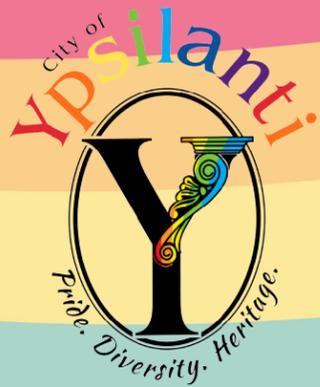


THE CITY OF YPSILANTI NEWSLETTER



JUNE 2022



HAPPY PRIDE MONTH FROM THE CITY OF YPSILANTI!

FROM THE DESK OF THE CITY MANAGER

Greetings from the City Manager's Office. Happy June, everyone! This month, many things to look forward to, including Juneteenth, a weekend-long celebration sponsored by the City. Juneteenth is a holiday recognizing the emancipation of African Americans who were enslaved in the United States. Juneteenth honors the end of slavery in the United States and is considered the longest-running African American holiday. On June 17, 2021, it officially became a federal holiday.

Also, June is Pride Month for our LGBTQ community. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally. You can find the Ypsi Pride Guide at the end of the newsletter.

With June bringing fantastic weather, let's make a difference in our community. There are many ways

to focus our efforts to make a positive impact within Ypsilanti. Many events are happening here in the City; please stay up-to-date with our City calendar on the website.

We have wrapped up our 2022/2023 FY budget, which can be [found here](#). I want to thank all of the City Council and Department Heads for their efforts in the budget process. The City has to provide a budget every two years to the community for those who weren't aware. This idea is to have up-to-date details on where our city finances stand publicly.

Thank you to everyone for your patience with the current construction situation on Hamilton and Huron. Now, added to the Ypsilanti Road Renovation is the I-94 intersection, where MDOT will begin assembling the safe crosswalk long overdue at this overpass. The project is coming along smoothly, and just like the months fly by, in time, so will the orange traffic cones. Please seek alternate routes and remain safe around traffic areas.



Please visit our website at [Ypsilanti Road Renovations](#) for more information on the road renovation.

Lastly, the COVID-19 pandemic remains a severe threat in our community. The best way we can support one another is by getting vaccinated and following state and county guidelines to reduce the spread of the virus. Please get in touch with the local health department regarding vaccination and testing opportunities in the community. If you're feeling ill, wear a mask or stay home. We must work together as a community to keep one another safe.

FROM THE DESK OF MAYOR LOIS ALLEN RICHARDSON

"I love that I live in a world where there are Junes." Source unknown

At last, our spring is in full bloom, and the temps are warm enough to plant our annuals and seed our gardens. Gardening is an excellent metaphor for considering the practice of community governance. Indeed, we are familiar with "You reap what you sow," but we can get more specific. We rake and cultivate the soil of our community to remove the obstacles to healthy development, we fertilize it with good nutrients that enhance and optimize growth and blooming. We harvest the good deeds of our citizens in works that seed prosperity in the future. How do these ideas translate to your sense of community this season? What seeds of goodwill can you plant and cultivate for each other? What positive outcomes will we harvest in five months, when we offer gratitude for our blessings?

June is an exhilarating month many happy events take place in June. There's Father's Day, there are graduations at all levels, and we get to celebrate our newest local and national holiday Juneteenth.

Let's start with Father's Day. Father's Day is set aside on the third Sunday in June to celebrate our fathers, a day to show appreciation for all they have done for us, for the times they played catch with us to the times that they corrected us, and for just loving us. We know that for some fathers, due to no fault of their own, they just couldn't be there as they wanted to be, but this Father's Day, we still say thank you, and we love you. Maybe it wasn't our natural father, but to whoever that male figure stepped in and played the role, we say thank you, and we love you. Happy Father's Day!

Congratulations to all of the graduates from preschool/ kindergarten to those crossing the stage for that Ph.D.; we salute you and give you our best wishes for the best life you could ever have. Wherever you are, there is always more to come; there's more to reach for, and there's more to life than where we are, so we say keep on climbing, keep on striving until you go where the stars are in your hands. We are proud of you.

