



Parks & Recreation

Program & Facility Guide

Spring - Summer 2016



CITY TRAIL SYSTEM

Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Formerly the old Imperial Tobacco Factory site in downtown Rocky Mount, this historic building, along with the adjacent former Braswell Memorial Library site, now serves as the permanent location for the City's Arts Center and Children's Museum & Science Center. The complex also features a new state-of-the-art performing arts theatre and planetarium theatre.

Martin Luther King Jr. Park

The 28.42-acre park includes the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial, a playground, swings and spring toys, benches, picnic shelters, grills, picnic tables, and a multipurpose field for recreation activities, and a ten-foot wide loop path around the perimeter of the park.



Stirl Talbert Park

This 28.33 acre park located on the Tar River at Spruce Street and Atlantic Avenue has playground equipment, picnic shelters, grills, lights and electrical outlets, two lighted basketball courts, concession stand, lighted tennis courts, a fishing pier, a Little League field, a lighted baseball field, and a lighted soccer field.



Battle Park

This beautiful natural 56.5 acre park is located on Falls Road and the Tar River. Rocky Mount's first post office, theatre and the "rocky mounds" where Rocky Mount got its name, are located in the confines of the park. The park has a greenway, a boat landing, 3 picnic shelters, an overlook, playground equipment, 4 parking lots, 2 islands, and a gazebo.

Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Located on Centura Parkway and Independence Drive near US Highway 64, the 143-acre multi-use facility offers an assortment of recreational programming options, including six youth baseball fields, four interchangeable baseball/softball fields, one championship baseball field, two outdoor basketball courts, six soccer fields, a disc golf course, and walking trails. The complex hosts local Parks and Recreation leagues, as well as a full slate of regional, state and national sporting events.



Sunset Park

This 25 acre park located off Sunset Avenue on Taylor Street and River Drive beside the Tar River is the city's main park. It features a miniature train, carousel, concession stands, basketball courts, boat ramp, picnic shelters, little league field, tennis courts, sprayground, and skate park.



City Lake

Located off Sunset Avenue at the Tar River near downtown Rocky Mount, City Lake was first constructed as a Works Progress Administration project under President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1937. The lake has undergone many facelifts over the years, with a complete beautification project concluded in 1993. Joggers and walkers make a trek around a half-mile concrete path surrounding the lake, while others relax under the tall hardwoods and pines to feed the exotic waterfowl living around the famous site. Other amenities include a gazebo, piers, a bridge to the island, and a fountain. By day or night, City Lake is one of the most beautiful sites in the two counties. Called "a place for us to come together", City Lake has become a symbol of the Rocky Mount area.



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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

- Call 911
- Tell the operator the color of the trail center line, or your general location (Sports Complex, City Lake, etc.)
- Remain on the phone.

NON-EMERGENCY POLICE:
252-972-1411

PARK MAINTENANCE:
252-467-4927

CITY TRAIL SYSTEM

Near the center of Rocky Mount the Parks & Recreation Department oversees a system of parks, trails, and arts and recreational facilities. The 3.1 mile Tar River Trail runs along its namesake river from Sunset Park in the west to Martin Luther King, Jr. Park in the east. In between, the trail passes through several city landmarks, including Battle Park. To the north of the river near the junction of US Highway 64 and N. Church Street is the Rocky Mount Sports Complex and Athletic Stadium. South of the river on Church Street is the Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences and the Veterans Memorial at Jack Laughery Park.



Director's Message



OUR VISION

To excel in municipal service, performance and innovation.

OUR MISSION

The Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department's mission is to advance the quality of life by providing positive, inclusive experiences through: People, Parks and Programs.

OUR VALUES

The acronym I.D.E.A. represents our four core values which will guide our future decisions, business and operations as well as the manner in which the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department treats staff, customers, and the community.

• Innovative

We practice innovation — we are open to new ideas, new ways of doing things and new ways to reach our community.

• Dynamic

We strive to provide dynamic experiences that encourage healthy living and human development for all ages and abilities.

• Engaged

We strive to be engaged with our customers, our partners and our community.

• Aware

We strive to promote environmental awareness through the use of earth-friendly materials, recycling and conservation practices.

On behalf of the Parks and Recreation staff, welcome to our 2016 Spring/Summer Program Guide and your pass to fun and excitement. Let fun and excitement be your guide as you visit the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department. We are dedicated to our mission "To advance the quality of life by providing positive, inclusive experiences through, People, Parks and Programs" through a high caliber parks, recreation and cultural arts system. Like many organizations, we are being challenged to expand our offering by developing stronger community collaboration, partnerships and corporate partners.

This spring/summer, you are invited to participate in wonderful family enrichment activities as well as individual and team recreation experiences. The spring/summer is our busiest and most compacted programming period, highlighted by the following offerings. They include:

- Summer Camp Registration Begins: March 1
- Easter Eggstravaganza: March 20
- Motown Jazz Revue: March 26
- Paws in the Park: April 9
- Down East Senior Games May 2 - 13
- Nash County Special Olympics Spring Games May 6
- Downtown Live Summer Music Series: May 12 - September 29.
- Lawn Chair Theatre: June 17 - July 29
- Juneteenth Community Empowerment Harambee Festival: June 3 - 4
- Rockin' Classic Auto & Motorcycle Expo: July 30
- Summer Night Lights
- Little League Baseball Games
- Sunset Park and Denton Street Pool Opens: May 27
- Sports Complex Baseball and Softball Tournaments

We also welcomed Chris Brandt as our new construction supervisor and hired Brooke Edwards as the new theatre manager. Along with the above new hires, we saw the departure of our Center Supervisor Mike Wright to retirement. We wish all our new hires and departing staff the best on their future journeys.

During the past six months, the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department completed the following projects:

- Sunset Tennis Courts Renovations
- Best Friend Off-Leash Dog Park
- Adopted our 2015 Comprehensive Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan
- Kaboom Playground Grant at Buck Leonard Park and Holly Street Park

It continues to be a privilege and honor to serve as the director of Parks and Recreation. I am proud that our staff and elected officials are dedicated to advance community well-being, safety and quality of life by delivering exceptional public services through our Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources. Remember families that play together, stay together! See you in our parks, programs and facilities!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelvin Yarrell". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Kelvin Yarrell, MS, CPRP
Director of Parks and Recreation



After School Program



Soccer at Sports Complex

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Happenings in Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation Facility Receives National Accreditation

By: Alex Langley

In July 2015, the city of Rocky Mount Parks & Recreation Department's Senior Center received national accreditation through the National Institute of Senior Centers (NISC). NISC offers the nation's only national senior center accreditation program. The facility is only the third accredited senior center in N.C. and one of approximately 1 percent of the 12,000 senior centers in America to receive this designation.

NISC Accreditation is a quality assurance program that involves two phases. The Community Self-Assessment phase was based on nine national senior center standards of Senior Center operation: purpose, community collaboration, program planning, evaluation, financial management, governance, administration/human resources, record keeping, and facility. Key questions were addressed through the creation of a Self-Assessment Committee compiled of stakeholders, city council members, staff, participants, volunteers and others. The Accreditation phase involved compiling supporting documentation related to the National Senior Center Self-Assessment to create a 350+ page National Accreditation Manual, an on-site review of documentation and the Center by a certified Peer Reviewer, and a review of the peer reviewer's findings and recommendation by the National Institute of Senior Centers Accreditation Board.

This accreditation, unique to the senior center field, demonstrates outstanding leadership and commitment to quality programs and services to older adults. During the on-site review, the Senior Center was commended for its effective marketing efforts, engagement with a broad array of community organizations, its leadership, an energetic staff and strong support from the entire city organization.



Proclamation presented by Mayor Combs at a council meeting on September 14, 2015



Accreditation celebration attended by State Senator Angela Bryant

Seasonal Special Events



Downtown Live

Program Description: Enjoy FREE concerts all summer long, every other Thursday! Some seating will be available, and lawn chairs or blankets are welcome. Food and beverage vendors will be on site (no coolers allowed). Concert goes on rain or shine!

Location: Imperial Centre Lawn

Days: May 12 Legacy Motown Revue
 May 26 The Entertainers
 June 9 Jim Quick and Coastline
 June 23 The Castaways
 July 7 Band of Oz
 July 21 Liquid Pleasure
 Aug. 4 Hip Pocket
 Aug. 18 The Tams
 Sept. 1 Steve Owen & Summertime
 Sept. 15 East Coast Rhythm & Blues
 Sept. 29 The Embers featuring Craig Woolard

Dates: May 12 – September 29, 2016

Time: Grounds open 5:00 PM, shows start 6:00 PM

6th Annual Paws in the Park

Program Description: This year marks Parks & Recreation's 6th Annual Paws in the Park event. This event is free to the public and provides an opportunity for nonprofit organizations, businesses, and dog-loving citizens to advance the humane treatment of dogs and promote responsible pet ownership. Activities will include a pet parade, pet/owner fashion show(s), pet talent contests (as well as several other contests), and lots of educational material from dog-related vendors, sponsors and local veterinarians. This year's event is slated for Saturday, April 9, 2016.

Location: Sunset Park at 1301 Dawson Place, Rocky Mount, NC.

Days: Saturday

Dates: April 9, 2016

Times: 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Contact Information: www.rockymountnc.gov/parks/paws.html



Lawn Chair Theater

Program Description: Join us on the Imperial Centre lawn every other Friday night for a FREE, fun, family movie night! Movie ballots will be available soon, so be sure to vote for your favorite movie to be shown for FREE on the Imperial Centre lawn!

Location: Imperial Centre Lawn

Days: June 17
 July 1
 July 15
 July 29
 Aug. 12

Time: Movies begin at dark

Summer Night Lights

Program Description: Enjoy FREE recreational activities all summer. Activities include; face painting, balloon animals, arts and crafts, bingo, and a live DJ spinning today and yesterday top hits. Food will be provided to the first 200, that includes water, hot dogs, chips and sno-cone.

Locations:

June 17 - Buck Leonard
 June 24 - Lancaster Park

July 8 - Branch Street
 July 15th - Booker T. Washington
 July 22 - Three Sister's
 July 29 - Aycock Park

August 5 - South Rocky Mount
 August 12 - Meadowbrook

Days: Friday

Dates: June 17, 2016 - August 12, 2016

Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM



Seasonal Special Events



First Friday

Program Description: Bring your friends and family to enjoy an evening of music, activities, face painting, craft vendors and so much more. Some activities at a nominal fee where noted. Visit www.imperialcentre.org each month for a list of exciting activities.

