

# Newsletter & Community Calendar

**May 2023  
to April 2024**

## Ocean City Reveals New Destination Brand: **Somewhere to smile about.**

The Department of Tourism and Business Development is excited to announce the new Brand after working on brand development and creation for the last 18 months. In partnership with the agency of record, BVK, staff members began an in-depth discovery process in August 2021 to identify and cultivate a clear brand identity.

At that time, more than 100,000 surveys were distributed in hopes of collecting information from residents, visitors, business owners, meeting planners, and non-visitors. The department collected 5,200 completed survey results, conducted several stakeholder focus groups, and interviewed hundreds of people to identify and develop an authentic brand positioning platform and an evident brand personality.

This feedback was used to inform and develop a Value-Based Positioning model for Ocean City. The core value of "Carefree" was identified as the essence of the Brand. From there, BVK and OC partnered to identify and develop a clear brand identity

that is true to the destination's history and aspirational future.

The team also strategically analyzed and examined Ocean City's competitors brand positions like Virginia Beach, New Jersey Beaches, Myrtle Beach, The Outer Banks, Delaware Beaches, and The Wildwoods. The team uncovered, through this research, combined with the perception study results, the opportunity to take Ocean City's core values and lean into the sense of place our visitors have while in Ocean City.

The department found that Ocean City was not just simply a destination for people to visit, but a destination that evokes a carefree feeling people seek when choosing a vacation spot to visit. In other words, visitors described Ocean City's personality as "energetic" and "approachable," with a foundation built on a tradition that is also evolving with modern appeals. These pages of research findings helped Ocean City create a robust brand framework that led to a new Brand

platform: "Somewhere to Smile About."

"We believe our new brand identity leverages historical strengths, distinctive equities, and a culturally relevant vibe to position OC for success with growing our target audiences," commented Ocean City Mayor Rick Meehan. "Our extensive research shows that Ocean City is a "happy place" for both our residents and our visitors. And what is the universal symbol of happiness? A smile."

A smile, after all, is a universal sign of joy. A joy that can be felt in Ocean City's new smile logo and "Somewhere to Smile About" Brand. The carefree logo transcends language and is positively contagious; creating a recognizable symbol that reminds Ocean City customers of the happy feeling they have when visiting.

A sense of weight lifted. Lighthearted and bright. Warm and approachable. Outgoing. Effortless. Not too serious. The new Brand is playful, and easygoing and gives our visitors something (and somewhere) to smile about.

### TABLE OF CONTENTS

<b>NEWSLETTER</b> .....	<b>1-3, 28</b>
Ocean City Dog Playground .....	2
Downtown Recreation Complex .....	2
Sustainable Ocean City .....	2
Boardwalk Renovations .....	2
Eagle's Landing Rewards Program .....	2
Meet Therapy Dog, Max .....	2
Walk, Bike & Drive Smart .....	3
Free Internet Qualifications .....	3
Getting Around OC is a Breeze .....	3
Public Transportation .....	3
<b>CALENDAR</b> .....	<b>4-27</b>
Tennis Center .....	4
Police Ordinance Reminders .....	4
'Reflections of Life' Tree .....	5
Rec & Parks Summer Camps .....	6
Beauty Spot Awards .....	7
Beach Patrol & Surfing Beaches .....	8-9
Free Summer Family Fun .....	8
Life-Saving Station Museum .....	10
License Requirements .....	10
Ocean City University .....	11
Rec & Parks Winter Programs .....	12
Ocean Bowl Skate Park .....	12
Beach Wheelchair Program .....	12
Special Event Zone Reminders .....	13
Adopt your Beach Program .....	15
Passport Applications .....	17
Ocean City License Plates .....	17
Art League of OC Center for the Arts .....	20
Fire Department .....	21
Parks & Recreation Facilities .....	22
Planning & Community Development .....	22
Ocean City Flags .....	23
Job Openings .....	23
Town of Ocean City Job Fair .....	25
Flood Hazard Protection .....	26
Ocean City Police Horses .....	26
Know your Property's Flood Risk .....	27
Know your Zone & Division .....	28
City Council .....	28
From the Mayor .....	28
From the Editor .....	28
Important Numbers .....	28

**STAY CONNECTED WITH US & SUBSCRIBE TO RECEIVE ALERTS** on job openings, council agendas, press releases & many more. Visit [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) to sign up for alerts on a variety of topics & be the **FIRST TO KNOW!**

## Take Your Furry Friend to the Ocean City Dog Playground!

Nestled in Little Salisbury Park and the Town's only designated off-leash area for our furry friends, the Ocean City Dog Playground on 94th Street has been a popular attraction for both residents and visitors alike. After undergoing substantial improvements to expand and improve upon this well-loved space, the Dog Playground boasts a large pavilion with plenty of benches and seating areas, an open dog area with a doggie pool and agility obstacles, a small dog area, as well as conveniences including yard hydrants, a double-fenced entry, pet waste disposal stations, and more!

A **Dog Playground Registration**



**Application Form** must be submitted in-person at Northside Park, 200 125th St., Ocean City, Maryland 21842, in order to obtain the physical pass card needed to gain access to the park. Applications are available at the Northside Park Main Office or for download at [www.oceancitymd.gov/rec](http://www.oceancitymd.gov/rec). In addition to the completed form, a current rabies vaccination certificate from your veterinarian is required.

**1-Day Pass: \$10.00**

**3-Day Pass: \$20.00**

**7-Day Pass: \$25.00**

**Annual (Resident): \$50.00**

**Annual (Non-Resident): \$100.00**

To learn more about the Ocean City Dog Playground, visit [www.oceancitymd.gov/rec](http://www.oceancitymd.gov/rec) or call 410-250-0125.



## Downtown Recreation Complex Soon To Begin Redesign

After nearly a year of delays, the Downtown Recreation Complex (DRC), a two-block park area adjacent to the bay between 3rd and 4th Streets, will soon see some of its new design concepts become realities. The west block, closest to the water, will close to the public this spring for work to begin on the infrastructure of



the reimagined space. The infrastructure work is expected to include property elevation, improved bayside boardwalk access, the addition of

head-in parking along 4th Street, as well as the installation of walking paths, benches, a new playground, and increased security measures.

Work on the east-block of the complex is expected to include an expansion of the Ocean Bowl Skate Park, the installation of a new multi-court surface for both tennis and pickleball play, reconstruction of the basketball courts, and the addition of a new public restroom. As the east block construction schedule, including the skate park closure dates, have not yet been determined as of this printing, the community is asked to contact the Recreation & Parks Department at 410-250-0125 for operational updates. With an overall park re-opening tentatively scheduled for summer 2024, the newly refreshed DRC is sure to be the focal point of the downtown area and will provide both a welcoming feel and increased usability for the community.

## Boardwalk Receives New Deck Boards

Ocean City's iconic 2.25 mile long Boardwalk has been undergoing a major facelift. The constant exposure to sun and salt spray, maintenance vehicles, trams, and several million visitors every year, means these boards only last ten years before they need replacement.

From October 2021 to May 2022, the first half of the project was completed replacing all the boardwalk deck boards from 27th to 15th Street as well as the south end of the Boardwalk from the Life-Saving Station Museum to the north side of the pier. This past winter, deck boards have been replaced from the pier to 15th Street. At the time of this publication, completion of the project is expected to be early April.

Town Staff appreciates your patience and understanding during this important project and hope that you will enjoy the new Boardwalk!



## Sustainable Ocean City

In 2022, Ocean City was awarded the Silver level certification for Sustainable Maryland! In other words, the Town received the highest level of certification by participating in sustainability-related programs. The Coastal Resources Legislative Committee "Green Team" is dedicated to protecting the resources of the Town of Ocean City.

As a beach community, preventing litter and eliminating pollution to protect our surrounding marine life in our ocean and coastal bays is extremely important. The Green Team and other organizations organize beach clean-ups throughout the year. There are many ways you can be involved to help keep Ocean City clean and safe: volunteer in local clean-ups, properly dispose of waste, reduce your waste, and spread the word! To learn more about the Green Team or Sustainable Ocean City, visit [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov).

## Eagle's Landing Local Rewards Program



Ocean City's premier golf course offers a great program for residents and property owners to play the best golf for less money. The Local Rewards Card offers great rates and rewards points to frequent golfers on last minute tee times. The program is FREE! Just present an Ocean City driver's license or a utility bill showing your Ocean City address to our pro shop staff and you will receive your own Local's Rewards Card. Call the golf shop for more information 410-213-7277 or email [Bob Croll at rcroll@oceancitymd.gov](mailto:rcroll@oceancitymd.gov).

