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#### **Contact Us**

The City of Rochester's Recreation Bureau office is located at 400 Dewey Ave. Rochester, NY, 14613 Phone: 428-6755

Office hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Weekdays

#### **Recreation Facilities and Rental Information**

City of Rochester Recreation offers a number of facilities for rent for your next family party or special event. These include the rustic Tay House and Lake Riley Lodges, the historic Danforth Community Center Auditorium, Edgerton Stardust Ballroom, the newly renovated Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park Lodge in the heart of the East End, and two venues perfect for smaller gatherings - the Genesee Valley Park Field House and Norton Village Recreation Center. Gyms and meeting rooms are also available for rent in select R-Centers. Go to www.cityofrochester.gov/facilityrental or call 428-6755 for complete information.

#### **Important Dates**

#### October 9, RCSD Superintendent's Day

RCSD Schools Closed, Select R-Centers open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### October 12, Columbus Day

RCSD Schools Closed, Select R-Centers open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### November 11, Veterans Day

RCSD Schools Closed, Select R-Centers open 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### November 26 & 27, Thanksgiving

Administration Office and R-Centers closed

#### November 28, Thanksgiving Holiday weekend

Select R-Centers open 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.





## A Season for Change

The leaves of change are upon us once again. The days are getting shorter, the nights cooler and the trees brighter. Thousands of students are meeting new teachers while local farmers prepare for the fall harvest. Fall is all about transition and transformation. Change is ever present and doesn't stop with the turning of the season, change can happen with you.

This fall can be the time you get in the best shape of your life, try your hand at something new or forge new life-long friendships. From after school programs to family activities, sports leagues to state of the art fitness facilities, Rochester recreation offers so many opportunities for everyone to explore and grow. I invite you to embrace change and take advantage of the opportunities for personal growth and exploration our city makes available. Have a fun, safe and active fall season!

Lovely A. Warren, Mayor City of Rochester, NY

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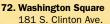
## City of Rochester Parks & Playgrounds

Rochester has more than 3,500 acres of nationally recognized parks where you can explore, play, enjoy nature and entertain. Many parks were designed by famed landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted, designer of New York City's Central Park. Rochester's parks offer sports fields, playgrounds, scenic overlooks, hiking trails, picnic areas, lodges, beaches and more.

- 1. Aberdeen Square 330 Post Ave.
- 2. Adams Street R-Center Playground
- **Avenue D R-Center Playground** 200 Avenue D
- **Baden Park** Upper Falls Blvd. at Hazel St.
- **Barrington Street Park** Barrington St. at Park Ave.
- **Bronson Ave Playground** Dr. Samuel McCree Way at Cady St.
- Browncroft Rose Garden Park 37 Merchants Rd.
- **Brown Square / Verona Street Parks**
- 9. Campbell Street R-Center Playground 524 Campbell St.
- 10. Carter Street R-Center Playground 500 Carter St.
- 11. Charlotte Village Green Latta Rd. at Spanish Tr.
- 12. Clinton-Baden Recreation Center and Park 485 North Clinton Ave.
- 13. Cobb's Hill Park Culver Rd. at Norris Dr.
- 14. Conkey Corner Park and El Camino Trail Conkey Ave. at Clifford Ave.
- 15. Corn Hill Landing Exchange St. at S. Plymouth Ave.
- 16. Danforth Community Center 200 West Ave.
- 17. David F. Gantt R-Center Playground 700 North St
- 18. Don Samuel Torres Playground 70 Oakman St.
- 19. Durand Eastman Park Lake Shore Blvd. at Kings Highway
- 20. Eastmoreland Playground Eastmoreland Dr. and Shelbourne Rd.
- 21. Edgerton R-Center Playground and Park 41 Backus St.
- 22. Ellwanger and Barry Park Meigs St. at Linden St.
- 23. Exchange St Park & Playground Exchange St. next to fire station
- 24. Farmington Park 600 Merchants Rd.
- 25. Field St. Park 194 Field St.
- 26. First St Playground 140 First St.