Location: Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: Any

Price: Free

Day: Friday

Date: First Friday of each month through May

Time: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM



Juneteenth Community Empowerment Celebration

Program Description: A unity event that will promote cultural tourism and economic development strategies of the Douglas Block area. The event will also highlight community empowerment and celebrate Juneteenth featuring live entertainment by national acts and community organizations.

Age: Everyone is welcome

Price: Free

Day: Friday and Saturday

Date: June 3rd and 4th

Contact Information: City of Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation, 252-972-1151

Easter Eggstravaganza

Program Description: Join us as we hold the biggest Easter Egg Hunt in Rocky Mount. This will be the second year this eggstravaganza will be held at the Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences. Various events will be held indoor and outdoors. Hunt times will vary by age.

Location: Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: 3-12

Price: Free

Day: Sunday

Time: March 20, 2016, 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Contact Information: www.rockymountnc.gov/parks/events



45th Annual Independence Celebration

Program Description: Fun and fireworks for the entire community. There will be balloon animals, face painting, blow-ups, food vendors and live entertainment.

Location: Rocky Mount Athletic Stadium

Age: Everyone is welcome

Price: Free

Days, Date: Sunday, July 3, 2016

Time: 9:00 PM

Contact Information: www.rockymountnc.gov/parks/events



Art Classes



The Rocky Mount Arts Center is home to several nonprofit educational organizations focusing on various arts and crafts. These organizations function as guilds, offering monthly meetings and educational programming for the public and special workshops and opportunities for members. All guilds meet in the Arts Education Building at the Imperial Center for Arts and Sciences unless otherwise noted. For contact information on any of the Guilds, please call the Arts Center at 252-972-1266. Visitors and beginners are welcome at all Guild meetings.

Program: Tar River Basketweavers

Description: This group is dedicated to the art of basket making. Teaching is accomplished through shared experience and knowledge. Visit their website at www.ncbasketmakers.com/.

Location: Battleboro Community Center

Ages: Any

Days, Dates, Times: meets on the fourth Tuesday monthly at 4:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: Tar River Peacemakers Quilting Guild

Description: Established in 2000, TRPQG promotes the love of quilts and quilt making. This group has a passion for fabric, design and art which they share with the community through donations to various charitable organizations. TRPQG maintains a website, www.trpqq.org, and is a member of the North Carolina Quilters.

Location: Imperial Center, Art Education Building

Ages: Any

Days, Dates, Times: meets the second Saturday monthly, 9:00 AM social, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM meeting

Fee: Free

Program: Embroiderer's Guild of America, The Tar River Chapter

Description: EGA provides the opportunity to meet with other stitchers, attend regular scheduled meetings with programs and social activities, receive local newsletters, and participate in regional activities. Chapters offer workshops, sponsor exhibits, and hold stitch-ins. For guild information, please visit www.egausa.org.

Location: Imperial Center, Art Education Building

Ages: Any

Days, Dates, Times: meets the second Tuesday monthly, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Fee: Free

Open Clay Studio

Program Description: This studio is open for beginner and experienced potters who wish to work independently. The fee includes firing and the optional use of glazes on hand (cone 05 and 4/6). Participants will be required to attend an orientation with Arts Center staff or show proof and knowledge of good studio practices before being eligible for Open Clay Studio privileges.

Location: Imperial Centre, Art Education Building

Ages: 16 years and up

Day, Date, Time: Monday- Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Fees: \$50 City Residents (\$75 Non-residents) *Includes 3 month membership, firing and glazing.

Clay sold separately: \$15 Participants/\$20 non-participants

Registration Information: Participants may pay on site and complete a participation form as they register.

Program: First Friday

Program Description: Monthly workshops will be held during First Friday. Some workshops will be offered at no cost, while some will have a nominal fee of \$5 per class.

Ages: All

Days, Dates, Time: First Friday of each month

Fee: Varies

Theatre



Title: Oliver!

Written by: Lionel Bart

Directed by: Dirk Lumbard

Musical Direction by: Lawrence Goering

Synopsis: Bringing Charles Dickens' beloved novel to life, Lionel Bart's *Oliver!* takes audiences on a wild adventure through Victorian

England. Join young, orphaned Oliver Twist as he navigates London's underworld of theft and violence, searching for a home, a family, and - most importantly - for love. When Oliver is picked up on the street by a boy named the Artful Dodger, he is welcomed into a gang of child pickpockets led by the conniving, but charismatic, Fagin. When Oliver is falsely accused of a theft he didn't commit, he is rescued by a kind and wealthy gentleman, to the dismay of Fagin's violent sidekick, Bill Sykes. Caught in the middle is the warm-hearted Nancy, who is trapped under Bill's thumb, but desperate to help Oliver, with tragic results. With spirited, timeless songs like "As Long as He Needs Me," "Food, Glorious Food," and "Where is Love," *Oliver!* is a musical classic.

Dates & Times: March 4, 5, 11, and 12 at 7:30 PM; March 6 and 13 at 2:30 PM

Ticket Prices: Adults \$11.00; Students & Seniors \$9.00; Children under 12 \$7.00

Location: Theatre at the Imperial Centre



Theater at Imperial Centre

Title: Crowns

Written by: Regina Taylor

Adapted from the novel by: Michael Cunningham & Craig Marberry

Directed by: Ray Shell

Synopsis: A moving and celebratory musical play in which hats become a springboard for an exploration of black history and identity as seen through the eyes of a young black woman who has come down South to stay with her aunt after her brother is killed in Brooklyn. Hats are everywhere, in exquisite variety, and the characters use the hats to tell tales concerning everything from the etiquette of hats to their historical and contemporary social functioning. There is a hat for every occasion, from flirting to churchgoing to funerals to baptisms, and the tradition of hats is traced back to African rituals and slavery and forward to the New Testament and current fashion. Some rap but predominantly gospel music and dance underscore and support the narratives. The conclusion finds the standoffish young woman, whose cultural identity as a young black Brooklyn woman has been so at odds with the more traditional and older Southern blacks, embracing hats and their cultural significance as a part of her own fiercely independent identity.

Dates & Times: May 5 - 7 at 7:30 PM; May 7 - 8 at 2:30 PM

Ticket Prices: Adults \$11.00 Students; Seniors \$9.00; Children under 12 \$7.00

Location: Theatre at the Imperial Centre

YAT and Playshop 2016

Title: SCHOOL OF ROCK

Written by: Based on the Paramount movie by Mike White, Book by Julian Fellowes, Lyrics by Glenn Slater, Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber

Directed by: Brooke Edwards

Synopsis: *School of Rock* is a brand new musical based on the famous Paramount film written by Mike White, which starred Jack Black. The musical follows Dewey Finn, A failed, wannabe rock star who decides to earn a few extra bucks by posing as a substitute teacher at a prestigious prep school. Completely disinterested in academic work, Dewey decides to create his own curriculum, turning his class into a guitar shredding, bass-slapping, mind-blowing rock band. *SCHOOL OF ROCK*, with its sensational live kids' rock band, is a loving testimony to the transforming power of music. May the spirit of rock be with you!!!

Dates & Times: July 22 - 23 at 7:30 PM; July 24 at 2:00 PM

Location: Theatre at the Imperial Centre

Ticket Prices: Adults \$11.00; Students and Seniors \$9.00; Children under 12 \$7.00

Art Gallery Exhibits



Program: Against All Odds by Margaret Smithers-Crump

Description: Margaret Smithers-Crump is a solo exhibition artist based in Texas. She puts together large installation exhibits using an unusual (but common) medium: PlexiGlass. She paints abstract images on large plexi glass, which plays with dimension and light. She has exhibited all over the country and promises to inspire our community in Rocky Mount.

Location: MThe Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: February 5 – May 6, 2016

Open during our normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: Handcrafted Juried Art Show

Description: Handcrafted is a juried art show that emphasizes ceramics, fiber, glass, metal, wood, and other materials. This year's Handcrafted juror is Kimberly Winkle. Handcrafted accepts entries from across the country and displays only the best during the spring season.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: February 2 – May 15, 2016

Open during our normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sundays 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: The Odd, the Weird, and the Wonderful: Selections from the Permanent Collection

Description: This exhibition consists of approximately 15 pieces from the permanent collection. They were chosen because they are each odd, weird and wonderful in their own ways. Audiences are encouraged to decide which pieces are odd, which are weird and which are wonderful to them.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: February 1 – May 15, 2016

Open during our normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sundays 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: National Arts Honors Society – North Carolina

Description: A collection of approximately 40 2D works of art by National Art Honors Society students from across North Carolina. This exhibit will only be available for viewing for the month of February.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: February 1 – February 28, 2016

Open during our normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: Where the Dream Began

Description: This exhibition will tell the story of our community as it relates to Booker T. Washington's 1910 visit, Martin Luther King's 1962 visit, and the implications surrounding that event in particular. The exhibit will explore the Origin of the Dream project/partnership, the audio tape, and even Langston Hughes. History was compiled from multiple community members sharing their stories with us.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: March 15 – May 15, 2016

Open during our normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sundays 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Art Gallery Exhibits



Program: Litter Art Show

Description: This show continues the partnership with Keep America Beautiful. Students across Nash and Edgecombe counties are asked to make art out of litter for this annual Litter Art Show.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: March 28 - April 30, 2016

Open during normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

First Friday with Willam McLaughlin

Program: Frank Lloyd Wright: Architecture of the Interior

Description: Frank Lloyd Wright: Architecture of the Interior is a traveling exhibit facilitated by the International Arts & Artists out of Washington, D.C. Many people know Frank Lloyd Wright, a famous and innovative architect, for buildings and homes. But, not

everyone know that, as an architect, he designed more than just the exterior of buildings—he designed the interior as well!

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: June 17 – August 28, 2016

Open during normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sunday 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: Juried Art Show

Description: The Juried Art Show is the Maria V. Howard Arts Center's largest juried show of the year! It welcomes artists of all styles and perspectives to submit; this means we get art of all mediums, shapes, and sizes! No juror has been selected yet.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: All

Days, Dates, Times: June 1 – September 5, 2016

Open during normal operating hours: Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM; Sundays 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free

Program: Spring for the Arts

Description: This program is a continuation of summer for the Arts and Voyage of the Arts—developed, created, and ran by Liz Lord. Classes are exploratory, follow a theme, and allow kids to create works of art!

