



OKC NEWS

MAY 2022

JUNE EVENTS

Chickasaw Bricktown Ballpark

okcdodgers.com • (405) 218-1000

Visit okcdodgers.com for Dodgers schedule.

Civic Center Music Hall

okcciviccenter.com • (405) 594-8300

2-3 Masters of Musical Theater

4 Tim Allen

5 Pirates of the High Seas

9 American Gold

21-26 Roald Dahl's Matilda

Myriad Botanical Gardens

myriadgardens.org • (405) 445-7080

3-12 Children's Garden Festival

14 Full Moon Bike Ride: Strawberry Moon

17 Dancing in the Gardens: 90s Hip Hop

29 Sonic Summer Movies – Space Jam

OKC Convention Center

okconventioncenter.com • (405) 768-4037

10-12 Villain Arts Tattoo Convention

26 Oklahoma Bridal Show

OKC Fairgrounds

okcfairgrounds.com • (405) 948-6700

4-5 The Backyard Show

10-12 Braum's An Affair of the Heart

18-19 AAA Route 66 Road Fest

23-25 Oklahoma Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival

Paycom Center

paycomcenter.com • (405) 602-8700

9 Cheer Live

23 Andrea Bocelli

24 Cody Johnson

Rose State College Hudiburg Chevrolet Center

okcciviccenter.com • (405) 594-8300

7 Game Grumps Live

Full calendar of events at visitokc.com



Parks & Recreation aquatic centers, pools and splashpads are a great way to beat the summer heat and have fun. Visit okc.gov/aquatics for the most up-to-date information.

Family Aquatic Centers

Earlywine Aquatic Center
SW 119th St. & May Ave.
(405) 297-1418

Will Rogers Aquatic Center
3201 N Grand Blvd.
(405) 297-1451

Hours

May 28-30 & June 4 - Aug. 7
1-7 p.m., Mon.-Thu.
1-8 p.m., Fri.-Sat.
1-5 p.m., Sun.

Aug 8-27 & Sept. 3-5
1-6 p.m. (weekends only)

Admission

\$5 ages 3-17 & 55+
\$6 ages 18-54
\$4 non-swimming observers

Twilight discount (\$2 off)

6-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.
(except non-swimming observers)

Season passes

\$45/person or \$145/family of 4
(+\$35 for additional members)

Community Pools

Northeast Pool June 9 - Aug. 7
1226 NE 33rd St. 1-6 p.m., Tues.-Sun.
(405) 297-1436 Free

Woodson Pool June 9 - Aug. 7
3405 S May Ave. 1-6 p.m., Tues.-Sun.
(405) 297-1458 Free

Foster Indoor Pool Open year round
614 NE 4th St. 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Mon.-Fri.
(405) 297-1423 \$2 (ages 3-17 free)

Splashpads (Free)

Open May 29 - late Sept., dawn to dusk.
Visit okc.gov/aquatics for locations.

Odd-even watering

OKC's odd-even watering rotation is permanent and has been in place since 2013. It eases the summer-time demand on our water treatment system. Addresses ending in a 0, 2, 4, 6 or 8, can water on any day that ends in an even number. Addresses ending in a 1, 3, 5, 7 or 9 can water on any day ending in an odd number. Most Oklahoma lawns don't need more than 1 inch of water per week in the summer to maintain optimum health. Use a rain gauge to determine how much water your lawn is getting. Fewer, deeper waterings ensure better root health. Visit www.squeezeeverydrop.com for details.

New golf clubhouse opens

Everyone is invited to swing by and see the contemporary new clubhouse that opened in April at James E Stewart Golf Course, 928 Frederick Douglass Circle. The 6,780-square-foot clubhouse features a full-service restaurant, pro shop, men's and women's locker rooms, an extensive patio and art and memorabilia commemorating James E. Stewart's life. The \$3.8 million clubhouse was paid for through the Better Streets, Safer City bond program passed by voters in 2017.

PARKS EVENTS

Senior Centers

EMBARK offers no cost, round trip rides to the City's senior centers for people age 60+. Schedule at 405-297-2583.

For a full calendar of City recreation events visit okc.gov/parks.