That brings us to Juneteenth, our newest local and national holiday. Last year, a week before President Biden declared Juneteenth a national holiday, the mayor and council passed a resolution making Juneteenth a holiday to be celebrated here in Ypsilanti. Whether we recognize it, Ypsilanti is always on the cutting edge. This year our celebration is going to be for a weekend. It's exciting; we're starting on Friday night with a dance in the parking lot off of Washington Street. And Saturday, there are activities from 11:00 to 7:00 in the evening in that same Washington street lot. Then on Sunday, there will be gospel in the afternoon and a genuine live gospel service with the ministry of the word and choirs singing. Thank you to the Juneteenth planning committee led by Trische' Duckworth of Survivor's Speak. They have done a fantastic job. The city is a co-sponsor to this entire event. We want everyone in the town to come out on one, if not all, of these three days and partake of the celebration; there will be vendors, food, entertainment, activities for our children, and just an excellent exciting weekend for us all. We look forward to seeing you there.

We have seen lots of orange barrels around town, especially Hamilton and Huron St. Those barrels are



making way for something that has been in the making for years and years. If you haven't heard, we are finally getting the pedestrian and bike pathway across I94. The City, Township, and the State have worked together, and "At last" it shall be. We owe much credit for this project to State Representative Ronnie Peterson and the city's lobbyist Kirk Profit, and both worked diligently to make this happen. Our hats are tipped to these two gentlemen. And, we say thank you. Navigating that walk or ride will be much safer for those that have to cross that bridge.

Our hearts are sorrowful and heavy due to the incidents in Buffalo and in Uvalde, Texas, and the gun violence on our streets. Once again, we have had to endure senseless murder of innocent people killed because of the color of their skin and babies shot down "just because" someone felt like it. In Scripture, we are warned and prompted to "Save yourselves from this untoward, perverse, crooked, corrupt, unjust, evil generation." Whatever your spiritual beliefs and your Higher Power is now time for sincere prayer coupled with works to bring change. We can not allow officials in Lansing and Washington to continue to enable nonsensical gun laws to prevail. A law that makes no sense is to allow weapons of war to be in the hands of non-military personnel on the streets of our city. We are not calling for all guns to be banned but for common sense gun laws to save your child, grandchild, niece or nephew, or neighbor's child

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from being gunned down. Let's band together and demand change. Meanwhile, let's offer our condolences and whatever help we can to those grieving.

Covid-19 cases continue to wane and then surge again in Michigan, but our hospitals have not been overwhelmed recently as in the early days of the pandemic. While the

dominant strain keeps eclipsing its predecessor in transmissibility, we are better prepared with safe practices we have now made our routines. We are fortunate to have available more effective medications to treat Covid cases and prevent them from becoming more serious. Please get in touch with our [Washtenaw County Health Department](#) for the latest information and help get your

vaccines, boosters, and masks. Free test kits will be mailed to you and are available at covid.gov/tests.

Enjoy the beautiful spring into summer weather that the lovely month of June brings us. Please stay safe.

LOVE is the answer,
Mayor Lois Allen-Richardson

CITY UPDATES

PARKS AND RECREATION AWARDS

The Ypsilanti Parks and Recreation Commission (PARC) meets on the third Monday of each month. At the last meeting for the month of May, multiple awards were presented to different community members and organizations. Hearing the recognition for these city activists is impactful for generations to come.



First, Bob Krzewinski was recognized for his service within the Parks and Recreation Commission, his passion for non-motorized transportation, and his dedication to our community. His passion for Ypsilanti will improve the quality of life within Ypsilanti for generations to come. We are forever grateful for your service to our beloved city.

Next, Rutherford Pool received an award for their new bathhouse, which underwent a long-overdue remodel finishing for the 2021

season. Located at 975 N. Congress, the pool has been active since 1974. The Friends of Rutherford Pool remains committed 2004 to ensure that the pool provides swim lessons, exercise programs, and most of all a safe, enjoyable recreational experience to all Ypsilanti area residents no matter their age or



ability.

Then, the Ypsilanti Kiwanis Club has a long history of serving Ypsilanti area residents. The Ypsilanti Kiwanis Club was founded on April 13, 1921, and celebrated 100 years of service to the Ypsilanti Community in 2021. The Kiwanis Club has been a large supporter and sponsor of the Rutherford Pool Kids Triathlon, the Pool's major fundraising event, and has continued to cover the park reservation fee and necessary insurance for the annual kids'

triathlon. With the generous support of the Kiwanis Club, Rutherford Pool was able to offset event costs and was able to generate a profit that they put back into supporting the operations of the pool.

Overall, the Ypsilanti Kiwanis Club is an asset to the Ypsilanti Community.



Our city parks and recreation programs would not be the same without them.