## Meet Therapy Dog, MAX!

The Ocean City Fire Department has welcomed K-9 Max, a 2-year-old Labrador Retriever, who has special skills and training to help first-responders and members of the Ocean City Community after traumatic events. Therapy dogs have been shown to have a positive impact on the mental and emotional well-being of individuals. Max has received over 18 months of advanced training by Hero-Dogs and he is highly motivated by contact with people, affectionate, of moderate-to-low energy and drive, and calm and quiet indoors. Max is house trained, has good manners, extensive obedience training, and a large repertoire of specialized skills that can be used for the benefit of all Town Employees.



## Walk Smart, Drive Smart, and Bike Smart to Enjoy Everything Ocean City has to Offer

Your full attention is needed when navigating through Ocean City whether on foot, bicycle, or in a vehicle. It is imperative to be free from distractions like mobile devices and earbuds. Cheswick and the OC Walk Smart, Drive Smart, Bike Smart campaign focus on helping residents and visitors reach their destination safely and stay safe while in Ocean City.

### Cheswick reminds pedestrians to Walk Smart with the following tips:

- Press the crosswalk button before crossing Coastal Highway.
- Cross at and within marked crosswalks.
- Look, pay attention, then cross.
- Follow all traffic signal signs and lane markings.
- Make eye contact and be seen by drivers.

### Cheswick reminds drivers to Drive Smart:

- Drive sober: Never drive a vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- Stop for pedestrians at crosswalks. It's the law in Maryland.
- Slow down. Watch for pedestrians and yield to pedestrians, especially when turning.
- Keep your eyes on the road.
- Avoid all distractions. It's illegal to text and use hand-held devices while driving.
- Share the road with bicyclists and give 3 feet of space when passing.
- Check your rearview and/or side mirror for bikes in the bike lane before turning right.
- Avoid driving in bus lanes.

### Cheswick also reminds bicyclists to Bike Smart:

- Stop at all red lights and stop signs.
- Ride in the direction of traffic flow.
- Do not ride on the sidewalk. It's illegal and dangerous.
- Ride sober. Never ride a bicycle while impaired by alcohol or drugs.
- Avoid distractions and pay attention.
- Use bike lights if riding after dark.

## Free Internet Available for Qualifying Families

Low income households (Medicaid, SNAP, Free & Reduced Lunch, Pell Grant recipients, Supplemental Social Security WIC, and more) are eligible for free high-speed Internet with the federal Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) and Internet Essentials. The Affordable Connectivity Program will cover the monthly price of home Internet so there is no cost to households that enroll in Internet Essentials or Internet Essentials Plus. The \$30 per month subsidy can also be applied towards your existing Internet service and Xfinity Mobile. More information is available at [www.xfinity.com/acp](http://www.xfinity.com/acp).

# Getting Around OC is a Breeze

## Discovering Ocean City from the Inlet to the Delaware Line is now easier than ever!

Whether you're making a trip to the Boardwalk or having Sundaes in the Park at Northside Park on 125th Street, the Town's updated parking system & various mobile applications make getting around Ocean City a breeze.

## Guide to Parking in OC

Enjoy premium parking in downtown OC. The Inlet Lot and downtown municipal lots and side streets are well-lit, conveniently-located and budget-friendly. There's no need to display your receipt on the dashboard, just park, pay and play!

See the rates and details provided in this section.



### Let Parkmobile® handle all the payment details.

Simply download the app, enter your license plate number and payment information, start a new parking session then relax and have fun! You will receive an alert if your time is about to expire so you can add more time to your parking session through the app. It will even store your data for future use.

### Rather pay at a kiosk?

No problem. All kiosks accept dollar bills and credit cards and a few specially-marked kiosks accept quarters as well. Before you leave your vehicle, write down or take a snapshot of your license plate number, estimate your length of stay, then head for the nearest kiosk. Please, take your time and follow the on-screen instructions and carefully enter the requested information. Inaccurate or incomplete data may result in additional charges and fines.

### Want to extend your parking session?

Yay! That means you're having fun! If you're parking in the INLET LOT, just pay the remaining balance before your vehicle exits the lot. If you're parked on a SIDE STREET or in a MUNICIPAL LOT, no need to run back to your car, just go to the nearest kiosk (Inlet Lot kiosk excluded), enter your license plate number and pay for additional time.

## Public Transportation

Access the Transportation Service Schedule for the **Boardwalk Tram, Coastal Highway Beach Bus, West OC Park-N-Ride Beach Bus & Express Beach Bus Shuttle for Special Events** by scanning the QR code → or visit [oceancitymd.gov/transportation](http://oceancitymd.gov/transportation) or call **410.723.1606**.



## Inlet Lot Parking

### April 1 - May 25, 2023

Monday - Thursday: FREE Parking

Friday - Sunday: \$3.00/hour

### May 26 - September 30, 2023

Daily Rate: \$3.50/hour

July 4, 2023 Daily Rate: \$5.00/hour

### October 1 - October 31, 2023

Monday - Thursday: FREE Parking

Friday - Sunday: \$3.00/hour

*Your first 30 minutes are free, including handicapped! Patrons must pay for expired time prior to leaving the Inlet Lot to avoid being billed for additional administrative costs.*

**Please read this important information about parking in the Inlet Parking Lot.** The Inlet Lot is camera-enforced and only records your license plate information, your time in, and time out of the lot. This system matches its data with the information you provide in the Parkmobile® app or kiosk. If you provide incomplete or inaccurate data, the system will automatically generate and mail an invoice to the vehicle's registered owner with charges equal to the time spent in the lot times the hourly rate plus a non-negotiable \$25.00 processing fee.

## Street & Municipal Lot Parking

### April 1 - May 25, 2023

Monday - Thursday: FREE Parking

Friday - Sunday: \$2.00/hour

### May 26 - September 30, 2023

Daily Rate: \$3.00/hour

### October 1 - October 31, 2023

Monday - Thursday: FREE Parking

Friday - Sunday: \$2.00/hour

**Handicapped Vehicles:** No charge if stay is less than 1 hour, otherwise full rate. Handicapped vehicles must have handicapped plates or a visible placard. This does not apply to Inlet Lot parking.

*Ride at your own discretion & risk. Operating schedules & rates subject to change*

**For more info, visit [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov)**



# Springfest

## MAY 4th - 7th

### MUSIC • FOOD • FUN

## Ocean City's *Premiere* Craft & Music Fest

Springfest celebrates spring & is the kick-off to our upcoming summer season. It is four dynamic days of delicious food, live entertainment and unique arts and crafts.

Located in the Inlet Lot at the south end of Ocean City's famous Boardwalk, Springfest serves up a continuous variety of performances. Be sure to bring your appetite so you can enjoy delicious food from famous Eastern Shore delicacies to a wide assortment of cuisine from food vendors. Plus, the Springfest artisans will delight your eyes with their arts and crafts during this four-day celebration.

**Certain concerts may require the purchase of reserved seat tickets.**

**For the most updated info, visit [ococean.com/springfest](http://ococean.com/springfest)**



## FREE Admission • Open Daily at 10 AM

## Play Tennis at the Beach!

**61st St. & the Bay 410.524.8337**

**Open May 13th - Oct 1st, 2023**

**(outdoor courts remain open during the off-season)**

**For hours, court availability & rates:**

**[oceancitymd.gov/tennis](http://oceancitymd.gov/tennis)**

Get your swing on at the Ocean City Tennis Center! The Tennis Center offers six premier tennis courts, three Lee Fast Dry Clay tennis courts and four permanent 10 & under tennis courts. Four lined pickleball courts (shared use with tennis) with nets are available during peak season with paid rental. On-site amenities include hitting walls, tennis lounge, tennis shop, restrooms, and free parking. Activities include clinics, leagues, flings, pickleball, tournaments, Junior Tennis Programs, private & group instruction and events. Stop by the Pro Shop and meet our friendly and knowledgeable staff!



**OCEAN CITY  
TENNIS CENTER**

Ocean City, Maryland



## OCEAN CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT Ordinance Reminders

The Ocean City Police Department is reminding residents and visitors that safety in our resort town is our number one priority. Our ordinances are designed to provide a pleasurable, safe & fun vacation, along with a livable community for our residents.

**Alcoholic Beverages:** Alcoholic beverages may not be consumed in public. This includes any street, avenue, alley, sidewalk, Boardwalk, parking lot, on the beach or in any vehicle. Possessing an open container of any alcoholic beverage in public is prohibited.

**Bikes, Skateboards, & Electric Bikes on the Boardwalk:** Bikes, skateboards, & class 1 electric bikes are permitted on the Boardwalk from Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend - Labor Day, between 2 a.m. to 12 p.m. Class 2 & 3 electric bikes and hoverboards are not allowed on the Boardwalk at any time.