Clean creeks and rivers

Volunteers are needed to clean up trash and debris from OKC creeks, rivers and other waterways. Waterway Clean-ups help beautify our City and protect our drinking water from pollution. Supplies are provided. The clean-up day is 8-11 a.m. June 11. Volunteers must sign up by June 1. To volunteer or set up your own clean up event email Brooke at brooke.vierck@okc.gov or (405) 297-1797.

Take a cocktail cruise

This summer, relax and experience scenic views of the Boathouse District, Wheeler Ferris Wheel and possibly a beautiful Oklahoma sunset on an Oklahoma River Cruise. This is an adult environment cruise but all ages are welcome. For tickets visit okrivercruises.com or call Oklahoma River Cruises (405) 702-7755.

Father's Day Cruise

Bring dad on a fun river cruise June 19. Enjoy delicious snacks, unique scenery and a cash bar on board. Boarding time is 1:15 p.m. and departure time is 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 and must be purchased in advance. For tickets, visit okrivercruises.com or call Oklahoma River Cruises (405) 702-7755.

Wait 'til 8

If your pet is expecting a litter of puppies or kittens, "Wait 'til 8" can help save their lives by keeping them with their mother for eight weeks. Puppies and kittens are more likely to survive if they stay with their moms for the first six weeks of life, plus an extra two weeks so they've grown enough to be spayed or neutered and placed into a new home.

The babies need their mothers' help to learn social skills and avoid infections. After eight weeks, they can be evaluated by the Animal Welfare team, spayed or neutered and placed for adoption. To see adoptable animals and get tips on responsible pet ownership, visit okc.gov/animalwelfare.

The City is hiring

We offer competitive pay and benefits, as well as signing bonuses for certain positions. We have a variety of full-time and part-time positions available. Apply today at okc.gov/careers.

Building Safety Month

Building Safety Month in May is a good reminder storm shelter installations and most home improvement projects need a permit. A building permit is required to install things like storm shelters and safe rooms, decks, patios, fences, driveways, room additions, carports, above and below ground swimming pools. Plumbing, electrical and mechanical work must be performed by a licensed contractor and also requires a permit. For more information, visit okc.gov.

Action Center

People can contact the Action Center to ask questions or report non-emergency code violations like high weeds, abandoned vehicles, front yard parking, junk, dilapidated fences, graffiti, potholes, property maintenance concerns or other neighborhood problems. When you report a code violation, an inspector visits the address to check your complaint. If there's a code violation, a notice to correct the problem is issued. Sometimes a courtesy notice is the first step. Other times a citation is issued. All problems reported to the Action Center are confidential. The City is the complaining party – not you or your neighborhood. You don't have to give us your name or phone number. We request this information so we can contact you with a follow-up, but you're not required to give it to us.

Contact Us

online okc.gov/action • **twitter** @okcaction
ph (405) 297-2535 • **text** (405) 252-1053
email action.center@okc.gov

Belle Isle Library reopens

The iconic Midcentury Modern Belle Isle Library, 5501 N Villa Ave., reopened in April after a \$7.8 million renovation and expansion. The library hosts book clubs, STEAM opportunities, presentations and take-home kits. Guests can use a 3D printer, a Cricut and sewing and embroidery machines located in the Maker Space. The renovated two-story building features meeting rooms, study rooms, a teen area, a children's area and a programming room. Improvements were paid for through Better Streets, Safer City Bond Issue passed by voters in 2017 and a generous \$950,000 donation from Gordon and LaVerne Taylor.

New ward map approved

City Council members approved a new ward map in March. The change is the result of a once-in-a-decade requirement to rebalance the population in OKC's eight wards due to population growth. The new ward map is viewable at okc.gov/wardmap.

Fight mosquitoes

Mosquito-borne illnesses are a threat in OKC every spring and summer. The OKC-County Health Department recommends draining standing water on your property so mosquitoes won't breed nearby. Use insect repellent on your clothes and exposed skin to keep mosquitoes away. Staying inside at dusk and dawn also helps because this is when mosquitoes are around the most. You can also dress in long sleeves and pants. For details, visit occhd.org/FightTheBite.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Juneteenth

- Closed June 20: City offices, Household Hazardous Waste and Municipal Court pay window (pay online at okc.gov)
- Closed June 19: Animal Welfare
- For the trash and recycling schedule, visit okc.gov/utilities.
- EMBARK buses and OKC Streetcar on regular schedule.