

Summer Events

A calendar sampling of neighborhood and community special events planned throughout the City.
For more details, up-to-date additions, and online maps go to **www.tacomabusinessdistricts.com**,
www.downtowntacoma.com or **www.cityoftacoma.org**.

Visit our neighborhood districts this summer – if you've seen one, you haven't seen them all!



2011 Tacoma Neighborhood & Downtown

Summer Events

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June

10/11 Fri 7pm/Sat 2pm
THE MERMAID DANCE PERFORMANCE

STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
Stadium Performing Arts Center, 111 N. E St.
An exciting, creative version of *The Little Mermaid* performed by the Metro Arts Jr. and Sr. Company Dancers. 305-1022, www.metroparks.org/arts for ticket information

12 Sun 9 am-4 pm
PACIFIC AVE. BUSINESS DISTRICT STREET FAIR

PACIFIC AVE. BUSINESS DISTRICT
Stewart Middle School, S. 50th and Pacific Ave.
Fourth annual spring festival and street fair, art, crafts, general merchandise, plants and food, and cars, cars, cars. FREE.
www.pacificavenuebusinessdistrict.com

18 Sat 7 pm
TACOMA COBRAS PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL GAME

STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
Stadium Bowl, 111 N. E St.
Cobras vs. Umatilla County Panthers, www.tacomacobras.com, 590-6159, jharmon@tacomacobras.com

*See a schedule
of neighborhood
farmers markets
on last page...*

25 Sat 7 pm
TACOMA COBRAS FAMILY FUN DAY

STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
Stadium Bowl, 111 N. E St.
Various family-oriented activities and prizes, www.tacomacobras.com, 590-6159, jharmon@tacomacobras.com

24-26 Fri/Sat/Sun
11 am-9 pm Fri/Sat,
11 am-8 pm Sun
ART A LA CARTE VISUAL ART FAIR AT TASTE OF TACOMA

NEAR RUSTON
PT. DEFIANCE BUSINESS DISTRICT
Point Defiance Park, 5400 N. Pearl St.
Browse 100 artisan booths. Hand-made clothing and crafts, silver jewelry, oil/watercolor art, photography, and more. Admission is FREE. 305-1022, www.metroparkstacoma.org.

25/26 Sat/Sun
Noon-9 pm each day
7TH ANNUAL URBAN ART FESTIVAL

FOSS WATERWAY DOWNTOWN
From Museum of Glass to beyond 21st St. bridge
UAF presents art in every medium, including live glass blowing, painting, fashion, dance, performance art, DJs and much more. FREE to the community.
urbanartfestival@yahoo.com

July

4 Mon 10 am-10:30 pm
FREEDOM FAIR
OLD TOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT
Ruston Way, N. 30th and McCarver
One of the Nation's top 4th of July celebrations, a Tacoma tradition NOT to be missed. Festivities begin at 10 am, Air Show around 1:30 pm, fireworks end at 10:30 pm.
www.freedomfair.com

9 Sat 9 am-Noon
BLUESBERRY PANCAKE BREAKFAST
OLD TOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT
Slavonian Hall, 2306 N. 30th
\$6/person to benefit Old Town beautification and flower baskets. Best blueberry pancakes in town!
www.oldtownbusinessdistrict.com

Noon-Midnight
TACOMA OLD TOWN BLUES FESTIVAL 2011
OLD TOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT
Old Town Park: 2350 N. 30th, Slavonian Hall: 2306 N. 30th, Mountaineers Club: 2304 N. 30th, The Spar: 2121 N. 30th
Listen to great music in the park for FREE until 6 pm, and until midnight at various paid venues (\$25/person for wrist band.)
Proceeds benefit Breast Cancer Resource Center, Tacoma.
ttownproductions@yahoo.com, www.tacomaoldtownbluesfest.net

9 Sat Noon-6 pm
OUT IN THE PARK
DOWNTOWN
Broadway from S. 9th to 11th St.
Tacoma's Rainbow Center and Out In Tacoma celebrate at Out in the Park – Tacoma's Gay Pride Festival. Now in Downtown's Theater District.
www.outintacoma.com

10 Sun 11 am-5 pm
ART ON THE AVE
6TH AVE. BUSINESS DISTRICT
From Cedar to Trafton, on 6th Ave.
FREE! Celebrate the City's fertile ground for the arts with live music, food vendors, art and classic cars. 2011 is our 13th year of art and music on 6th Ave. info@artontheave.com, www.on6thave.com

