

A yellow inflatable ring is partially visible on the right side of the image, floating in the blue water. The ring is bright yellow with a white inner lining.

GUIDE TO SUMMER FUN

Foster and Adoptive Care Coalition | Summer 2022

POOLS AND WATER ACTIVITIES

Splash Station Aquatic Center

1141 Peine Rd, Wentzville, MO 63385

Open: M-F 12-6:30 pm; Sat and Sun 11am – 7:00pm

Non-resident child (13 and under)/senior (60+) – \$9.75

Non resident adult (14 and older) – \$10.75

Resident child (13 and under)/senior (60+) – \$7.25

Resident adult (14 and older) – \$8.25

*All patrons 2 and older must pay even if not swimming

Features: Deep Diving Well, Kids Water Playground, Lazy River, Spiraling Water Slide, Zero Depth Entry Pool

White Birch Bay Aquatic Center

1186 Teson Rd, Hazelwood, MO 63042

Open: Sat and Sun 12:00-6:00 pm

Child (3 and under) – Free

Resident Child (4-17)/Resident Senior (55+) – \$6.00

Resident Adult – \$7.00

Non resident child (4-15) – \$12.00

Non resident adult (16+) – \$14.00

Features: Water Playground, Two Water Slides, Diving Pool

St Vincent Community Center

7335 St. Charles Rock Rd, St Louis, MO 63133

Open: M-F 8am-9pm; Saturday 9-5pm; Sunday 12-5pm

Child (4-12) – \$3

Adult (12-64) – \$4

Senior (65+) – \$3

Features: Open Water Slide, Water Play Structure, Zero Entry Pool, and Lap Swimming Lanes

Splash Pad Water Play Park

301 Obernuefemann Rd, O'Fallon, IL 62269

Hours: Daily 10:30 am - 7:30 pm

Fee: FREE

Features: Sprinklers and water playground

Kennedy Recreation Complex Pool
6050 Wells Rd, St. Louis, MO 63128
Open: Daily 12 pm – 6 pm (check website for changes)

Child (4-12) – \$3
Adult (12-64) – \$4
Senior (65+) – \$3

Features: Olympic-size pool and baby pool

Fairgrounds Park Swimming Pool
4011 Natural Bridge Ave, St Louis, MO 63107
Open: MWF 1 pm – 6 pm; Tues/Thurs 12 pm – 6 pm; Sat/Sun 12 pm – 6 pm
Entry: FREE

Features: Large pool and lap lanes

Heman Park Swimming Pool
7210 Olive Blvd, St Louis, MO 63130
Open: Daily 12 pm – 7 pm

Resident Child (4-17)/Resident Senior (55+) – \$3.00
Resident Adult – \$4.00
Non resident child – \$6.00
Non resident adult – \$7.00

Features: Lap pool, water slide, and diving boards

Sunset Hills Aquatic Center
12512 W Watson Rd, St Louis, MO 63127
Open: Daily 12 pm – 7 pm

Resident Child (4-17)/Resident Senior (55+) – \$7.00
Resident Adult – \$9.00
Non resident child – \$9.00
Non resident adult – \$11.00

Features: Lap pool, diving boards, zero entry pool, baby pool, and lazy river

North County Recreation Complex Aquatic Center
2577 Redman Ave, St Louis, MO 63136
Open: Daily 12 pm – 6 pm

Child (4-12)/Senior (55+) – \$5.00
Adult – \$6.00

Features: tot pool, play structure, family otter slide, diving board, lazy river, drop slide, and water slide

FESTIVALS

Fair St Louis | July 2-4, 2022 12 pm – 10 pm daily

Downtown St. Louis, 63101

Entry Fee: FREE

“Fair Saint Louis brings people together from across the country to celebrate America’s Biggest Birthday Party. The fair is three days of FREE, world-class live entertainment across Kiener Plaza and Ballpark Village, family attractions, hands-on STEM activities, delicious food, breathtaking fireworks, and a guarantee of summertime fun. The Fourth of July Fireworks Spectacular, it will be the largest fireworks show Fair Saint Louis has ever produced, resulting in an unforgettable spectacle you won’t want to miss! Against the iconic backdrop of the mighty Mississippi River and the breathtaking Gateway Arch, the Fourth of July Fireworks Spectacular will light up the sky on Monday, July 4th at approximately 9:45 p.m.

