



Let Your Imagination Soar with *ParkArts*

The District's parklands and waterways comprise perhaps the foremost underutilized resource for the performing arts. This summer, our *ParkArts* program offers DC residents a free mobile outdoor, interactive arts and cultural experience that also activates our parks & greenspaces.

Beginning on July 13th, bring a blanket and the whole family to our weekly movie series at Marvin Gaye Park and Oxon Run Park.

Marvin Gaye Park will also host *Phife is Living/Park Jam*, a music celebration and volunteer service day on July 16th. On National Dance Day, July 29th, be sure to visit the Marvin Gaye Amphitheater for an exciting dance showcase.

See the Greening Center!

Long thought to be a private lot, the Marvin Gaye Greening Center has become a model of intensive year-round greening and urban agriculture. The site is also a base for urban forestry, green jobs, park reclamation, and education. Dozens of partners, thousands of volunteers, and 173 DC Green Corps trainees have helped this dream come to life. The site is open to the community as a place for learning and inspiration.

Come join the Green Corps and our partners at DC Urban Greens as we continue to make this farm park come alive for all.



How Parks Inspire Justice

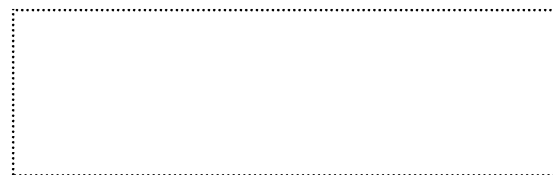
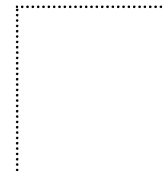
On DC Emancipation Day, Parks & People gathered with community residents to light over 2,000 candle luminaria in honor of thousands of African Americans who were buried in what is now Adams Morgan, after they gained their freedom during the Civil War. Each illuminated candle was a tribute to four of the people who were buried under Walter Pierce Park, making it the largest unmarked African American cemetery in the capital. At least 8,428 African American men, women, and children were buried in the Mount Pleasant Plains Cemetery between 1870 and 1890.

A community partnership has completed an archaeological study about the cemetery to help document the most sensitive areas of the site. This information will inform the development of a park master plan for the site, which will seek to permanently protect the remains, to tell the stories of those buried there, and to provide a way for future generations to honor them.

Parks & People is committed to standing up for all the ways parks bring deeper justice by helping to prevent violence, crime, and incarceration. Parks create a sense of unity and community by bringing people together to care for the environment. Join us on August 2nd at Marvin Gaye Park to celebrate *National Night Out*, a campaign promoting police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, better places to live for all.



Riverside Healthy Living Center
601 Division Ave NE
Washington, DC 20019



THINK OUTSIDE CALENDAR SUMMER 2016

Play, Arts, & Justice!

Washington Parks & People invites you to embrace *play, arts, and justice*, as we *Think Outside* this Summer! Our calendar provides a sample of outside-based events, programs, trainings, and activities focused around these themes that we hope will inspire new ways of thinking about community health.

In June, Parks & People will focus on *play* by asking how can parks catalyze youth development with outdoor learning opportunities. In July, we celebrate the power of *art & culture* with our ParkArts programs, which will bring music, movies, and art to parks in Wards 7 & 8.



In August, we will look at all the ways parks are connected to *justice & civil rights*. Share your ideas & find events happening in parks near you!

JUNE

Play

4	Community Gathering and Survey at Marvin Gaye Park, 11AM-2PM (cookout, music, games)	10	Deloitte and Richardson Dwellings Day of Service at the Marvin Gaye Greening Center, 10AM	11	World Oceans Day at the National Zoo, 10AM (activities, games, & crafts)	12	-East River Jazz Festival at Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens, all day -Yoga District's South Garden Classes at Parks Center, all day	13	-East River Jazz Festival at Anacostia Playhouse, all day -Community Herbalism by Signs of Jonah at Parks Center, 6PM
16	Paddling/Kayaking with Anacostia Watershed Society at Bladensburg Park, 5PM	17	17-19 DC Jazz Festival at Yards Park (concerts and live music all day)	18	-Play Date in Marvin Gaye Park, 12 –2PM (food & games) -Columbia Heights Day(food & music) 11th & Kenyon NW, 11AM	19	Pennybrew Coffee Pop Up at Riverside Healthy Living Center, 8AM-4PM	20	-Pennybrew Coffee Pop Up at Riverside, 8AM-2PM -Soular Sunday 2016 Kickoff -Clay Terrace Summer Camp begins