16 Sat
DISTRICT-WIDE GARAGE AND CRAFT SALE, AND BARK-INI CAR WASH
RUSTON PT. DEFIANCE BUSINESS DISTRICT
Near N. 51st and Pearl St.
Including garage and craft sales throughout the neighborhood – get a map and cruise the self-guided tour of bargains. Second annual BARK-ini Car Wash to benefit Animal Aid & Rescue Foundation – hosted by Second Hand Hound. Make a donation, get your car washed and help a four-legged friend.
www.ruston-ptdefiancebusinessdistrict.com

22 Fri 5:30-7 pm
SUMMER GARDEN PARTY
NEAR STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
W.W. Seymour Botanical Conservatory, 316 S. G St.
Enjoy refreshing beverages, light hors d'oeuvres and live music at this fun event. 591-5330, www.metroparkstacoma.org

23 Sat 7 pm
TACOMA COBRAS PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL GAME
STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
Stadium Bowl, 111 N. E St.
Cobras vs. Boise Buccaneers, www.tacomacobras.com, 590-6159, jharmon@tacomacobras.com

30/31 Sat/Sun Noon-7 pm
ETHNIC FEST – 25TH ANNIVERSARY
NEAR STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
Wright Park, 6th Ave., S. G St and S. I St.
Celebrate the cultures and community of Pierce County. Feast on exotic flavors, vivid costumes and dynamic rhythms as you experience two full days of music, dance, art, and foods from around the world. Admission is FREE. 305-1022, www.metroparkstacoma.org



August

2 Tue all day NATIONAL NIGHT OUT CITY WIDE

A nation-wide celebration of community and neighborhood spirit against crime. National Night Out block parties connect neighbors, strengthen relationships with law enforcement, and bring the community together. 272-6824, wrochelle@safest.org, www.safest.org

6 Sat Noon-10 pm HOT ROD REBEL RIOT & ART BIKE SHOW

DOMESTIC DISTRICT
E. 25th St. and Puyallup Ave. Hot rods and music at New Frontier Lounge at 301 E. 25th St. Art bikes and more at 301 Puyallup Ave. www.thenewfrontierlounge.com

10 am-5:30 pm PROCTOR ARTS FEST PROCTOR BUSINESS DISTRICT

N. 26th and Proctor
15th annual FREE celebration of the arts. Fabulous NW music, four stages, juried art show, family events, 100+ arts and crafts vendors, art demonstrations, Bite of Proctor, Kids Fun Fest, Top Dog Contest, Farmers Market...much more. 759-4012, genemild@yahoo.com, www.proctorartsfest.com

6/7 Sat/Sun 10 am-6 pm PROCTOR SIDEWALK SALE PROCTOR BUSINESS DISTRICT

N. 26th and Proctor
Participating retail locations. www.proctorbusinessdistrict.com.

7 Sun 10 am-4 pm FERN HILL DAYS STREET FAIR & CAR SHOW

FERN HILL BUSINESS DISTRICT
Park Ave. S., between 82nd and 84th
Come check out our neighborhood during this FREE fun summer event,

complete with classic cars, food vendors, live music, fun for the kids, craft and informational booths. 472-6113, www.fernhillbusinessdistrict.com

13 Sat 7 pm TACOMA COBRAS PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP FOOTBALL GAME

STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
Stadium Bowl, 111 N. E St.
PDFA Bowl, teams to be announced!
www.tacomacobras.com, 590-6159, jharmon@tacomacobras.com

20 Sat 10 am-4 pm 15TH ANNUAL SOUTH TACOMA CLASSIC CAR SHOW

SOUTH TACOMA BUSINESS DISTRICT
South Tacoma Way, 50th to 56th
Join us on South Tacoma Way for a great day of FREE family fun. Classic cars galore, face painting, balloons. Great food and craft vendors for your enjoyment. 475-5676, sotacomabda@aol.com, www.southtacomabusinessdistrict.com

10 am-3 pm BACK TO SCHOOL CARNIVAL & BACK PACK GIVEAWAY

MCKINLEY BUSINESS DISTRICT
Tacoma Christian Center, 3523 E. McKinley Ave.
Games, food, fun and giveaways for the school kids of Tacoma. www.tacomachristiancenter.org

21 Sun CADILLAC LASALLE CAR SHOW ANNUAL PICNIC

RUSTON PT. DEFIANCE BUSINESS DISTRICT
N. Winnifred St. median from N. 51st to N. 54th
The annual picnic of the Cadillac LaSalle Car Club will include a line up of over 100 cars on display along Winnifred St. This is the finale of a week-long car celebration! FREE admission. 761-7709, bhuson@wamail.net, www.pnrc.org

27/28 Sat/Sun 10 am-6 pm 19TH ANNUAL MARITIME FESTIVAL

DOWNTOWN
Thea Foss Park and Foss Waterway Seaport Museum
Celebrate Tacoma's historic working waterfront. Boat and train rides. Tours of the Port. Live entertainment, beer garden, sand sculptures, food and craft vendors, maritime demonstrations. Marvin Garviria, 318-2210, www.maritimefest.org