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences

Age: 7-13

Days, Dates, Times: March-April

Every Other Saturday – Exact dates to be determined

Fee: Free

Registration info: Register online or in person at the front desk at the Imperial Centre

Science Classes & Trips

Museum Hours:

Monday	Closed
Tuesday – Friday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Sunday	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Museum Admission:

\$6.00 per person includes Planetarium

Sunday Fun Day! (1:00 PM - 5:00 PM) FREE Museum admission for city of Rocky Mount residents!

Temporary Museum Exhibits:

Design Zone 2 (January 30, 2016 - May 8, 2016)

What does it take to create an addictive and fun videogame? How many beats per second does a DJ need to get bodies moving on the dance floor? What goes behind creating a roller coaster or a skate park that produces the most fun and biggest thrills? Design is everywhere we look and in everything we do, and math is behind it all. Behind every dance mix, there's a beat. Behind every thrill ride, there's velocity. Behind every half-pipe, there's a vert ramp. Join us in the Design Zone to use hands-on activities in the creation of your own dance beat, rollercoaster, skate park, video game and more.

Trivial Pursuit®: A 50-State Adventure (May 28 - September 18, 2016)

Travel from coast to coast learning about historical sites, iconic tourist destinations, and popular recreation and sports venues through unique hands-on activities, challenging puzzles and games, and a blend of classic and special edition Trivial Pursuit® questions. Discover unique customs and activities specific to each region of the United States. Learn about the 50 states with themed puzzles, games, and books. Mark your dream vacation destination on a map.

Birthday Parties

Museum birthday parties include a decorated room for two hours, two balloon sprays, tables and chairs, access to the museum's exhibits, optional science program and admission tickets for up to 30 people. Parties can be held on Saturdays from 11:00am-1:00pm or 2:00 PM-4:00 PM. Party topics: Fossil Finds (ages 5+); Animal Tracks (ages 5+); Ooey-Gooey (ages 5+); Planetarium Party (ages 4+); No Program Party (all ages). By Appointment Only [Appointment must be made at least two weeks in advance]. Call 252-972-1266 for more information, program fees and to make an appointment.

Special Events and Information

N.C. Science Festival - Organizations across North Carolina are gearing up for the start of this year's North Carolina Science Festival on April 8. The Festival is a statewide series of events that showcase science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). It includes hands-on activities, science talks, lab tours, nature experiences, exhibits, performances and other events. This year's Festival will run April 8 - 24. The Rocky Mount Children's Museum and Science Center will offer several exciting opportunities for you to participate, call 252-972-1367 for details!

Puppet Shows

Join the Junior Guild of Rocky Mount for puppet shows at the Children's Museum & Science Center! Show times are 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

February 7 and 21

March 6 and 20

April 3 and 17

Museum Closings: The Children's Museum & Science Center will be closed: Friday, March 25 and Sunday, March 27



Science Classes & Trips

Program: STEM Club

Program Number: 3712

Description: Students will explore a different topic each week through hands on activities, games, and experiments. Classes meet Thursdays afternoons for six weeks. We will mix up some chemistry and reactions and discover the three states of matter; experiment with forces and physics!

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: Grades 3-5

Day, Date, Time: Thursdays, February 11 - March 17, 2016 at 4:00 PM-5:00 PM

Fee: \$25.00 City Residents (\$37.50 Non-Residents)

Registration Information: Registration and payment must be received no later than 5:00 pm, Thursday, February 4.

Program: Saturday Science

Program Numbers: 3700-3711

Description: Explore, experiment and discover! A different, fun, hands-on science activity each week -- make slime, create a milk kaleidoscope, and experiment with flight and flying and more! free with paid Museum admission! *Activities are subject to change.

Program Number 3700: Feb 6 – Milk Kaleidoscope

Program Number 3701: Feb 13 – Slime

Program Number 3702: Feb 20 – Balloon Helicopters

Program Number 3703: Feb 27 – Hovercraft

Program Number 3704: March 5 – Popsicle Stick Chain Reaction

Program Number 3705: March 12 – Pi Day Math & Science activities

Program Number 3706: March 19 – Static Electricity

Program Number 3707: March 26 – Snap Circuits

Program Number 3708: April 2 – Slime Worms

Program Number 3709: April 9 – Owl Pellets

Program Number 3710: April 16 – Feathers

Program Number 3711: April 23 – Singing Buttons

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Ages: 5+

Day, Date, Time: Saturdays, February 6 – April 23, 2016 at 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Fee: Free with paid Museum admission

Registration Information: Limited seating!

Program: Bird Park Trip

Program Number: 3717

Description: Looking for something fun to do on the Teacher Workday? Dabble with the ducks and gander at the geese! Discover birds from around the world at Sylvan Heights Bird Park. Transportation provided, bring a bag lunch and extra water bottle.

Location: Meet at the Imperial Centre; travel to Sylvan Heights Bird Park, Scotland Neck, N.C.

Ages: 7 - 12

Day, Date and Time: Monday, March 7, 2016 at 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Fee: \$30.00 City residents (\$45.00 Non-residents)

Registration: Registration and payment must be made by 12:00 noon Monday, March 1.

Program: Nature Walk with a Naturalist - Spring

Description: Join us for a Nature Walk through Sunset Park! Identify and learn about trees, plants and the signs of spring in nature. Free!

Location: Meet at the Battle Park boat ramp parking lot

Ages: All

Day, Date and Time: Saturday, April 2, 2016 at 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Fee: Free

Children's Museum & Science Center

Program: Wild Foods

Description: Discover edible plants that grow in our area and learn ways to prepare them. A tasty nature walk!

Location: Meet in the Battle Park boat ramp parking lot

Ages: All

Day, Date and Time: Saturday April 23, 10:00am to 12:00pm

Fee: FREE

Program: Spring Birds of Battle Park

Description: Join us for a bird walk at Battle Park as we look for signs of migratory birds such as flycatchers, thrushes, warblers and tanagers. The local nesting birds will be present and should be easily found in late April. You will have the opportunity to learn about current protection efforts concerning our fine feathered friends as they wing their way each migration season. Bring binoculars, or check a pair out from Braswell Library.

Location: Meet at the Battle Park boat ramp parking lot

Ages: Ages 10+ (children under age 15 must be accompanied by an adult)

Day, Date and Time: Saturday, April 30, 7:00am

Fee: FREE

Program: Nature Walk with a Naturalist - Summer

Description: Join us for a Nature Walk along the Tar River Trail! Identify and learn about trees, plants and the signs of summer in nature. Free!

Location: Meet at the picnic shelter at the corner of River Drive and Taylor Street

Ages: All

Day, Date and Time: Saturday, June 4, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Fee: FREE

Program: CSI: Museum

Program Number: 3718

Description: Be a crime scene investigator and help us solve a mystery! We'll analyze evidence, such as footprints, fingerprints, and ink stains, to solve a crime.

Location: Children's Museum & Science Center

Ages: 7-12

Day, Date and Time: Monday-Friday, June 27-July 1, 1:00pm-5:00pm

Fee: \$70.00 City Residents (\$105.00 Non-Residents)

Registration: Registration and payment must be made by 12:00 pm June 20.

Program: Whiz Bang Boom

Program Number: 3719

Description: Experiment, invent and discover! A hodge-podge of cool, fun and exciting hands-on activities and experiments! Use chemistry and physics to make things fly, pop, change and explode -- all in the name of science!

Location: Children's Museum & Science Center

Ages: 7-12

Day, Date and Time: Monday-Friday, July 18-22, 1:00pm-5:00pm

Fee: \$70.00 City Residents (\$105.00 Non-Residents)

Program: Science Safari

Program Number: 3720

Description: We are going on a science safari! We will travel to a different site each day to explore and experiment! Discover ducks at Sylvan Heights, dig for fossils in Aurora, and more! Be sure to bring a bag lunch, extra water bottle and comfortable shoes each day!

Location: Meet at the Imperial Centre, travel off-site each day

Ages: 7-12

Day, Date and Time: Monday-Friday, August 1-5, 8:30am-5:00pm

Fee: \$95.00 City Residents (\$143.00 Non-Residents)

Children's Museum & Science Center

Program: Dragons and Damsels

Description: Dragonflies and Damselflies are not only amazing fliers, but will also impress you with their wonderful colors, patterns, and variety. As we explore around Battle Park, we will observe these creatures going about their daily lives, and hopefully catch several to observe them "up close and personal"! Be sure to bring a camera and/or binoculars and a bottle of water. Free!

Location: Meet at the Battle Park boat ramp parking lot

Ages: Ages 10+ (children under age 15 must be accompanied by an adult)

Day, Date and Time: Saturday, August 20, 2016 at 8:00 AM

Fee: FREE

Program: Sidewalk Astronomy

Description: Weather permitting, trained observers from the Cummins Planetarium will be on hand at various locations using a specially filtered telescope to provide free glimpses of sunspots and other features of the Sun's fiery surface. Don't miss a rare opportunity to experience daytime astronomy! Also, learn all about our parent star and its effects on the Earth at the Planetarium's newest show about the Sun, Solar Superstorms.

Location:

Sidewalk Astronomy & Starlab Display at City Hall, Friday, January 15, 2016, 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Sidewalk Astronomy at the Imperial Centre, Saturday, February 20, 2016, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sidewalk Astronomy at City Lake Park, Saturday, March 19, 2016, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sidewalk Astronomy at City Lake Park, Saturday, April 9, 2016, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sidewalk Astronomy at the Imperial Centre, Saturday, May 14, 2016, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sidewalk Astronomy at City Lake Park, Saturday, August 13, 2016, 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fee: Free



Web constellation viewing

Children's Museum & Science Center

Public Star Parties

Stargazing events at Rocky Mount's City Lake Park, Braswell Memorial Library and the Imperial Centre, from February through August 2016, will introduce residents and visitors alike to the wonders of the night sky. Weather permitting, each month's viewing session features different observing targets as the sky changes overhead from one month to the next. Dress appropriately for outdoor temperatures and bring along flashlights, binoculars or a telescope if you like. Free guided constellation tours and beginner sky charts will be provided. Otherwise, plenty of telescopes and assistance will be available from your hosts, the staff of the Cummins Planetarium and members of the Tar River Astronomy Club. Below different meetings of public star parties.