- 27. Flint St R-Center Playground 271 Flint St.
- 28. Fourth & Peck Playground Fourth St. at Peck St.
- 29. Genesee Crossroads/Charles Carroll Parks Andrews St. to Main St. along river
- 30. Genesee Gateway Park Mount Hope Ave. at Gregory St.
- 31. Genesee Valley Park Elmwood Ave. at the Genesee River
- 32. Goodwin Park End of Siblev Pl.
- 33. High Falls Park/Pont De Rennes Platt St. at Browns Race
- 34. Highland Park 450 Highland Ave.
- 35. Humboldt R-Center Playground 1065 Atlantic Ave.
- 36. J.P. Riley Park 130 Santee St.
- 37. J.R. Wilson Park 160 Burrows St.
- 38. Jefferson Terrace Jefferson Ave. at Jefferson Ter.
- 39. Jones Square 170 Saratoga Ave.
- 40. Lagrange Park 409 LaGrange Ave.
- 41. Lower Falls Park Hastings St. on Genesee River.
- 441 Glasgow St.
- 43. Maplewood Park Maplewood Dr and Seneca Pkwy
- 44. Maplewood Rose Garden Lake Ave. at Avenue E
- 45. Marie Daley Park 160 Gregory St.
- 46. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Park One Manhattan Sq.
- **47. Mount Hope Cemetery** 1133 Mount Hope Ave.
- 48. Norton Village Playground 350 Waring Rd.
- 49. Ontario Beach Park 4800 Lake Ave.
- 50. Orchard Park Saxton St. at Campbell St.
- 51. Otto Henderberg Park
- 52. Paul Bianchi Park Emerson St. at Glide St.

- 53. Pleasant Sreet / St Joseph's Park Pleasant St.
- 54. Pulaski Park 1200 North St.
- 55. Ralph Avery Park Adams St. at Frederick Douglas St.
- 56. Riverside/Holy Sepulcher Cemeteries 2650 / 2461 Lake Ave.
- 57. Roxie Ann Sinkler R-Center 75 Grover St.
- 58. Schiller Park Andrews St. at Franklin Sq.
- 59. Sebastian Park 20 Planet St
- 60. Seneca Park 2222 Saint Paul St
- **61. Seth Green Drive** Saint Paul St. at Norton St.
- 62. South Avenue R-Center Playground 999 South Ave.
- 63. Susan B. Anthony Square Park 39 King St.
- 64. Tacoma Park 30 Tacoma St.
- 65. Thomas P. Ryan R-Center Playground 530 Webster Ave.
- 66. Troup St. Park Troup St. at Van Auker St.
- 67. Tryon Park End of Tryon Park
- **68. Turning Point Park** 260 Boxart St.
- 69. University Ave Park University Ave. at Merriman St.
- 70. Upper Falls Terrace Park 325 Saint Paul St.
- 71. Wadworth Square Park Marshall St. at Broadway St.







Throughout the school year, the City R-Centers provide an engaging and nurturing after school environment for city youth in grades K-12. Kids can enjoy an array of fitness and arts activities, get help with homework, enjoy a free hot dinner and more.

#### After School in the Park

Throughout the school year, the City of Rochester's After School in the Park Program, conveniently located in Cobb's Hill Park, provides an engaging and nurturing after school environment for city kids in grades K-6. Well-trained and friendly ASIP staff offer fitness, educational and arts activities, field trips, homework help, and a free hot dinner, all in a warm and inclusive atmosphere. This school year, the program will run weekdays, September 8 through June 23, from 2-6:30 p.m. The cost is \$55 per week for city youth; \$45 per week for siblings. For just \$85 per week, youth can attend the program during the winter and spring school recesses from 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For more information and placement availability, call 428-6755.

After School in the Park is a NYS OCFS registered school-age child care program operated by the City of Rochester Department of Recreation and Youth Services.

#### R-Academy

After school, kids are looking for fun and friendship. They will find both at R-Academy. Kids can enjoy sports, arts and crafts, group games and more. But the focus of R-Academy is academic support and character development. Trained staff offer homework help, reading programs, health and nutrition education, and a slate of engaging

enrichment activities. Beginning September 9, R-Academy runs weekdays from 2:30 - 6:30 p.m. at all R-Centers. This program is free, however registration is required at your local R-Center.

#### Earth Explorers

Rochester boasts a rich natural environment which makes a wonderful outdoor classroom. This unique program immerses kids in nature where they learn by doing. Outdoor adventures include nature hikes, field trips and recycling/composting projects. Kids get involved in gardening at R-Center gardens and cook with the food they grow. For more information, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/earthexplorers or call 428-8820.

## Youth Voice, One Vision: The Mayor's Youth Advisory Counci

Youth Voice, One Vision (YVOV) is an active council of young people working together to make Rochester a better place to live. YVOV has over 100 active members who come together regularly for training, networking opportunities, service learning initiatives, and youth-led community conversations. Members take an active leadership role in planning service projects, making decisions collectively, and finding solutions for issues that affect our community. Youth, adults, organized youth groups and other community organizations are all welcome. For more information, visit www. cityofrochester.gov/YVOV or call 428-7371.

#### **Girls Coalition**

The Girls Coalition brings together "positive girls doing positive things" with the support of caring female advisors. In addition to weekly meetings, members come together once a month for "Girls Night Out," girl-focused programming that reflects their needs and interests. Adults from the Bureau of Recreation, Nazareth College and the community act as mentors and role models for the participants. Call 428-7371, contact your local R-Center, or visit www.cityofrochester.gov/ girlscoalition.

