



## Take a Child Outside Week

Location: Various City Parks and Community Centers

Age: All ages. The City of Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department is participating in "Take a Child Outside Week" **September 24-30**. This national program is designed to help children develop a better understanding and appreciation of their natural world. Several family oriented nature programs are being offered in support of this important week. Parents, grandparents and other caregivers are encouraged to participate in Take a Child Outside Week by making a pledge at: [www.takeachildoutside.org](http://www.takeachildoutside.org) and by registering for one or more of the Take a Child Outside Week programs! For more information, please call Nature Programs at (919) 831-6856. A listing of these programs can be found on pages 61-62.

## September

### Senior/Adult 3rd Annual 10-Week Walking Program

Age: 50yrs and up. Who knew walking briskly at least 30 minutes a day, five days a week, could dramatically improve your health? Walking is one of the easiest ways to exercise, and research has shown it can also help reduce your risk of some diseases. See how easy it is to STEP UP TO BETTER HEALTH by joining Raleigh Parks and Recreation Senior/Adult Program, Resources for Seniors, AARP, and the National Recreation and Park Association for a free 10-Week Walking Program. Several Walk Leaders are needed to assist with this program. If you are interested in volunteering or need further information about this program please contact Carmen Rayfield at 807-8525. Pre-Registration is required for this program. Class Fee: \$0

#### Laurel Hills Community Center

Sep 2 W 9:30am-1:30pm

#### Eastern Wake Senior Center

Sep 3 Th 10:00-11:30am

#### Northern Wake Senior Center

Sep 4 F 10:00-11:30am

### Senior Day at Durant

Durant Nature Park

Age: 50yrs and up. Come and join us for a fun filled day at Durant Nature Park, South Entrance at the Campbell Lodge. We will enjoy nature walks, canoeing, fishing, crafts, bingo, Wii, hayrides, lunch, and more. For more information please contact Carmen Rayfield at 807-8525. You must be pre-registered for this event, limited tickets \$12 #87633 Sep 10 Th 9:30am-2:00pm

### Antique and Classic Boat Show

Lake Wheeler

Age: 1-99yrs. The Antique and Classic Boat Society will be holding its annual boat show at Lake Wheeler Park. Classic boats will be on show for everyone to see. This is a free event for the entire family. \$0

#87321 Sep 26 Sa 10:00am-4:00pm

## October

### Kidsfest

Spring Forest Road Park

Age: All Ages. A fun filled day packed with food, entertainment, rides, and enjoyment for the entire family. Raleigh area children services and product providers will be on hand to demonstrate and discuss their importance and availability to you and your family. If you are interested in being a sponsor, sales vendor, or have a display booth for this event, please contact Kristen Shea at 831-6833. If you are interested in being a food vendor for this event,



contact Dan Bagley at 872-4140. Admission is free! Amusements are priced accordingly. Held at Spring Forest Road Park – 4203 Spring Forest Road in Raleigh. The raindate, if needed, will be the following day, same times. \$0 #85774 Oct 3 Sa 12:00-4:00pm

### Bass Tournament

Lake Johnson

Age: 16yrs and up. A minimum of 15 teams (2-anglers per boat), and no more than 20 teams will be allowed to register. Awards include 1st, 2nd, 3rd place, and largest bass, along with door prizes. All registrations must be conducted in person at Lake Johnson and be received by 5pm Friday, October 9, 2009. Although the park will remain open for normal services, access for boat rentals will be restricted during this event. Boat rentals will resume after 3:00pm. Fees include cost of lunch. \$80 #86475 Oct 10 Sa 7:00am-1:00pm

### Special Event – Sertoma Arts Center Open House and Arts Fair

Sertoma Arts Center

Age: All Ages. Join us for an insider's look at the Sertoma arts center! Enjoy demonstrations; try out class samplers, and tours of our studios. This is an opportunity to meet teaching artist dedicated to the arts and community! Learn about their creative processes, class offerings at Sertoma



and various local projects with which they are involved. While enjoying the center visit the gallery marketplace featuring original artwork from our instructors and other great local artists! You don't want to miss this event, we will have refreshments, vendors, entertainment, exhibits and more! This is a FREE event open to all! Call 420-2329 for more information. \$0