Lastly, Pete Murdock was recognized for being a prominent figure within Ypsilanti Politics for decades. He dedicated his life to improving the lives and livelihood of city residents. Pete moved to Ypsilanti in the 1960s and immediately became involved in many local causes. Pete dominated Ypsilanti politics for more than 30 years. He was the longest-serving Council member in the history of

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Ypsilanti with more than 25 years of service. While serving the city, Pete was known for his fairness, efficiency, and attention to detail. He prioritized projects that focused on environmentalism, sustainability, historic preservation, financial stability, and public transportation.

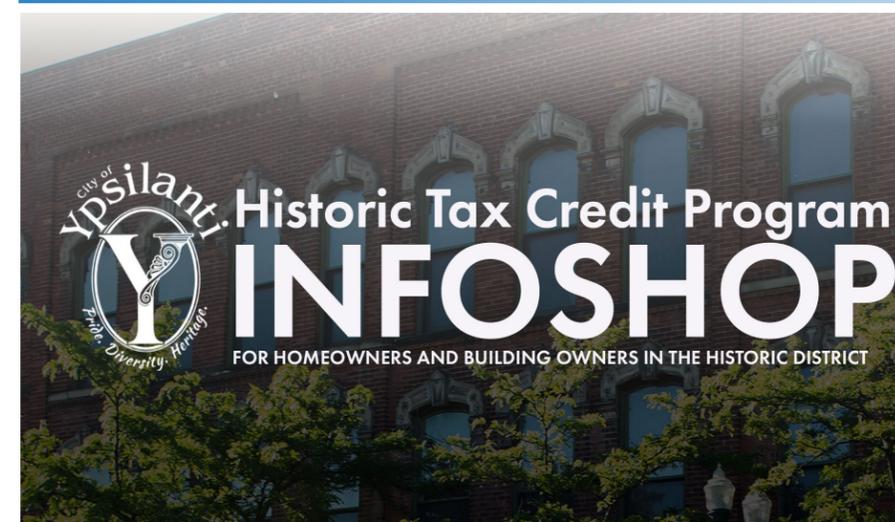
Pete also helped champion the allocation of city funds from a Washtenaw County-wide millage to be used and dedicated to the enhancement of the park system. With Pete's passion for the park system, and a majority of City Council members in agreement, \$125,000 per year for up to five years was allocated to much overdue maintenance and enhancements within the city park system. Since this funding has been allocated, the City of Ypsilanti has

been able to make improvements in every park across the city's 12-park system. Also, with this funding as well as additional partners and grants, the city has been able to replace 2 playgrounds in install 1 new playground in 3 years.

Thanks to Pete's incredible work and dedication, the Ypsilanti Park System continues to see development and enhancements for current and future city residents to enjoy and take pride in.

Pete was a Ypsilanti icon and is greatly missed as he passed away on May 4, 2019, at his Ypsilanti home. We thank Pete for his work and dedication to the citizens of Ypsilanti throughout his decades-long career in Ypsilanti politics.

TAX CREDIT FOR HOME OWNERS IN A HISTORIC DISTRICT



We're excited about the new state income tax credit for Michigan residents who own a home or commercial building in a Historic District. To revitalize Michigan Communities, the state established a new Historic Tax Credit program. This program will aid in supporting place-based projects while promoting the preservation of Michigan's historic structures. The city of Ypsilanti plans to hold an

infoshop with the Tax Credit Program Coordinator Bryan Lijewski on Wednesday, June 15th at 7 PM at Ypsilanti's Freighthouse to share knowledge with interested community members. The event is completely free, we just ask that people register prior.

The Legislation places the following requirements on the Program:

LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD

The Ypsilanti American Little League has recently performed a complete renovation of the baseball field at Waterworks Park.

In recognition of both the renovation and the history of the Ypsilanti American Little League in Ypsilanti with regards to gender equality in Little League, they are requesting that the City officially designate this field as the "Bill Anhut Memorial Field."



1. Property must be listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the State Register of Historic Sites, or be in a local historic district. Either be individually listed or contribute to a listed district to be eligible for the Program.
2. The Program has a \$5 million cap per calendar year, which will be divided as follows:
 - \$2 million for commercial with expenses greater than \$2 million
 - \$2 million for commercial with expenses of \$2 million or less.
 - \$1 million total for owner-occupied residential projects.
3. Credit reservations will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information on the State of Michigan Tax Credit Program please visit [Historic Preservation Tax Credits | MiPlace](#). Registration for the June 15th event will open soon at [Cities Historic District landing page](#).