Braswell Library Star Party

Park at the Library or the Imperial Centre, and meet us on the lawn directly behind the Braswell Memorial Library, as we explore the early winter sky, which includes the great Orion Nebula and a nearly first quarter moon. Take advantage of the library's Telescope and Binocular Loan Program, and check out an instrument of your own, made possible in part by a grant from the Institute of Museum & Library Services.

Friday, January 15, 2016, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

City Lake Star Party

At Rocky Mount's City Lake Park, take a close-up look at craters, mountains and ancient lava flows on a bright, gibbous moon. The moonlight sky should allow beautiful wide field viewing of the Pleiades star cluster as well.

Friday, February 19, 2016, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

City Lake Star Party

Check out the solar system's largest planet, Jupiter and the Galilean moons, Io, Europa, Ganymede and Callisto. Our own Moon, roughly the same size as Jupiter's largest satellites, shines brightly in the constellation Cancer, not far from the Beehive star cluster.

Friday, March 18, 2016, 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

2016 Statewide Star Party at City Lake Park

This is our third year participating in the 2016 N.C. Science Festival, sponsored by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This evening's gathering features special activities to engage families with the theme of "Finding Your Way in the Sky." Of course we'll provide telescopic views of the giant planet Jupiter, which continues to hang around in Leo. A thin crescent moon will be setting over the lake, and we may even spot the elusive planet Mercury. The early spring sky holds other telescopic treasures including the Owl Nebula and more.

Friday, April 8, 2016, 8:00-10:00 PM

Imperial Centre Star Party

Tonight's Star Party takes place in the Courtyard of the Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences, on the eve of International Astronomy Day. The moon and Jupiter shine high overhead near the bright star Regulus, and some bright winter leftovers hang on low in the West. Observing targets will include the Owl Nebula and the Beehive star cluster.

Friday, May 13, 2016, 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM

City Lake Star Party & Meteor Watch

Saturn is out - come marvel at its unforgettable ring system! The red planet Mars glows nearby in Scorpius, not far from its rival the red supergiant Antares. While the moon will make viewing of the annual Perseid Meteor Shower a challenge, braver souls among us may wish to continue their own meteor observations later in the evening. But we'll get you started with helpful tips on when and where to observe and a realistic idea of what to expect.

Friday, August 12, 2016, 8:30 PM-10:00 PM

The Cummins Planetarium Shows

All Public Planetarium Shows are included with admission to the Children's Museum through August 2016 and include the following:

For 10 years, the Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences is home to the Cummins Planetarium, North Carolina's very first full-dome digital projection planetarium. Featuring a 30-foot domed theater, seating up to 50 people, planetarium program offerings include something all ages and interests.



One World, One Sky - Big Bird's Adventure

Take a magical, musical journey to the Moon and back with Big Bird and friends, while learning about the Sun and stars along the way. This show is intended as a gentle introduction to the Planetarium environment geared specifically for our very youngest and first time planetarium visitors.

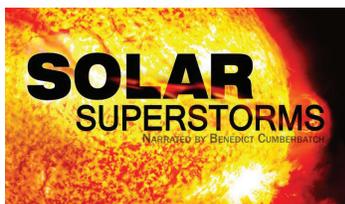
(Through August 2016 / Ages 3-6)



Two Small Pieces of Glass - The Amazing Telescope

While attending a local star party, two teenagers learn how the telescope has helped us understand our place in space and how telescopes continue to expand our understanding of the Universe. Their conversation with a female astronomer enlightens them on the history of the telescope, how telescopes work, the discoveries these wonderful tools have made, and how the largest observatories in the world use these instruments to explore mysteries of the universe including astronomer's telescope, the students, along with the planetarium audience, explore the Galilean Moons, Saturn's rings, and the spiral structure of galaxies. Soundtrack recorded by the London Symphony Orchestra.

(Through August 2016 / Family Audiences)



Solar Superstorms

This major new planetarium production takes viewers into the tangle of magnetic fields and superhot plasma that vent the Sun's rage in the form of flares, solar tornadoes and the most violent explosions in our solar system: Coronal Mass Ejections. The show features the most intensive efforts ever made to visualize the inner workings of our star, including groundbreaking simulations computed on the giant new supercomputer, Blue Waters.

Brace yourself for the next...Solar Superstorm.

Narrated by Benedict Cumberbatch.

(Through August 2016 / General Audiences)



Seasonal Stargazing

Presentations of Two Small Pieces of Glass & Solar Superstorms include this short guided tour of the evening sky, updated regularly to reflect the changes that occur from one season to the next. Learn the names of the bright stars and how to find your way among the constellations. Free monthly sky charts are provided.

(Through August 2016 / General Audiences)

The Cummins Planetarium Lazer shows



Laser Motown

A laser light tribute to the Motown sound, in which rhythm and blues, as well as soul are infused with a distinct pop influence. Presented in observance of Black History Month, Laser Motown features eye-popping laser graphics that bring to light the music of artists including Diana Ross and the Supremes, the Temptations, Marvin Gaye, Smokey Robinson, the Four Tops and more!

(February 2016)



Laser Michael Jackson

The King of Pop is gone, but not forgotten. Celebrate the music of Michael Jackson interpreted through the magic of colorful laser graphics and animation. Songs include Bad, Beat It, Thriller, The Way You Make Me Feel, Don't Stop and more!

(March 2016)



Colors of the World

A laser light celebration of musical diversity around the world. Authentic sounds and vibrant laser generated images illustrate cultures from over a dozen locations including Africa, Ukraine, Central & South America, Europe, Asia, Australia, the Mediterranean and others.

(April 2016)



Lasers of Oz

Enjoy the most enchanting musical numbers from the beloved 1939 film, "The Wizard of OZ." Colorful laser animation brings new life to Dorothy, Toto, Scarecrow, Cowardly Lion, Tin Man, Witches (good and bad), as well as the great and powerful Oz himself.

(May 2016)



Laser Spirit of America

Dazzling laser graphics and animation in a musical tribute to life in the USA. Featured musical artists include KISS, R. Kelly, Garth Brooks, John Mellencamp, Brooks & Dunn, Lee Greenwood, Celine Dion and more.

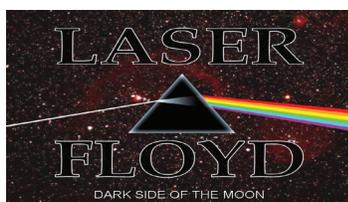
(June 2016)



Laser Beatles

Charming animation and psychedelic laser visuals celebrate the musical phenomenon that included John Lennon, Paul McCartney, George Harrison and Ringo Starr. Return to a more innocent time with tracks including "Octopus's Garden," "Help!," "Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da," "Get Back," "Yesterday," and "Strawberry Fields."

(July 2016)



Laser Floyd - Dark Side of the Moon

Musical selections for this month's laser show are from Pink Floyd's groundbreaking 1973 classic rock album "Dark Side of the Moon," frequently cited as one of the greatest rock albums of all time. Tracks include "Time," "Money," "Us & Them," "On the Run" and more.

(August 2016)

The Cummins Planetarium Schedule

Weekly Planetarium Schedule for February-August 2016

Tuesday - Friday	1:00 PM Two Small Pieces of Glass 2:00 PM Solar Superstorms 3:00 PM Laser Light Shows(changes monthly) 4:00 PM Solar Superstorms
Saturday	11:00AM One World, One Sky - Big Bird's Adventure 1:00 PM Two Small Pieces of Glass -The Amazing Telescope 2:00 PM Solar Superstorms 3:00 PM Laser Light Shows (changes monthly) 4:00 PM Solar Superstorms
Sunday	2:00 PM Solar Superstorms 3:00 PM Laser Light Shows (changes monthly) 4:00 PM Solar Superstorms

Monthly Laser Show

February	Lazer Motown
March	Laser Michael Jackson
April	Colors of the World
May	Lazers of Oz
June	Laser Spirit
July	Laser Beatles
August	Laser Floyd DSOM

THE CUMMINS PLANETARIUM

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Community Programs

The city of Rocky Mount offers various summer program opportunities. Registration for summer programs to begin Monday, March 3, 2016 and will continue until all programs are full. Register early to reserve your child a seat in the program.

To attend a Quest site:

1. Attend Bulluck Elementary, D.S. Johnson, Baskerville, Williford, Rocky Mount Preparatory.
2. When registering, a report card will be required to prove school location.

Program: Quest Program at Williford Elementary School

Program Number: 3669

Description: Children will participate in various activities including arts and crafts, gym games and visits to local library.

Location: Williford Elementary School

Age: 5-8

Days, Dates, Times: Monday – Friday, June 13 through August 12, 2016, 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Fee: \$30.00

Registration info: For additional information please call 252-467-4925.

Program: Quest Program at Booker T. Washington Community Center

Program Number: 3635

Description: Children will participate in various activities including arts and crafts, gym games and visits to local library.

Location: Booker T. Washington Community Center

Age: 9-12

Days, Dates, Times: Monday – Friday, June 13 through August 12, 2016, 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Fee: \$30.00

Registration info: For additional information, please call 252-467-4925

Program: Summer Day Camp at Winstead Avenue Elementary School

Program Number: 3679

Description: Children will participate in various activities including arts and crafts, gym games, various field trips and visits to local library.

Location: Winstead Avenue School Elementary School

Age: 5-8

Days, Dates, Times: Monday – Friday, June 13 through August 12, 2016, 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Fee: city residents: \$80.00; non-residents: \$120.00

Registration info: For additional information please call 252-467-4925

Program: Summer Day Camp at Englewood Elementary School

Program Number: 3679

Description: Children will participate in various activities including arts and crafts, gym games, various field trips, and visits to local library.