#### Team I.M.P.A.C.T

Focusing on boys' natural strengths, this program broadens their understanding about culture and what it means to be a positive and productive man in today's society. Adult mentors lead activities and dialogue that challenge myths about what it means to be a "real man." Call 428-6481.

#### OTR T.H.R.I.V.E.

T.H.R.I.V.E. (Teens Helping to Reinvent Identity, Values and Empowerment) is a structured, youth-driven after school program offered in R-Centers. Invigorating group discussions led by trained certified facilitators help young people prepare for successful adulthood. For more information, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/thrive or call 428-6816.

#### **ROCmusic**

The ROCmusic Collaborative, inspired by Venezuela's revolutionary El Sistema music project, is a tuition-free community music program that offers classical music classes and instrument lessons to city youth in grades 1-12. No previous musical experience or training is required.

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The program is designed to instill a love of learning, support academic success, and affect social change by engaging children and their families in the experience of making and appreciating classical music. Interested students can pick up an application at the Gantt or Edgerton R-Centers or online at www.ROCmusic.org.

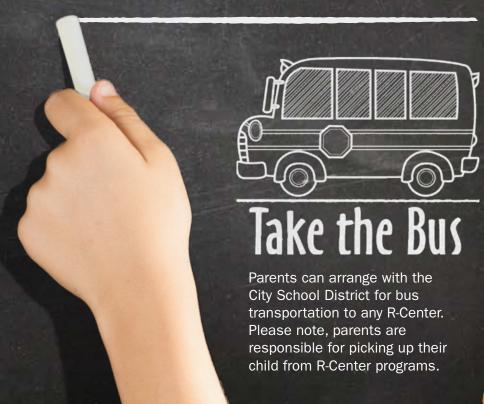
ROCmusic @ Gantt serves students in grades 1-12 and operates Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 4-6 p.m.

ROCmusic @ Edgerton is a new site in 2015 serving students in grades 1-4 and operates Tuesday and Thursday, 4-6 p.m.
For more information, visit www. cityofrochester.gov/rocmusic.

#### **Get an EZ Rec Pass!**

One free pass gives you access to all recreation programs and facilities: fitness centers, gyms, top-notch athletics and arts programs, computer labs, game rooms,

youth leadership opportunities, and more! Visit your local R-Center or call 428-6755 to learn more.





We're Takin' it to the Streets! The Rec on the Move mobile recreation centers bring the offerings and benefits of City R-Centers right to city neighborhoods.

#### **Recreation Centers on Wheels**

Rec on the Move increases the access to the many healthy, educational and fun activities that City R-Centers provide. The mobile units give youth and families a safe and comfortable neighborhood location to enjoy healthy activities and each other. Recreation on the Move embodies the City's commitment to youth and families in all its neighborhoods.

#### **What to Expect**

Rec on the Move offers free access to sports, group games, read-aloud time, book giveaways, health and wellness information, homework help, healthy snacks, arts activities and more!

#### **Dates and Locations**

Look for Rec on the Move in these locations from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m.:

Sept. 15-18

York St. Green Space

Sept. 22-25

Grand Ave. Playground

Sept. 29-0ct. 2

JP Riley Park

Oct. 6-9

Don Samuel Torres Park

Oct. 13-16

**Bronson Park** 

Oct. 20-23

Fourth & Peck Park

Oct. 27-30

Tacoma Park

#### **Request Rec on the Move**

Interested in having Rec on the Move roll into your neighborhood or your event? Visit www. cityofrochester.gov/reconthemove and download an application form, complete, and send by email as a word file or PDF attachment to Shannon Grieve at grieves@cityofrochester.gov.

Please note, due to the high demand of our service, we cannot book events that are less than three hours in length.

For more information, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/reconthemove.

# Families Families & Seniors

#### **Friday Family Fun Night**

Friday evenings are for family fun at your local R-Center. Enjoy movies, group games, dancing, cooking classes and more. Family Fun Night runs from 7 p.m. till close. Remember, families who play together, stay together!

#### **Danforth Seniors**

Come and join neighborhood seniors at the Danforth Community center for activities such as horseshoes, breakfast and lunch clubs, cards, "Get Fit" club and field trips throughout the season. Please call 428-6746 for more

## information.

#### **Stardust Ballroom Series**

Step back in time and dance! The elegant Edgerton R-Center Stardust Ballroom offers a ballroom dance series featuring terrific live music on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m., November through March. Admission is only \$3.00. For more information, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/ ballroomdanceseries.