EMBRACING OUR DIFFERENCE SE MICHIGAN



EOD opening at Riverside Park. To view more photos from the entire event please click [this link](#).

YPSILANTI BICENTENIAL COMMITTEE



Ypsilanti's Bicentennial is coming in 2023! The bicentennial planning committee (Bicentennial City Commission) is hard at work planning a full year of Ypsilanti-inspired events and meaningful community gatherings to recognize Ypsilanti's 200th anniversary, since its incorporation on April 22, 1823.

Expect family-fun entertainment,

historic-driven happenings, and even a few surprises, including opening the time capsule from the Ypsilanti Sesquicentennial in 1973!

The group meets on the fourth Thursday of every month at 7 PM. For more information and upcoming plans, visit the [Facebook event page](#) or email ypsibicentennial@gmail.com.

On May 14th, Embracing our Differences SE Michigan had an opening ceremony for the murals currently displayed in Ypsilanti at Riverside Park and Parkridge Park. They are a wonderful addition to our parks for this 2022 season! Also, two additional displays can be found in Ann Arbor at Gallup Park and Leslie Science and Nature Center. The murals will be on display till September 30th. Thank you to everyone involved in this project and for supporting our efforts to coexist in peace. Please check out these displays and share your support for the project on the Embracing Our Differences SE Michigan [Facebook page](#).

PARKRIDGE SUMMERFEST

Sign up today for resource fair table space at this year's Parkridge SummerFest and Joe Dulin Day! The event will be Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022, at Parkridge Park on Harriet Street in Ypsilanti. The resource tent will take place from 12 pm - 2:30 pm. Reserve your table beginning today at this link or return the attached application to hoffmank@washtenaw.org

[2022 Parkridge Summer Festival Non-Profit and Community Organization Exhibitor Application](#)

POLICE ADVISORY COMMISSION

The Ypsilanti Police Advisory commission still has open positions, For those who are interested, they meet on the fourth Thursday of every month.

- Monthly presentation from YPD with an overview of stats, department staffing and activities, use of force incidents, and citizencomplaints if any.
- Presentation and discussion of

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the use of body cameras. You can find YPD policies and procedures involving body cameras [here](#).

- YPAC chair submitted the first annual report to the city council.

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES

Arts Commission

Two Commissioners
Two Youth Members

Dangerous Bldgs

Dangerous Buildings Officer

Ethics Board

One Board Member

Human Relations Commission

Three Commissioners
Two Youth Members

Parks & Recreation Commission

Three Commissioners
Three Youth Members

Planning Commission

One Commissioner

Police Advisory Commission

Three Commissioners

Sustainability Commission

Two Commissioners
Two Youth Members

Ypsilanti DDA

One Board Member

Zoning Board of Appeals

Three Commissioners

Fill out this [online form](#) if you are interested in the City of Ypsilanti Boards and Commissions.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



The 4th annual Jamil Thomas, Sr. Golf Outing, complete with raffle giveaways and more. Raffle item donations will benefit the Parkridge Community Center in Ypsilanti. Call (734) 635-5246 for more information.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES UPDATES

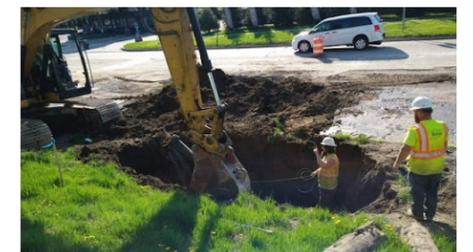
CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



Hamilton/Huron south of Harriet will be reduced to one lane southbound beginning Monday, 5/23, for work related to MDOT bridge maintenance and improvements. The work zone will connect to the existing work zone currently to the north. Area businesses and churches will remain open during this closure; please contact them directly with any questions regarding changes to hours or access. The median will be

completely closed to pedestrian traffic for safety.

This project is part of a two-year planned improvement to the water, sewer, and road infrastructure within the City. The Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA), the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the City will be working together through 2023 to improve the safety of our drinking water and our transportation system. This project will affect traffic on Huron from I-94 to Cross; Hamilton from I-94 to Washtenaw; Washtenaw from W. Cross to Hamilton; and Michigan



FIRST FRIDAYS YPSI

First Fridays Ypsilanti is on June 3!

First Fridays Ypsilanti is a self-guided art and culture walk event that happens on the First Friday of each month.

Created for artists, by artists.

All FFY venues provide free events: art openings, live music, art workshops, performance arts, discounted prices and more!

