

Summer at *The Shell*

Celebrate music, drama, family and the arts!



Summer comes alive at West Chicago's new entertainment venue: *The Shell*

A partnership effort between the West Chicago Park District and the City Of West Chicago to foster the arts in the community founded by a concerted vision by former West Chicago Mayor, Michael Kwasman and community members.

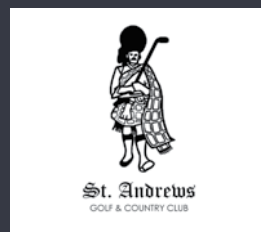
The Shell will provide a myriad of activities beginning this summer season.

Families and friends will come together for FREE summer events including: a concert series, movie in the park, outdoor fitness classes, youth entertainment series and much more.

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Concert Series

Grand Opening Saturday, June 10, 2017

1:00pm Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

1:15pm
Girl & The Gang

1:30pm
Leman Mariachi Band

2:00pm
Wayne Messmer Big Band*

*Known as the National Anthem singer for the Chicago Cubs, Wayne Messmer also sings the Great American Songbook covering such artists as Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett, Dean Martin and more. Backed by a powerhouse big band, Wayne will bring you back to a simpler time when lyrical love songs filled the radio air waves.



DuPage

Wednesday, June 14, 2017
7:00-8:30pm

An experienced, professional cover band dedicated to pure entertainment. From classic rock to the timeless, soulful sounds of Motown to today's most popular adult contemporary and alternative hits, the band's mission is "everyone get up and dance" you'll want to turn up the volume, rock out and have a good time!

The Stingrays

Wednesday, June 28, 2017
7:00-8:30pm

The Stingrays play the greatest music ever written and play it with the energy, passion and authenticity of the artists whose music they love. They always get the crowd dancing and singing to songs from Rockabilly -- tons of sixties -- to the 70's. Be prepared for trivia and dance contests.

Contrabanda

Wednesday, July 12, 2017
7:00-8:30pm

Lead by Grammy nominated percussionist Danny Howard (2016), Contrabanda is one of the Chicago's hottest Latin ensembles. Playing everything from Latin Boogaloo to Brazilian Jazz to Latin Jazz to Salsa. Duo dance instructors and Demo included in performance.



Hey Cowboy

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

7:00-8:30pm

The most in demand country cover band in the mid-west! In the heart of this country band is authenticity. No gimmicks. No ten-gallon hats. They want to simply play your favorite country song the way you love them note for note. They perform with an energy and power that is second to none and honor the artists from which they cover. You'll hear all the classics as well as the current songs from the CMA's. Hey Cowboy "Turn it up"!



Classical Blast

Wednesday, August 23, 2017

7:00-8:30pm

From Bach to Rock Classical Blast blurs musical lines, melding classical music into classic rock hits or rocking music by Beethoven, Bach and composers from other centuries. We hope you'll find our approach to music a refreshing change. It's the past, present & future all brought together in perfect harmony! An evening with Classical Blast is a total blast for any age! Join us for the ride...



Mariachi Universitario

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

7:00-8:30pm

A True Mariachi with 3 Guitars, 2 Trumpets and 2 Violins. Playing Classic Repertoire such as "Guadalajara, El Rey, Volver Volver, El Ultimo Beso" and many more. They have performed in Chicago for the Mexican Independence Day Parade, The Columbus Day Parade, The Chicago Latino Music Fest among others.



Movie & Entertainment Night

Hawaiian Dancers

Wednesday, August 9

7:00pm

Dancers from the Halau I Ka Pono "School that Cultivates the Goodness" also known as The Hula School of Chicago based in Oak Park will perform authentic Hawaiïan cultural stories through the "Hula". Wear your grass skirt because participants will have the opportunity to learn and perform a hula dance.



Featuring Disney's Moana

Wednesday, August 9

8:00-9:45pm

Pack A picnic dinner or snacks and bring the entire family for a FREE movie under the stars. In Ancient Polynesia, when a terrible curse incurred by the Demigod Maui reaches an impetuous Chieftain's daughter's island, she answers the Ocean's call to set things right. Don't forget your, blanket, chairs and bug spray.