**Fresh Air, Clean Beach:** To help keep our beaches clean & our air fresh, OC is proud to offer a smoke-free Boardwalk and designated smoking areas on the beach. Designed to accommodate both

smokers & non-smokers, OC's restricted smoking policy provides designated smoking areas on the beach; however, prohibits smoking & vaping on the Boardwalk & beach access ways, beach & dune crossings, parks & covered bus shelters. Voluntary compliance is expected; however, citations for violations may be issued by officers if necessary.

**Pets on the Beach & Boardwalk:** Pets are not permitted on the beach or Boardwalk May 1 - September 30.

**Grilling & Open Fires:** Grilling is prohibited on public property except at designated park grill locations leased for private usage. Open fires are prohibited on public property, except in limited beach locations with a permit from the Fire Marshal's Office. More information can be found at [ocbonfires.com](http://ocbonfires.com).

**There are several other ordinances of which residents & visitors should be aware. For more details & info, visit [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov).**

# Ocean City, Maryland

# MAY 2023

TRAILER PARKING IS PROHIBITED ON BALTIMORE AVE. AT ALL TIMES.  
Trailer parking in municipal lots/streets require permits May 1 - Oct 31.  
Special Event Zone in effect May 16 - 21 - expect lowered speed limits.  
For more info about Special Event Zones, visit [oceancitymd.gov/speialeventzone](http://oceancitymd.gov/speialeventzone).



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Beautification Committee Offering Special Rate for 'Reflections of Life' Tree Leaves</b> Every spring & fall, the OC Beautification Committee presents a special offer to the public for the committee's 'Reflections of Life' project.	<b>National Hurricane Preparedness Week (May 1 - 7)</b> <b>1</b>  Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> • Art League of Ocean City <b>1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM • <b>Daddy-Daughter, Mommy-Son Dance</b> , Northside Park, 125th St., 6 - 8 PM (\$)	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>SPRINGFEST</b>		Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM			<b>SPRINGFEST</b>	• <b>Fight the Bite Lyme Disease 5K</b> Inlet Lot & Boardwalk, 8 - 11 AM • <b>Ocean City Tennis Center</b> opens for the season, 61st St.
<b>Mother's Day</b> <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM		• <b>Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum Open House</b> 10 AM - 5 PM, FREE Admission	<b>International Museum Day</b>	• OC Recreation & Parks <b>Spring Family Movie Night in the Park</b> , Northside Park, 125th St., 8 PM	<b>Armed Forces Day</b> • <b>Beach Volleyball</b> , Talbot & N. Division St. • OC Museum <b>Blue Star Museum Kick-Off</b> FREE Admission to military • <b>Writer's Group</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • <b>OC Film Night</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy • <b>Beach Volleyball</b> , Talbot St. & N. Division St. Beach	• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy	• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy	• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy	• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy	• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy • <b>Memorial Day Ceremony &amp; Summer Kick-Off Celebration</b> , North Division St. Boardwalk, 11 AM	• <b>OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy</b> • <b>1st Day for Beach Patrol in Stands</b> , 10 AM - 5:30 PM • Art League of OC <b>FREE Kids Crafts</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM
<b>SPECIAL EVENT ZONE IN EFFECT</b>						
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>'Reflections of Life' Tree Leaves Cont:</b> The project provides a distinctive means of recording important events & interests in the lives of individuals, loved ones & businesses by placing a gift of a bronze, silver or gold leaf or stepping stone on the impressive 'Reflections of Life' metal tree sculpture mounted inside the lobby entrance of the Roland E. Powell Convention Center. The leaves may commemorate any of the following suggestions: In Memory, In Tribute, In Celebration of an Anniversary, In Honor of a Graduation. Tax-deductible donation forms are available at 2 locations in the convention center (at project site near main entrance & in visitor center), along with Northside Park, 125th St. Forms can also be found at <a href="http://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a> . For more info, call 410.250.0892.		
• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy • Art League of OC <b>Guided Gallery Tour</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 PM	• Deadline for submission of Outdoor Display Application for Merchandise. Email Carter Finney at <a href="mailto:CFinney@oceancitymd.gov">CFinney@oceancitymd.gov</a> Town Offices Closed	Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM	• Art League of OC <b>Originals Only</b> Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers			

\*Check [ococean.com](http://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)





**JUNE 10-11**

**12-3 PM**

WITH VISIBILITY FROM

THE INLET TO MIDDLETOWN

## A WEEKEND OF JAW-DROPPING FLIGHT DEMOS, STUNT SHOWS & FLIGHT FORMATIONS

**The OC Air Show has become one of the most anticipated, most attended annual events in OC!**

This event is free & can be viewed along the beach & Boardwalk or by boat! The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds will headline the show. The U.S. Air Force Air Demonstration Squadron are the Air Force's Ambassadors in Blue & represent the 500,000 men & women of the USAF. The Thunderbirds plan & present precision aerial maneuvers to exhibit the capabilities of modern, hi-performance aircraft & the high degree of professional skill required to operate those aircraft. **To purchase Premium Viewing & VIP tickets, visit: [ocairshow.com](http://ocairshow.com)**

**Show Center:**  
13 - 17th St. Beaches



# OC SUMMER CAMPS

We have a variety of FUN camps for children to enjoy while at the beach!

For updates, visit the website & follow us on social media! For questions, call Recreations and Parks at 410.250.0125

Ocean City Recreation & Parks continues to follow guidelines from the Worcester County Health Department & the State of MD. In doing so, camp regulations are subject to change.

**SURF CAMP**



**BEACH VOLLEYBALL**



**SOCCER**



## JUNE CAMPS

### WEEK OF JUNE 19TH

19 - 22: Co-Rec Basketball, Field Hockey, Kayak, Skate, Tennis, Beach Volleyball  
19 - 23: Camp Horizon  
20 - 22: Scamper Camp

### WEEK OF JUNE 26TH

26 - 29: Art, Co-Rec Basketball, Jr. Firefighter, Golf, Science, Surf, Tennis  
26 - 28: Paddleboard  
26 - 30: Camp Horizon  
27 - 29: Scamper Camp  
27 - 30: Estuary  
28 - 30: Fishing

## JULY CAMPS

### WEEK OF JULY 3RD

3 - 6: Boys Lacrosse  
3 - 7: Art, Camp Horizon  
5 - 6: Scamper Camp

## WEEK OF JULY 10TH

10 - 11: Surfing  
10 - 12: Kayak  
10 - 13: Art, Jr. Firefighter, Soccer, Tennis  
10 - 14: Camp Horizon  
11 - 13: Scamper Camp  
11 - 14: Jr. Beach Patrol  
12 - 14: Fishing

## WEEK OF JULY 17TH

17 - 19: Paddleboard  
17 - 20: Art, Golf, Girls Lacrosse, Skate, Soccer, Tennis  
17 - 21: Camp Horizon  
18 - 20: Scamper Camp  
18 - 21: Jr. Beach Patrol

## WEEK OF JULY 24TH

24 - 26: Kayak  
24 - 27: Art, Drama, Soccer, Tennis, Indoor Volleyball  
24 - 28: Camp Horizon  
25 - 27: Scamper Camp  
25 - 28: Estuary, Jr. Beach Patrol  
26 - 28: Fishing

## AUGUST CAMPS

### WEEK OF JULY 31ST

July 31 - 1: Surf  
July 31 - 3: Art, Girls Basketball, Flag Football, Tennis  
July 31 - 4: Camp Horizon  
July 31 - 2: Paddleboard  
1 - 3: Scamper Camp  
1 - 4: Jr. Beach Patrol

### WEEK OF AUGUST 7TH

7 - 9: Baseball, Kayak  
7 - 10: Dance, Tennis  
7 - 11: Camp Horizon  
8 - 11: Jr. Beach Patrol

### WEEK OF AUGUST 14TH

14 - 16: Paddleboard  
14 - 17: Skate  
15 - 16: Softball Pitchers & Catchers  
15 - 17: Softball  
15 - 18: Jr. Beach Patrol

### WEEK OF AUGUST 21ST

21 - 24: Pickleball  
22 - 25: Estuary

**MAKE SURE TO REGISTER EARLY!**  
Camps fill up quick!

Register for Summer Camps at [camps.oceancitymd.gov](http://camps.oceancitymd.gov)

# Ocean City, Maryland

# JUNE 2023

**JUNE IS NATIONAL OCEANS MONTH.** The Beach Patrol reminds you that rip currents are the biggest hazard to ocean swimmers & the 2nd leading cause of weather-related deaths in the U.S. Swim parallel to the shore to escape from a rip current. Consult the closest lifeguard on duty about rip current activity & the best place to swim. If you see someone in trouble, call 911 but do not attempt a rescue.



