## **CENTER FOR CHICAGO PROGRAMS**

## Free Events in Chicago **\$** July 2014

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	HOW TO GO
<b>7/3</b> 6:30pm	<b>Loops and Variations</b> This concert series features new music mixed with electronica.	Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park - 201 E. Randolph St.	M to Ogilvie, Walk 9 blocks E on Madison to Michigan
<b>7/4</b> 9:30pm	<b>4th of July Fireworks</b> Patriotic music accompanies this annual 15-minute display over Lake Michigan.	Navy Pier - 600 E. Grand Ave.	M to Ogilvie, Walk E to Madison & Canal, Board Bus #124 Navy Pier Express Eastbound to Navy Pier Bus Terminal Walk 1 block S
<b>7/4</b> 6pm - 10pm	<b>Wicker Park/Bucktown First Fridays</b> Explore two floors of art displayed in the intimate setting of over three-dozen resident artists' studios. Also features impromptu performances and refreshments.	Flat Iron Arts Building - 1579 N. Milwaukee Ave.	M to Clybourn, Walk 5 blocks W on Cortland to Damen, Walk 3 blocks S on Damen to Milwaukee, Walk S on Milwaukee
7/9 - 7/13	<b>Taste of Chicago</b> This fest showcases classic and emerging restaurants in Chicago, along with cooking demos and local and national music acts including Janelle Monae, Nickel Creek and Jeff Tweedy.	Grant Park - 100 E. Congress Pkwy.  Various Times, visit www.cityofchicago.org  (Free Admission; \$8 for food and drink tickets)	M to Ogilvie, Walk W to Clinton & Madison, Board Bus #14 to Michigan & Van Buren/Congress, Walk S on Michigan
<b>7/11</b> 6pm - 10pm	Chicago Arts District 2nd Fridays Expanding on its visual art theme, this monthly walking tour of about 30 Pilsen spots adds performance art and shopping opportunities to its roster of opening receptions at indie galleries.	Halsted and 18th Streets - 1800 S. Halsted St.	M to Ogilvie, Walk E to Madison & Canal, Board Bus #157 Streeterville Westbound to Taylor & Halsted, Walk 8 blocks S
<b>7/20</b> 10am - 8pm	<b>Chinatown Summer Fair</b> Celebrating its 36th year, this fair features the revered Lion Dance Procession, as well as Chinese classical dance and music, demonstrations of martial arts and more. Also features Old and New World music, artisans and food and drink.	Chinatown - 2200 S. Wentworth Ave.	M to Evanston-Davis, Walk 2 blocks E to Davis CTA, Board Purple Line to Howard, Transfer at Howard to Red Line, Take Red Line to Cermak-Chinatown, Walk W
<b>7/21</b> 7pm	<b>Essay Fiesta</b> Local writers Keith Ecker and Alyson Lyon host humorous, true-life tales by Chicago-area comedians, novelists, poets, journalists, bloggers and playwrights.	The Book Cellar - 4736-38 N. Lincoln Ave.	M to Ravenswood, Walk NE to Lawrence & Ravenswood, Board Bus #81 Lawrence Westbound to Lawrence & Western, Walk 1 block SE
<b>7/25</b> 5:30pm	Chicago Critical Mass Grab your bike and helmet and head out to Daley Plaza at the corner of Washington and Dearborn Sts. for Critical Mass, a fun-filled ride through the streets of Chicago	Daley Plaza - 50 W. Washington St.	M to Ogilvie, Walk 1 block N to Washington, Walk 6 blocks E on Washington
<b>7/11 - 7/13</b> 10am - 6pm	<b>North Michigan Avenue Arts Festival</b> Meet with the creators of the art on display; commission a specific piece, ask questions about technique, learn the sources of their inspirations and purchase fine works of art at this annual festival.	Pioneer Court - 401 N. Michigan Ave.	M to Ogilvie, Walk E on Madison to Canal, Board Bus #157 to Michigan and E. Wacker, Walk 1 block N on Michigan
Ongoing FREE Events			
Daily	<b>Grant Park Music Festival</b> Features performances by the Grant Park Orchestra and Chorus, as well as a roster of international guests.	Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park - 201 E. Randolph St. <i>Various Times, visit www.grantparkmusicfestival.com</i>	M to Ogilvie, Walk 9 blocks E on Madison
Mondays 6:30pm	<b>Downtown Sound</b> This concert series features an eclectic mix of of music discoveries, including cutting-edge indie rock, pop bands, global sounds and rock veterans.	Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park - 201 E. Randolph St.	M to Ogilvie, Walk 9 blocks E on Madison to Michigan
Tuesdays 6:30pm	<b>Millennium Park Film Series</b> Enjoy movies on a state-of-the-art, 40-foot LED screen. Take a seat a the Jay Pritzker Pavilion or enjoy the show from the Great Lawn.	Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park - 201 E. Randolph St.	M to Ogilvie, Walk 9 blocks E on Madison to Michigan
Wednesdays 8pm	<b>World Music Wednesdays</b> A weekly showcase of world music and dance featuring the best local and touring talent. To guarantee entry, RSVP at 773-728-6000.	Old Town School of Folk Music - 4544 N. Lincoln Ave.	M to Ravenswood, Walk 1 block NE to Lawrence & Ravenswood, Board Bus #81 Lawrence Westbound to Lawrence & Western, Walk 4 blocks SE
Wednesdays 8pm	<b>The Harold</b> This improv show begins with an audience suggestion. A team of improvisers then explore the suggestion through scenes and games.	iO Chicago - 3541 N. Clark St.	M to Evanston-Davis, Walk 2 blocks E to Davis CTA, Board Purple Line to Howard, Transfer to Red Line at Howard, Take Red Line to Addison, Walk 2 blocks SW
<b>Wed. &amp; Sat.</b> 7am - 1pm	Green City Market A nationally recognized marketplace model for distributing, promoting and educating about local sustainably-grown food, the Green City Market aims to connect local producers and farmers to the public.	Clark & Stockton Dr 1790 N. Clark St.	M to Clybourn, Walk 1 block SE to Cortland & Ashland, Board Bus #73 Armitage Eastbound to Clark & Menomonee, Walk SE
Fridays - Sundays	<b>Chicago SummerDance</b> Dance to the sounds of 44 different live bands and get into step with dance lessons beforehand.	s Spirit of Music Garden, Grant Park - 601 S. Michigan Ave. Various Times, visit www.cityofchicago.org	M to Ogilvie, Walk W on Madison to Clinton, Board Bus J14 to Michigan and Harrison
Saturdays 7am - 11am	Millennium Park Workouts Participate in energizing workouts on the Great Lawn. Workouts are 45 minutes long with classes in Tai Chi, Yoga,	Jay Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park - 201 E. Randolph St.	M to Ogilvie, Walk 9 blocks E on Madison to Michigan

Pilates and Zumba.