

Parks & Recreation



January - July 2023 Program & Event Guide  



"Promoting Community Wellness"

About

From the Superintendent

The Auburn Parks and Recreation Department is dedicated to providing opportunities to get our residents outdoors to enjoy all of the natural experiences and events that we have come to know and love. We are proud of the City's parks which allows us to offer an exceptional level of recreational experiences in-line with the high expectations of our citizens.

One great example of this top tier service is our Rieke Trail System, which had nearly 43,000 recorded trail users in 2022. As we move into 2023, connecting with our users is a top priority and we look forward to serving you and your recreational needs.



Eric Ditmars
Auburn Parks and Recreation Superintendent

Program Registration

Head over to our website (auburnin.recdesk.com) and click on the Programs tab to see all available programs and events for 2023. To register, click the green "Register Now" button next to the program you are interested in attending and follow the prompts.

Payment & Refund Policy

Payments for programs and events must be received 5 days prior to the scheduled program. No refunds will be given unless program or event is cancelled by department. We can accept credit card (Visa, Mastercard, or Discover), exact cash, or a check. Credit card payments are subject to a 1.66% fee.

Thank you to our Sponsors

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Youth Programs

Kids' Free Flow Painting

Leave the mess with us and create a pour painting masterpiece! All classes are at the Parks & Recreation office and are \$10.

January 17 | 5:30 p.m.

February 17 | 5:30 p.m.

March 17 | 5:30 p.m.

July 21 | 5:30 p.m.

Summer Pop Ups

Head to your neighborhood parks on the for some summer fun, sponsored by The James Foundation, Inc. Check our Facebook page for more details!



Mosaics with Mom

May 5 | 6:00 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office | \$5

StoryWalk®

June, July, and August

Read a family-friendly story while taking a walk around Eckhart Park all summer long! Our StoryWalks® are sponsored by Kelly York, Realtor/Broker.



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CAMPS

Full Camp Session 1: June 5 - 9

Mini Camp Session 1: June 26 - 28

Full Camp Session 2: July 17 - 21

Ages: 5-10 years

Drop Off: 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.

Pick Up: 3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Rieke Lodge - 1600 N. Indiana

\$100/Full Camp Session

\$60/Mini Camp Session

Registration Deadline:

Friday, May 26



Adult Programs

PAINTING WITH SHERIAN

Join our talented artist Sherian for step-by-step instructions in creating unique works of art. Pour painting is great for people of all artistic abilities and makes for a great date night, family outing, or friends' night out activity!

All classes are held at the Parks & Recreation office and are \$20.

Blow Dryer Pour
January 13 | 6:00 p.m.

Chain Pull Pour
February 10 | 6:00 p.m.

Wooden Easter Eggs
March 10 | 6:00 p.m.

Blow Dryer Pour
April 14 | 6:00 p.m.

DIY ADULT CRAFTS

Doormats

Choose between two designs to paint onto your own doormat that will make a statement at your front door.

January 27 | 6:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$20

Floral Jewelry Tray

Create a customized jewelry tray with pressed flowers.

February 24 | 6:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$20

Spring Wreath

Get ready for spring with a custom made wreath. You will receive all materials and step-by-step instructions.

March 24 | 6:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$20

Flower Arranging

With fake flowers and a vase, learn how to create a floral arrangement that you can keep on display forever.

April 28 | 6:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$25

Card Making 101

Join us in this instructor led class where you will make two handmade cards that will be sure to "wow" whomever you gift them to.

June 16 | 6:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$10



Bingo at Auburn Brewing Company

Play a few friendly rounds of Bingo at our local brewery for a chance to win a prize at the end of the night. All sessions of Bingo are free to attend.

February 9 | 6:00 p.m.

March 9 | 6:00 p.m.

April 20 | 6:00 p.m.

May 4 | 6:00 p.m.

Hiking Club

Bill Ward from DeKalb County Soil & Water Conservation District will lead you through the counties trails on these free informational walks.

May 16 | 5:30 p.m.

James P. Covell Nature Preserve

May 30 | 5:30 p.m.

Douglas Woods Nature Preserve

June 13 | 5:30 p.m.

Dustin, Johnson and
Whitehurst Nature Preserves

Line Dancing

July 7, 14, 21, and 28

6:00 p.m. | Rieke Lodge

\$25 for 4 sessions

During this 4-week course, you will learn the basics of line dancing and build on your skills each week. Classes are led by Philip and Carol Fretz.

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and Enrichment for adults 50+

Monthly Dining Club

Check our website for the
location each month!

