

FUN THINGS TO DO IN PHILLY THIS WEEKEND

The Odunde Festival, the Philadelphia Flower Show, Petapalooza in Chestnut Hill and more fun to look forward to this weekend

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here's **a big ferris wheel going up now** along the Benjamin Franklin Parkway — another sure sign that this city is in total summer vibes mode.

The summer fun continues this weekend with the vivacious **Odunde Festival** on West South Street, the grand opening of the **Philadelphia Flower Show**, which is returning to FDR Park for the second summer in a row, and picturesque Chestnut Hill hosts its annual **Petapalooza** fest for our four-legged citizens and the ones who love them.

Outside of these events, you could also spend some time at one of these awesome **Philadelphia breweries** and / or **distilleries**. Find **somewhere cool to eat outdoors**, or kick back at home with some of what we think is the **best takeout in Philly**.

Find details on these things and more below. This list gets updated regularly — especially during the beginning of the week — so be sure to check back often for more ideas about fun things to do in Philly this weekend.

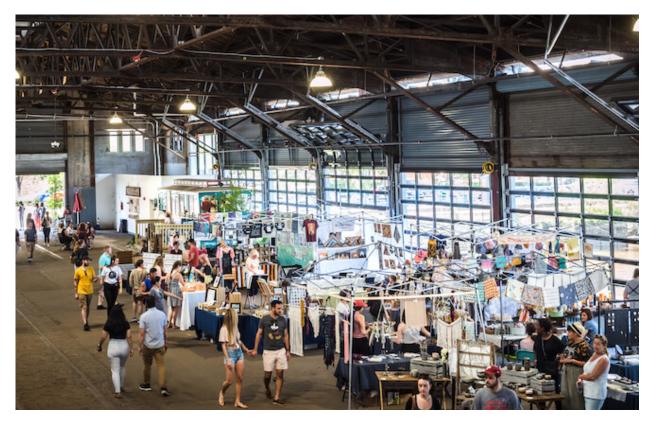
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NEW EXHIBIT @ PHILLY MAGIC GARDENS: The Philadelphia Magic Gardens hosts an opening reception for "When the Cracks Deepen: Works by Isaac Scott," on view through the rest of summer. You may be familiar with the artists's work on 33rd and West Diamond streets' "Stay Golden" mural and in the New Yorker, where his photographs of Philadelphia Black Lives Matter protests were featured. This exhibit includes sculpture and photographs reflecting urban decay and police brutality protests. The reception is pay-what-you-wish and includes refreshments. Friday, June 10, 6 to 9pm; on view through September 4. 1020 South Street, \$15 museum admission outside of the opening reception.



The Philadelphia Flower Show is back in FDR Park this June | Photo courtesy Pennsylvania Horticultural Society

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW: One of **Philly's longest-running events** is back in FDR Park for the second year in a row with the theme In Full Bloom. Guests will find all kinds of gorgeous flower and plant installations, a sunny beer garden and tons of events throughout the nine-day run — including early morning tours that let you get in to see the exhibition without all the crowds. **June 11 to 19.** 1500 Pattison Avenue, \$50 per adult; \$35 ages 18 to 29; \$25 per child.



The Art Star Craft Bazaar lets you shop goodies from over 70 local vendors. | Photo courtesy Art Star

ART STAR CRAFT BAZAAR: NoLibs boutique Art Star returns to Cherry Street Pier for two days this weekend for its flagship Summer Craft Bazaar, featuring up to 70 art and craft vendors, interactive craft booths, makeand-take stations, and enough food and drink to keep you satiated while you shop. **Saturday and Sunday, June 11 and 12, 11am to 5pm.** *121 N. Christopher Columbus Boulevard.*

QUICK HITS

- The Garden returns to Dilworth Park June 10 to 12
- Who's hosting a full week of Flag Fest activities? The Betsy Ross House, of course
- The first-ever Love From Philly music festival hits the Parkway on June 11
- The Wayward hosts a drag brunch on June 12 and you can bet it'll be Pride-tastic



Header photo courtesy The Viaduct

RAIL PARK BLOCK PARTY: This Saturday, the Spring Arts District's Noble Street closes down for a **block party** hosted by **The Rail Park**. Seven-piece brass band SNACKTIME will provide the soundtrack for the day's activities, which include art installations, a seed swap, guided meditations and arts and craft opportunities. Trestle Inn will be manning the bar at The Viaduct for all your day-drinking needs. **Saturday, June 11, 2 to 8pm.** North Broad and Noble streets, pay as you go.



 ${\it Catch \ a \ benefit \ screening \ of \ Stop-Zemlia \ this \ weekend \ at \ Bryn \ Mawr \ Film \ Institute}$

UKRAINE BENEFIT: Released a few months before the invasion of Ukraine, *Stop-Zemlia* (here's a trailer) is a coming-of-age story about an introverted teen in Kyiv. This weekend, Bryn Mawr Film Institute, in partnership with **Philly Stands With Ukraine**, is hosting a benefit showing for Voices of Children, a nonprofit providing mental health services for Ukrainian children impacted by the war.