#86220 Oct 10 Sa 10:00am-5:00pm

### Pullen Arts Center Fall Arts Fair

Pullen Arts Center

Age: 1yrs and up. Everyone is invited to our Fall Open House and Crafts Fair! Join us for live demonstrations, refreshments, entertainment, and gallery exhibits. You will not want to miss our Crafts Fair! Our instructors, studio participants and students will have their best wares on sale—just in time for the holiday season! Featured will be works in the mediums of clay, glass, fibers, jewelry, and fine arts. Artist interested in participating in the fair can call the Arts Center at 831-6126 for an Entry Form. \$0

#87442 Oct 17 Sa 10:00am-5:00pm

### Annual Halloween Trail

Durant Nature Park

Age: All Ages. Hike along the Halloween Trail to encounter costumed characters performing family friendly nature based skits. When you reach the trail's end, huddle around the campfire for even more entertainment. Other activities include arts and crafts and games. Event is rain (indoors) or shine. A hay ride to and from your car is included if weather allows. Once again, this event will be by preregistration only and you will choose from three arrival times. Registration ends Tuesday, Oct 20 for Friday and Wednesday, Oct 21 for Saturday. Fee \$7 adults and children over 3. Children 3 and under are free. Your confirmation form or receipt will serve as your ticket. \$7

#84831 Oct 23 F 6:00-7:30pm

#84830 Oct 23 F 6:45-8:15pm

#84827 Oct 23 F 7:30-9:00pm

#84829 Oct 24 Sa 6:00-7:30pm

#84828 Oct 24 Sa 6:45-8:15pm

#84826 Oct 24 Sa 7:30-9:00pm

### Haunted Mordecai Festival

Mordecai Historic Park

Age: All Ages. Enjoy a night of Halloween themed fun including food, music, games, and crafts on the lawn at Mordecai Historic Park. Paranormal investigation group: Past Researchers will be on site to reveal their findings from the Mordecai House and answer your questions. This event is free and open to the public. No registration necessary. \$0 #86385 Oct 24 Sa 5:00-10:00pm

# Special Events



## Haunted Trolley

Mordecai Historic Park

Age: 1 yrs and up. Hop on board the Haunted Trolley, if you dare, for a special late night tour of downtown Raleigh's most haunted places. The trolley departs from Mordecai Historic Park and takes an hour long journey past the Governor's Mansion, the State Capitol, Heck-Andrew's House, Century Post Office, and Oakwood Inn with a special stop at City Cemetery. \$10

#86409	Oct 23	F	7:00-8:00pm
#86405	Oct 23	F	8:00-9:00pm
#86410	Oct 23	F	9:00-10:00pm
#86404	Oct 24	Sa	6:30-7:30pm
#86403	Oct 24	Sa	7:00-8:00pm
#86407	Oct 24	Sa	7:30-8:30pm
#86408	Oct 24	Sa	8:00-9:00pm
#86406	Oct 24	Sa	8:30-9:30pm
#86402	Oct 24	Sa	9:00-10:00pm

## Haunted Mordecai Lantern Tour

Mordecai Historic Park

Age: All Ages. Since the Mordecai House opened to the public in the 1970s staff, volunteers, and visitors have reported paranormal activity. Do you think it is haunted? Take this late night lantern tour to find out for yourself! \$5