Pour Painting

January 25 | 12:00 p.m.
Parks & Recreation Office | \$10

Bingo

March 15 | 12:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$5

Country Heritage Tour & Taste

May 17 | 12:00 p.m.

Country Heritage Winery
Tour is free, wine is at your own cost

ACD Museum Tour

July 12 | 12:00 p.m.

ACD Museum | Free!

Sponsored by Auburn Village



Special Events

Arbor Day Tree Giveaway

April 29 | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

Must pre-register for trees in advance. Tree types will be online as soon as available.

Spring into Nature

April 29 | 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

Local nature-based organizations gather at Eckhart Park for an interactive morning learning about the world that surrounds us.

Donut Make Me Run 5K

May 13 | 8:00 a.m. | Rieke Lodge

\$20/adult; \$15/ children 12 & under

Our 3rd annual breakfast themed 5K is back at Rieke Park this spring! Enjoy a run through the park and a donut breakfast from Baker's Dozen Donuts.

BAKER'S DOZEN
donuts

Paws in the Park

June 17 | 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

Bring out your four legged friend for an afternoon of dog-friendly vendors, pup cups, an agility course, 1-mile Furry Skurry, and more!

Disc Golf Tournament

July 8 | 9:00 a.m.

Eckhart Park | \$20

Hit the 9-hole course at Eckhart Park for our first ever Disc Golf Tournament!

Back to School Bash

July 29 | 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

Our most popular event of the summer is back. Event included a free backpack giveaway, a bounce house, dunk tank, free food, and games provided by our wonderful vendors.

*The James
Foundation*



Adult Softball

Co-Ed Softball

Auburn Parks and Recreation's softball league is perfect for teams looking to have some recreational fun! Games are played on fields 7 and 8 at Rieke Park.

Summer League

Regular Session

April 19 - July 26

Makeup Game Dates

June 7

August 2

August 9

Tournament Dates

August 16

August 23

\$500/Team

Played on Wednesday evenings

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Fall League

Regular Session

August 30 - October 11

Makeup Game Dates

Makeup games held the following

Monday after the rainout

Tournament Dates

October 18

October 25

\$375/Team

Played on Wednesday evenings

6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

For more information and league rules, please visit auburnin.recdesk.com and select the 'Leagues' tab. Questions? Call (260) 925-2997.





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& RECREATION

13AKER'S DOZEN
donuts

DONUT MAKE ME RUN 5K

SATURDAY, MAY 13

8 A.M. @ RIEKE PARK



**\$20/ADULT & \$15/CHILD 12 & UNDER
INCLUDES BREAKFAST + SHIRT***

***Register by April 10 to guarantee a
shirt at auburnin.recdesk.com**



Back to School



Unity in Community

Eckhart Park
Saturday, July 29
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Free for all ages!

**Enjoy Food, Music, Games,
& Backpack Giveaway**



Shop | Explore | Taste



Join us downtown Auburn each First Friday of the month from 5PM - 8PM for fun activities, food and shopping. Use the Distrx App to follow our events, shops, restaurants, and so much more!

2023
SCHEDULE

- Jan 6** Spend your Local Holiday Gift Cards
- Feb 3** Winter Festival: Ice Sculptures; Winter Market
- Mar 3** Winter Market
- Apr 7** Winter Market
- May 5** Linger Longer; Night Market
- June 2** Linger Longer; Night Market
- July 7** Linger Longer; Night Market
- Aug 4** Linger Longer; Night Market
- Sept 1** ACD Festival Cruise-In
- Oct 6** Pumpkin Fest; Night Market
- Nov 3** Chocolate & Wine Tour; Night Market
- Dec 1** Holiday Cheer Award/Caroling; Winter Market

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Do you have a business that you'd like to promote? The Eckhart Park Disc Golf Course is currently seeking sponsors for the signage displayed around the course. For more information, call the Parks Department at (260) 925-2997 or email at parks@ci.auburn.in.us.

Want to volunteer?

Auburn Parks and Recreation is actively seeking volunteers to help with community events and programs!

Stay up to date with available opportunities by joining our Volunteer Facebook Group. Access the group by scanning the QR code below!



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BRICKS
America's Classic Car Events

Cruise-In June 10th



3P-10P

For more info on event details:
@AuburnMainStreet
AuburnMainStreet.org





We want to hear from you!

Call Us: (260) 925-2997

Email Us: parks@ci.auburn.in.us

Visit Us: 1500 South Cedar Street

Office Hours

7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday - Friday

Stay updated on all Parks events by visiting the Auburn Parks and Recreation Facebook and Instagram pages, as well as downloading the City of Auburn app