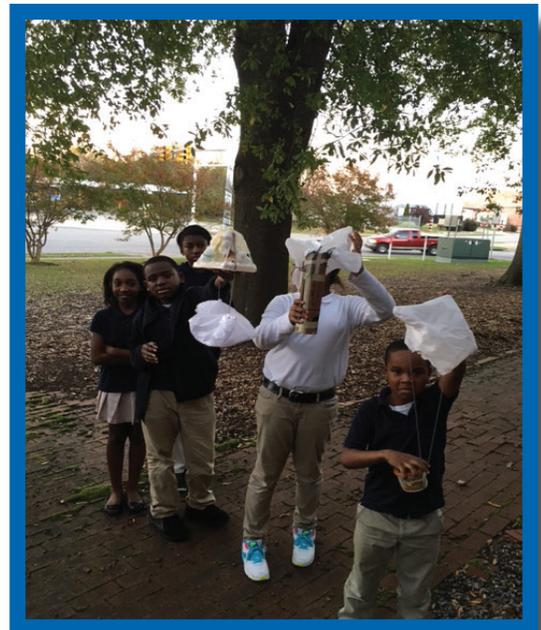
Location: Englewood Elementary School

Age: 9-12

Days, Dates, Times: Monday – Friday, June 13 through August 12, 2016, 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Fee: city residents: \$80.00; non-residents: \$120.00

Registration info: For additional information please call 252-467-4925



**STEM project at Imperial Centre
After School Program**

Community Programs

Program: City of Rocky Mount Step Show

Program Number: 3713

Description: The city of Rocky Mount will host its annual step show, come out and support local teams along with visiting teams for good family fun.

Location: Rocky Mount Middle School

Age: 5-18

Days, Dates, Times: Saturday, January 30, 2016 at 4:00 PM

Fee: \$5.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: S.W.A.T. Step Show

Program Number: 3731

Description: South Rocky Mount's own S.W.A.T. steppers will have their 3rd annual step show; please come out and support the hard work and dedication of the young ladies of S.W.A.T.

Location: Rocky Mount Middle School

Age: 5-18

Days, Dates, Times: Saturday, March 5, 2016, 4:00 PM

Fee: \$6.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: Pre-School Fashion Show

Program Number: 3722

Description: Please join us as local preschoolers strut their stuff in the spring fashion show. All are welcome

Location: Booker T. Washington Theater

Age: 3-5

Days, Dates, Times: Wednesday, April 6, 2016

Fee: Free

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, Recreation Coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: Kickball

Program Number: 3723

Description: Enjoy a pastime with friends and family. The city of Rocky Mount will offer its first competitive kickball league.

Location: Sports Complex

Age: 18 and up

Days, Dates, Times: Sunday and Wednesday, April 4, 2016

Fee: 150.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: Job Readiness Program

Program Number: 3724

Description: This program is designed to help teenagers ages 14 – 18 prepare for the job market. It teaches teens how to dress, how to develop character and how to handle job interviews.

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: 14 - 18

Days, Dates, Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday March 28 – April 1, 2016 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Fee: Free

Registration info: For additional information please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.



Englewood Day Camp

Community Programs

Program: College Tours

Program Number: 3725

Description: Your child has nothing to do during spring break? Please join us on our college tours as we visit local colleges and universities to prepare your teens for a bright future.

Location: Imperial Center

Age: 13-18

Days, Dates, Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday March 28 – April 1, 2016 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Fee: \$20.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: Buck Leonard Baseball League

Description: Please join us for a summer of fun baseball. Join the Buck Leonard baseball league where youth ages 8 – 14 will increase their knowledge of baseball and improve baseball related skills.

Location: Stith/Talbert Park

Age: 8 - 14

Days, Dates, Times: June 2016 TBA

Fee: \$16.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: Rocky Mount Summer Basketball League

Program Number: 3726

Description: Please join us for our 5th year of summer basketball, this year will be bigger and better.

Location: South Rocky Mount Community Center

Age: 13 and up

Days, Dates, Times: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, June 27, 2016 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Fee: \$250.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Chris Allen, recreation coordinator at 252-972-1170.

Program: Champions in Motion Karate

Description: This co-ed program incorporates effective self-defense techniques from many martial art systems. Teaches Project S.A.F.E. Shield

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: 5 and up

Days, Dates, Times: TBD

Fee: \$7 per session attended

Registration info: Call 252-467-4902

Program: Youth Champions in Motion Cheerleading

Description: This co-ed program teaches cheerleading techniques such as arm motions, kicks, jumps, stunting basics and teamwork. Dance routines and choreography are also taught

Location: The Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences

Age: 5 and up

Days, Dates, Times: TBD

Fee: \$7 per session attended

Registration info: Call 252-467-4902



Summer Camp at Denton Street Pool

Sports & Athletics

Program: Co-Rec Adult Softball League

Program Number: 3659

Description: Play 10 games including regular season and end of season tournament. Games are played weeknights at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Location: Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Age: 16 and up

Days, Dates, Times: Fridays, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Season runs mid-April through late June.

Fee: \$380 per team. Fee covers officials, scorekeepers and end of season/tournament awards.

Registration info: Informational meeting is held in March. Registration deadline is April 6, 2016. For additional information, please contact the Athletics Division at 252-972-1160.

Program: Men's Church, Industrial/Open Softball Leagues

Program Number: 3658

Description: Play 12 games including regular season and end of season tournament. Games are played weeknights at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Location: Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Age: 16 and up

Days, Dates, Times: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. 7:00 PM-9:00 PM. Season runs mid-April through late-June.

Fee: \$480 per team. Fee covers officials, scorekeepers and end of season/tournament awards.

Registration info: Informational meeting is held in March. Registration deadline is April 6, 2016. For additional information, please contact the Athletics Division at 252-972-1160.

Program: Youth Track Team

Program Number: 3654

Description: Team will train locally beginning in March 2016. Participants will "RUN, RUN, RUN." Track Meets will be out of town on weekends and last all day.

Location: Rocky Mount Sports Complex, Football Stadium

Age: 6-16 as of August 1, 2016

Days, Dates, Times: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Season runs mid-April through late-June.

Fee: City Residents: \$36. Non-residents: \$54

Registration info: Registration is held January 2, 2016 – February 29, 2016. For additional information, please contact the Athletics Division at 252-972-1160.



Hot Shot Soccer

2015 Co-Sponsors of Hot Shot Soccer



Sports & Athletics

Program: Hot Shot Youth Soccer Leagues

Program Number: 3640

Description: Hot Shot Soccer offers six different age divisions for youth soccer; U4, U6, U8, U10, U12 and U15. Our goals are to teach young soccer players basic skills and promote the enjoyment of the game in a fun atmosphere. RMPR reserves the right to combine age divisions and genders when appropriate and necessary.

Location: Practices at local Rocky Mount fields. Games at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Age: 3-14 as of August 1, 2016. Players turning 15 after August 1, 2015 are still eligible.

Days, Dates, Times: Games: Weeknights and Saturdays at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex. Practices: Weeknights, head coach determines practice night. Season runs March through early June.

Fee: City Residents: \$36. Non-residents: \$54. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Registration info: Registration is held January 2, 2016 – February 29, 2016. For additional information, please contact the Athletics Division at 252-972-1160.

Program: Girls Machine Pitch Youth Softball

Program Number: 3655

Description: Learn the fundamentals of softball such as hitting and fielding in a fun, recreational setting. There are two age divisions for youth softball; 7-9 and 10-12. A pitching machine is used in lieu of a female pitcher to all development of fielders and batters.

Location: Practices at local Rocky Mount fields. Games at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex. Some games may be played at other locations within Nash County.

Age: 7-12 as of January 1, 2016

Days, Dates, Times: Games: Weeknights. Practices: Weeknights, head coach determines practice night. Season runs April through early June.

Fee: City Residents: \$36. Non-residents: \$54. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Registration info: Registration is held January 2, 2016 – February 29, 2016. For additional information, please contact the Athletics Division at 252-972-1160.

Program: Youth Baseball

Program Number: 3647

Description: Learn the fundamentals of baseball such as hitting and fielding in a fun, recreational setting. There are five age divisions for youth baseball; 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12. Youth baseball programs are sanctioned through Little League.

Location: Practices at local Rocky Mount fields. Games at the Rocky Mount Sports Complex.

Age: 4-9 as of August 31, 2016. 10-12 as of May 1, 2016

Days, Dates, Times: Games: Monday-Thursday, 5:30 PM and 7:15 PM. Practices: Weeknights, head coach determines practice night. Season runs April through early June.

Fee: Biddy (3-4) City Residents: \$33. Non-residents: \$50. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Bantam (5-6) City Residents: \$33. Non-residents: \$50. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Pee Wee (7-8) City Residents: \$36. Non-residents: \$54. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Midget (9-10) City Residents: \$44. Non-residents: \$66. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Little (11-12) City Residents: \$44. Non-residents: \$66. Additional \$10 late fee if registering after deadline.

Registration info: Registration is held January 2, 2016 – February 29, 2016. For additional information please contact the Athletics Division at 252-972-1160.



Youth Baseball at Rocky Mount Sports Complex

Active Older Adults

Program: Down East Senior Games Spaghetti Lunch

Description: This is a fundraising event to raise money for our local Down East Senior Games. Purchase your tickets early. The meal will take place on March 17 at 11:00 AM at the Senior Center. We will have tables and chairs for eating in or you may get a takeout plate. Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: All ages

Days, Dates, Times: Tickets go on sale Monday, January 4, 2016.

Fee: \$10.00 per plate.

Registration info: For additional information please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.

Program: Southpointe Shopping Trip

Program Number: 3625

Description: Enjoy a day of shopping at the Streets at Southpointe in Durham. This will be a trip on the blue bus.

Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: Wednesday, January 6, 2016 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Fee: \$15.00 per person

Registration info: For additional information please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.

Program: Valentine Soup Lunch Party

Program Number: 3626

Description: Come celebrate Valentine's Day with friends. We are serving soup, salads and desserts. Participate in some fun games and win some great prizes!

Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: Wednesday, February 10, 2016 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fee: \$3.00 for city residents, \$4.00 for non city residents

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564

Program: Black History Celebration Lunch

Program Number: 3627

Description: This event is a lunch where participants are asked to bring a dish. There will be entertainment in celebration of black history.

Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: Thursday, February 25 2016 11:00 AM-1:00 PM

Fee: Bring a dish

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.

Program: Spring Fling

Program Number: 3628

Description: Bring your favorite homemade dish and enjoy fellowship with friends.

Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: Tuesday, April 5 2016 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fee: Bring a dish

Registration info: For additional information please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.



2015 Duplin Winery

Active Older Adults

Program: Volunteer Appreciation Lunch

Program Number: 3629 and 3630

Description: This is a special lunch provided by the senior center to honor our volunteers. This is by special invitation only. All guest who are not volunteers must pay.