Fair Saint Louis activities will take place in Kiener Plaza & Ballpark Village – including concerts, GLI esports, and food and drink vendors.”

Let Them Eat Art | July 8, 2022 6 pm – 10 pm

2731 Sutton, Maplewood, MO, 63143

Entry Fee: FREE

An art festival in Historic Downtown Maplewood with live art demonstrations, music performances, kid activities, and food and drink.

Art Hill Film Series | July 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th

One Fine Arts Drive, Forest Park, St Louis, MO 63110

Entry Fee: FREE

Art Hill will be transformed into a huge cinema! The theme is Game On! and the movies are:

July 8th 6-11:30 – A League of Their Own

July 15th 6-11:30 – Love & Basketball

July 22nd 6-11:30 – Bend It Like Beckham

July 29th 6-11:30 – The Sandlot

St Louis Book Fair | July 15-17
550 Weidman Rd., Ballwin, MO, 63011
Entry Fee: FREE

"Greater St. Louis Book Fair is one of the nation's oldest, largest and most popular charity book sales. Since 1950, book lovers and collectors have enjoyed bargain prices on a diverse and quality selection of new, gently-used and rare books. Fair proceeds benefit local non-profit education and literacy programs."

Friday, July 15 and Saturday, July 16
FREE ADMISSION
10 am – 8 pm

Sunday, July 17
FREE ADMISSION
11 am – 2 pm
All items ½ PRICE

Balloon Glow at Brookdale Farms | July 30, 2022 4pm – 10pm
8004 Twin River Rd, Eureka, MO 63025
Entry Fee: \$25 per car if bought 7/1 thru 7/30; \$30 per car day of event

"Join us Saturday, July 30th, for Food, Fun, Fireworks, and a Balloon Glow!
Bring your lawn chair + and blanket for a fun-filled evening watching the countless hot air balloons light up throughout the night!"

Ballwin Days Festival at Vlasis Park | August 19-21, 2022
300 park Dr, Ballwin, MO 63011
Entry fee: FREE

"This annual community festival includes lots of live entertainment, a carnival, games, crafts, face painting, food & drinks, fireworks, and more!"

Hours:
Friday: 5:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Saturday: 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
Sunday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Festival of Nations | August 27-28, 2022 10 am – 6 pm
4256 Magnolia Ave, St Louis, MO 63118
Entry fee: FREE

"Join the International Institute St. Louis in Tower Grove for the region's premier multicultural celebration, featuring over 40 ethnic food booths, non-stop dance and music, arts and crafts, and an international shopping bazaar with unique gifts from around the world."

FREE FAMILY FUN

The Magic House, St Louis Children's Museum

516 S Kirkwood Rd, St Louis, MO 63122

Open: Daily 9:30 am – 5:30 pm

The Magic House offers free walk up admission to foster families with proof of their licensure. The museum has loads of exhibits, hands-on activities, and events for kids and families. On every third Friday of the month, there are free family nights for you to enjoy but you will need to reserve tickets. Family nights are for families up to six people (2 adults and 4 children). Check out their website for more deals!

If you are not a licensed foster family:

After 3:00 pm every day, they have deal where tickets are \$3.00 each. You will need to make a reservation online under the "Plan a Visit" tab on their website.

Chocolate Chocolate Chocolate Factory Tours

5025 Pattinson Ave, St. Louis, MO 63110

Tour Hours: M-F 9 am – 2:30 pm, every ½ hour (except 12-12:30)

The tour includes venturing to the factory floor where you can see, smell, and taste chocolates! They will show you the candy kitchen and you'll be able to watch the candy makers yourself. Reservations are required for everyone and only 10 people per tour. All visitors must wear masks while on the tour.

Call 314-338-3501 to schedule a tour.

Citygarden

801 Market Street, St. Louis, MO 63101

Hours: 6 am – 10 pm

"City Garden is composed of twenty-four pieces of sculpture, spectacular landscaping, and three water features.

Innovative audio tour, featuring the voices of St. Louis celebrities including Olympic Gold Medal-winner Jackie Joyner-Kersey, sportscaster Joe Buck, baseball Hall of Famer Ozzie Smith, soprano Christine Brewer, orchestra conductor David Robertson, TV star Jenna Fischer, and many more."