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



## Beauty Spot Awards

Every spring, the Beautification Committee seeks nominations for a Beauty Spot Award. If you have or see a residential or business property in OC that is beautifully planted with flowers, planters, shrubs, trees, etc., nominate it for a Beauty Spot Award from the Mayor & City Council. To nominate, give property owner's name (if possible), address, phone # & your name & phone #. Email [ocbeautification@hotmail.com](mailto:ocbeautification@hotmail.com) or call 410.289.7060. Deadline: 7/5

**Atlantic Hurricane Season Starts**  
(June 1 - Nov 30)

1

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

2

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Seacret's **Ocean City Classic PBR**, Inlet Parking Lot  
• Art League of Ocean City **1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception**, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM

3

• OC Beach Patrol Testing for 2023 Season  
• Ravens Parade, Baltimore Ave 19th - 26th St., 10 AM - 12 PM  
• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Seacret's **Ocean City Classic PBR**, Inlet Parking Lot

**National Rip Current Awareness Week**  
(June 4 - 10)

4

• Art League of OC **Guided Gallery Tour**, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM  
• Seacret's **Ocean City Classic PBR**, Inlet Parking Lot

5

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
Mayor & City Council  
Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM

6

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Line Dance Galore, Northside Park, 125th St., 6:30 - 9:30 PM (\$)

7

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

8

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

9

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

10

• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Beach Volleyball, 1st - 3rd St. Beaches (June 10 & 11)  
• Sand Duels Beach Soccer, Wicomico - N. Division St. Beaches (June 10 & 11)

### OC AIR SHOW

• Beach Volleyball  
• Sand Duels Beach Soccer  
• OCBP **Capt. Schoepf Memorial Relay**, starts at 7th St. Beach, 10 AM  
• Art League of OC **Guided Gallery Tour**, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM  
• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 7 - 9 PM; **Fireworks** at 9 PM

11

12

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

13

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
Mayor & City Council  
Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM

14

Flag Day

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

15

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

16

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

17

• MD Fireman's Convention, Convention Center (17 - 22)  
• Beach 5 Sand Soccer, Dorchester - 3rd St. Beach  
• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 11 AM  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Writer's Group, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM  
• OC Film Night, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)

**Father's Day**

18

• OCBP SRT Academy  
• Beach 5 Sand Soccer, Dorchester - 3rd St. Beach  
• Art League of OC **Guided Gallery Tour**, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM  
• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 125th St., 7 - 9 PM followed by **Fireworks** at 9 PM

**Juneteenth**

19

• First week of OC Rec & Park Summer Camps  
• OCBP SRT Academy  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Movies on the Beach, 27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM  
Town Offices Closed

20

• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
Mayor & City Council  
Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM

21

Summer Solstice

• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

22

• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

23

• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

24

• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy  
• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

25

• OC Beach Patrol Surf Rescue Training Academy  
• Art League of OC **Guided Gallery Tour**, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM  
• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 125th St., 7 - 9 PM followed by **Fireworks** at 9 PM

26

• Art League of OC **Art Adventure Summer Camp**, (Section A: June 26 - 29)  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Movies on the Beach, 27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM

27

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

28

• Art League of OC **Originals Only** Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM  
• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

29

• Beach Volleyball, Talbot St. to N. Division St. Beach  
• Museum Program, 11:30 AM

30

• Museum Program, 11:30 AM



**E-News Signup**  
Sign up for alerts & be the first to know!

Stay connected with us & subscribe to receive alerts on job openings, council agendas, press releases & more!

\*Check [ococean.com](http://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)



# FREE SUMMER FAMILY FUN ALL WEEK

There's so much to do in OC during the summer! Our 10 miles of beautifully-kept beach is free & open to the public from 5am to 10pm! And during the summer, OC is jam-packed with free family activities like movies on the beach, concerts & even a dance party! You'll find free events in OC every week throughout the summer. And of course, OC sightseeing is wonderful & free year-round!

## OCEAN CITY LIFE-SAVING STATION MUSEUM SUMMER PROGRAMS

**MUSEUM PROGRAMS | MONDAY - SATURDAY | JULY 3 - AUGUST 25 • 10 AM**

**MON:** History of our Surfman • **TUE:** Beach Safety • **WED:** Knot Tying  
**THU:** All About Sharks • **FRI:** Land, Sky, Sea • **SAT:** Aquarium Feeding

## OC DANCE PARTY

**MONDAYS | JULY 10 - AUGUST 28**  
**7:30 - 9:30 PM | CAROLINE ST. BEACH**

Join us for a beach dance party! Each week, a new DJ hits the stage so you can dance under the lights on the beach.  
(No event July 31)

## WEEKLY FIREWORKS

**MONDAYS | JULY 10 - AUGUST 28**  
**9:30 PM | CAROLINE ST. BEACH**

Come experience OC's weekly firework show as the sky lights up, located on the beach. Bring your own seating.  
(No event July 31)

## MOVIES ON THE BEACH

**27TH ST. BEACH MOVIE NIGHT | MONDAYS | JUNE 19 - AUGUST 7 • 8:30 PM**  
**CAROUSEL HOTEL BEACH MOVIE NIGHT (118TH ST) | WEDNESDAYS | JUNE 7 - AUG 16 • 8:30 PM**

Families can gather for a movie on the beach – for FREE! In addition to the main event, there will be music & entertainment with family-friendly yard games like cornhole, ladder ball, spikeball, large connect four & more. Movies start at approx. 8:30pm or when dark. In the event of inclement weather, movie may be canceled.

## SUNDAES IN THE PARK

**SUNDAYS | JUNE 11 - SEPTEMBER 3**  
**7:00 PM | NORTHSIDE PARK**

Spend your Sunday evenings in Northside Park listening to your favorite live music. This is a family concert series with pizzazz! Enjoy free music ranging from country to rock, tribute bands to oldies. Sit back, listen to music & watch the sun set over the beautiful Assawoman Bay. Each week, children are offered various free activities & entertainment. Ice cream & beverages are available for purchase. Bring your picnic basket & beach chairs.

*Fireworks start 9pm.*

## SUNSET PARK PARTY

**THURSDAYS | JULY 6 - AUGUST 31**  
**7:00 PM | S. DIVISION ST. & THE BAY**

Enjoy a free concert while watching the sunset over the Isle of Wight Bay from the perfect location in OC! Admission to the park is free, while beverages, including beer, are available for purchase. It is recommended that attendees bring their own seating.

**CHECK FACEBOOK.COM/OCEANCITY OR OCOCEAN.COM/EVENTS FOR DETAILS.**  
Please call ahead or check online before traveling long distances. Event dates can change.

# 8 Music & Fireworks

## TUESDAY JULY 4th

**Music at 8 PM**  
**Fireworks at 9:30 PM**

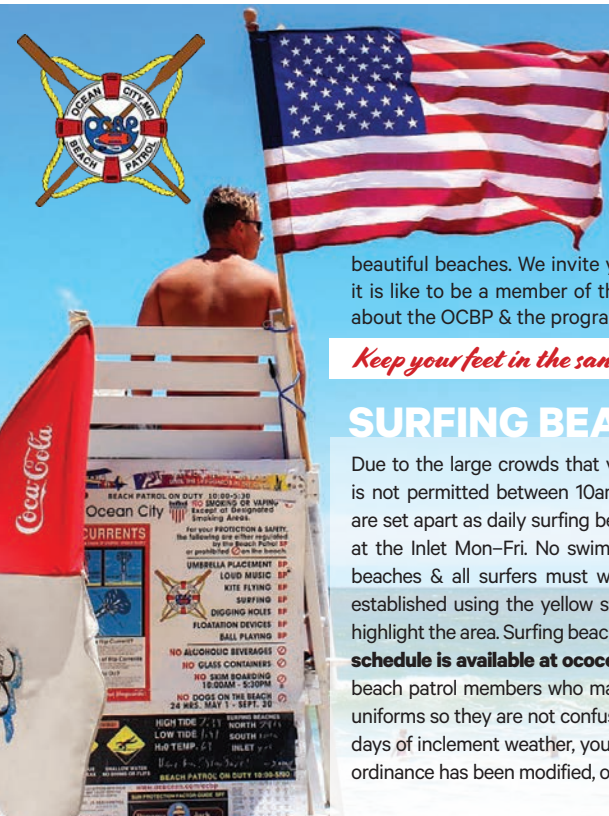
**DOWNTOWN: N. Division St. Beach**  
**ococean.com • 800.626.2326**

Free music celebration on the Caroline St. Stage. Afterwards, fireworks will fill the sky over the ocean. Bring a beach chair or blanket & arrive early.