Location: TBA

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: Wednesday, April 13, 2016 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Fee: Free for volunteers \$20.00 for guests.

Registration info: For additional information please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564

Program: Biltmore House Trip

Program Number: 3621

Description: This is a 3 day and 2 night trip.

Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: April 18 - 20, 2016

Fee: Single Occupancy: \$429.00 pp, Double Occupancy: \$349.00 pp, Triple Occupancy: \$349.00 pp

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.

Program: Down East Senior Games

Description: This is a competitive 2 week event for local athletes and artists to compete with each other for a chance to go to the N.C. Senior Games.

Location: TBA

Age: 50 and older

Days, Dates, Times: May 2 - 13, 2016. May 24th Awards/Follies

Fee: TBA

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.

Program: Summer Blast

Program Number: 3631

Description: Seniors are invited to come and enjoy a fun day on the Senior Center Lawn that will include live, music and entertainment. Bring your lawn chairs and friends! Please register in advance and indicate the dish that you will bring.

Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center Lawn

Age: Open

Fee: Bring a cook out item a few days before

Registration Info: For additional information, please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.

Program: South Dakota Trip

Description: This is a 7 day - 6 night trip. Roundtrip airfare, hotel accommodations, 10 meals, motorcoach transportation, hotel transfers and baggage handling is included.

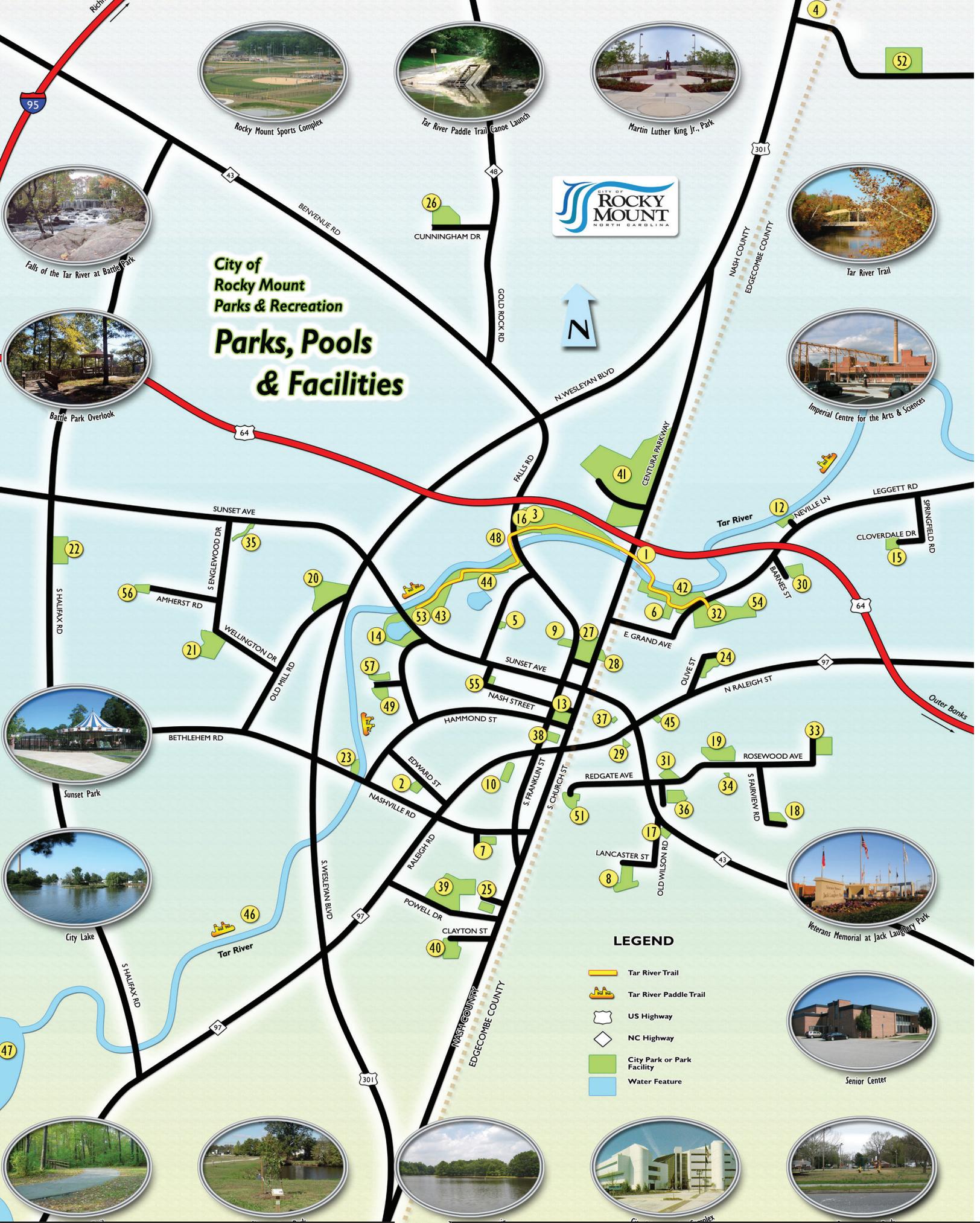
Location: Rocky Mount Senior Center

Age: 55 and older

Days, Dates, Times: September 14 - 20, 2016

Fee: Booking Discount (if \$300.00 deposit is made by May 31st) = \$2,349.00, Regular rate for double occupancy = \$2449.00, Single occupancy = add additional \$650.00

Registration info: For additional information, please contact Julie Watson at 252-972-1564.



City of Rocky Mount Parks & Recreation Parks, Pools & Facilities



LEGEND

- Tar River Trail
- Tar River Paddle Trail
- US Highway
- NC Highway
- City Park or Park Facility
- Water Feature

Park & Shelter Amenities

1. Animal Shelter/Greenway
1101 N. Church St.
2. Aycock Park – 1200 Aycock St.
2.3 acres
Softball field
Play equipment
3. Battle Park – Shelter (3)
1300 Falls Road
56.5 acres
Greenway
Boat Landing
3 Picnic Shelters
(Group size — A-48; B-56; C-40)
Overlook
Playground Equipment
4 Parking Lots
2 Islands
1 Gazebo (can be reserved for weddings)
4. Battleboro Community Center
280 W. Battleboro Avenue
Medium Size Meeting Room
Kitchen
5. Bea Holmon Park – Shelters (1)
1030 Star Street
1.5 Acre
1 Small Shelter (Group size 8)
Play field
Playground Equipment
Lighted Basketball Court
6. Booker T. Washington
Community Center
721 Pennsylvania Avenue
4.2 Acres
Gym (holds 400)
Auditorium
Meeting Rooms
Arts & Crafts Room
Game Room
TV Room
Exercise Room
Kitchen
Playground Equipment
Banquet Room 1 – (Group size 100
with/without kitchen)
Banquet Room 2 – (Group size 80)
7. Boone Street Park – 550 Eleanor Place
1.7 Acres
Baseball Backstop
Playground Equipment
Basketball Court
8. Branch Street Park – 1731 Branch Street
Small Park with Playground Equipment
9. Braswell Park – 411 Hickory Street
2 Acres
Stream in the middle
Azalea Beds
Playground
Band Stand
10. Buck Leonard Park – Shelters (1)
929 S. Grace Street
4.1 Acres
1 Picnic Shelter
Tot Lot
Playground Equipment
Little League Baseball Field
3 Lighted Basketball Court
11. Bunn Farm – 4533 Lessie Trail
Shelter (small)
12. Charter Oaks Park – Shelters (1)
1717 Neville Lane
3.5 Acres
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 8)
Lighted Basketball Court
Playground Equipment
13. City Administrative Complex
331 S. Franklin Street
14. City Lake Park – 1609 Sunset Avenue
20 Acres
Fishing & Radio Controlled Boats Permitted
Exotic WaterFowl
½ Mile Walkway
2 Fishing Piers
Island with Gazebo (Group size 25)
Lighted Fountain
Popular for Weddings
15. Cloverdale Park – Shelters (1)
1714 Lenior Drive
3.5 Acres
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 32)
Basketball Court
Baseball Backstop
Playground Equipment
16. Confederate Monument
1300 Falls Road
17. Daughtridge Park – 1142 Cokey Road
2.5 Acres
Softball Field
Playground Equipment
18. Denton Street Pool
1434 Denton Street
19. Eastern Avenue Park – Shelters (1)
1010 Eastern Avenue
8.2 Acres
2 Lighted Tennis Courts
1 Picnic Shelter (Group Size 64)
Playground Equipment
2 Lighted Softball Fields
1 Little League Baseball Field
20. Englewood Park – Shelters (2)
(Also known as Stone Park)
301 Old Mill Road
18.5 Acres
Lighted League Baseball Field
2 Picnic Shelters
(Group Size – Shelter A 48; Shelter B 54)
Playground Equipment
.25 Mile Trail
4 Lighted Tennis Courts
1 Lighted Basketball Court
21. Farmington Park
1309 Wellington Drive
32.9 Acres
Little League Field with Dugouts
Lights
Batting Cages
Playground Equipment (Ages 5–12)
18-Hole Disc Golf Course

Park & Shelter Amenities

22. Grover Lucas Park – Shelters (1)
(Formerly Easonburg Park)
551 S. Halifax Road

10.5 Acres
Playground Equipment
Play Field
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 54)
2 Lighted Little League Baseball Fields
Basketball Court
Restrooms

23. Historic Tree Park
962 Bethlehem Road
2 Picnic Shelters (Group size 24)
Lighted Basketball Court
Baseball Backstop
Playground Equipment

24. Holly Street Park – Shelters (1)
315 Olive Street
3.4 Acres
1 Small Shelter
Lighted Basketball Court
Baseball Backstop
Playground Equipment

25. Home Street Park – Shelters (1)
301 Home Street
2.7 Acres
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 24)
Lighted Basketball Court
Playground Equipment
Small Play Field

26. Hornbeam Park – Shelters (1)
170 Cunningham Drive
10.5 Acres
Lighted Soft ball Field
Light Little League Field
Restrooms
Picnic Shelter (Group size 32)
Playground Equipment

