Welcome to the Detroit Riverfront!

As one of Detroit’s most scenic family-friendly destinations, the Detroit Riverfront has something for everyone. In fact, more than three million people visit the riverfront each year.

We hope this guide will be a useful tool in helping you make the most of your visit to the riverfront. In it, you’ll find a complete list of special events and programs for the 2022 season, as well as a map and descriptions for each of the parks that the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy manages.

Over the last 19 years, the Conservancy has led a tremendous transformation along the Detroit Riverfront. The progress has been significant and we are excited to continue marching toward our ultimate vision of 5.5 miles of revitalized riverfront from bridge to bridge.

The time spent along the riverfront can be as relaxing—or as exhilarating—as you’d like it to be. Explore the Riverwalk. Marvel at public art along the Dequindre Cut. Participate in a fitness program. Rent a bike. Enjoy some live music. Or, immerse yourself in a good book on a secluded bench.

Enjoy your time here, and we hope to see you again soon.

Mark Wallace
President & CEO
### MONDAY
- **Herbal Walk & Talk**
  - May 2 & 16, June 13, July 11 & 25, August 8 & 22
  - 6 to 9 p.m.
  - Cullen Plaza

- **Mindful Mondays**
  - June 6 & 20, July 18, August 1, 15, & 29
  - 7 to 8 p.m.
  - Valade Park

- **Volleyball at Valade with Come Play Detroit**
  - 6 to 9:30 p.m.
  - Valade Park

### TUESDAY
- **Detroit RiverWalkers**
  - June 7 – August 25
  - 8 to 10 a.m.
  - Cullen Plaza

### WEDNESDAY
- **Campbell Terrace Performance Series with D. Cipher**
  - June 29 – September 14
  - 6 to 9 p.m.
  - Dequindre Cut

- **Tai Chi with Urban Solace**
  - June 1 – August 24
  - 10 to 11 a.m.
  - Milliken State Park

- **Work from the Park Wednesdays**
  - June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21
  - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
  - Valade Park

- **Moonlight Yoga**
  - August 3, 17, 31
  - 8 to 9:30 p.m.
  - Gabriel Richard Park

### THURSDAY
- **Reading & Rhythm on the Riverfront**
  - July 7 – August 12
  - 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
  - Gabriel Richard Park

- **Detroit RiverWalkers**
  - June 7 – August 25
  - 8 to 10 a.m.
  - Cullen Plaza

- **Yoga in the Park with Urban Solace**
  - June 2 – August 25
  - 6 to 7 p.m.
  - Milliken State Park

### FRIDAY
- **Reading & Rhythm on the Riverfront**
  - July 7 – August 12
  - 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
  - Gabriel Richard Park

- **First Fridays at the Freight Yard**
  - June 3, July 1, August 5
  - 6 to 9 p.m.
  - Dequindre Cut Freight Yard

- **Yoga in the Park with Urban Solace**
  - June 3 – August 26
  - 10 to 11 a.m.
  - Milliken State Park

### SATURDAY
- **Intro to the Detroit Riverfront Walking Tours**
  - May 7, June 4, July 2, August 6, September 3
  - 2 p.m.
  - Gabriel Richard Park

- **Pewabic on the Plaza**
  - June 16, July 21, August 18
  - 4 to 6 p.m.
  - Cullen Plaza

### SUNDAY
- **Pack Walk with Canine to Five**
  - Every Third Sunday
  - 10:30 a.m.
  - Valade Park

- **Summer Sundays at the Freight Yard**
  - June 19, July 17, August 21
  - 12 to 4 p.m.
  - Dequindre Cut Freight Yard

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*Pre-registration required. Visit detroitriverfront.org/things-to-do to register.*

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The Detroit Riverfront Conservancy hosts a range of programming focused on mental health and mindfulness. Learn more below and visit [detroitriverfront.org/mentalhealth](http://detroitriverfront.org/mentalhealth) for a full list of programs and resources.

**Be sure to look for the “Mindful Moments” stickers on your next visit to the riverfront. Each sticker features a prompt designed to encourage you to pause, reflect, and be present. Stickers can be found along the Riverwalk and at Gabriel Richard Park, Valade Park, and Cullen Plaza.**

**Join us every other Monday at Valade Park for a series of evening classes that will explore how to be mindful with the world around you while being in tune with your body and breath.**

**MINDFUL MONDAYS AT VALADE PARK**

*June 6 & 20, July 18, August 1, 15, 29, 7 to 8 PM*

**The Healing Memorial**

Last year, more than 4,000 people from throughout the community contributed to the region’s first Covid-19 Memorial Project. Envisioned by artist Sonya Clark and supported by Cranbrook Art Museum, City of Detroit ACE, and the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy, this participatory memorial is on display at Huntington Place through the end of the year.

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**SPECIAL EVENTS • 2022**

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1. Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial Park
   Opening in 2024
   See page 14.

2. Hart Plaza
   1 Hart Plaza

3. GM Plaza
   300 Atwater Street

4. Cullen Plaza
   See page 9.

5. Dequindre Cut
   See page 13.

6. Milliken State Park & Harbor and the Outdoor Adventure Center (OAC)
   1900 Atwater Street (State Park)
   1801 Atwater Street (OAC)

7. Aretha Franklin Amphitheatre
   2600 Atwater Street

8. Robert C. Valade Park
   See page 10.

9. Mt. Elliott Park
   See page 11.

10. Gabriel Richard Park
    See page 12.

11. Mayor Dennis W. Archer Greenway
    See page 14.
1340 Atwater Street
Since opening in 2007, Cullen Plaza has become a popular destination for some of the most-visited attractions along the Detroit Riverfront, such as the Cullen Family Carousel, Bank of America Children’s Playscape, Diamond Jack Boat Tours and Wheelhouse Detroit Bicycle Shop.