## **R-Center Locations** & Amenities



Playground



**Outdoor Courts** 



**Swimming Pool** 



**Spray Park** 



Gym



Game Room



Teen Lounge



**Fitness Center** 



Computer Lab



**Summer Meals** 



**Community Meeting** Space



**Performance Space** 

#### Adams Street 🥋 🏞 😩 📵 😭 💎 🛂 🔞 🔘

Address: 85 Adams St. Phone: 428-7266 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.



Address: 271 Flint St. Phone: 428-7001 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Roxie Ann Sinkler 🤼 🏞 🚇 😭 🖸

Address: 75 Grover St. Phone: 428-7827 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat closed

#### Humboldt 🤼 🏠 🌑 🗭 🔁 👸

Address: 1045 Atlantic Ave. Phone: 428-7294 Hours: 3:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat closed



New Temporary Location

Address: 86 Ashland St. Phone: 428-6015 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Thomas P. Ryan 😝 🏠 🧌 🖨 🛜 🔁 🐉 🕲

Address: 530 Webster Ave. Phone: 428-7828 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Avenue D 🙀 🏃 😩 📵 😭 🔁 📵

Address: 200 Ave. D Phone: 428-7934 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## Carter Street 🦃 🏠 🎧 🕒 😭 🔁 🍪 📵

Address: 500 Carter St. Phone: 428-7890 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## David F. Gantt 🤼 🕏 🌎 🕒 💝 🗷 😤 📵

Address: 700 North St. Phone: 428-7149 Hours: M-F, 2:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Campbell Street 🤼 🎝 📵 🛜 📵

### Edgerton 😽 🎲 😜 📮 🚱 📵

## #7 School / Pierpont 🚱 🄝 📵 🥱 🔘

## #17 School 🥋 🏠 📵 😩

Address: 158 Orchard St. Phone: 899-9211 Hours: 5 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat closed

#### #42 School 🚓 🏠 📵 🔁 📵

Address: 3330 Lake Ave. Phone: 428-7829 Hours: 3:30 - 9:30 p.m. | Sat closed



#### **Youth Leagues**

#### **Flower City Indoor Soccer**

Flower City Indoor Soccer is a free co-ed program that offers high quality soccer instruction to city youth ages 3-17. Kids learn the rules of the game, practice their skills, and engage in team play, all in a fun environment that focuses on fairness and character development. For more information, call or stop by your local R-Center.

#### **NFL Flag Football**

NFL FLAG football is the premier youth flag football league for boys and girls up to 15 years old. This non-contact, continuous action training program help kids build skills and learn teamwork. Practices will take place at local R-Centers. Register at your local R-Center August 17-September 25. Games will be played at Edgerton Park. Players ages 13-15 begin on 9/23 play on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30, 6:30, and 7:30 p.m. Plavers ages 12 and under begin on 9/22 play on Wednesdays at 5, 6, 7 and 8 p.m. Coaches and volunteers welcome. For more information, call 428-6755.

#### Wrestling

Wrestling teaches kids the relationship between effort and achievement, both as individuals and as team members. R-Centers, in partnership with the City-Catholic Wrestling Association, offer city youth ages 8-14 a chance to try this unique sport. Thomas P. Ryan R-Center, Mondays and Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m.; Roxie Ann Sinkler R-Center, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6-8 p.m. Register at either R-Center beginning October 1. For more information, call 428-7721 (Ryan R-Center) or 428-7827 (Roxie R-Center).

#### **Floor Hockey**

The Carter Street and South Avenue R-Centers host a city-wide indoor hockey league for youth 15 and under with support from the Rochester Amerks. Learn the game or hone your skills. Register at either R-Center beginning Monday, November 2. Season begins Tuesday, December 1. Games are played on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Carter Street, Thursdays at South Avenue; 5:30, 6:30 or 7:30 p.m. There is no charge for this program. For more information, call 428-6755.

#### Adult Lessons (Ages 18+)

#### **Tennis Lessons**

Tennis is good for your mind and your body. The City's Adult Tennis Program, offered in partnership with Swing Tennis Academy, provides professional instruction for all levels of play. The cost is \$96 for eight - 90 minute lessons. Morning and evening classes are available September 8 through October 4. Lessons run Tuesdays and Thursdays at Genesee Valley Park: Mondays and Wednesdays or Saturdays and Sundays at Cobb's Hill Park. Pre-registration and pre-payment is required on or before September 8. For more information or to download a registration form, visit www. cityofrochester.gov/tennislessons or call 428-6755.

#### **Fitness Classes**

Looking for a fun way to burn calories and get in shape? Jump into a free R-Center fitness class! Offered by M.A.J.E.S.T.I.C. Total Fitness, these classes are suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Classes include aerobics, soul line dancing, ZUMBA and strength training. Youth younger

than 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Mats and hand weights provided where needed.