27. Imperial Centre for the Arts & Sciences
270 Gay Street

28. Jack Laughery Park
321 N. Church Street

29. Kite Park – 535 Marigold Street
1 Acre
Playground Equipment

30. Lancaster Park – 1509 Barnes Street
4.2 Acres
Basketball Court
Playground Equipment
Baseball Backstop

31. Marigold Park – Shelters (1)
900 Marigold Street
4.1 Acres
Lots of Shade
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 24)
3 Tennis Courts
1 Small Play Field
Playground Equipment

32. Martin Luther King, Jr. Park – Shelters (2)
775 Leggett Road
28 Acres
Martin Luther King Memorial
Paths
Benches
Fields for walking or picnicking
2 Picnic Shelters – (Shelter A 80; Shelter B 80)

33. Meadowbrook Park – Shelters (1)
509 Glendale Drive
9.6 Acres
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 48)
Playground Equipment
Lighted Basketball Court
4 Lighted Tennis Courts
1 Lighted Baseball Field

34. Oakwood Drive Mini Park
1109 N. Oakwood Drive
.3 Acre
Lots of Shade
Benches
Playground Equipment

35. Patterson Drive Park
105 Patterson Drive
3.6 Acres
A Small Creek
Benches
Lots of Shade

36. Powell Park – 901 Tessie Street
.4 Acre
Half Basketball Court
Benches
Playground Equipment

37. R.M. Wilson Gym – 311 Hill Street

38. Rocky Mount Senior Center
420 S. Church Street

39. South Rocky Mount Community Center
719 Recreation Drive
Gym
Kitchen
Game Room
Exercise Rooms (2)
Arts & Crafts Room
TV Room
Meeting Rooms
2 Lighted Softball fields
Concession Stand
Volleyball
Horseshoe Pits
Little League Field
4 Lighted Tennis Courts

40. Southside Park – Shelters (1)
513 Clayton Street
6.6 Acres
Play Field
1 Picnic Shelter (Group size 16)
Lighted Basketball Court
1 Tennis Court
Playground Equipment

41. Sports Complex
700 Independence Drive

Park & Shelter Amenities

42. Stith-Talbert Park – Shelters (3)

210 Spruce Street
28.33 Acres
Playground Equipment
3 Picnic Shelters/Grills
(Group size Shelter A 64)
Lights & Electrical Outlets
2 Lighted Basketball Courts
Concession Stand
Restrooms
4 Lighted Tennis Courts
1 Tennis Backboard
Fishing Pier
Little League Field
1 Lighted Baseball Field
1 Lighted Soccer Field
Concrete Entertainment Stage
with Electrical Outlets
Walking/Bike Trail

43. Sunset Park – Shelters (4)

550 N. Taylor Street
25 Acres
Mini Train
Merry-go-round
Concession Stands
2 Lighted Basketball Courts
1 Boat Ramp
4 Picnic Shelters
(Group size Shelter A 120; BCD – 50-60)
Little League Field
11 Lighted Tennis Courts
1 Sprayground
Tennis Backboard

44. Sunset Extension

45. Sycamore Street Park
511 Eastern Avenue

46. Tar River Paddle Trail

47. Tar River Reservoir

48. Tar River Trail

49. Taylor Park – 413 Wildwood Avenue
4 Acres
Trail
Small Playground

50. Tennis Court – 254 W. Battleboro
Avenue

51. Thelonious Monk Park – Shelters (1)

(Formerly Dunn Street Park)
920 S. Washington Street
6 Acres
Playground Equipment
Picnic Shelter (Group size 48)
1 Baseball Backstop

Lighted Basketball Court

52. Three Sisters Park – 210 Walter Drive

53. Vietnam Memorial – 1603 Sunset
Avenue

54. Virginia Street Park

55. Western Avenue Park - 915 Western
Avenue

1.5 Acres
Open Play Space
Basketball Goal
Playground Equipment

56. Westridge Park – 3499 Amherst Road

57. Wildwood Park – 1607 Waverly Drive



Sunset Park Carousel

Facilities

Denton Street Pool Schedule

Opens - Saturday, May 28
Closes - Monday, September 5

Early Season: Saturday, May 28 - Sunday, June 12 2016 (open weekends only)

Saturday: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Summer Season: June 13 - August 19, 2016

Monday - Friday:
Session I: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Session II: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
Session III: 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM
Saturday: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Late Season: August 19 - September 5, 2016

Saturday: 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Sunday: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Swim Lesson Information

Session I: Monday, June 20 - Friday, July 1, 2016
Session II: Monday, July 4/Tuesday, July 5 - Friday, July 15, 2016
Session III: Monday, July 18 - Friday, July 29

Admission Price

Single Visit - \$3.00
*Summer Individual Pass - \$20.00



Summer Camp at Denton Street Pool

Sunset Park Schedule

Early Season

Memorial Day Weekend
May 28-30, 1:00 PM-8:00 PM

Early Season, June 4-12, 2016

Saturday: 1:00 PM-8:00 PM
Sunday: 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Summer Season: June 13-August 21, 2016

Daily: 1:00 PM-8:00 PM

Late Season August 27-28, 2016

Saturday: 1:00 PM-8:00 PM
Sunday: 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Labor Day Weekend

September 3-5, 2016 1:00 PM-8:00 PM

Admission: \$5.00 includes all rides and access to spray park

Party packages accommodate up to 40 people per block and include amusements and picnic areas for party use.

Package fees:

City Residents: \$105 per package
Non Residents: \$157.50 per package

Each additional person over 40:

City Residents: \$3
Non-City Residents: \$5
Nash/Rocky Mount Schools: \$4



Train ride at Sunset Park

Facilities

Administrative Offices

331 S. Franklin Street
Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM
252-972-1151

Need a picnic shelter reservation, a Sunset Party Pack or general information about programs? Give us a call or visit our office! We will be more than happy to help you. Our offices are open Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM. Reservations are taken until 4:30 PM.

Check out the information below for specifics about your next event!

Picnic Shelters

Picnic shelters are open seven days a week, from 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM. Shelters carry the following fees:

Medium Shelter (50-60 people)

Half-Day Rate

7 AM – 2 PM City Residents: \$70.00
Non-residents: \$90.00

3 PM – 10 PM City Residents: \$70.00
Non-residents: \$90.00

Full-Day Rate

7 AM – 11 PM City Residents: \$150.00
Non-residents: \$225.00

Large Shelter at Sunset Park/Sports Complex (75-100 people)

Half-Day Rate

7 AM – 2 PM City Residents: \$90.00
Non-residents: \$135.00

3 PM – 10 PM City Residents: \$90.00
Non-residents: \$135.00

Full-Day Rate

7 AM – 11 PM City Residents: \$175.00
Non-residents: \$263.00

Battleboro Community Center

City Residents: \$35.00 per hour
Non-city Residents: \$50.00 per hour

Gazebos at City Lake/Battle Park/Braswell Park

(for weddings only) 2 hour minimum
City Residents: \$140.00
per 2 hour
Non Residents: \$210.00
per 2 hour

Sunset Party Packs

Sunset Party Packs are available from 9:00 AM–11:00 AM and 11:00 AM–1:00 PM. Packages can accommodate up to 40, person per block, and includes amusements and picnic areas for party use. Fees are as follows:

Package Fee:
City Residents: \$105.00
per package
Non Residents: \$157.50
per package

Nash/Rocky Mount Schools:
\$110.00
per package

Each additional person over 40:
City Residents: \$3 per person
Non-City Residents: \$5 per person
Nash/Rocky Mount Schools: \$4 per person



Rocky Mount Sports Complex

600 Independence Drive
252-467-6483

Six youth baseball fields, four interchangeable baseball/softball fields, one championship baseball field, four soccer/football fields, a professional disc golf course, two outdoor basketball courts, and a walking trail.

Sports Complex Shelter (75-100 people)

Half-Day Rate

7 AM – 2 PM City Residents: \$90.00
Non Residents: \$135.00

3 PM – 10 PM City Residents: \$90.00
Non Residents: \$135.00

Full-Day Rate

7AM – 11 PM City Residents: \$175.00
Non Residents: \$263.00

R. M. Wilson Gymnasium

Athletics Offices
311 Hill Street
Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM
252-972-1160
Please call us with questions about any of our athletic programs or when you need to reserve field for any occasion. Our offices are open from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

Fields

Soccer
Bob Melton Sports Complex 1-8
Englewood Stith/Talbert
Senior Center

Baseball
Aycock Hornbeam
Buck Leonard Meadowbrook
Eastern Avenue South Rocky Mount
Englewood Sport Complex 1-6
Farmington Stith/Talbert (2)
Grover Lucas (2) Sunset

Softball
Eastern Avenue South Rocky Mount (2)
Englewood Sports Complex 7-10
Hornbeam

The fees for field rentals are:

Lighted
City Residents: \$30.00 per hour
Non Residents: \$45.00 per hour

Without Lights
City Residents: \$25.00 per hour
Non Residents: \$37.50 per hour

Facilities

Rocky Mount Senior Center.....252-972-1152

427 South Church Street

Hours of Operation: Monday – Thursday, 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Hours of Operation: Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

The Division of Senior Programs oversees the operation of the Rocky Mount Senior Center. The facility is open to individuals age 55 or older and National Accredited by the National Council on Aging and its National Institute of Senior Centers (1 of 3 in state and 1% nationally). Located downtown at the former Rocky Mount YMCA building, the center features a wide variety of amenities to meet the needs of older adults including: state of the art fitness center, indoor pool with men’s/womens locker rooms, gymnasium, multipurpose room with kitchen, library, game room with two (2) pool tables, card room, and a computer lab equipped with eight computers - all with internet access and the latest Microsoft Software. In addition the facility maintains several outdoor activity spaces as well including: horseshoes, bocce, shuffleboard, and a 1/5 mile walking track.

Many of these spaces are available for rent to the public (all ages) including a gymnasium, multipurpose room with kitchen, classrooms (2), and indoor pool. With various combinations of rooms, the facility is able to accommodate any event up to 150 participants. Tables and chairs for this amount are provided and included with rental fee. Please contact the facility manager at 252-972-1562 to obtain information or to make a reservation. All rental fees include the cost of facility staffing for the event.

Parties over 50 are subject to an additional staffing cost of \$12.00 per hour.

