

Parks & Recreation



January - July 2022 Program & Event Guide  



"Promoting Community Wellness"

About

From the Superintendent

The need and desire for active and passive recreation over the last year has made Auburn Parks and Recreation Department's goal to assist the growing needs of our community more important than ever. We have recently conducted a comprehensive 5-year Master Plan that has helped us understand the needs of our current community. Upon receiving the study's results, the Department is excited to further explore and implement ideas set forth by this plan that will drive us into the future direction of our parks.

In addition to preparing for the future during this upcoming year, we will not lose sight of the community's needs for programming and leisure opportunities and will continue to provide educational and engaging programs and events to Auburn's residents.



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 2022. 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.

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Youth Programs & Camps

Virtual Lego Build Off

January 3 - 14 | Virtual | Free!

Beat the winter blues with a friendly virtual competition. Build your best lego construction and submit a photo to parks@ci.auburn.in.us by Jan. 14. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will be featured in our February newsletter, on social media, and on our website!

Kid's Free Flow Painting

January 21 | 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office | \$10/child

Let your child create a one-of-a-kind pour painting masterpiece and leave the mess with us! This is great for children of all ages and artistic abilities.

Kid's Free Flow Painting

February 25 | 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office | \$10/child

We are back for round two of one of our most popular children's programs! Use just a canvas and paint to make an abstract work of art that's like no other. This is a great program for children of all ages and artistic abilities.



Mosaics with Mom

May 6 | 6:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$5/person

Celebrate Mother's Day by making a mosaic piece of art together that you can take home and enjoy for years to come.

Princess Tea Party

May 20 | 6:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$20/child; \$15/adult

Be a princess for the evening and even meet some real life royalty! We will enjoy light snacks and refreshments and photo opportunities at this royal event.

StoryWalk®

Entire month of June

Eckhart Park | Free!

Take a walk around Eckhart Park while reading a story along the way! This month-long story adventure is in partnership with the Eckhart Public Library.

June Pop Ups in the Park

June 7 | 6:00 p.m. | Riley Park

June 21 | 6:00 p.m. | DeSoto Park

\$5/child

Experience some of the neighborhood parks that Auburn has to offer and make homemade slime while you visit!

StoryWalk®

Entire month of July
Eckhart Park | Free!

Our summer StoryWalk® is back with another fun adventure! In partnership with the Eckhart Public Library, take a leisurely walk around Eckhart Park while reading together along the way!

July Pop Ups in the Park

July 12 | 6:00 p.m. | Memorial Park

July 26 | 6:00 p.m. | Smith Acres
\$5/child

Have you ever made your own bouncy ball? How about one that glows in the dark? Join us at this month's Pop Up in the Park to make your own unique toy while also enjoying one of Auburn's many neighborhood parks!

All camps:
Ages 5 -12

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

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

Rieke Lodge
1600. N Indiana Ave.

CAMPS

SPRING BREAK CAMPS

Cost: \$80 / child per session

Registration Deadline: March 7

Session 1: March 14-18

Under the Sea

Session 2: March 21-25

The Wizarding World of Auburn

SUMMER CAMPS

Cost: \$100 / child per session

Registration Deadline: June 20

Session 1: June 27-July 1

Blast Off into Camp

Session 2: July 18-22

Wild Child Safari



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!

Strainer Pour

January 14 | 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office

\$20/person

Wooden Shamrock Ring Pour

March 11 | 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office

\$20/person

Dip Pour

February 11 | 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office

\$20/person

Blow Dryer Pour

April 8 | 5:30 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office

\$20/person

Hiking Club

Join Bill Ward from the DeKalb County Soil & Water Conservation District for free educational walks around DeKalb County.

Tuesday, April 19 | 5:00 p.m.

Bicentennial Woods

340 W Shoaff Rd

Huntertown, IN 46748

Thursday, May 5 | 5:00 p.m.

Vandolah Nature Preserve

16151 Tother Rd

Leo, IN 46765

Tuesday, April 26 | 5:00 p.m.

Greenhurst Commons

1740 N. Main Street

Auburn, IN 46706

Thursday, May 12 | 5:00 p.m.