22 North

22 N Huron; 6-9p

Opening reception: Human | Nature

Human | Nature presents work by Laura Earle, Jason Kimble, Ann Smith, and Marc Snyder, exploring the interface of humanity and the natural world.

Apple Annies Vintage/Jim MacDonalds

29 E Cross; 5-8p

Meet the Artist

Takeisha Jefferson is known for her use of light, composition, wet-plate, and daguerreotype-inspired work, to create ethereal-like images that explore the human experience.

Back Office Studio

13 N Washington; 9-5p

Plug & Play: A free day of coworking

Plug in for a work day at The Back Office Studio, then go play in downtown Ypsi for First Fridays. BOS Member Ericka-Vonyea Hayes of Hayes Notary & Company will be offering free drop in notarizations from 11am-2pm. We have highspeed WiFi, coffee and hot tea, physically distanced workstations, and great coworkers. Masks are optional in common areas. Stop by for a few hours or stay the whole day!

Betty Green Salon

25 N. Washington St; 6-9p

Art Show

Showcasing the art of Matthew Bremer.

Big Brothers Big Sisters Office

11 W. Michigan Ave; 6-8p

Song Sisters

Our FFY series continues with song sisters Kandy Fredrick, Alice Lillian, and Melissa Welsh Fredrick. These talented local singer-songwriters will share their creative songwriting process and play their beautiful original songs. They will bring stories of love, compassion, and truth. Join them for a night of song rounds and joy.

Corner Health Center

47 N. Huron St; 5-7p

Music & Vaccines @ The Corner

Come listen to live music from local musicians and vocalists. We will also be providing vaccines and boosters to anyone interested, ages 5 and up.

Evenstars Chalice

36 N. Washington St; 5-7:30p

Live Art w/ Lauren Magda, Meet the artist Asia Monay

Live painting with Ypsilanti artist Lauren Magda.

Watch as Laurén creates a colorful, visionary

artwork in real time. She will also have for sale her colorful journals and other wares prominently displaying her art. A unique opportunity to pick up one of her journals or prints and have them signed! Self-taught, God-led artist Asia Monay has been producing vibrant and powerful canvas paintings since 2016. She is known for her colorful and imaginative portraits and spiritually-inspiring abstracts. Come meet Asia and see her latest works.

Michigan Ave Tattoo

133 W. Michigan Ave; 3-7p

J'Adore Embroidery and Crafts

J'Adore Embroidery and Crafts will be displaying and selling their handmade items including their newest offerings for Pride season.

The Mix Fitness Studios

50 E. Cross St; 5-7p

The Mix Grand Opening

Meet our instructors, participate in a super fun scavenger hunt/obstacle course. We'll have the music up and dance lights on! Win big prizes and get deals only offered only at this event!

Red Rock Barbeque

207 W. Michigan ; 3-6p

CELEBRATING YPSI'S PRIDE

Come celebrate Ypsilanti's Pride at Red Rock Barbeque. 3-6P -1/2 off full bar drinks!

Riverside Arts Center

76 N. Huron St; 9p (\$10 Tickets at Door)

Independent Film Festival Ypsilanti (IFFY) - the

underground picnic

Art Film and Video collection of shorts and motion graphics, a celebration of boundless queer and femme filmmaker artists. A spiky lemon, a pond as a sex toy and all things outside binaries considered.

The Rocket Candy & Novelties

122 W Michigan Ave; 5:30p-8p

F.F.Y @ The Rocket June 2022

Original artworks from Jackson, MI native & EMU alumna Liz Fiero. She specializes in Surrealism, Realism abstract artwork. In addition to Liz's display in the back, Cinnin' & Pinnin' our very own Rocket employee, will have an enamel pin display specializing in fandom. Also, get your First Fridays merch here! All proceeds benefit FFY!

Star Studio

224 W. Michigan Ave; 5-6:30p

Hair Trans-formation Station

Star Studio is joining the Dress Code Project's Gender Free Haircut Club! Offering free gender-affirming cuts for teens on June 12th. This First Friday join us to sign up for a spot!

The Gallery at Stone & Spoon (upstairs)

110 W. Michigan Ave; 5-8p

QUEER: Celebrating Work by LGBTQIA Artists

Join us for the Opening Night Reception of "QUEER: Celebrating Work by LGBTQIA Artists." This celebration of work is a clear example of how varied the work among our local LGBTQIA community is, and how unaware we are of the multitude of creative processes taking place daily. 10% of artwork sales made at the opening reception on June 3rd will be donated to Ypsi Pride to help secure its future in our community. Space is limited.