AMENITIES
- Free parking in paved lot
- Plaza and partially covered pavilion
- Wheelhouse Detroit Bicycle Shop
- Diamond Jack Boat Tours
- Glass map of St. Lawrence Seaway
- In-laid granite map of riverfront
- Bank of America Playscape
- Cullen Family Carousel
- Bike repair station
- Reflecting fountains
- Riverfront Café and Tiki Bar
- Restrooms and drinking fountains
- Security office 24/7
- Free public WiFi

2670 Atwater Street
Robert C. Valade Park is the newest park along the Detroit Riverfront. In late 2019, the park made its debut as a family-friendly destination that features a sandy beach, colorful playscapes, delicious food options, a barbecue pavilion, Detroit’s only floating bar and more.

AMENITIES
- Free parking
- Indoor/Outdoor seating
- Large, sandy beach and lush lawn
- Children’s playscapes
- Sand volleyball
- Musical sensory garden
- Free public WiFi
- Bob’s Barge
  Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 4-9PM, Saturday: 12-9PM, Sunday 12-7PM
- Smokey G’s BBQ and Geisha Girls Sushi
  Wednesday-Sunday: 11AM-8PM
- Community barbecue pavilion
- Restrooms and drinking fountains
MT. ELLIOTT PARK

On a hot and sunny summer day, there’s no finer place for free, family-friendly fun along the Detroit Riverfront than at Mt. Elliott Park. Among the park’s attractions, the Gilbert Family Schooner is a universally accessible shipwreck-themed splash pad that is open Memorial Day to Labor Day.

AMENITIES

- Free parking
- Plaza and partially covered pavilion with seating
- Gilbert Family Schooner
- Fishing outlooks
- Bike repair station
- MoGo station
- Grassy picnic areas
- Restrooms and drinking fountains
- On-site security office

GABRIEL RICHARD PARK

7130 E. Jefferson Avenue
Perhaps the most tranquil of the parks located along the Detroit Riverfront, Gabriel Richard Park offers breathtaking views of Belle Isle and the MacArthur Bridge. Visitors to this lush park enjoy strolling through the colorful butterfly gardens or taking a contemplative walk through the paved labyrinth.

AMENITIES

- Free parking in paved parking lot
- Plaza and partially covered pavilion with seating
- David K. Page Butterfly Gardens
- Birding scopes
- Bike repair station
- Winding paved labyrinth
- Fishing outlooks
- Gabriel Richard Fountain
- Restrooms and drinking fountains
- Community grills and picnic tables

110 Mt. Elliott Street

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**DEQUINDRE CUT**

Between Atwater Street at the Riverfront and Mack Avenue in Eastern Market.

Formerly a Grand Trunk Railroad line, the two-mile-long *Dequindre Cut* is a predominately below-street level greenway that runs parallel to St. Aubin Street between Mack Avenue and Atwater Street, just north of the riverfront.

**AMENITIES**

- Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Fit Park (Woodbridge entrance)
- Commissioned murals by local artists
- David Campbell Memorial Terrace (Lafayette entrance)
- Dequindre Cut Freight Yard Beer & Wine Garden (Wilkins entrance)
- MoGo station
- Bike repair station

**RALPH C. WILSON, JR. CENTENNIAL PARK**

1801 W. Jefferson

*West Riverfront Park* will close to the public in May as the park prepares for its transformation into *Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Centennial Park*, which will open in 2024.

**MAYOR DENNIS W. ARCHER GREENWAY**

The *Mayor Dennis W. Archer Greenway* provides east side residents with safe and convenient access to the Detroit Riverfront along a beautifully-landscaped paved pathway.

The greenway runs from Vernor to Jefferson and features a pedestrian plaza, benches, outdoor power stations and playscapes.

Located between Division and Wilkins streets, the *Freight Yard* is a unique gathering space comprising nine repurposed shipping containers. Each Friday-Sunday through September 26, the Freight Yard features a wine and beer garden, food trucks and entertainment.

Friday 4-9PM, Saturday 12-9PM, Sunday 12-7PM
PARK HOURS & INFORMATION
6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily

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ABOUT THE CONSERVANCY
As the permanent stewards of the Riverwalk and the Dequindre Cut, the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy is responsible for raising the funds needed for the construction, operation, maintenance, security and programming of the public spaces located along the riverfront. The ultimate vision of the nonprofit Conservancy is to transform and revitalize 5.5 miles of riverfront from the Ambassador Bridge to Gabriel Richard Park, just east of the MacArthur Bridge to Belle Isle.

HOW TO SUPPORT THE CONSERVANCY
The work of the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy is made possible through the support of people like you who use and love our parks and greenways, and want to help us continue our work. By making a tax-deductible gift to the Conservancy, you are not only playing a role in Detroit’s revitalization, but also protecting our riverfront for future generations to enjoy.

Interested in volunteering your time? The Conservancy has numerous volunteer opportunities available.
Visit detroitriverfront.org/ways-to-help

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