Hague Nature Center at Eckhart Park

1500 S. Cedar Street

Auburn, IN 46706



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Bingo

January 12 | 12:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$5/person

Line Dancing

February 11 | 12:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$5/person
Sponsored by Indiana Physical Therapy

Spa & Wellness Day

March 9 | 12:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$5/person
Sponsored by Indiana Physical Therapy

Adult Prom

April 13 | 12:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$5/person
Sponsored by Auburn Village

Flowerpot Fairy Gardens

May 18 | 12:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$5/person
Sponsored by Auburn Village

Card Making 101

June 10 | 12:00 p.m.
Rieke Lodge | \$5/person
Sponsored by Auburn Village

Pour Painting

July 13 | 12:00 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Office
\$10/person



Art with Nora

Nora Majors, a local art teacher, graduated from Huntington University with a Visual K-12 Arts Degree. Along with teaching at school, she works with the Honeywell Center for the Arts and YMCA Camp Crosley.

Paint with Me

January 28 | 6:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$20/person | Ages 13+

Follow along with step-by-step instruction and create your own winter landscape masterpiece using acrylic paints.

Yarn Finger Weaving

February 11 | 6:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$15/person

Ages 10-17

Create a fun finger-knitting project. Great for all skill levels, no prior experience required.



Drawing in Perspective

March 26 | 11:00 a.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$15/person

For ages 12+

Learn the basics of drawing realistically in perspective and shading.

Paint with Me

April 8 | 6:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$25/person

Ages 8 - 17

Follow along with step-by-step instruction and create your own masterpiece.

Watercoloring for Beginners

May 14 | 12:00 p.m.

Rieke Lodge | \$25/person

Ages 13+

Learn the basic techniques used in watercolor art. No prior experience required.



Special Events

Arbor Day Giveaway

April 30 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Parks & Recreation Office | Free!

Our annual Tree Seedling Giveaway is back again! Seedlings will be available to reserve online closer to the event date.

Spring into Nature

April 30 | 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

While picking up your tree seedlings, join us for a morning full of educational and interesting vendors. Learn about a variety of nature-based topics and participate in hands-on activities.

Cinnamon Roll & Run 5k

May 14 | 8:00 a.m.

Rieke Park | \$20/adult;

\$15 / kids 12 and under

The second annual breakfast-themed 5K is heading back to Rieke Park. You must register by April 25 to be guaranteed a shirt. Day of registrations are welcomed.

Father's Day Movie in the Park

June 17 | 8:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

Treat your dad to a movie in the park beginning at sundown. Popcorn will be available on a first come, first served basis and you are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and snacks! This movie is in partnership with the Eckhart Public Library.

Paws in the Park

June 25 | 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free to attend

Enjoy our first ever summer dog event! The day will be full of activities for you and your furry friend, including a one mile Furry Skurry (registration required), pup cups, pupcasso art, and dog-friendly vendors.

Movie by the Pond

June 25 | 8:00 p.m.

Rieke Park Pond | Free!

In partnership with the Eckhart Public Library, join us for a showing of "Jaws" by the water.



Disc Golf Tournament

July 9 | 9:00 a.m.

Eckhart Park | \$20/person

Play an exciting 9-basket round in this friendly competition. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place individuals and overall team winner.

Movie in the BARK

July 15 | 8:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

In partnership with the Eckhart Public Library, bring out your four-legged friend and enjoy a film featuring one of their own! You are encouraged to bring your own lawn chairs, blankets, and snacks. Dogs must be leashed at all times and well-behaved in social situations.

Back to School Bash

July 30 | 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Eckhart Park | Free!

School will be back before you know it! Celebrate the end of summer break with this fun family event featuring food, music, bounce houses, and a FREE backpack giveaway (first come, first served while supplies last). This event is sponsored by the Auburn Kiwanis Club.



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To receive more information about opportunities with us, email parks@ci.auburn.in.us.



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Join us downtown Auburn each First Friday of the month from 5PM - 8PM for food, shopping, family friendly activities, live entertainment, horse drawn carriage rides, locally crafted beverages, and much much more!

2022
SCHEDULE

- Jan 7** Customer Appreciation Day: T-Shirt Night
- Feb 4** Winter Festival: Ice Sculptures
- Mar 4** St Patrick's Green Theme & Pub Crawl
- Apr 1** Easter Egg Fun
- May 6** Green Thumb Garden Theme Night
- June 3** Luau Fun Summer Night
- July 1** Patriotic Celebration
- Aug 5** Street Chalk Art Contest Night
- Sept 2** ACD Festival Cruse In
- Oct 7** Pumpkin Festival: Pumpkin Carving
- Nov 4** Chocolate & Wine Tour
- Dec 2** Ugly Sweater Night & Caroling



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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.



If you have a program idea you would like to see Auburn Parks & Recreation implement, we'd love to hear from you!