Sweetwaters Ypsilanti

735 W. Cross St; 5-7p

Sweetwater's Lemonade Stand

Join Sweetwaters outdoors on the patio for flavorful lemonades, and stop inside to browse

beautiful mosaics by local artist Mosaica.

Tap Room

201 W. Michigan; 5p-2a

Pride Family Friendly Drag Show & Storytime,

Ypsiarbaroo 10, and Drag Night (18+)

Doors- 5:30p, Show 6p sharp. All ages are welcome to come celebrate their Pride! Show Host: Jadein Black. Performances & Story time By: Jadein Black, Maxi Chanel, Ani Briated & special guest, all the way from FL, ERIKA NORELL. Benefitting EDUCATE YOUTH! (Suggested donations of \$5).Live Performances by YPSIARBOROO #10 -7:30 Eli Stevik, 8:00 Carmel Liburdi, 9:00 Wake Up Jamie. Also, Boylesque is back with their drag night 18+ at Tap Room. Doors Open at 10:15p, show starts ~10:30p!

This, That & the ODDer things- the Hideaway

50 E. Cross St; 6-9p

FISH HARD | BRAD ERWIN

Hook and Metal artist Brad Erwin joins us with his pop up debut of his 2023 FISH HARD calendar series. He will have his works set up in the Hideaway found in back of TT&TOT. With him will be all original paintings in natural handmade raw wooden frames, prints, cards, his calendar and so much more. Great for your Pops or any other nature and fish and river enthusiast. We will also be offering light refreshments for guests.

Unicorn Feed & Supply

144 W. Michigan Ave; 5-8p

Pride Pop Up with Clever Creations by Amy & Professor

Pemberton's Wands

Celebrate our 4th Birthday & the beginning of Pride Month with a Pride Pop-Up featuring our dear friends, Clever Creations by Amy & Professor Pemberton's Wands! Fairy garden goodies, fairy doors, magical wands, and pride magic await you!

Ypsilanti District Library

229 W Michigan; 6-8p Held in the Library Plaza,

brought inside in the case of rain.

Pridezone LGBTQ+ Celebration

In honor of LGBTQ+ Pride Month and First Fridays, Ozone House's PrideZone will have an inclusive celebration of LGBTQ+ culture for teens and young adults, ages 12-24. MC Anthony Morgan, his DJ, and friends will get the party rocking. Rainbow activities, swag, food, and free books will be available for teens. *Drumcommunity! 6-7p* Join percussionist Lori Fithian for a Drumcommunity Circle. She'll bring the drums, you get to play them.

Ypsilanti Farmers Market

16 S Washington St; 6-9p

Incubator Kitchen tours and maker pop up

Opening up the MarketPlace Hall to community friends to learn more about the Growing Hope Incubator Kitchen program, meet the folks who operate here, have a chance to sample or purchase.

Ypsi Food Co-op

312 N River St; 5-7:30p

First Fridays Jazz

Steve Somers and Friends Jazz Band- Also, a WCC / YYO jazz combo will perform. Steve Somers teaches music at WCC and for the Ypsilanti Youth Orchestra. Sponsored by AlleyRecordsYpsi. FREE Outdoor parking lot event (inside acoustic if severe weather).

Ypsilanti Thrift Shop

14 S Washington St; 4-8:30p

Kids Night

Craft table with various crafts to make, Chalk available for sidewalk art, free kids books.

YPSI PRIDE GUIDE

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YPSI PRIDE ON WASHINGTON STREET IS POSTPONED TO 2023, BUT THERE IS STILL PRIDE IN YPSI

HERES A LIST OF PRIDE EVENTS OUR PARTNERS ARE HOSTING THIS JUNE!



JUNE 8TH WEDNESDAY

734 Brewing Company

15 E Cross St. 6pm

Cheers to Queers Takeover

Presented by Ypsi Community Members. For anyone and everyone.

Bridge Community Cafe

217 W. Michigan St. 6:30p-8:30p (\$3)

Vibe UPP Presents ~ PRIDE

Vibe UPP brings you an evening of dance and celebration! In support of Pride month, we're hosting an event where people of all walks of life can come and socialize, dance and vibe out without any judgment. Come as you are and dance like no one is watching!