Lewis and Clark Historic Site

1 Lewis and Clark Trail, Hartford, IL 62048

Hours: Daily 9 am - 5 pm

Fee: FREE

"Lewis & Clark State Historic Site celebrates the Lewis & Clark Expedition with a focus on the Detachment's time spent at Camp River Dubois preparing for their journey. A 14,000 square foot Interpretive Center, 15-minute interpretive film, reconstructed Settlers' Cabin, and reconstructed Camp River Dubois welcome visitors to the Point of Departure."

Inside the Economy Museum @ the St Louis Federal Reserve
One Federal Reserve Bank Plaza, St. Louis, MO, 63102
Hours: M-F 9 am – 3 pm

NOTE: All vaccine eligible people must be up to date on their vaccines in order to enter the building. Take a look at their Visitor Policies: <https://museum.stlouisfed.org/plan-your-visit>

"The award-winning Inside the Economy® Museum inside the historic Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis will immerse you in a one-of-a-kind experience that explains the economy, and your role in it, in a fun and interactive way. Engage in a hands-on journey through nearly 100 exhibits that are brought to life through interactive displays, games, sculptures and videos."

Frisco Train Store
24 Front St, Valley Park, MO 63088
Hours: Mon – Closed; Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm; Sun 12-5 pm

"Our store has a large, free indoor play-area inside our location, as well as having the largest selection of wooden trains and accessories in St. Louis! With so much to choose from, seeing what your kids are interested in before you buy can be a big help. Play with them on our huge 16 foot multi-level train table, kitchen play area, or several of our vendors' demo tables!"

Grant's Farm
10501 Gravois Rd, St. Louis, MO 63123
Hours: Sun-Thurs 9 am – 5 pm, Fri-Sat 9 am – 9 pm (Hours can vary)
Note: Admission is free, but you must pay for parking (\$15).

"Grant's Farm celebrates America's past with a commitment to the future. Honoring both the 18th president of the United States and the Busch family legacy, the farm is a refuge for more than 900 animals, representing more than 100 different species."

Purina Farms
500 William Danforth Way, Gray Summit, MO 63039
Hours: Wed-Sun 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

The Purina Farms Better with Pets Exhibit will take you through an interactive experience focused on how pets make us better as humans! Every part of the exhibit is engaging and teaches you and your kids so much. You can also visit the Pet Training and Enrichment Center to watch cats and dogs interact (and even adopt one). Lastly, there is a Barn and Play Area for adults and kids to see and interact with animals that you'd find at a farm. There is a petting ring as well as interactive play areas with toys to play with.

National Great Rivers Museum
1 Locks and Dam Way, Alton, IL 62002
Hours: Daily 9 am - 5 pm (MASKS REQUIRED)

"The Museum's exhibits highlight the importance of the Mississippi River to the people who have and still live near it and daily use its resources, as well as the wildlife and their habitats that depend on it."

Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center
11715 Cragwood Rd, Kirkwood, MO 63122

Hours:

Area: Mon-Sat 8 am – 5 pm; Sun 8 am – 6 pm

Building: Sun and Mon – CLOSED; Tues-Sat 8 am – 5 pm

“Powder Valley Conservation Nature Center is nestled within 112 acres of oak-hickory forest in a quiet corner of a busy urban world. Our name comes from the historical use of the general vicinity for manufacture and storage of explosive powder used in the Civil War and World War II. Leave your chaotic lifestyle behind and escape to the tranquility of nature. The area has three trails, one of which has interpretive signs and is disabled accessible. Naturalists conduct interpretive programs on numerous conservation topics for schools, homeschool families, civic groups, and the general public.

Inside Powder Valley's Visitor Center is a nature center geared towards kids and nature exploration. View the collection of animals, including live snakes, fish, and turtles. Please check website for Visitor Center hours.”

Suson Park Animal Farm
6073 Wells Rd, St Louis, MO 63128
Hours: Daily 8 am – 30 min past sunset

“Country living is just around the corner at the Suson Park animal farm display. Most breeds of farm animals are represented for urban dwellers to see and enjoy, from the draft horses that helped plow our soil to examples of the modern cattle breeds. Life on the farm never looked so good!”

HealthWorks! Kids Museum St. Louis
1100 Macklind Ave, St Louis, MO 63110
Hours: Thurs & Sat 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

HealthWorks! is an interactive children's museum for kids of all abilities. The self-guided exhibits give kids the chance to learn about health and wellness while playing and moving around! HealthWorks offers free admission for foster and adoptive families with proof of licensure and status. If you have any questions about what to bring to get in for free, give them a call at (314) 241-7391.