There are tons of ways to celebrate LGBTQ Pride in Philly this June | Photo by J. Fusco / Visit Philadelphia

PRIDE CELEBRATIONS CONTINUE: LGBTQ+ Pride celebrations are only just beginning in Philadelphia. Check out our **guide to Pride in Philly in 2022** for all kinds of ways to keep that rainbow flag waving all month long — from drag queen story times, trivia nights and brunches to markets, relay races and art exhibitions.



The awesome Odunde Festival brings all things African culture to West South Street June 12. | Photo by A. Ricketts

ODUNDE FESTIVAL: On Sunday afternoon, West South Street transforms into the country's largest African American street festival — **a thrumming African market**, and two-stage, all-day, all-out celebration of Black culture. The food itself is worth a visit. **Sunday, June 12, noon.** 23rd and South Street, pay as you go.



Petapalooza, a street festival for pets and those who love them, happens June 12 in Chestnut Hill

PETAPALOOZA: Chestnut Hill goes to the dogs, when **Petapalooza 2022** brings out doggie pools, face painting, training exhibitions, vets and pet service providers, and more than a dozen pet rescue and adoption agencies with potential furry friends looking for forever homes. Both you and your animal companions can enjoy food and drink specials at participating pet-friendly establishments. The event is free and family-friendly. **Sunday, June 12, 11am to 2pm.** 8100 to 8700 Germantown Avenue, pay as you go.



My Philly Brew Works is among the local watering holes hosting an event for Philly Beer Week.

PHILLY BEER WEEK : Breweries, bars and restaurants across the region are holding events during this annual celebration of all things suds — from a block party at Varga Bar to an evening of craft beer sampling at My Philly Brew Works, quizzo with Johnny Goodtimes at Love City Brewing and tons more. So far the Philly Beer Week website is pretty light on its event listings — but you can find to-dos around town by searching #phillybeerweek on socials. Or check with some of our favorite breweries and distilleries doing good in Philly to see if they have events. Through June 12, various times. Various locations, pay as you go.

ONGOING THINGS TO DO IN PHILLY THIS SUMMER



Blue Cross RiverRink Summerfest is now open along the Delaware River with summertime fun galore. | Photo by Maria Young

DELAWARE WATERFRONT ATTRACTIONS: Spruce Street Harbor Park and its neighboring **Blue Cross RiverRink Summerfest** are open for the season with ferris wheels, floating beer barges, carnival games, roller skating, hammocks in neon-lit trees, cute little lodges you can rent with friends. It's just too much excitement for one person to handle. Good thing it'll be around for our enjoyment all summer long. *S. Columbus Boulevard*

KAYAK THE DELAWARE: The Independence Seaport Museum launched **its summer 2022 kayak excursions on the Delaware River**, happening on select weekends **through October 22.** There are several different tours you can sign up for — including one for beginners, and ones that explore different sections of the river, such as Graffiti Pier and Petty's Island. **Paddle Penn's Landing**, which lets you paddle around the river in swan- and other animal-shaped watercraft.

CHERRY STREET PIER: Cherry Street Pier is always bustling with some kind of activity — whether it's art shows or food markets or visitors just sitting back, beer in hand, and gazing at the beautiful Delaware River views. Throughout the summer, they host a whole bunch of multicultural festivals, starting with the Irish Festival (Sunday, June 4), Islamic Heritage Festival (Sunday, June 11), Hispanic Fiesta (Saturday, July 9 and Sunday, July 10), and Celebrate Asia on nearby Race Street Pier (Saturday, August 6). 121 N. Columbus Boulevard

MORGAN'S PIER: The **vibrant beer and cocktail garden** on the Delaware River is open for the season with a lineup of live music on weekends and select weeknights, and a **food menu** that includes a variety of snacks, flatbreads, sandwiches and seafood. Drinking options are just as plentiful — ranging from frothy draft beers to a colorful selection of refreshing speciality and frozen cocktails and wine. *221 N. Columbus Boulevard*

CITY HALL ROLLER RINK: The neon-hued outdoor Rothman Orthopaedics Roller Rink at Dilworth Park is now open **through July 17.** The rink is retro-inspired, with a checkerboard floor and colorful beach balls floating overhead. Guests are welcome to visit for hour time slots. Admission is \$8 for children 10 and younger, and \$10 for adults. Skate rental is \$5. 1 S. 15th Street

PHILADELPHIA MARKETPLACE: Happening every **Friday and Saturday through October 1**, this hyperlocal bazaar gives you the chance to browse and shop a rotating variety of goods from local artists, crafters and retailers in the shadow of City Hall. *1 S. 15th Street*



Twilight in the Gardens gives you the chance to explore — and drink at! — Philadelphia's Magic Gardens after sundown.

BYOS @ **THE MAGIC GARDENS:** Isaiah Zagar's famously mosaicked South Street wonderland welcomes in guests after hours during several weekly and monthly events throughout summer. **Twilight in the Gardens** includes live music, specific crafting workshops every fourth Friday through October. CrAfter Hours — billed as an adult craft night — also gives you a chance to make some art. And Garden Party is a more chill affair, with live DJs and, yes, more chances to get crafty. The best parts? They're all BYO, and give you a chance to tour the museum without all the tourist crowds.

Don't miss the awesome Philly Odunde Festival in mid June. | Photo by A. Ricketts