JUNE 3RD

FIRST FRIDAYS YPSILANTI

Ypsi Pride stemmed from First Fridays Ypsilanti in 2016, when organizers noticed a need for an LGBTQ+ celebration in Ypsilanti. First Fridays Ypsilanti (FFY) is a collection of free (unless noted otherwise) and accessible arts and cultural events that happen on the First Friday of every month. Venues are encouraged to highlight LGBTQ+ artists, vendors, and more in the month of June.

These are the venues participating with Pride Events on June 3rd.

Check more details for these venues under the First Fridays Section on the previous page:

Michigan Ave Tattoo, Red Rock Barbeque, Riverside Arts Center, Star Studio The Gallery at Stone & Spoon (upstairs), Tap Room Unicorn Feed & Supply, Ypsilanti District Library

JUNE 4TH

SATURDAY

Hamburger Marys

701 W. Cross St. 12p-12a

Pride in the Parking Lot

We are having a pride celebration that will include Drag entertainment, vendors, DJ, & kids activities.

JUNE 5TH

SUNDAY

Riverside Park

515 E. Cross St. 9:30a - 11:30a (\$20)

Zion Pride: Donation Based Yoga

All levels yoga class in celebration of Pride and the LGBTQIA+ community! Raising money for local Mental Health non-profit, Ozone House. Join Zion Well founders, Art + Aubrey for an amazing all-levels yoga class at Riverside Park in Ypsilanti, MI! The yoga class and mental health fair will be benefiting local non-profit supporting the LGBTQIA+ community, Ozone House!

9:30a-10a - Mental Health Fair - come gain resources and relationships with practitioners serving the LGBTQIA+ community!

10a-11a - Yoga Class!

11a-11:30a - Connect and Commune

JUNE 8TH CONT.

There will be 2 DJ's playing an eclectic mix of dance music like house, bass house, DnB, trance, techno, tribal house and everything in between. The Bridge Community Cafe will be running their dry bar for the evening offering an assortment of tasty non-alcoholic beverages for you.

Unicorn Feed & Supply
144 W. Michigan Ave; 5-8p
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JUNE 18TH
SATURDAY

Bridge Community Cafe
217 W. Michigan St. 9a-3p
Queer Comics Peddler
Find LGBTQIA+ stories for all ages - comics, books, zines, board books, tarot, games, and stickers. Here's the best place to buy queer comics in MI for one day a month!

JUNE 11TH
SATURDAY

Sticks
39 E. Cross St. 7p
Drag Bingo
With Special Guest Starlet Skye!
Presented by Boylesque and Hamburger Marys Ypsi.



RECURRING: WEDNESDAYS

Hamburger Marys
701 W. Cross St.
Musical Bitchy Bingo
Hamburger Mary's at The Tower Inn in Ypsilanti is bringing you Bitchy Bingo with Jadein Black Every Wednesday. Raising money for charities each week. Showtimes at 6,7, and 8p.

JUNE 12TH
SUNDAY

Hamburger Marys
701 W. Cross St. 12 & 2 p
Drag Brunch
With Special Guest Starlet Skye!

Betty Green Salon
25 N. Washington St; 12-4p
Gender Free Haircut Club
Betty Green Salon is happy to announce we are participating in this year's Gender Free Haircut Club Event, Sunday June 12th from 12pm-4pm! This event provides free haircuts and a safe space to folks who identify within the 2SLGBTQ+ communities so they can receive haircuts that make folks look the way they feel! We only have 12 spots available, call 734.678.6652 to reserve your spot!

THURSDAYS

Hamburger Marys
701 W. Cross St. 9p-12a
Karaoke Thursdays at Hamburger Marys
Hamburger Mary's Presents Maryoke Every Thursday with rotating hosts. 50% off drinks \$4, \$5, \$6 Appetizers

Thanks to First Fridays Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti DDA and Ypsi Real for helping us compile this guide. We will be updating this regularly. You can find real time updates at ypsireal.com/events/lgbtq/. Do you have an event that should be on this guide? Message Ypsi Pride on FB or IG.



Please follow each venue's mask wearing and social distancing policies. We are still in this and we need to work together to keep our community safe while supporting our Ypsi artists and businesses.



