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## Summer Kids in the Park

-- Another schedule of fun



and healthy activities for kids during the summer months is now underway in three of Gresham's largest parks. Free and open to all kids under 18, events are scheduled for two hours every weekday at Main City, Vance and Red Sunset parks. A free lunch will be served, and kids can just drop in. No advance registration is required.

**Uniquely Oregon Photo Exhibit** -- An impressive collection of photographs celebrating people, places, and a potpourri of images unique to Oregon is the theme of this photo exhibit on public display through July 31 in the George R. White Library and Learning Center at Concordia University in northeast Portland. The art can be viewed during normal library hours.

**Vancouver Juneteenth** -- The Vancouver chapter of the NAACP invites the community to celebrate Juneteenth, commemorating the abolition of slavery in the United States, on Saturday, June 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Vancouver's Marshall park, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd. Visitors are encouraged to bring blankets and chairs and there will be open lawn space for families to set up



**A.J. Java Hosts Concerts** -- A.J. Java, a community cafe across the street from Peninsula Park at 6425 N. Albina Ave., welcomes the public to a series of free summer concerts each Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., and featuring Cuban sandwiches and a potpourri of Latin sounds.

**Norman Sylvester** -- Boogie Cat Norman Sylvester and his band perform Saturday, June 20 at 2:15 p.m. at the Cider Summit Festival at Fields Park, 1099 N.W. Overton St.; Saturday, June 20 at 10 p.m. at Hood River Saloon; Wednesday, June 24 at 6 p.m. at the Hawthorne Lobster House; and Friday, June 26 at 9 p.m. at the Rouge Pub.

**Girls Group at Mississippi Studios** -- PINS, a Manchester, England-based girls group accumulating high praise and a growing fan base with their debut album *Girls Like Us*, brings their world tour to Mississippi Studios in north Portland, Thursday, June 18. The group has a new album 'Wild Nights,' and a new track 'Molly,' an ode to their party lifestyle.



**Soulful Showcase** -- Blaque Butterfly presents spoken word, live music and featured artists on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 8

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p.m. at E'Njoni Café, African-Mediterranean cuisine at 910 N. Killingsworth St.

**Confronting our Humanity** -- The 23rd Portland Jewish Film Festival, produced by the Northwest Film Center and co-presented with the Institute for Judaic Studies, continues through June 28 at the Portland Art Museum. The featured films celebrate the diversity of Jewish history, culture, and identity, but also resonate beyond their settings and speak to experiences and issues that confront our common humanity.

**Neil Sedaka at Spirit Mountain** -- Legendary musician and composer Neil Sedaka will grace the stage at Spirit Mountain Casino in Grand Ronde, for one night only, Saturday, June 27.

**Chicago Steppin' Classes** -- You have seen the R. Kelly video, now it's time to learn the dance. Groovin' High Steppers offer Chicago Steppin' classes at the Rockwood Community Center and the Colwood Golf Center. All levels are welcome. No partner is needed. First two lessons are free; \$20 monthly fee includes both locations. For an event schedule, announcements and more information, visit the website [groovinhighsteppers.com](http://groovinhighsteppers.com)

**Portland's Saturday Market** -- Portland Saturday Market in Old Town brings some of Oregon's best handmade products, good eats and live entertainment from street musicians and other artists. Located next to the Willamette River at 2 S.W. Naito Parkway, Saturday Market is also open every Sunday through Christmas Eve.

**Music Millennium Free Shows** -- The Music Millennium, 3158 E. Burnside, hosts in-house live performances. Enjoy free music and the opportunity to meet artists. Call 503-231-8926 for a schedule.

**Fourth Sunday Jam Night** -- A friends and family variety comedy show in a Saturday Night Live format with local recording and performing artists, bands, dance crews, poets, and drama groups, takes place each fourth Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. at Celebration Tabernacle, 8131 N. Denver Ave. The free event is open to the community.

**Live Jazz** -- Every Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., the Third Degrees Lounge at the River Place Hotel, 1510 S.W. Harbor Way. No cover or minimum purchase. For more information, visit [pdxjazz.com](http://pdxjazz.com).

**Oregon Black History** -- The Black Museum of Oregon group meets every Saturday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 420 N.E. Mason St. For more information, call 503-284-0617.

**Discount Tickets** -- Local low-income families and individuals can purchase \$5 tickets to classical musical performances in Portland as part of a unique program called Music for All. Participating organizations include the Oregon Symphony, Portland Opera, Oregon Ballet Theater, Chamber Music Northwest, Portland Youth Philharmonic, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Friends of Chamber Music, Portland Chamber Orchestra, Portland Piano International, Portland Symphonic Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.

**Discount Admission** -- OMSI visitors pay only \$2 per person for general admission on the first Sunday of each month as well as discounted admission of \$5 to the Planetarium, OMIMAX Theater and USS Blueback submarine.