#### Locations

#### David F. Gantt R-Center

Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m., Soul Line Dancing; Saturdays, 10-11 a.m., ZUM-BA, Line Dancing, Chair Aerobics and Strength Training.

Flint Street R-Center
Tuesdays, 6-7:30 p.m., ZUMBA &
Toning.

For more information, visit www.majesticworkout.com or contact Jackqulyn Snowden-Brown at jsnowdenbrown@gmail.com

#### **Fitness Centers**

Build some healthy habits before the temptations of the holiday season begin. High-quality workout facilities are located at the Adams Street, David F. Gantt, South Avenue, Avenue D and Flint Street R-Centers. These R-Centers now have Blood Pressure Pulse machines so you can keep an eye on your heart health and AEDs (Automated External Defibrillators) for your safety. Call individual R-Centers for times and equipment availability.

#### **Ice Skating**

## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Ice Skating Rink

Outdoor skating is something special and so is this kidney-shaped ice skating rink in the heart of Downtown. Enjoy fun on the ice, warming shelter with heated floor and fireplace, and up-to-date sound and lighting system. Watch for special events throughout the season which begins on Sunday, November 22. Organizing a special event of your own? Both the rink and lodge, which offers a full kitchen and seating for 228 people, are available to rent. To make a reservation call the permit office at 428-6755.

#### **Genesee Valley Park Ice Arena**

The Genesee Valley Park Ice Arena, located at 131 Elmwood Avenue, hosts recreational ice skating for all ages, including a youth hockey club, adult ice hockey leagues, and speed skating.

The ice rink can also be rented for events, birthday parties, and more. The rink opens for the season on Sunday, September 13. Adults interested in leagues should call 428-7888.

#### **GVP Rink Special Events:**

Haunted House Open Skate Fri. 10/23 & Sat. 10/24, and Fri. 10/30, 7-9 p.m.

River Romance Skate
Sat. 10/3, 5-7 p.m. Sun. 10/4 1:00-

2:15, 2:30-3:45 p.m., 4-5:15 p.m. and 5:30-7 p.m.

Columbus Day Family Open Skate Mon. 10/12, 12-1:15 p.m. and 3:15-4:30 p.m.

Skate and Salute

Wed. 11/11, 10:30-11:45 a.m. and Noon-1:15 p.m.

Skate with Santa

Sun. 12/20, 1-2:15 p.m. and 2:30-3:45 p.m.



#### **Indoor & Outdoor Skating Fees**

- · Adults- \$5
- · Youth 17 & under- \$2
- College Students w/ID \$3
- · Families- \$14
- · Season Pass for MLK- \$60
- · Season Pass for GVP- \$125

#### Open Basketball

For Youth ages 6-18; Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings in all R-Center gyms, 7-9 p.m.

#### **Swimming**

#### **Adams St. Indoor Pool**

The Adams Street R-Center boasts an Olympic-sized, heated indoor pool which is open year-round. It's a great place to have fun in the water, learn to swim, get in shape, or hold your next birthday party. The pool also hosts family fun nights, a lifeguard prep course for teens, and the Rochester Rapids, a competitive swim team for kids from 6-21 years old. Beginning late fall: Rochester Rapids Masters Lap/Open Swim, 5:15-6:45 a.m.

For more information, visit www. cityofrochester.gov/adamsstreet or call 428-7456.