Outdoor Fitness

➤ *Energizing Yoga in the Park*

Sundays, June 18 - July 9
10:00-11:00am (14+ yrs)

Get ready for the work week with a rejuvenating Yoga class at "The Shell" in Reed-Keppler Park. Our certified Yoga instructor will lead you through traditional Yoga poses that are suitable for all skill levels. Bring a blanket and dress accordingly for the weather.

➤ *Fitness In The Park*

Mondays, July 17 - August 7
5:30-6:30pm (14+ yrs)

What could be better than exercising outdoors in the middle of a beautiful park on a warm summers evening? This class incorporates cardiovascular fitness, body weight strength and core exercises in an outdoor setting around the many acres of Reed Keppler Park.

➤ *Family Hoop Fitness*

Mondays, July 17 - August 7
7:15-8:00pm Family

Come join our Fitness Hula Hoop Instructor in this 45 minute interval class combines waist hooping and heart pumping cardio moves to burn calories. This fun, total body workout will all be done with the Hula Hoop! A fresh new take on fitness that will put a smile on your face and take inches off your waist!

Fitness for Youth

Tuesdays, August 15 - September 5
6:00-6:45pm (6-13 yrs)

Kids will learn basic fitness exercises for their entire body in an enjoyable and outgoing outdoor environment. The class will focus on balance, strength, and cardiovascular health while promoting the benefits of exercise and allowing kids to just be kids and have "Fun"! Please wear loose and comfortable clothing and gym shoes and bring water to class.

Fun Fridays

Free Kids Entertainment

11:00am-12:00pm All Ages Welcome
Bring Your Own Lunch

Istvan & His Imaginary Band

Friday, June 23, 2017

Istvan's music combines smart lyrics with catchy, rocking songs that encourage kids to sing along, dance and play.

Damen Avenue Puppeteers

Friday, June 30, 2017

The Damen Avenue Puppeteers offer a show that is fun and engaging and will become a lasting memory for young children.

Ben's Bubble Show

Friday, July 21, 2017

A unique and exciting show for all ages. Ben displays an amazing show of science and wonders using bubbles!

Miss Jamie's Farm

Friday, July 28, 2017

Who's ready for some farmyard fun? Miss Jamie's Farm helps kids learn values from life on the farm through song and dance. Miss Jamie will get the little ones hollering for more fruits and veggies.

Chris Fascione - Juggling Funny Stories!

Friday, August 4, 2017

As a professional storyteller/actor, Chris' interactive performance incorporates his acting, mime, juggling and comedic skills to both entertain and lead children into the world of books and a love of reading.

Ice Cream Vendors

Friday, August 11, 2017

The original tunes, energy, and antics of long-time pals Jon & Greg get the kids hopping! Let The Ice Cream Vendors transport you to the musical circus with their geeked-out songs.


General Information

Nestled in Reed-Kepler Park just East of the ARC Center and Turtle Splash Water Park.

Located at

129 W. National Street
West Chicago, IL 60185


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 Rainoutline - Special Events ext. 11

 The Shell

 Available Parking



Helpful Hints



Can't wait to join in on the fun, here's a few helpful hints to help you make the most out of your summer experience at *The Shell*.

Visitors MAY bring:

- Lawn chairs & blankets
- Food & beverages in non-glass containers
- Charcoal grills
- Dogs - must be leashed at all times
Leashes must be no more than six feet in length

Please remember all public places within the park system are smoke free.

Per West Chicago Park District General Use Ordinance Chapter 6, Section 9

Cancellation Policy:

The West Chicago Park District's Summer at The Shell entertainment series are rain or shine events, however they may be cancelled due to severe weather. Stay updated with Rainoutline, sign up for optional alerts via e-mail, text, or calling 630.225.7876 ext. 11. For updates on The Shell, the special events extension on Rainoutline.com will be updated after 5:30pm on event dates.

Visitors MAY NOT bring:

- Alcoholic beverages
- Glass containers
- Gas grills
- Tents
- Umbrellas over six feet in diameter
- Things that need to be staked into the ground
- Weapons
- Drones