Family Night in the Park
401 E 5th Street, O'Fallon, IL 62269
Friday August 12, 2022
Time: Activities start at 6; movie begins at dusk

At Community Park on fields 4 and 5, they will be showing ENCANTO. The library will be there with activities for kids, Cornerstone Church with games and more activities! There will be other screenings later in the fall.

FAMILY FUN DAYS

Myseum

283 Lamp and Lantern Village, Town and Country, MO 63017

Hours: Sun-Fri 10 am – 5 pm; Sat 11 am – 5 pm

“A whole lot of fun for all, especially for those with little kids (it’s for those 2–12, but really under 10 enjoy it the most). This combination children’s museum, science center, and indoor playground is a delightful way to spend two to four hours. Myseum has over 30 diverse exhibits to explore, including a zoo vet clinic, an interactive video wall, and a magnetic ball wall!”

GA Pricing

Child (1 and under) – FREE

Child (2-17) – \$10.95 plus tax

Adult (18-59) – \$5.95 plus tax

Senior (60+) – \$4.95 plus tax

World Bird Sanctuary

125 Bald Eagle Ridge Rd, Valley Park, MO 63088

Hours: Open Daily 8 am – 5 pm

Entry fee: \$8 per car

“World Bird Sanctuary is both a unique St. Louis attraction and entertaining environmental education opportunity. With over 305 acres and over 200 animals in our care, we offer a one-of-a-kind wildlife experience. World Bird Sanctuary’s mission is to preserve, protect and inspire to safeguard bird species as part of the global community for future generations.”

Victory Raceway St. Louis

8800 Watson Rd, St Louis, MO 63119

Hours: M-F 1 pm – 9 pm; Sat 11 am – 10 pm; Sun 11 am – 7 pm

On Sundays only, there is a Family \$45 Special

- 4 drivers in Rookie Race (25 mph)
- \$45 per race (\$11.25 per person)
- Does not include headsock for under helmet (\$3)
- Walk In Only, no online reservations

Eckert's Belleville Farm

951 S Green Mt Rd, Belleville, IL 62220

Hours: Daily 9 am - 7 pm

Enjoy picking your own berries and peaches! Field access is \$2.50 with the cost of the amount of berries and peaches you pick after you and your family look around.

The Griot Museum of Black History
2505 St. Louis Ave, St Louis, MO 63106

Hours: Tues-Sat 10 am – 5 pm

NOTE: Due to Covid, you must pre-pay for your reservation. Visit <https://www.thegriotmuseum.com/plan-visit> for more info on guidelines for planning a visit.

“The Griot opened as the Black World History Wax Museum in 1997 and has added additional art and artifacts along the way. In addition to learning about our city’s role in African American history, kids enjoy “meeting” those who lived here or played an important role including Dred and Harriet Scott, Miles Davis, Clark Terry, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Josephine Baker, Carter G. Woodson, and many others. There is an interpretive program that includes an authentic slave cabin, originally built in the town of Jonesburg, Missouri. Plenty for the little ones, and the older kids will learn a lot.”

GA Pricing

Adult (13+) – \$7.50

Youth (5-12) – \$3.75

St Louis Science Center

5050 Oakland Ave, St Louis, Mo 63110

Hours: Thurs-Mon 9:30 am – 5:30 pm; Closed Tuesday and Wednesday

FREE ENTRY

“For kids of all ages, science has never been so fun. Explore 700-plus exhibits (lots of them interactive), the OMNIMAX Theater with its four-story screen, James S. McDonnell Planetarium, and special traveling exhibitions. While the Science Center is mostly free, some special exhibits, the planetarium, and the theater are ticketed events. If you just want to enjoy what’s included in that free ticket, two to three hours will do it (less if you have little ones). Learn about space, dinosaurs, physics, aviation, chemistry, earth and environmental science, and more.”

Example Cost for Activities:

Virtual Reality Transporter – \$10 all ages

Flight Simulators – \$5-7 all ages

Planetarium Shows – \$6 for adults (13-59); \$5 for children (2-12) and seniors (60+)

Skate City

1400 West Blvd, Bellville, IL 62221

Hours: Daily 12 pm - 6 pm, other times may vary

GA Pricing :2 hr session - \$7.50; Extra session - \$2.00

Skate rental - \$3.00

Summer Membership Card Deal

Card - \$10 online; \$12 at venue

\$1 admission each time you skate