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Capitol Riverfront Neighborhood is Destination for Summer Events: Free Outdoor Movies, Concerts, Fitness, and New Farmer’s Market in DC’s Fastest Growing Neighborhood

The Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District (BID) celebrates summer every day with an exciting lineup of free outdoor events in Canal Park, including the popular Thursday Night Outdoor Movies, Rockin’ the Block Concerts, the Outdoor Fitness Series and, new this year, the FRESHFARM Capitol Riverfront Farmer’s Market.

Movies: The Capitol Riverfront Thursday Night Outdoor Movies return to Canal Park from June 1st through August 17th in the park’s northern block, located at 2nd and “Eye” Streets, SE. Each film in this year’s lineup, selected and inspired by public demand, will roll at sundown (typically around 8:30 pm). Movie-goers are welcome to arrive as early as 7:00 pm with a picnic, grab popcorn from the Popped! Republic truck, and enjoy the following films:

June 1st: Ghostbusters (2016) 
June 8th: Me Before You 
June 15th: Sister Act 
June 22nd: Doctor Strange 
June 29th: Secret Life of Pets 
July 6th: Grease 
July 13th: Moana 
July 20th: Rogue One: A Star Wars Story
July 27th: Arrival
August 3rd: La La Land
August 10th: Fantastic Beasts & Where to Find Them

Concerts: The Rockin’ the Block concert series will also return to Canal Park this summer with four family-friendly concerts featuring bands of a variety of genres. Concerts will be held on Wednesday evenings, May 31st, June 7th, July 12th, August 2nd, and September 6th, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm in the middle block of Canal Park. Rockin’ the Block will also feature food and beverage vendors, a moon bounce, and lawn games for all ages. Concert-goers are encouraged to arrive early with their picnic dinners, blankets, and take out meals from Capitol Riverfront restaurants to enjoy an evening of free live music by the following bands:

May 31st: PEO and The Carriers
June 7th: South Rail 
July 12th: Daniel Hill
August 2nd: Mike McHenry Trio
September 6th: Zach Cutler
**Fitness.** Get active in the fresh air this summer, as outdoor fitness classes return to both Capitol Riverfront parks! Free classes are available Monday through Saturday for all fitness interests and levels with instructors from Balance Gym, VIDA Fitness, Orangetheory Fitness, RowVigor, Fit4Mom, and Jazzercise, Inc. from May 30th through September:

- **Monday** 7:00 pm Boot Camp with Balance Gym (Canal Park)
- **Tuesday** 6:30 am Yoga with Balance Gym (Canal Park)
- **Tuesday** 7:00 pm Conditioning with Tim Williams (Yards Park)
- **Wednesday** 6:30 am Resistance Training with Sharita Jennings - @GETFITLIKETHAT (Yards Park)
- **Wednesday** 7:00 pm Zumba with Balance Gym (Yards Park)
- **Thursday** 6:30 am Boot Camp with Balance Gym (Yards Park)
- **Friday** 6:30 am Boot Camp with Balance Gym (Canal Park)
- **Saturday** 8:00 am Yoga with VIDA Fitness (Yards Park)
- **Saturday** 9:00 am Jazzercise with Olivia Logan (Yards Park)
- **Sunday** 9:00 am Specialty class with rotating providers (Canal Park)

**Farmer's Market:** New this year, the Capitol Riverfront BID is thrilled to partner with FRESHFARM to open the FRESHFARM Capitol Riverfront Farmer’s Market. FRESHFARM is a non-profit that promotes sustainable agriculture and improves food access and equity in the Mid-Atlantic Region by operating producer-only farmers markets that provide vital economic opportunities to local farmers and food producers. The farmers market opens Sunday, May 7th and will operate every Sunday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm through the fall. Come shop for locally sourced fruits and vegetables, meat, cheese, bread, beer, coffee, and much more. The FRESHFARM Capitol Riverfront Market will take place at 200 M Street, SE at the southern block of Canal Park.

For more information, visit [www.capitolriverfront.org/calendar](http://www.capitolriverfront.org/calendar) and follow the neighborhood on social media @CapitolRiverfront & @CanalParkDC. Special thanks our Canal Park Summer sponsors: CSX Beyond Our Rails, Park Chelsea at The Collective, National Capital Bank, FRESHFARM, Canal Park Inc., Near Southeast Community Partners, MoonFlicks, and OnTap Magazine.

**About the Capitol Riverfront**
The Capitol Riverfront is a 500-acre neighborhood situated between I-395 and the Anacostia River smartly designed to give businesses, residents, retail, and guests an exciting environment to explore, connect, and thrive. New restaurants, retail, hotels, residences, and office spaces are opening every month in the Capitol Riverfront, DC's fastest growing neighborhood. There is always something new to discover in DC's largest and most dynamic waterfront neighborhood. For more information, visit [www.capitolriverfront.org](http://www.capitolriverfront.org).

**About Canal Park**
Opened in November 2012, Canal Park is an award-winning public park on the site of the historic Washington Canal in the heart of DC’s Capitol Riverfront neighborhood. With its dancing fountains in summer, vibrant ice rink in winter, and LEED Gold-certified water reuse systems, Canal Park is a sustainable and green neighborhood gathering place, and a destination for the entire city.

**About CSX: Beyond Our Rails**
CSX: Beyond Our Rails is a program encompassing the actions of CSX and its employees to generate a positive influence within the communities where they live and work in the areas of safety, environment, wellness and community.
About Park Chelsea at the Collective
Located in the rapidly developing Capitol Riverfront district, Park Chelsea at the Collective is part of a three-phase apartment community within walking distance of Capitol Hill and the Washington Nationals ballpark. At completion, The Collective will include 1150 apartment homes, as well as a Whole Foods Market and 53,000 square feet of street front retail. Residents at The Collective share all of the three buildings’ amenity spaces including two rooftop pools, a heated indoor pool, steam rooms, massage rooms, yoga and spin rooms, dog park, bike rooms, 24-hour concierge and many other luxury services. Park Chelsea is open now, and phase two, The Agora, is expected to open this summer. For more information, visit www.thecollectivedc.com/park-chelsea.

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About FRESHFARM
FRESHFARM is a non-profit that promotes sustainable agriculture and improves food access and equity in the Mid-Atlantic Region. We do this by operating producer-only farmers markets that provide vital economic opportunities to local farmers and food producers and through innovative philanthropic outreach programs that educate the public about food and related environmental issues. For more information, visit www.freshfarm.org.

About Near Southeast Community Partners
Near Southeast Community Partners is a network of neighbors, organizations and businesses creating a vibrant riverfront community. NSCP partners with other organizations and local businesses to make the Anacostia swimmable & fishable; improve the environment; work with our local DCPS schools, provide learning opportunities for those who live, work, play, and govern in the Near Southeast community; and we facilitate opportunities for diverse neighbors to connect and engage. For more information, visit www.nscppartners.org.