

Step out: 4 ways to spend your summer outdoors

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The Besthoff Sculpture Garden located in New Orleans City Park offers a whimsical way to spend your afternoon outdoors this summer. (Photo by Ryan Rivet)

As the weather grows warmer, New Orleanians are searching the city for fun new ways to soak up the sun and fresh spots to spend their summer nights. If you're looking to spend this season outdoors, check out these upcoming events below.

Take a [Royal Street Stroll](#).

Part of the [New Orleans Wine & Food Experience](#), the spirited [Krewe of Cork](#) will lead a stroll down Royal Street on Friday (May 27) at 5:30 p.m. As the procession

marches, attendees can stop at the galleries lining the storied street to sample 40 featured wines as well as delectable dishes offered by participating local restaurants, including Bourbon House and Kingfish Kitchen and Cocktails. [Tickets](#) are available online.

Treat your family to [Dinner and a ZOOvie](#).

Audubon Zoo's outdoor film series runs from June 10 through Aug. 19 with screenings of crowd-pleasing blockbusters like *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* and family favorites like *Zootopia*. Moviegoers are welcome to bring their own chairs and blankets to set up a spot near the Capital One Stage before grabbing a bite from on-site food trucks. Admission is \$6 per person; under 2 years, free.

Take fitness classes in the [Sculpture Garden](#).

Provided by a collaboration between the [New Orleans Museum of Art](#) and [East Jefferson General Hospital's Wellness Center](#), the Besthoff Sculpture Garden in New Orleans City Park offers yoga and Pilates sessions every Saturday morning and Tai Chi classes every Monday evening. Sitting steps away from the museum, the verdant space features over 50 works from internationally celebrated artists. Classes are \$5 each or free for NOMA or Wellness Center members. While the next exercise class will be held on Saturday (May 28) at 8 a.m., the sculpture garden itself is free and open daily.

Enjoy [June Under the Moon](#).

This new event invites "kids" at heart to enjoy a nostalgic night at New Orleans City Park's Carousel Gardens. On Friday, June 3 from 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., June Under the Moon will feature concessions, giveaways, adult beverages and unlimited rides on old-school attractions like the Ladybug Roller Coaster for the over-21 crowd. [Tickets](#) are \$30 and are available online.

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