**UPTOWN: Northside Park, 125th St.**  
**ococean.com • 410.250.0125**

Free music celebration starts off the evening. Then, enjoy a spectacular fireworks display. Bring a beach chair or blanket & arrive early

The Inlet Lot rate is \$5.00/hr. Consider taking the bus as parking is limited throughout town. Bus fare is \$4 ride-all-day. The West OC Park & Ride on Rt. 50 is just west of the Rt. 50 Bridge & offers free parking & \$4 ride-all-day shuttle service to downtown. (Prices subject to change)



## OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

Beach Patrol is an organization of 200 men & women dedicated to ocean rescue & maintaining a safe, orderly environment along the 10 miles of OC's

beautiful beaches. We invite you to learn more about the OCBP & what it is like to be a member of this organization. If you want to learn more about the OCBP & the programs they offer, visit [joinbeachpatrol.com](http://joinbeachpatrol.com).

*Keep your feet in the sand until the lifeguard's in the stand!*

## SURFING BEACHES

Due to the large crowds that visit OC during the summer months, surfing is not permitted between 10am–5:30pm. However, a few blocks each day are set apart as daily surfing beaches. There is also a surfing beach located at the Inlet Mon–Fri. No swimming or wading is permitted at the surfing beaches & all surfers must wear ankle leashes. Surfing beach limits are established using the yellow stands. In addition, signs & flags are used to highlight the area. Surfing beaches rotate each day. **The daily surfing beach schedule is available at [ococean.com/ocbp](http://ococean.com/ocbp).** Surfing beach facilitators are beach patrol members who maintain the surfing beach area & wear yellow uniforms so they are not confused with SRTs (Surf Rescue Technicians). On days of inclement weather, you can ask any SRT on the beach if the surfing ordinance has been modified, or call OCBP headquarters at 410.289.7556.

# Ocean City, Maryland

# JULY 2023

**LEAVE THE FIREWORKS TO THE PROFESSIONALS!**  
Although the State of Maryland has approved the use of ground-based sparkling devices such as cylindrical and cone fountains, fireworks are illegal to use or possess in Ocean City.



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



## July 8th: Ocean City Beach Patrol's Capt. Craig mile Swim Open to the Public! *Swimmers & Spectators are Welcome!*

14th St. Beach, 6:30pm, Registration 5-6pm. Held in honor of former OCBP Capt. Robert S. Craig's 52 years of service. The event registration & finish line will be on the beach at 14th St. Participants have the option of pre-registering online to take advantage of the reduced entry fee. Competitors also have the option of registering the day of the race. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone interested in distance swimming to test their skills & be in an open-water environment with on-the-water safety, provided by OCBP Surf Rescue Technicians. All participants will receive a custom event t-shirt. Water will be provided to all competitors as well. Top 3 finishers in each race & category will receive a medal & certificate. The OCBP will deploy rescue equipment including paddle boards & rescue watercraft to provide for the safety of swimmers. For more info on this event, other OC Beach Patrol competitions & employment opportunities, visit: [oceancitymd.gov/beach-patrol](http://oceancitymd.gov/beach-patrol)

1

- Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM
- Museum Program, 11:30 AM

2

- Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM
- Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 7 - 9 PM; followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

3

- Art League of OC Art Adventure Summer Camp, (Section B: July 3, 5 - 7)
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, 27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM

Mayor & City Council  
Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM

Independence Day

4

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

Town Offices Closed

**JULY 4TH CELEBRATION**

5

- Beauty Spot Awards deadline to nominate
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

6

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

7

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Art League of Ocean City 1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM

8

- Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Ocean City Beach Patrol Capt. Craig Swim, 14th St. Beach, 6 - 7:30 PM

9

- Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM
- Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 7 - 9 PM; followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

10

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, 27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM
- OC Beach Dance Party, 7:30 - 9:30
- Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

11

- Art League of OC Art Adventure Summer Camp, (Section C: July 10 - 13)
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

Mayor & City Council  
Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM

12

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

13

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

14

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

15

- Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Writer's Group, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM
- OC Film Night, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)

16

- Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM
- Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 125th St., 7 - 9 PM followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

17

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, 27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM
- OC Beach Dance Party, 7:30 - 9:30
- Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

Mayor & City Council  
Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM

18

- Art League of OC Art Adventure Summer Camp, (Section D: July 17 - 20)
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

19

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

20

- Beach Volleyball, Talbot St. to N. Division St. Beach
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

21

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

22

- Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

23

- Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM
- Sundaes in the Park, 7 - 9 PM Fireworks at 9 PM

24

- Museum Program
- Movies on the Beach
- OC Beach Dance Party, 7:30 - 9:30
- Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

25

- Art League of OC Art Adventure Summer Camp, (Section E: July 24 - 27)
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

26

- Art League of OC Originals Only Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

27

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM
- Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

28

- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

29

- Sand Duels Beach Soccer, Wicomico to N. Division St. Beaches
- OC Beach Patrol Crew Comps, Caroline St. Beach, 6 - 9 PM
- Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM
- Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

\*Check [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [oceancitymd.gov/events](http://oceancitymd.gov/events)



# ARTISTS PAINT OC



Art League of Ocean City  
**ARTISTS PAINT OC**  
*A Plein Air Festival*  
August 9-13, 2023

**"DRAWING" ARTISTS FROM ALL OVER TO PAINT SCENIC VIEWS OF OC!**

Watch artists at work as they set up easels along the Boardwalk, bayside & beaches.

Buy a masterpiece at the Wet Paint Sale & Reception on Saturday, Aug. 12 at the Arts Center. Watch the painters paint on the Boardwalk at S. Division St. from 9-11 a.m. on Sunday, Aug 13, then head to the Arts Center to buy what you just watched being painted!

OC Center for the Arts, 94th St.  
**Free Admission**



## TOWN OF OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND License Requirements

**RENTAL LICENSE:** If you rent your property to anyone, for any length of time, the law requires you to first obtain an annual Ocean City rental license, and an Ocean City noise control permit. Online rentals must also comply. Maintaining a positive resident and visitor experience is important to everyone. Compliance with the laws, ordinances and regulations within the Town of Ocean City and State of Maryland ensure safe, healthy and habitable housing conditions in rental housing units. Rental applications may be obtained at City Hall, on the website or by contacting 410.289.8833 (<https://oceancitymd.gov/oc/departments/finance/new-licenses/>)

**R-1 Zoning:** Properties located within the R-1 single family residential zoning district must meet occupancy criteria limited to no more than 4 unrelated people. Please contact the Department of Planning and Community Development for a pre-season inspection of your property to confirm compliance with building and fire codes and to determine maximum occupancy permitted. 410.289.8855.

**REMINDER:** Properties that may be in violation of

rental licenses or a safety, building or health code should be reported to the Ocean City Property Review and Enforcement Strategies for Safe-housing (P.R.E.S.S.) Committee at 410.289.8855. Also the "Key to Successful New Construction or Home Renovation Projects is to Call BEFORE You Start!" From big to small projects and property improvements (decks, sheds, floating docks and landscaping), the Department of Planning and Community Development is ready to provide information to get you started. Applications, permits and building requirements can be found by contacting 410.289.8855, or visit <https://ocgovportal.com/Click2GovBP/index.html>.

**BUSINESS LICENSE:** The Town of Ocean City is an exciting place to do business, with its strong tourism, stunning location and family-friendly atmosphere. **If you operate or plan on operating a business or providing a service within Ocean City's town limits, the law requires you to obtain a Town of Ocean City business license.** To apply for a new license, please visit City Hall. To renew a business license and/or occupational license, visit: <https://ocgovportal.com/Click2GovOL/index.html>.

STEP BACK IN TIME & EXPLORE THE HISTORY OF OC 10



## OCEAN CITY Life-Saving Station MUSEUM

Open Year-Round  
813 S. Atlantic Ave

(South end of the Boardwalk)

**410.289.4991**

For updated hours, admission,  
events & more info:

**ocmuseum.org**

The Ocean City Life-Saving Station Museum offers interactive exhibit programs & events that are fun for everyone! Exhibits include the Heroics of the Surfmens of the U.S. Life-Saving Service, Sands from Around the World, Boardwalk of Yesteryear & more. Enter the aquarium room to check out seahorses, eels, horseshoe crabs & more! A virtual tour of the museum is also available for online viewing.

## Summer Programs

**AQUARIUM PROGRAM | MONDAY - SATURDAY | JUNE 1 - AUGUST 31 • 11:30 AM**

Experience native aquatic wildlife, watch them eat, and learn about their habitat (with paid admission).

**MUSEUM PROGRAMS | MONDAY - SATURDAY | JULY 3 - AUGUST 25 • 10 AM**

**MON: History of our Surfman:** Learn about the United States Life-Saving Service and the heroic men who rescued ships in distress off the coast of Ocean City, Maryland.

**TUE: Beach Safety:** Learn how to be safe in the surf and spell your name using semaphore. The famous Ocean City Beach Patrol is on hand with everything you need to know!

**WED: Knot Tying:** Become an expert at nautical knots with help from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary.