23	-Canoe Tour of Anacostia at Community Boathouse, 5:30PM -One Common Unity <i>Fly by Light</i> film at MLK Mem., 7:00PM	25	-Pre-4th of July w/Homes for Hope at Lincoln Heights, all day -Thursday Network Sports Jam at Anacostia Park, 10AM	30	Anti-Violence Youth Summit at Friendship Collegiate Academy 4095Minnesota Ave NE, 10-3PM	<h1>JULY</h1> <h2>Arts</h2>		5	Balance Gym hosts FREE fitness classes at Yards Park, 7pm M-Th (classes go on all month)	6	-Beat The Streets at Marvin Gaye Park, 2:30PM -Minds to Ride Bike Repair at Riverside, 1-4PM W-F & 10-2, Sat
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9	-DC Youth Orchestra at Malcolm X/Meridian Hill Park, 4:30PM -Clay Day! 272 53rd Street NE, 1PM-6PM (food, games, music)	16	Park Jam/Phife is Living at Marvin Gaye Park	23	-DPR Triangle Park Series, 11-12:30PM 3151 Alabama Ave SE -Wd 7 Clean Up,10-12 (Benning Metro) -Block Party at Unity Health Center,1PM	<h1>AUGUST</h1> <h2>Justice</h2>		1	Balance Gym hosts FREE fitness classes at Yards Park, 7pm M-Th (classes go on all month)
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<p>Check out our website at www.washingtonparks.net/calendar for the most up-to-date information on events and programs in parks citywide! Bold events are organized by Parks & People.</p>		2	National Night Out: Walk for Peace at Marvin Gaye Park and River Terrace, 6PM	5	Youth Summit at Marvin Gaye Park	20	-Giant Panda Birthday Celebration at National Zoo -Ward 7 Clean Up Day at Minnesota Ave Metro Station, 10-Noon	27	Capital Dragon Boat Races at the Southwest Waterfront
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PARK LOCATIONS

- ANACOSTIA PARK**
lines the east side of the Anacostia River in SE & NE DC
- BLADENSBURG PARK**
4601 Annapolis Rd (MD)
- COLUMBIA HEIGHTS GREEN**
11th & Park Road NW
- KENILWORTH AQUATIC GARDENS**
1550 Anacostia Ave NE
- MARVIN GAYE GREENING CENTER**
5000 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave NE
- MARVIN GAYE PARK**
Nannie Helen Burroughs & Division Ave
Walks start at 51 & Bank St NE
- MERIDIAN HILL/ MALCOLM X PARK**
15th/16th Streets & Euclid St NW
- OXON RUN PARK**
along Mississippi Ave NE
- YARDS PARK**
355 Water St SE

Every week at the Riverside Healthy Living Center:

Marvin Gaye Park (601 Division Ave NE)

- Saturday:** Taekwondo, 10am-12p; Healthy Cooking Classes w/Chef T (July 9-Aug 13), 10-12:30pm; Park Walk 11am; Farm Market 10-2pm
- Sunday:** African Drum & Dance, 2-4pm
- Monday:** Words, Beats & Life (July), 3:30-7pm (www.wblinc.org); Citygate Bike Rides w/ Ms. Vicks, 11am-1pm
- Wednesday:** Words, Beats & Life (July), 3:30-7pm; Taekwondo, 7-9pm
- Thursday:** Movie Night in Marvin Gaye Park (July), 7pm

HOW DO I VOLUNTEER?

Want to help the parks this Summer? We accept volunteers for needs across Parks & People.

Read more at washingtonparks.net/volunteer or connect with us on Volunteer Match.

Every Week at the Josephine Butler Parks Center:

Meridian Hill/Malcolm X Park (2437 15th St NW)

- Sunday:** Drum Circle 3-9pm
- Monday:** Yoga w/Sign of Jonah Healing, 6-8:30pm
- Tuesday:** Jazzercise w/Pretha Mitchell (jcls.jazzercise.com), 8pm
Swing Dancing w/The Jam Cellar (www.thejamcellar.com), FREE lessons 8-9pm, \$8 Dance 9-11:30pm
- Wednesday:** Parkside Chats w/ Parks & People, 6:30pm last Wednesdays of each month.

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