<b>5:00pm Tour</b>			
#86390	Oct 24	Sa	5:00-5:30pm
<b>5:15pm Tour</b>			
#86386	Oct 24	Sa	5:15-5:45pm
<b>5:30pm Tour</b>			
#86393	Oct 24	Sa	5:30-6:00pm
<b>5:45pm Tour</b>			
#86387	Oct 24	Sa	5:45-6:15pm
<b>6:00pm Tour</b>			
#86398	Oct 24	Sa	6:00-6:30pm
<b>6:30pm Tour</b>			
#86399	Oct 24	Sa	6:30-7:00pm
<b>6:45pm Tour</b>			
#86388	Oct 24	Sa	6:45-7:15pm

## 7:00pm Tour

#86394 Oct 24 Sa 7:00-7:30pm

## 7:15pm Tour

#86400 Oct 24 Sa 7:15-7:45pm

## 7:30pm Tour

#86391 Oct 24 Sa 7:30-8:00pm

## 8:00pm Tour

#86395 Oct 24 Sa 8:00-8:30pm

## 8:15pm Tour

#86396 Oct 24 Sa 8:15-8:45pm

## 8:30pm Tour

#86401 Oct 24 Sa 8:30-8:45pm

## 9:00pm Tour

#86392 Oct 24 Sa 9:00-9:30pm

## 9:15pm Tour

#86389 Oct 24 Sa 9:15-9:45pm

## 9:30pm Tour

#86397 Oct 24 Sa 9:30-10:00pm

## Raleigh Lakes Bass Tournaments

Lake Wheeler

Age: 12-99yrs. The Raleigh Lakes Fall Bass Tournament will take place at Lake Wheeler Park. Teams will consist of two anglers. Check in will begin at 7am on day of the tournament. Lunch will be provided after tournament. Awards will be given to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and largest fish. Registration must be received one week prior to each tournament date. Fee will be \$70 per team. Teams may register by mail or walk in. All internet registrations will also need to mail in appropriate registration forms. For more information contact Lake Wheeler Park at 662-5704. \$70

#87414 Oct 24 Sa 7:00am-2:00pm

## November

### Scarecrow Festival

Pullen Arts Center

Age: 1yrs and up. Join us for our annual homage to the scarecrow! Come build a scarecrow and enjoy refreshments and other activities. Forms to support your scarecrow are provided, along with the stuffing materials. You come prepared with your scarecrow's wardrobe and your creativity! All scarecrows remain on display as long as weather permits, so please plan to leave your scarecrow with us. Bring a picnic lunch if you like. The festival is free, however scarecrow space is limited, so register early! Other fun family activities scheduled. Call 831-6126 for information or to register. \$0

#87433 Nov 7 Sa 11:00am-2:00pm

## December

### Mordecai Holidays Lantern Tours

Mordecai Historic Park

Age: All Ages. See what life was like during Holidays Past through vignettes representing Colonial Times, Civil War Days, and the Victorian

Era put on by Burning Coal Theater and the NC 26th Regiment. \$5

#86419	Dec 12	Sa	5:00-6:00pm
#86420	Dec 12	Sa	5:15-6:15pm
#86421	Dec 12	Sa	5:30-6:30pm
#86422	Dec 12	Sa	5:45-6:45pm
#86423	Dec 12	Sa	6:00-7:00pm
#86424	Dec 12	Sa	6:30-7:30pm
#86425	Dec 12	Sa	6:45-7:45pm
#86426	Dec 12	Sa	7:00-8:00pm
#86427	Dec 12	Sa	7:15-8:15pm
#86428	Dec 12	Sa	7:30-8:30pm
#86429	Dec 12	Sa	8:00-9:00pm
#86430	Dec 12	Sa	8:15-9:15pm
#86431	Dec 12	Sa	8:30-9:30pm
#86432	Dec 12	Sa	8:45-9:45pm
#86433	Dec 12	Sa	9:00-10:00pm

### Mordecai Holidays Open House

Mordecai Historic Park

Age: 1yrs and up. Come to the open house and see the Mordecai House decorated for the season as it would have been in the 19th Century. \$0