**THU: All About Sharks:** Discover what types of sharks are found off the coast of Ocean City!

**FRI: Land, Sky & Sea:** Learn how the island was formed, what birds fly overhead, and what creatures inhabit our ocean and coastal bays!

**SAT: Aquarium Feeding:** Discover the wild-life that inhabits our ocean and coastal bays as you watch our aquarium animals eat their morning meal!



## Annual Events

**International Museum Day:** May (FREE) • **Blue Star Museum Program:** Armed Forces Day - Labor Day (FREE for active-duty personnel) • **Historic House Tour:** Oct. • **Worcester County History Month:** Oct.

**Storm Warriors 5K Walk Run:** Nov. • **Holiday Open House:** Dec. (FREE) •

# Ocean City, Maryland

# AUGUST 2023

**"KEEP YOUR FEET IN THE SAND, UNTIL THE LIFEGUARDS IN THE STAND"**

And always, **SWIM NEAR A LIFEGUARD**. Find the closest lifeguard on duty and ask about current condition and the best place to swim. Be sure to like OCBP on Facebook & Instagram & visit [oceancitymd.gov/ocbp](http://oceancitymd.gov/ocbp).



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

## Stay Connected!

### Join the Town of Ocean City Special Events VIP CLUB!

Concert announcements, future event dates, event schedules & more! Sign up at [oceancitymd.gov/special-events](http://oceancitymd.gov/special-events)



• Art League of OC Art Adventure Summer Camp, (Section F: July 31 - Aug 3) **1**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Jesus on the Beach, Caroline St. Stage, 7 - 10 PM

Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM

**2**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Jesus on the Beach, Caroline St. Stage, 7 - 10 PM

• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

**3**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

**4**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Art League of Ocean City 1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM

**5**

• Beach 5 Sand Soccer, Dorchester - 3rd St. Beach

• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

**6**

• Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM

• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 7 - 9 PM; followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

**7**

• Marlin Fest, Inlet Lot

• White Marlin Open, Harbour Island Marina (Aug 7 - 11)

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• OC Beach Dance Party, 7:30 - 9:30

• Movies on the Beach, 27th Street Beach, 8:30 PM

• Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

**8**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Marlin Fest, Inlet Lot 11 AM - 9:30 PM (Aug 7 - 11)

**9**

• Artists Paint OC, Around OC & Ctr. for the Arts (Aug 9 - 13)

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Marlin Fest, Inlet Lot 11 AM - 9:30 PM (Aug 7 - 11)

• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

**10**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Marlin Fest, Inlet Lot 11 AM - 9:30 PM (Aug 7 - 11)

• Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

**11**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Marlin Fest, Inlet Lot 11 AM - 9:30 PM (Aug 7 - 11)

**12**

• Volley for TBI, 43rd St. Beach

• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

## WHITE MARLIN OPEN

## ARTISTS PAINT OC

**13**

• Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM

• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 7 - 9 PM; followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

## ARTISTS PAINT OC

**14**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• OC Beach Dance Party, Caroline St. Beach, 7:30 - 9:30 PM

• Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

**15**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM

**16**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Movies on the Beach, Carousel Hotel, 118th St., 8:30 PM

**17**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

**18**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

**19**

• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Writer's Group, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM

• OC Film Night, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)

**20**

• Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM

• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 125th St., 7 - 9 PM followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

**21**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• OC Beach Dance Party, 7:30 - 9:30

• Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM

**22**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

**23**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

**24**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

• Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

**25**

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

**26**

• Free Kids Crafts, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM

• Museum Program, 10 & 11:30 AM

**27**

• Art League of OC Guided Gallery Tour, Ctr. for the Arts, 1 PM

• Sundaes in the Park, Northside Park, 125th St., 7 - 9 PM followed by Fireworks at 9 PM

## OC JEEP WEEK

**28**

• OC Beach Dance Party, Caroline St. Beach, 7:30 - 9:30 PM

• Beach Fireworks, 9:30 PM

**29**

Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM

**30**

• Art League of OC Originals Only Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers

**31**

• Sunset Park Party, S. Division St. and the Bay, 7 PM

## Ocean City UNIVERSITY '23

Interested in learning more about the Town of Ocean City municipal government and the services it provides? Residents and visitors can register to attend Ocean City University, a free ten-week course that covers a number of topics, including public works, public safety, tourism, finance and a variety of areas related to Ocean City's municipal government. Classes are held on Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., beginning September 13. To sign up, visit [www.oceancitymd.gov](http://www.oceancitymd.gov) or call the City Clerk's office at 410-289-8824 by August 31, 2023.

\*Check [ococean.com](http://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)





# FALL & WINTER PROGRAMS & SPORTS TOURNAMENTS

**Open year-round • Northside Park, 125th St. • 410.250.0125**  
**For a full calendar of programs, events, tournaments & activities,**  
**Visit: [oceancitymd.gov/rec](http://oceancitymd.gov/rec)**

**Ocean City Recreation & Parks strives to help you become more active by offering more choices for activities, facilities & parks that will improve your fitness – year-round.** So the fun continues even after summer!  
Our fall & winter programs offer something fun for all ages!

Kids can find themselves immersed in sports, classes & activities, including **soccer, basketball, babysitting courses, cheerleading, mid-nighters & more!**

Plus, there's plenty of fun & fitness for adults & seniors as well! Stay active with pickleball, aerobics, cardio, water aerobics, yoga, dance, Tai Chi, soccer, softball, flag football, basketball, lacrosse, volleyball, bowling, walking & more.

**For more info on our programs, classes, activities & sports tournaments, view our latest edition of *Splash!* magazine at [oceancitymd.gov/rec](http://oceancitymd.gov/rec).**

## DROP-IN PROGRAMS



**AEROBICS**



**PICKLEBALL**



**BASKETBALL**

**MON:** Aerobics, Ageless Grace, Basketball, Line Dance, Pickleball, Walking  
**TUE:** Cardio, Line Dance, Pickleball • **WED:** Aerobics, Basketball, Jazz Dance,  
**WED Cont:** Line Dance, Tap Dance, Pickleball, Tai Chi, Walking  
**THU:** Yoga • **FRI:** Aerobics, Walking

Pickleball requires online registration. More information available at [oceancitymd.gov/rec](http://oceancitymd.gov/rec).

## EAST COAST'S COOLEST MUNICIPAL SKATE PARK

**As the country's oldest operating municipal skate park, the Ocean Bowl offers skateboarders and in-line skaters of all ability levels an exceptional Ocean City experience.**

Get ready to shred the 17,000 square ft. concrete-based park that takes advantage of every inch of space. The bowl and vert ramp offer smooth riding surfaces and the mini-ramp and bird bath continue to be user favorites. Trust us, it's pretty sick. Lessons, camps, classes, competitions & more are offered throughout the year!

Park improvements and expansion expected to begin summer/fall 2023. Go to [oceanbowl.com](http://oceanbowl.com) or follow Ocean City Recreation & Parks on Facebook and Instagram for updates.

**3rd St. & St. Louis Ave • 410.289.BOWL (2695)**

For park pass info & hours: [oceanbowl.com](http://oceanbowl.com) • Open Year-Round



## Beach Wheelchair Program

### **Our beautiful beach is accessible to everyone!**

The Town offers Beach Wheelchairs for patrons unable to walk across the sand. Beach wheelchairs are available on a first-come, first-serve basis at certain locations, between Memorial Day and Labor Day. Call 410.520.5231 – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to get a beach wheelchair box unlocked.

This free service is monitored by the Town's Beach Patrol staff. Please remember that our Beach Patrol is here primarily to provide safety services to our beach-goers; therefore, other beach-related responsibilities may cause a delay in staff attending to the distribution and collection of beach wheelchairs.



- For access to a chair, to get a wheelchair box unlocked or to report damage or problems with a chair, see a lifeguard or call 410.520.5231, 10am–4pm.
- Be prepared to show your driver's license & complete wheelchair permit & waiver.
- Use chair only on beach/sand & within 1 block of the wheelchair box.
- Use at your own risk. Do not put chair in water. Do not inflate or deflate tire air pressure.
- Return beach wheelchair to lifeguard after transferring to another chair so that it may be available to others.