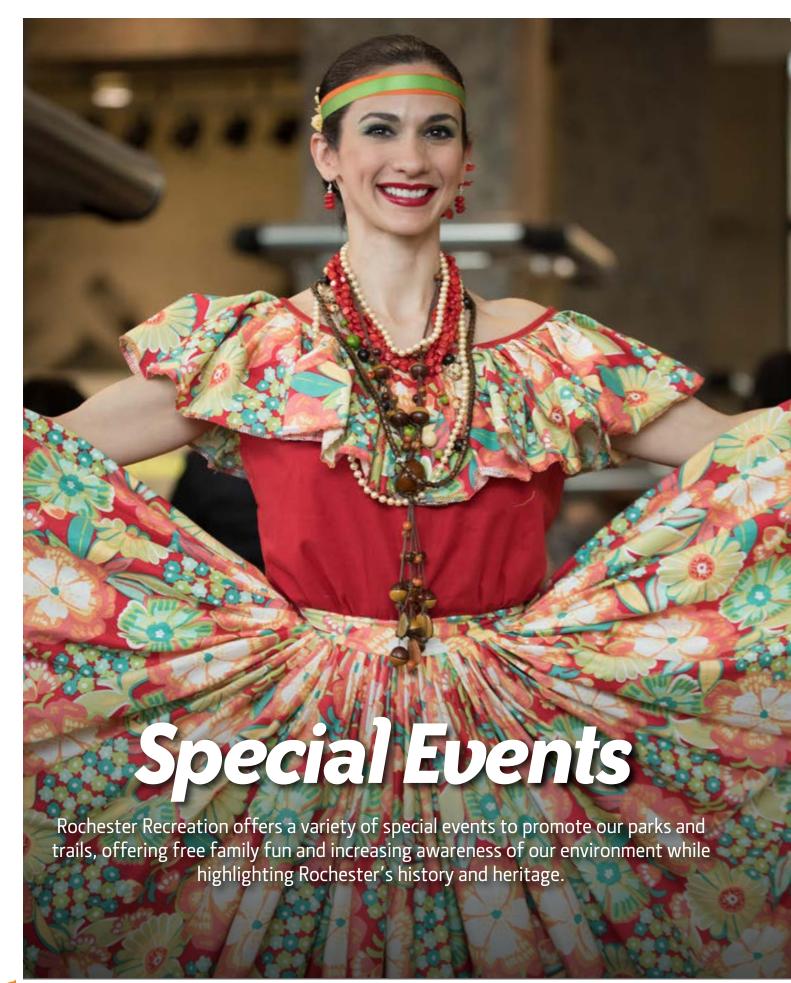
#### **Clinton Baden Indoor Pool**

This 25-yard, six lane indoor swimming pool has recently undergone major renovations to improve lighting, ADA accessibility and add other improvements. For more information, call 325-4910.

#### **Genesee Waterways Center**

This fall, explore the Genesee River with the Genesee Waterways Center (GWC). Located in Genesee Valley Park, GWC offers rowing, sculling and outrigger canoe courses as well as kayak and canoe rentals. Regular rental season ends September 27, but weekend rentals will be available into October (except October 3 and 4, when GWC will host the Head of the Genesee Regatta.) Recreational activities and year-round classes are open to all ages and ability levels. GWC also hosts community events throughout the year. Visit www. geneseewaterways.org for schedules and rates.







## **19th Annual Rochester River Challenge**

Saturday, September 19 beginning at 8:45 a.m., Genesee Waterways Center Cape Ability Outrigger Ohana (CAOO) invites adults and youth of all abilities to participate in the largest outrigger canoe sprint race on the east coast. No experience necessary! Team up with family, friends or co-workers for this unique and fun day on the Genesee River. All proceeds benefit CAOO whose mission is: "To provide the opportunity for individuals with disabilities to gain confidence and dignity through participation in paddle sports, recreation, and related educational programs." For more information or to register, visit www. adaptivecanoeing.org.

#### **Punt, Pass and Kick**

## Wednesday, September 23, Location: TBD

NFL PP&K, the NFL's oldest grassroots initiative, is designed to let kids ages 6-15 learn football fundamentals in an engaging and supportive non-contact environment. There are five age categories for both boys and girls: age 6-7, age 8-9, age 10-11, age 12-13 and age 14-15. To pre-register, visit any R-Center or register on the day of the event. You must be able to provide proof of age. For more information, visit www.NFLPPK.com.

## Genesee River Romance: Rediscover the River

A Weekend to Experience the Genesee River's importance to our community. Friday, Saturday and Sunday; October 2, 3 and 4 All events are free unless otherwise noted. For a complete schedule, visit www.cityofrochester. gov/riverromance.

#### Haunted Hay Rides in the Gorge Saturday, October 17, 7-9:30 p.m., Maplewood Park

Bring the whole family on a spooky descent into the Lower Gorge aboard a tractor drawn wagon. Scary enough to be fun for everyone, but still kidfriendly. Pre-registration required for hay ride. Tickets are available at City Recreation Administration Office, 400 Dewey Ave. or at the Maplewood YMCA, 25 Driving Park Ave.

#### Pumpkins in the Park 5K

## Saturday, October 31, Cobb's Hill Park, Lake Riley Lodge

Win by speed or costume! Before you go out to trick-or-treat, put on your costume and run in this family-friendly USATF Certified Halloween 5K; kids' distances include 1/4 mile, 1/2 mile and mile. A portion of proceeds goes to benefit the Rochester Youth Sports Foundation which helps city kids get into sports. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m.; adult races start at 9 a.m.; youth races at 9:45 a.m. For more information, or to register, visit www. yellowjacketracing.com or stop in to your local Fleet Feet store.

## Post Thanksgiving Family Fun Day Saturday, November 28.

R-Centers across the city will host special events for children and their families to help you burn off that turkey and Thanksgiving pie the fun way! Call your local R-Center for details.