#86411 Dec 12 Sa 10:00am-4:00pm

### Basketball – Elks Hoop Shoot

Carolina Pines Community Center

Age: 8-13yrs. Join us for the local competition of the Elks Hoop Shoot National Free Throw Contest. Competition is divided into three age groups for boys and girls. The top two winners in each age group will advance to the City Championship. Age as of date is April 1, 2010. Participants must check in by the listed start time and pre-registration is required. \$0

Carolina Pines 831-6435

#86233 Dec 19 Sa 2:00-3:00pm

Brier Creek Community Center

#86234 Dec 19 Sa 11:00am-3:00pm

Chavis Park 831-6989

#86235 Dec 16 W 4:00-6:00pm

Laurel Hills 420-2383

#86236 Dec 5 Sa 1:30-3:30pm

Jaycee 831-6833

#86237 Dec 5 Sa 9:30-10:30am

Green Road 872-4140

#86241 Dec 12 Sa 1:00-3:00pm

Barwell Road 329-5994

#86916 Dec 18 F 6:00-7:00pm

### Santa's Trolley

Mordecai Historic Park

Age: 1yrs and up. Join Santa and his elf for an adventure on the trolley. Riders will enjoy a tour of Raleigh, beginning at Mordecai Historic Park, with Santa as their guide. Reservations required. \$10

#86416 Dec 12 Sa 6:00-7:00pm

#86418 Dec 12 Sa 7:00-8:00pm

#86415 Dec 12 Sa 8:00-9:00pm

#86412 Dec 19 Sa 6:00-7:00pm

#86417 Dec 19 Sa 7:00-8:00pm

#86413 Dec 19 Sa 8:00-9:00pm

# Downtown Recreation Opportunities



## Amusements

### Pullen Park Amusements

#### 2009 Hours of Operation

Sep 8-Oct 25	M-F	10:00am-5:00pm
	Sa	10:00am-6:30pm
	Su	1:00-6:30pm
*Oct 26-Nov 29	M-F	10:00am-4:00pm
	Sa	10:00am-5:00pm
	Su	1:00-5:00pm
Thanksgiving Nov 25-26		closed
Holiday Express Dec 10-13		4:00-9:00pm

\* Fall hours are subject to change beginning in October

### Chavis Park Carousel

#### 2009 Hours of Operation

May 2-Sep 27	M-Sa	11:00am-5:00pm
	Su	1:00-5:00pm

Hours are subject to change beginning July 1, 2009

## Tours

### Historic Narrated Trolley Tours on the Raleigh Trolley

Location: Mordecai Historic Park

Mordecai Historic Park's Trolley Tour is an educational and fun ride through downtown Raleigh with stops at Pullen Park, City Market, and the State Capitol that give plenty of time for tours and shopping. Tours run every Saturday, March-December leaving from Mordecai at 11:00am, 12:15pm, 1:30pm, and 2:45pm. Contact: Mordecai Historic Park for more information 857-4364. Charge: Adults \$8, Youth 7-17 \$4, Children 6 and under free. [www.raleighnc.gov/mordecai](http://www.raleighnc.gov/mordecai)

**For additional downtown recreation opportunities, please refer to the following locations:**

#### Chavis Community Center

505 MLK Jr. Boulevard  
(919) 831-6989

#### Fletcher Park

820 Clay Street  
(919) 831-6430

#### Pullen Arts Center

105 Pullen Road  
(919) 831-6126

#### Pullen Amusements

520 Ashe Avenue  
(919) 831-6468

#### Pullen Community Center

408 Ashe Avenue  
(919) 831-6052

#### Roberts Park

1300 E. Martin Street  
(919) 831-6830

#### Pullen Aquatics Center

410 Ashe Ave  
(919) 831-6197

#### Mordecai Historic Park

1 Mimosa Street  
(919) 857-4364

#### Raleigh Little Theater

301 Pogue Street  
(919) 821-4579

#### Theatre in the Park

105 Pullen Road  
(919) 831-6936

#### Tucker House

418 N. Person Street  
(919) 831-6009