A limited number of chairs may be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. These special chairs are available for pick up at the Ocean City Visitor Center (410.289.2800).  
**For beach access & beach wheelchair locations, visit: [oceancitymd.gov/oc/ada](http://oceancitymd.gov/oc/ada)**

# Ocean City, Maryland

# SEPTEMBER 2023

**NO TRAILER OR OVERSIZED VEHICLE PARKING ON BALTIMORE AVE AT ANYTIME.** No trailer or oversized vehicle parking on any street or paved public lot without a permit between May 1 & Oct 31.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Special Event Zone Reminders are in effect throughout the year depending on events predicted to be in town.</b> <i>DURING THIS TIME, EXPECT HEAVY TRAFFIC &amp; LOWERED SPEED LIMITS THROUGHOUT TOWN.</i> An unsanctioned event or pop-up rally normally takes place the last week of September. This year, we expect it to occur on September 19- 24 (dates subject to change). The unsanctioned event has no formal schedule or event promoter, which results in an enormous amount of traffic & large gatherings in parking lots & sidewalks. Because the safety of our residents, staff & visitors is our number one priority in Ocean City, it's imperative for motorists to abide by traffic laws & be cautious of heavy pedestrian traffic. During this time, Ocean City establishes a Special Event Zone, where speeds are lowered & fines are increased for violations. For more information about Special Event Zones, including Frequently Asked Questions, visit: <a href="https://oceancitymd.gov/specialeventzone">oceancitymd.gov/specialeventzone</a>					1	2
3  • <b>Sundaes in the Park</b> , Northside Park, 7 - 9 PM; followed by <b>Fireworks</b> at 9 PM	4  Labor Day  Town Offices Closed	5  Mayor & City Council <b>Regular Meeting</b> , City Hall, 6 PM	6	7	8  • <b>Art League of Ocean City 1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM	9  • <b>Beach Volleyball</b> , Talbot St. to N. Division St. Beaches (Sept 9-10)  • <b>Walk for Recovery</b> , South End of Boardwalk, 8:30 - 11 AM  • <b>Wine on the Beach</b> , Inlet Lot, 11 AM - 7 PM
10  • <b>Beach Volleyball</b> , Talbot St. to N. Division St. Beaches (Sept 9-10)	11	12  Mayor & City Council <b>Work Session</b> , City Hall, 1 PM	13	14	15  Rosh Hashanah (Start)	16  • <b>Writer's Group</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • <b>OC Film Night</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)
17  Rosh Hashanah (End)	18  Mayor & City Council <b>Regular Meeting</b> , City Hall, 6 PM	19	20	21  • <b>Art League of OC Sand Castle Home Tour</b> begins! Visit 10 beautiful homes in OC area & beyond. Take the virtual tour at your leisure at <a href="https://sandcastlehometour.com">sandcastlehometour.com</a> . (September 21 - 22)	22  • <b>Art League of OC Sand Castle Home Tour</b> (September 21 - 22)	23  Autumn Equinox  • <b>Beach Volleyball</b> , Talbot St. to N. Division St. Beaches (Sept 9-10)
BIKEFEST	<b>BIKEFEST (Expect Delayed Traffic)</b> <b>SPECIAL EVENT ZONE IN EFFECT for Unsanctioned Event (September 19 - 24) - EXPECT LOWERED SPEED LIMITS</b>					
24  Yom Kippur (Start)  • <b>Beach Volleyball</b> , Talbot St. to N. Division St. Beaches (Sept 9-10) • <b>Lasy Day for OC Beach Patrol in stands</b> , 10 AM - 5:30 PM	25  Yom Kippur (End)  • <b>NO GUARDED BEACHES</b> until Saturday, May 25, 2024	26  Mayor & City Council <b>Work Session</b> , City Hall, 1 PM	27  • <b>Art League of OC Originals Only</b> Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers	28	29  • <b>Ocean's Calling Festival</b>	30  • <b>Ocean's Calling Festival</b>
SPECIAL EVENT ZONE IN EFFECT	OCEANS CALLING FESTIVAL					

\*Check [ococean.com](https://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](https://ococean.com/events)





# Sunfest

MARYLAND  
OCEAN CITY

**OCT 19-22**

INLET LOT • OCMD

## Ocean City's BIGGEST & BEST FESTIVAL

Sunfest artists will delight your senses with their art & craft creations. Whether you're chilling out around the beach bonfire watching fireworks, dressing up your pet and parading along the boardwalk, bringing the heat in the pumpkin race, or getting lost in the beach maze, we have what you're looking for (and plenty more). A wide selection of food vendors offer tasty made-to-order eats. Beer & wine are available. Enjoy free live entertainment all day long! This four-day event has something for everyone!

### Four Days of FOOD • MUSIC • CRAFTS

Certain concerts may require the purchase of reserved seat tickets. for the most updated info, visit: [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)



#### Fall Activities



#### Beach Maze



#### Beer Garden



#### Craft Vendors





**SEPT 29<sup>TH</sup>**  
TO  
**OCT 1<sup>ST</sup>**



14

**OCEAN CITY**  
**MARYLAND**

**FRIDAY JACK JOHNSON • ALANIS MORISSETTE**

**SLIGHTLY | THIRD | MICHAEL FRANTI | O.A.R.**  
**STOOPID | EYE BLIND | & SPEARHEAD**

**SATURDAY JOHN MAYER**

**INCUBUS | NOAH KAHAN | SHERYL CROW**

**SUNDAY THE LUMINEERS**

**WEEZER | NATHANIEL RATELIFF | DIRTY**  
**& THE NIGHT SWEATS | HEADS**

[OceansCallingFestival.com](http://OceansCallingFestival.com)



**ROLAND E. POWELL  
CONVENTION CENTER**  
OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND

**WE MAKE IT *easy*  
TO WORK HARD**

From association gatherings, youth competitions & sporting events to crafts shows & car shows, you'll find a lively mixture of commerce, arts & entertainment.

### PLAN A CONVENTION WITH A *view*

Whether you're planning for a small conference or a large tradeshow, our meeting & event venue can easily accommodate your needs. We offer newly renovated rooms, gorgeous bayfront views & a beautiful bayfront promenade. Our seasoned catering & convention services staff will arrange & assist with every detail



**EVENT PLANNING MADE EASY // ROLAND E. POWELL CONVENTION CENTER**

[ocmdconventioncenter.com](http://ocmdconventioncenter.com) | 410-289-2800 | 4100 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, Maryland

# OCTOBER 2023

## IT'S NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION MONTH!

It is the perfect time to educate and talk with your loved ones about fire safety, include testing alarms, changing batteries, learning how to use a fire extinguisher & escape route planning. Visit OCFD on Facebook (@OCMDFD) for daily tips or visit [nfpa.org](http://nfpa.org).



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
OCEAN'S CALLING	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM	SPECIAL EVENT ZONE IN EFFECT for Cruisin' Ocean City (October 3 - 8) - EXPECT LOWERED SPEED LIMITS				
National Fire Prevention Week (October 8 - 14)	Columbus Day	10	11	12	13	14
SPECIAL EVENT ZONE IN EFFECT	Town Offices Closed	Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM		• Ocean City RV Show, Convention Center (Oct 12 - 15)		• OC Life-Saving Station Museum <b>Historic House Tour</b> , Downtown OC, 10 AM - 4 PM. Step into the past & tour some of OC's oldest homes, churches and establishments. Educators will be on-site to discuss each building's history.
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM				• Beach Shack Music & Bonfire Night, Beach south of amusement pier, <b>Drone Show on the Beach</b> , 9 PM	• <b>Writer's Group</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • <b>OC Film Night</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$) • <b>Beach Shack Music &amp; Bonfire Night</b> , Beach south of amusement pier, <b>Drone Show on the Beach</b> , 9 PM
SUNFEST				SUNFEST		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			• Art League of OC <b>Originals Only</b> Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers			• <b>Ocean City Running Festival</b> , Various Locations in Ocean City
29	30	Halloween	31			
• Recreation & Parks <b>Halloween Spook Out Party</b> , Northside Park, 125th St., 1 - 3 PM		Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM	<b>Fall Hydrant Flushing:</b> The Town of OC's Public Works Department will be conducting a hydrant flushing of water system <b>Oct 22 - 26</b> . Residents & businesses are reminded that after flushing there may be a slight discoloration of the water. For more information, visit <a href="http://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a> .			

Want to help the environment & keep our ocean, shoreline & waterways clean from marine debris? Sign-up for Ocean City's "Adopt Your Beach" Program, sponsored by the Ocean City Surf Club. The program aims to maintain clean, litter-free beaches, raise public awareness & collect statistical data on debris found! **To learn more**, visit: [ocsurfclub.org/adopt-your-beach](http://ocsurfclub.org/adopt-your-beach).



# Winterfest of Lights

See how Ocean City Sparkles

Wednesday - Sundays Nov 16 - Dec 24

Nightly Dec 25 - Dec 31

**5:30 - 9:30 PM**

**\$6/Guest** (12 Years & Older)

**FREE for guests 11 & Under**

Northside Park, 125th St.



## OPENING NIGHT

*Tree Lighting Ceremony*

**Thursday, Nov 16**

**Tree Lighting at 5:30 PM**

**Northside Park, 125th St.**

OC's original holiday light show returns for its 30th year as an outdoor, walking tour. Celebrate as we light the 50-foot Winterfest Christmas tree.