CITY CALENDAR - JUNE 2022 FOR UPDATES AND MORE INFO CLICK [HERE](#)

PUBLIC MEETINGS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR

ALL HELD AT CITY HALL - 1 S. HURON UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Trash, Recycling, and Yard Waste pickup one day behind May 31, 2022 - June 4, 2022	City Council Meeting June 7, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Sustainability Commission Meeting June 13, 2022, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Administrative Hearings Bureau June 2, 2022, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Administrative Hearings Bureau June 9, 2022, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Historic District Commission June 14, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting June 6, 2022, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Arts Commission Meeting June 9, 2022, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Planning Commission Meeting June 15, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

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Administrative Hearings Bureau June 16, 2022, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Human Relations Commission Meeting June 22, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Police Advisory Commission Meeting June 23, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Fire & Police Retirement Board Meeting June 20, 2022, 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Administrative Hearings Bureau June 23, 2022, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Free Recycling Event June 25, 2022, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM DPS Facility - 14 W Forest Ave
Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting June 20, 2022, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Bicentennial Committee Meeting June 23, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM @ Washtenaw County Office of Community & Economic Development	Historic District Commission June 28, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM
City Council Meeting June 21, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM		

EVENTS AND RECREATION CALENDAR

RECURRING EVENTS

Ypsilanti Farmers Market
9AM-1PM
June 4, 11, 18, 25
100 Rice St

Downtown Farmers Market
3-7PM
June 7, 14, 21, 28
16 S. Washington

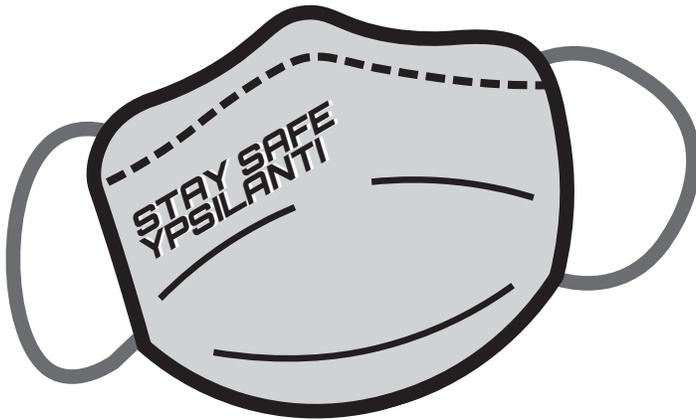
Yoga at Ypsilanti Senior Center
1-2:30PM
June 3, 10, 17, 24
Senior Citizens Center - 1015 N. Congress
[Register HERE](#)

Ypsi Arbor American Little League Practice
5:30 PM - 8:30 PM
June 1-3, 6-10, 13-17, 20-24
Recreation Park - 1117 S Congress

Ypsi Arbor American Little League Games
Games held at baseball fields at Recreation, Candy Cane and Waterworks Parks from 9AM to 7PM. every Saturday through 6/25/2022

DDA Outdoor Movie Series - Space Jam June 2, 2022 Frog Island Park	Schultz Outfitters Demo Days June 4 & 5 9:00 AM - 5:00PM Riverside Park	Juneteenth Worship Experience Sunday, June 19: 1:30PM Parking lot behind Puffer Red's, 113 W. Michigan Ave.
First Fridays Ypsilanti June 3 - All Day Various events all evening around Ypsilanti.	ZION PRIDE: DONATION BASED YOGA June 5, 2022, 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM Riverside Park	Juneteenth Gospel Concert Celebration Sunday, June 19: 4:00PM Parking lot behind Puffer Red's, 113 W. Michigan Ave.
	Black Lives Matter Mural Repainting June 11, 2022, 8:00 AM S. Washington St.	DDA Outdoor Movie Series - A League of Their own June 23, 2022 Frog Island Park
	Compost and Living Soil Work Day and Skill Share at Growing Hope June 11, 2022, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	4th Annual Jamil Thomas, SR Golf Outing June 24, 2022, 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Eagle Crest Golf Course
	Home of New Vision Movie Night at the Park June 17, 2022, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Home of New Vision Recovery Walk June 25, 2022, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Riverside Park
	Frog Island Park Juneteenth Celebration Weekend June 18, 2022, - June 19, 2022 S. Adams Parking Lot behind Puffer Reds and S. Washington.	Tomato Trellising at Growing Hope June 25, 2022, 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
	Juneteenth Saturday Festival Saturday, June 18: 11:00AM - 7:00PM Lot behind Puffer Red's, 113 W. Michigan Home of New Vision Summer Kickoff June 18, 2022, 2:30 PM - 6:30 PM Riverside Park	

ADD YOUR FREE COMMUNITY EVENT ON THE CITY CALENDAR TO BE LISTED HERE. MUST BE IN OR RELATED TO THE CITY OF YPSILANTI. EMAIL TKOCH@CITYOFYPSILANTI.COM WITH EVENT DETAILS.



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