Rental rates are as follows:

Multipurpose/Banquet Room with Kitchen

City Residents - \$70.00 per hour

Non Residents - \$105.00 per hour

Gymnasium

City Residents - \$70.00 per hour

Non Residents - \$105.00

Classrooms

City Resident - \$50.00 per hour

Non Resident - \$75.00 per hour

Pool

All - \$250.00 first two hours/\$75 for each additional hour

Cemetery Division Office.....252-972-1158

436 Pineview Street

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Open weekends or holidays by appointment only

The cemetery division is responsible for maintaining burial records and providing overall maintenance for the Pineview, Battleboro and Northeastern Cemeteries.. Staff is available to assist genealogists by providing basic burial information and reference to various resources. They may also assist customers by providing contact information to funeral homes and/or cemeteries in other cities and states across the United States. The city of Rocky Mount currently has spaces available in both Pineview Cemetery and Battleboro Cemetery. We sell lots in various sizes from single a grave space to an eight grave lot or larger. Grave spaces are cheaper when purchased in quantity.

To learn more about cost, opening and closing graves and the Cemetery Division, please give us a call at 252-972-1158.



Facilities

The Imperial Centre.....252-972-1266
270 Gay Street

Whether you are looking for a site for a banquet, educational forum, business meeting, conference or seminar, the Imperial Centre has a space for you. An award winning restoration of an historic landmark, the Imperial Centre offers a variety of spaces for any event. Large or small, casual or formal, the Imperial Centre is a wonderful place to have your next celebration.

The wide variety of spaces at the Imperial Centre can be transformed for dinner, dancing, corporate meetings or outdoor gatherings and events. Small areas are available for intimate and focused events, while larger areas include extended open areas to give you total flexibility in designing a floor plan to make your event your own.

All areas are handicap accessible and well equipped to handle your event needs. Ample on-site parking is available at no additional cost.

Let us help you enjoy the moment, impress a client, or make a corporate event successful. Our team specializes in incomparable service and uncompromising hospitality. Reservations are available up to a year in advance, pending availability. Information is available on our website — imperialcentre.org — or by calling our rental coordinator at 252-972-1342. We specialize in making the most of your special event.



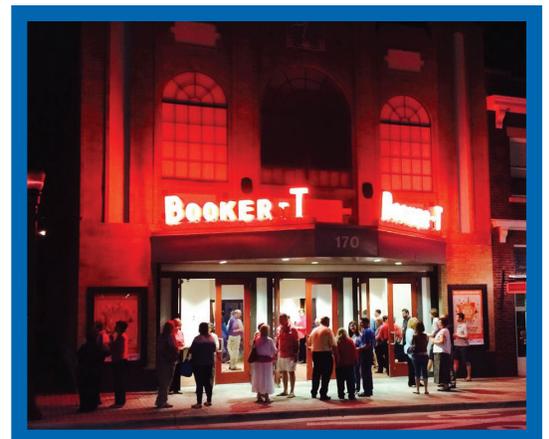
The Booker T. Theatre.....252-972-1342
170 E. Washington Street

If you are ready for something new, the Booker T. may be the perfect spot for you!

This renovated movie theatre located on the Douglas Block of downtown Rocky Mount is the perfect spot for business meetings, wedding parties, family reunions and celebrations of all kinds.

A beautiful, stylish and comfortable facility, the Booker T. is a proud part of the community. From small intimate gatherings to presentations and events for up to 200 people, the Booker T. is spacious and well equipped. Ceiling mounted speakers and an in-house sound system, ceiling mounted projector and presentation screen, a small kitchen space for plating food and a small stage are just some of the attributes of this lovely space. A large, well-lit parking lot is available for rental events. To schedule an appointment to see the space, please call our rental coordinator at 252-972-1342.

The staff of the Booker T. looks forward to hosting a memorable event, reception or meeting for you soon!



Facilities

Booker T. Washington Community Center.....252-467-4925

727 Pennsylvania Avenue

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM

The Booker T. Washington Community Center is located on Pennsylvania Avenue off of East Grand Avenue. The Community Center features a number of amenities that attract a variety of age groups throughout the city of Rocky Mount for educational, physical, and social needs. Amenities includes a full length gymnasium, football field, two baseball fields, weight room, game room and a computer lab with internet access.

Booker T. Washington Community Center has two banquet rooms and a kitchen that are available for rental. The banquet rooms provide great space for family reunions, wedding receptions and a variety of other events.

Rentals rates are as follow and include the attendant fee:

Banquet Room Upstairs

City Residents: \$50.00 per hour,

Non-city Residents: \$75.00 per hour

Banquet Room Downstairs

City Residents: \$70.00 per hour

Non-city Residents: \$105.00 per hour

Gymnasium

City Residents: \$70.00 per hour

Non-city Residents: \$105.00 per hour

South Rocky Mount Community Center.....252-972-1169

719 Recreation Drive

Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM

The South Rocky Mount Community Center is located on Ravenwood Drive off Raleigh Road off of Highway 301. The Community Center, built in 1979, features a number of amenities that attract a variety of age groups throughout the city of Rocky Mount for educational, physical, and social needs. Amenities include a full length basketball court, tennis courts, track, football field, three baseball fields, weight room, game room and a computer lab with Internet access.

For summer fun, South Rocky Mount offers a spray ground that rivals any other in Rocky Mount. South Rocky Mount Community Center has two banquet rooms and a kitchen that are available for rental. The banquet rooms provide great space for family reunions, wedding receptions and a variety of other events.

Rentals rates are as follows and include the attendant fee:

Banquet Room without Kitchen

City Residents: \$50.00 per hour

Non-city Residents: \$75.00 per hour

Banquet Room with Kitchen

City Residents: \$70.00 per hour

Non-city Residents: \$ 105.00 per hour

Gymnasium

City Residents: \$70.00 per hour

Non-city Residents: \$105.00 per hour

Community Weight room memberships are also available at \$22.00 monthly.

Staff Contact Information

Contact Us

Administration.....252-972-1151

331 South Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27802

Mailing Address: PO Box 1180, Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Administration.....252-972-1151

Kelvin Yarrell, MS, CPRP	Director of Parks & Recreation	252-972-1154
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Bailee Richardson	Customer Service Assistant	252-972-1151
Jamel Pitt	Administrative Clerk	252-972-1196
Shynese Lynch	Collections Specialists	252-972-1343

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Christine Bullock	Administrative Clerk	252-972-1160

Recreation Services

BTW Community Center.....252-467-4925

South Rocky Mount Community Center.....252-972-1169

Chris Allen, MS, CPRP	Recreation Program Cordinator	252-972-1170
Janie Evans	Administrative Clerk	252-467-4925
Heather White	Recreation Centers Specialist	252-467-4902
Vacant	Recreation Center Supervisor	252-467-4926
Fran Fenderson	Recreation Supervisor IV (Teens)	252-467-4903

Active Older Adults –Rocky Mount Senior Center.....252-972-1152

Alex Langley, MS, CPRP	Senior Center Manager	252-972-1562
Julie Watson	Senior Programs Supervisor	252-972-1564
Senior Programs	Administrative Office	252-972-1561
Sylvia Sharpe	Programming Assistant	252-972-1566

Staff Contact Information

Parks Maintenance.....252-467-4922
Park Shelter Rentals.....252-972-1151

Steve Warren, CPSI	Parks Superintendent	252-467-4927
Louise Ricks	Administrative Clerk	252-467-4922
Linda Moore	Cemetery Supervisor	252-972-1428

Imperial Centre for the Arts and Sciences.....252-972-1266
Imperial Centre/Booker T. Theatre Rentals.....252-972-1342

David Griffin, MS, CPRE	Superintendent of the Imperial Centre	252-972-1441
Sheila Long, CPRP	Recreation Services Supervisor (IMPC)	252-972-1177
Vacant	Children's Museum Director	252-972-1168
Eva Satterwhite	Administrative Secretary	252-972-1163
Adrienne Lynch	Administrative Clerk	252-972-1266
Vacant	Art Education Specialist	252-972-1632
Brooke Edwards	Theater Manager	252-972-1156
Alicyn Wiedrich	Arts Program Specialist	252-972-1175
Leigh White	Museum Curator (Education)	252-972-1367
Steve Schmidt	Space Science Educator	252-972-1586
Steve Armstrong	Museum Curator	252-972-1368
Susan Ball	Special Events Coordinator	252-972-1159

Sports Complex

Julie Baggett, CPRP	Complex Manager	252-467-6483
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Sunset Park.....252-446-0500

Party Pack Rentals/Shelters	252-972-1151
Amusements/Concessions	252-446-0500

Denton Street Pool.....252-977-6231

Party Rentals	252-972-1564
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Best Friend Dog Park located at 480 N Lee Street



Registration and Refunds

Find exciting new programs for you, your children and the entire family! Register for these programs through any of our convenient registration options.

How to Register



Send your registration form and payment to:

Rocky Mount Parks &
Recreation Department
PO Box 1180
Rocky Mount, NC 27802



Bring your completed registration form and payment to one of our staffed Recreation sites during regular business hours.



Online registration with Activenet!
Your one stop shop to view program offerings, register and pay for programs!

Use the activity registration link on the Parks web page or the direct link below.

<https://apm.activecommunities.com/cityofrockymount/Home>

Refund Policy

Programs

100% refund or transfer to another program if the Department cancels the program.

85% refund or transfer to another program if the customer cancels the registration at least 5 days in advance of the program's start date.

No refund or transfer if the customer cancels the registration within 5 days of the program's start date.

Facilities

Full payment of community center and shelter rental fees must be made at the time of booking.

85% refunds are available for facility cancellations that occur at least two weeks prior to the event date.

No refund if the facility cancellation occurs less than two weeks prior to the event date.

Outdoor Facility Rentals

No refunds are available for any outdoor facilities once booked. In the event of inclement weather, a reschedule date is allowed, pending space availability, if requested by the customer. Outdoor facility staff reserves the right to make inclement weather calls, not the customer.

If a customer decides to change the date or facility for the event, the customer forfeits all monies paid and must pay all associated fees to book a new date or facility.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Want to be a Sponsor for Parks & Recreation?



We have various sponsorship opportunities available, including:

- Naming Rights
- Presenting Rights
- Full Page Ads
- Half Page Ads
- Quarter Page Ads
- Event Sponsorships

Give Us A Call Today!

City of Rocky Mount Parks & Recreation Department
331 S. Franklin Street
Rocky Mount, NC 27801
252-972-1151