#### Hispanic Heritage Month September 15 - October 15

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a series of events that highlight Latino culture. This year's theme is "United by Our Roots – Unidos por Nuestras Raíces." All events are free except the Latino Gala Night and Thursday Throwdown 2 Live Pro AM Boxing.

## Hispanic Heritage Month Event Schedule:

<u>Latino Art Link Gallery Exhibition</u>
Sept. 15 - Oct. 26, City Hall, 30 Church
Street

#### Kickoff Ceremony

Tues., Sept. 15, 4:15 - 7 p.m. For more information, contact Janet Gómez at 428-6829.

#### Honoring Abuelitos Event

Thurs., Sept. 24, 6 - 8:30 p.m., Edgerton R-Center, Stardust Ballroom, 41 Backus St. For more information, contact Nidia Romero at 683-3624.

#### R-Centers Theatre Night

Fri., Sept. 25, 6 - 8:30 p.m., David Gantt R-Center, 700 North St. For more information, contact Wilfredo Irizarry at 428-7149.

#### Youth Cultural Dance Night

Fri., Oct. 2, 6 - 8p.m., Thomas P. Ryan R-Center, 530 Webster Ave. For more information, contact Wilfredo Irizarry at 428-7149.

## Thursday Throwdown 2 Live Pro AM Boxing

Oct. 8, 6 p.m., Radisson Hotel, 120 East Main St.Tickets are \$35, \$50, \$75, \$100

Rise up Latina! - Empowering Latinas to Rise to Their Full Potential
Thurs., Oct. 15, 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.,
Stardust Ballroom, 41 Backus St.
For more information, contact Sylvia
Gonzalez at 330-7638.

5th Annual Latino Student College Fair Fri., Oct. 16, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., Monroe Community College, Damon City Campus, 228 E. Main St., Registration Required. For more information, contact Albert Algarin at 775-8792.

#### R-Centers Theatre Night

Fri., Oct. 16, 6 - 8:30 p.m., David F. Gantt R-Center, 700 North St. For more information, contact Wilfredo Irizarry at 428-7149.

#### Latino Gala Night

Sat., Oct. 17, 5:30 - 11 p.m., Rochester Riverside Convention Center, 123 East Main St. Tickets are \$40 per person. For more information, contact Janet Gómez at 428-6829.

For more information, visit www.cityofrochester.gov/hhm.



#### **Central Library**

115 South Ave. Children's Center Ph: 428-7300 Teen Central Ph: 428-7300

#### Family Fun Saturdays!

Every Saturday, from October through April we will have a variety of fun family programs. Don't miss your favorite! Programs will include Make and Take Crafts, Movies, Tail Waggin' Tutors, and everyone's favorite: Lego Lab! Don't forget to bring a friend and search for the Secret Room. Call 428-8151 for more information.

#### **Arnett Library**

310 Arnett Blvd. Ph: 428-8214

#### **Books by Bike**

The Arnett Branch is bringing books out into the community with its new service "Books by Bike." At community events such as the 19th Ward's Square Fair, Arnett Block Association party, E2 (Enterprise and Ellicott) Block Club party, and Westside Farmers Market, you'll be able to borrow books brought to you by the Arnett staff.

Books by Bike will often have free books to give away.

#### **Story Time**

Saturdays, 1 p.m. Ages 2-5

#### **Story Time**

Tuesdays, 11:15 a.m. Ages 2-5.

## Tail Waggin' Tutors: Kids read books to dogs!

Wednesdays; Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18 and Dec. 16 4-5 p.m. Ages 12 and under

#### **LEGO Club**

Thursdays, Sept. 17, Oct. 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17 4:30-5:30 p.m. Ages 5- 12

#### **Family Science Day**

Saturday, Nov. 14 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Meet professional scientists and get hands-on scientific experience in a fun informal setting! Family Science Day is sponsored by the Rochester Preschool Parent Program and the Rochester Public Library.

#### **Charlotte Library**

3557 Lake Avenue Ph: 428-8216

#### **Junior DaVincis Arts & Crafts Club**

Third Thursday of the month, 3:30-5 p.m.

Ages 10-16

#### **Pre-school Story Hour**

Tuesdays, 11 a.m. and Fridays, 1:30 p.m.

Ages 2-5 (siblings welcome)

## Family Movie Night in the Children's Room

Wednesdays, 5 p.m.

#### **Fun Friday**

Fridays, 3-5 p.m. Unstructured play time. Ages 4-12

#### **Highland Library**

971 South Avenue Ph: 428-8206

The Highland Branch Library will be closed for renovations Monday, September 7 – Saturday, December 5. Patrons are encouraged to visit other libraries during this period.

