



OHIO RIVER PADDLEFEST

Ohio River Paddlefest is recognized as the nation's largest paddling celebration, with 2,000 participants traveling up to nine miles through downtown Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky in canoes, kayaks and other human-powered craft. Established in 2001, the event is celebrating its 20th anniversary this year.

WHEN: Saturday, August 7, 2021.

WHERE: All paddlers launch from Schmidt Recreation Complex, 2944 Humbert Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45226. Paddlers traveling the full 9 miles end at Gilday Recreation Complex, home of the Finish Line Festival. Half-distance (4.5-mile) paddlers end at the Public Landing.

COST: The cost for the 9-mile paddle is \$55 for adults; \$25 for youth (17 and under); the 4.5-mile paddle is \$50 for adults; \$20 for youth. Prices increase after June 30.

OUTDOORS FOR ALL EXPO

New this year is an expanded Friday night pre-party. The all-new Outdoors for All Expo will feature exhibits and demos from local parks, outdoor outfitters, adventure experts and environmentally minded organizations, plus live music, local beer and food trucks. Attendees can ride in a voyageur canoe, hang out in the hammock lounge or test ride a bike from a local outfitter, among other activities. Paddlers can spend the night at the river by reserving a campsite as part of their registration.

WHEN: 4-9:30 p.m. Friday, August 6.

WHERE: Schmidt Recreation Complex, 2944 Humbert Ave, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45226.

COST: Free and open to the public.

WHY: All proceeds from both events benefit Adventure Crew, which provides free outdoor recreation opportunities to city teens in 24 high schools in Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky.

INFO: www.ohioriverpaddlefest.org

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