
1 pm - 5 pm

Beacon Park is excited to bring back its widely popular annual Cider in the City fall festival.

This family friendly weekend activation features live music, fresh donuts, hot and cold cider, a pop-up pumpkin patch, hayrides, food trucks, photo vignettes, outdoor dining and seasonal drinks by Lumen Detroit – all in the heart of the city.

Visit DTEBeaconPark.com for more information.

FALL 2026 PREVIEW

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PARK RENTALS

Looking for an unconventional convention space?

The Downtown Detroit Parks offer world-class venues, each with its own unique amenities and character for a wide array of events. These include private and corporate events, brand activations, film and video shoots, and wedding ceremonies.

NEED HELP WITH THE DETAILS?

Our experienced rental team also offers event planning and coordinating of logistical and operational services. Contact us to help you plan a one-of-a-kind and unforgettable event.



CONTACT OUR RENTALS TEAM
TO GET A PERSONALIZED QUOTE

MAKE A GIFT OF SUPPORT

DID YOU KNOW the Downtown Detroit Partnership is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit?

While DDP works closely with the City of Detroit, our parks and public spaces are not funded by city tax dollars. Every detail you enjoy—from the energy of Campus Martius Park to the beauty of Capitol Park, and the programming that brings people together year-round—is made possible by the generosity of corporate partners, grants, and people like you.

SCAN TO
DONATE TODAY!



PLAN YOUR VISIT

PARKS HOURS

Open daily 6 am - 10 pm unless otherwise noted and for special events. Areas of the parks may be closed occasionally for maintenance or private events.

ACCESSIBLE ACCOMMODATIONS

DDP strives to increase independence, opportunities, community participation, safety and wellness for persons with disabilities in the Downtown, and to ensure inclusion, representation, and equity for persons with disabilities as it relates to employment, programs, and services.

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

Convenient and affordable parking options are available steps away from the Downtown Detroit Parks. Public transit is also a great way to navigate the city, including DDOT, SMART, FAST, The People Mover, QLINE, rideshare, and MoGo.

For locations, hours, pricing and to book your space in advance, scan below.

TRANSIT INFO:



PARKING INFO:



DOWNTOWN DETROIT BIZ AMBASSADORS

A program of DDP's Business Improvement Zone (BIZ), Ambassadors are easily recognized by their distinctive yellow jackets and are trained to offer hospitality assistance to residents and visitors. Ask them for help or tips on how to make the most of your experience throughout the city and the Downtown Detroit Parks
Ambassador Hot Line: 313.963.2225

LOST AND FOUND

To inquire about lost or found items in the park, visit DowntownDetroit.org

FREE AND FUN FOR ALL

Downtown Detroit Parks offer public programming that is free and open to all. Each year, the DDP produces, hosts and co-presents more than 1,200+ events across 18 parks and public spaces.



SCAN HERE FOR A FULL LINEUP OF FREE ACTIVITIES.



DON'T MISS THE FUN! SCAN TO JOIN OUR NEWSLETTER

GENERAL QUESTIONS?

Please contact DDP Parks at **313.566.8250** or visit DowntownDetroit.org.

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