#### **Lincoln Branch**

## 851 Joseph Avenue Ph: 428-8210

#### **Toy Library Resource Center**

Choose from nearly 5,000 toys specially selected to support the cognitive, creative, social-emotional, perceptual and physical developmental needs of children ages 0-8. Toys for children with special needs are also available.

#### **Preschool Story Hour**

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

#### **School Age Story Hour**

Tuesdays, 4 p.m.

#### **Books and Brunch Story Hour**

12:30 p.m.

Call for dates and to pre-register.

#### **Basic Computer Classes**

Thursdays, 10 a.m. Call to reserve a spot. Clases disponibles en espanol.

#### **Technology Navigator**

Mondays, 10 a.m. and Thursdays, 1 p.m. Stop by for one-on-one assistance with job applications, resumes and basic computer assistance.

#### **Freshwise Snack Program**

Weekdays at 4 p.m.

#### Hispanic Heritage Month Event: Indigenous Symbols in Latino Art Workshop

Saturday, October 3, 2:30 p.m.
Artist Peggy Martinez will conduct a workshop on the meaning and history of symbols in the art of the Taino Indians of Puerto Rico.
Registration required.
Ages 5-12

#### **Lyell Library**

#### 956 Lyell Avenue Ph: 428-8218

#### **Early Learning Space**

Come and make believe with us!
Caregivers with children ages 2 and up are invited to visit our new Early Learning Space designed to meet the needs of the youngest learners and their caregivers. This space was made possible through a donation to the Friends & Foundation of the Rochester Public Library.

## TASC (Test Assessing Secondary Completion) Classes

Mondays and Tuesdays, 3-5 p.m.

#### **Preschool Playtime Program**

Tuesdays, 12-12:45 p.m.
Join Miss Elise for music, stories, arts & crafts followed by activities in the Early Learning Play Area.
Ages 0-4 with caregiver

Call to register for our Monthly Family Game Day and Saturday Morning Story Time.

#### **Maplewood Library**

## 1111 Dewey Avenue Ph: 428-8220

#### **Preschool Story Hour**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

## TASC (Test Assessing Secondary Completion) Classes

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-7 p.m.

## **ESOL** (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Classes

Monday - Friday, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and Saturdays, 10 a.m.-Noon Citizenship Classes Mondays & Wednesdays, 5-6:30 p.m.

#### **Monroe Branch Library**

#### 809 Monroe Avenue Ph: 428-8202

#### Lego Club

Wednesdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m. Ages 6-12

#### **Special Craft Time**

Saturdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. All ages

#### Phillis Wheatley Library

#### 33 Dr. Samuel McCree Way Ph: 428-8212

## TASC (Test Assessing Secondary Completion) Classes

Wednesdays and Thursdays, 3-5 p.m.

#### **Sully Library**

## 530 Webster Avenue Ph: 428-8208

#### **Book Adventures**

Sept. 28 - Dec. 7 Mondays, 4-4:30 p.m. Explore the world with a story and crafts. Ages 5-10

## Tail Waggin' Tutors: Kids Read Books to Dogs!

Second Saturday of every month Stop in to the library to read to a real dog.

#### **Accelerated Reading**

Sept. 22- Dec. 10 Tuesdays and Thursdays Read for fun and points.

#### **Drop-in Story Time**

Sept. 24-Dec. 10

Thursdays, 11:30 a.m. – Noon Stories, songs, and activities For pre-school aged children and a caregiver.

## **ESOL** (English for Speakers of Other Languages) Classes

Tuesdays, 5-7 p.m.
Free drop in classes for all ages
Video Game Club for Teens & Tweens
Saturdays, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
Ages teen and pre-teens

#### **Manga Club**

Sept. 23-Dec. 9 Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. Read and talk about Manga. Ages teen and pre-teens

## **StoryCorps**

@your library

The Rochester Public Library was selected by the American Library Association and Story Corps to participate in a national pilot program called "StoryCorps @ Your Library". RPL was one of 10 sites chosen to collect interviews documenting the personal stories of individuals who have moved to Rochester. If you are interested in adding your story to the Local and National Archive, contact one of the libraries listed below.

September
Sully Branch Library

October Arnett Library Central Library





Throughout the school year, the City of Rochester's After School in the Park Program provides an engaging and nurturing after school environment for youth in grades K-6.

Conveniently located at Cobb's Hill Park, kids take in an array of fun fitness, educational and arts activities, get help with homework, enjoy a free hot dinner and best of all, make lasting friendships. This school year, the program will run from September 8, 2015 through June 23, 2016 on weekdays from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$55 per week for city youth; \$45 per week for siblings. For just \$85 per week, youth can receive all-day care through this program during the winter and spring school recesses from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

To Register Call 428-6755