September

17 Sat 5-9 pm STADIUM ART & WINE WALK

STADIUM BUSINESS DISTRICT
N. First and Tacoma Ave. N.
Stroll the beautiful historic Stadium Business District sampling wine and beautiful local artists' works. Tickets available at several local businesses. \$25/person pre-sale/\$35 at the door. Includes wine and hor d'oeuvres. Sharon@SharonBenson.com, 381-7447

October

22 Sat 5:30-9:30 pm CROSS DISTRICT ASSOCIATION AUCTION

OLD TOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT
C.I. Shenanigans Restaurant Ballroom, 3017 Ruston Way
Annual fund-raiser auction featuring fabulous beverage selections from local merchants and unmatched appetizers. Enjoy hours of bidding on great local art, gifts, food, and treasures. All funds support ongoing programs for Tacoma's Neighborhood Business Districts – promotions, training, economic development, small business assistance and advocacy. \$60/person. www.tacomabusinessdistrict.com

More fun around town!

Every month 5-8 pm THIRD THURSDAY ARTWALK DOWNTOWN, VARIOUS VENUES

Bring the family and experience joie d'art and music. All galleries are FREE including the Tacoma Art Museum and State History Museum. www.artwalktacoma.com.

All of November is... ART AT WORK: TACOMA ARTS MONTH

CITYWIDE
Various locations – see website
November 2011 marks the 10th anniversary of Art at Work: Tacoma Arts Month. Make room in your calendar for 30 days of free and low-cost events. Hundreds of visual, literary and performing arts programs as well as cultural and community offerings are planned including an opening party, studio tours and arts symposium. Visit www.ArtAtWorkTacoma.com; program information will be updated as it becomes available.

Naomi Strom-Avila, nstrom-avila@cityoftacoma.org, 591-5191, www.ArtAtWorkTacoma.com

A sampling of more family summer fun in Tacoma's Metro Parks!

Get all the information at www.metroparkstacoma.org

June-August, 1-2:30 pm SECOND SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES

W. W. SEYMOUR BOTANICAL CONSERVATORY,
316 S. G St., Wright Park
Enjoy live music among the lush tropical floral displays inside the conservatory. 591-5330
Jun 12: Terry Holder
Jul 10: Kathy Long
Aug 14: Acoustic music

July, every Friday 5-8 pm METRO PARKS PRESENTS PLAY TACOMA IN JULY!

Summer family fun nights are back! Bring family, bring a picnic and get ready to PLAY in your business district area parks. FREE family fun time. 305-1007

Jul 1 Jefferson Park, 801 N. Mason Ave.
Jul 8 Portland Avenue Park, 3513 Portland Ave.
Jul 15 South Park, 4851 S. Tacoma Way
Jul 29 McKinley Playfield, 4321 McKinley Ave.

August, dusk THIS AUGUST ENJOY CLICK! MOBILE MOVIE AT FREE SUMMER CINEMA

Grab a lawn chair and bring the family and friends to enjoy an outdoor movie in Tacoma's business district area parks. Movie begins at dusk. FREE. 305-1022

Aug 5 Stewart Heights Park, 402 E. 56th St., *Finding Nemo*, rated G
Aug 12 McKinley Playfield, 4321 McKinley Ave., *Twilight: Eclipse*, rated PG-13



Tacoma's Neighborhood Farmers Markets offer expanded and more convenient hours this year...

For more about special events on market days, go to www.tacomafarmersmarket.com/Events or call 272-7077

Broadway Market

EVERY Thursday May-Oct

DOWNTOWN

9th-11th St. on Broadway
NEW HOURS: 10:30 am-4 pm
Our flagship market averaging 80 vendors per week.

6th Avenue Market

EVERY Tuesday May-Sep

6TH AVE. BUSINESS DISTRICT

6th Ave. on Pine St.
NEW HOURS: 3-7 pm
An arts district market averaging 40 vendors per week.

South Tacoma Market

EVERY Sunday Jun-Sep

SOUTH TACOMA BUSINESS DISTRICT

S. 56th St. and Washington
NEW HOURS: 11 am-3 pm
Meats, produce and dairy market with up to 35 vendors each week.

Proctor Farmers Market

EVERY Saturday Mar-Nov

(monthly during the winter)

PROCTOR BUSINESS DISTRICT

Proctor St. on N. 27th
9 am-2 pm
For information about special events on market days contact proctorfm@yahoo.com, 961-3666, or go to www.proctorfarmersmarket.com

For up-to-date public transportation information contact Pierce Transit 253-581-8000, www.piercetransit.org; Sound Transit: 206-398-5000, www.soundtransit.org.

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