**FREE ADMISSION**

*(This night only)*



## WINTERFEST

*Train Garden Display*

**Nov 16 - Dec 31**

**Wednesdays to Sundays | 5:30 - 9 PM**

**Convention Center, 40th St.**

Get in the Christmas Spirit with this traditional Holiday display. A fun and festive, fully-functional train display will kick-start your Holiday cheer.

**FREE ADMISSION**

Northside Park becomes a Holiday Wonderland! Grab a cup of hot chocolate (\$) & experience the magic of the season close up. The wandering, paved path contains lots of surprises along the way. Walk through the Candy Cane Woods or find the spot to take that perfect family photo or even a selfie to post online.

The spectacular light displays will include some favorites like Santa's Workshop, the Twelve Days of Christmas & many more. On your journey, don't miss the amazing 50-foot Winterfest Christmas tree "performing" a show several times an hour. The Winterfest gift shop will be open to find that unique present. **Santa will be available to visit every night through Dec. 23.**



**Ocean City MD**



**Ocean City MD**

**OCEAN CITY**

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

**Ocean City's Premier Entertainment Venue**

Experience extraordinary sound & breathtaking acoustics in an intimate setting.

# Bench, Beats & Broadway



**BROADWAY PERFORMANCES | MUSICALS | COMEDY SHOWS  
THEATRE | CONCERTS | ORCHESTRAS | DANCES & MORE!**

Visit our website for upcoming performances and shows.  
**[ocmdperformingartscenter.com](http://ocmdperformingartscenter.com) | 410-289-2800**

Located inside the Roland E. Powell Convention Center  
4001 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842

# NOVEMBER 2023

**NO GUARDED BEACHES.** Guards are in the stands from Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend to the last Sunday of September, 10 AM - 5:30 PM. In the off-season, you don't have these life savers watching over you. Remember: "Keep your feet in the sand, until the lifeguard is in the stand!"



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><i>Get an Ocean City</i> <b>License Plate</b></p> <p>To apply for a vintage OC license plate featuring the retro OC logo, visit <a href="https://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a> &amp; click on <b>Download a Form/City Clerk</b>. An application must be submitted with the fee (\$35/tag). Applications are also available at City Hall. Be sure to have driver's license, vehicle registration &amp; insurance info handy. To avoid delay, make sure your info is legible, complete &amp; signed by owner (&amp; co-owner, if applicable). Your vehicle must be registered in MD. Plate numbers are assigned by the MD Vehicle Administration (MVA). Allow 8 weeks for processing. For more info, call the City Clerk's Office at 410.289.8824 or email <a href="mailto:dchavis@oceancitymd.gov">dchavis@oceancitymd.gov</a>.</p>			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM				Veterans Day Town Offices Closed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art League of Ocean City <b>1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception</b>, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM</li> <li>• Storm Warriors 5K Walk Run, OC Museum, 9 - 11 AM</li> <li>• Art Yard Sale, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 8 AM - 12 PM. Artists clean out their studios and you win! Great bargains on supplies &amp; excess art at discounted prices.</li> </ul>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Winterfest Train Garden Opening Night, Convention Center 5:30 - 9 PM</li> <li>• Winterfest of Lights Opening Night, Northside Park 125th St., 5:30 - 9:30 PM (\$)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Turkey Trot Open, Eagle's Landing</li> <li>• Writer's Group, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM</li> <li>• OC Film Night, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)</li> </ul>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM			Thanksgiving Town Offices Closed		
WINTERFEST				WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS		
26	27	28	29	30	<p><i>Apply for your</i> <b>Passport</b></p> <p>Passport applications are available &amp; accepted in the City Clerk's Office, City Hall <b>Important: You must make an appointment via <a href="https://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a>.</b> Passport photos are offered for \$15.90/applicant.</p>	
WINTERFEST		Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Art League of OC Originals Only Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers</li> </ul>	Atlantic Hurricane Season Ends		
			WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS			

\*Check [ococean.com](https://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](https://ococean.com/events)



# Christmas PARADE

**Saturday, December 2nd • 11 AM • Old Landing Rd. to 120th St.**

**The holiday season is almost here & OC isn't skipping a beat for 2023!**

We're continuing the 40-year tradition originated by Gold Coast Mall. Bring your chairs, blankets & plan for a day in OC! Arrive early to park & get your viewing spot. The south-bound lanes of Coastal Highway are closed for the parade in that general area to allow spectators to gather curbside. After the parade, join us at the Carousel Oceanfront Hotel for family-friendly fun & the awards presentation!



## Mayor's New Year Concert

**Friday, December 29th**

**Doors Open 6:30 PM • Concert Starts 7 PM • Ticketed Event**

OCEAN CITY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, 40TH ST.

**THE BEAT GOES ON.**

FEATURING LISA McCLOWRY as

**CHER**



# Winterfest of Lights

**Winterfest of Lights** – See how Ocean City Sparkles

**Wednesday - Sundays Nov 16 - Dec 24 • Nightly Dec 25 - Dec 31 • 5:30 - 9:30 PM**

Walk through Winterfest of Lights & enjoy the holiday lights (more than one million!) & hundreds of animated light displays throughout Northside Park.

**Santa will be available to visit every night through Dec. 23.**

**\$6/Guest (12 Years & Older) • FREE for guests 11 & Under**

**New Year's Eve Fireworks** – Show & Celebration

**December 31 • 5:30 - 12:00 PM • Fireworks start at Midnight**

A spectacular way to ring in the new Year! Come celebrate the beginning of 2024 at the amazing Winterfest of Lights! The midnight fireworks display will be accompanied by live entertainment, warm hot chocolate (\$) & the opportunity to walk through & experience Winterfest of Lights.

**\$6/Guest (12 Years & Older) • FREE for guests 11 & Under**



# DECEMBER 2023

**BE SURE TO WATER YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE REGULARLY.**

A freshly-cut tree can consume a gallon of water in 24 hours! Dry trees ignite and burn faster than well-watered trees.



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

For the  
**Best Seats**  
at the **Beach**

## Small Stage, Big Names!

With a nearly full schedule year-round, the **Ocean City Performing Arts Center** continues to wow crowds to music & theatrical performances! An extraordinary sound system, breathtaking acoustics & a 24,000-square-foot stage never fails to impress the audiences who fill the 1,216-seat auditorium. Whether you are seated in the orchestra pit or soaring in the mezzanine, there is not a bad view in the house! **Be among the first to learn about upcoming shows & events by visiting: [ocmdperformingartscenter.com](http://ocmdperformingartscenter.com).**

Dec 26-Jan 15:

## Christmas Tree drop-Off Site:

Trees can be placed in the northeast corner of the 100th St. Municipal Parking Lot during this period. Please remove all tinsel ornaments & other non-wooden items from the tree. Trees collected at the site are taken to the county landfill where they are ground into mulch.



• Art League of Ocean City  
**Holiday Artisan Fair**, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM

**1**

• Art League of Ocean City  
**1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception**, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM

• **OC Christmas Parade**, Old Landing Rd to 120th St., Starts at 11 AM

**2**

• Art League of Ocean City  
**Holiday Artisan Fair**, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 11 AM - 4 PM

## WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS

**3**

**4**

**5**

**6**

**Hanukkah**  
(Starts)

**7**

• OC Recreation & Parks **Pizza Party with Santa**, for kids Pre-K to 4th grade, Northside Park, 125th St., 5:30 - 7:30 PM (\$)

**8**

**9**

## WINTERFEST

Mayor & City Council  
**Regular Meeting**, City Hall, 6 PM

## WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS

**10**

**11**

**12**

**13**

**14**

**Hanukkah**  
(Ends)

**15**

**16**

• OC Life-Saving Station Museum  
**Holiday Open House**, Downtown OC, 10 AM - 5 PM (FREE Admission)

## WINTERFEST

Mayor & City Council  
**Work Session**, City Hall, 1 PM

• **Writer's Group**, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM

• **OC Film Night**, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)

**17**

**18**

**19**

**20**

**Winter Solstice**

**21**

**22**

**23**

• Last Night to visit Santa Claus at  
**Winterfest of Lights**, Northside Park, 125th St., 5:30 - 9:30 PM (\$)

## WINTERFEST

Mayor & City Council  
**Regular Meeting**, City Hall, 6 PM

## WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS

Christmas Eve

**24**

Christmas

**25**

**26**

**27**

**28**

**29**

**30**

• Art League of OC **Originals Only**  
Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers

• **Mayor's New Year's Event**, Performing Arts Center, 40th St., 7:00 PM (\$)

Town Offices Closed

## WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS

**New Year's Eve**  
**NYE FREE BUS SERVICE**  
• **Fireworks**, Northside Park, 12 PM

**31**

\*Check [ococean.com](http://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)



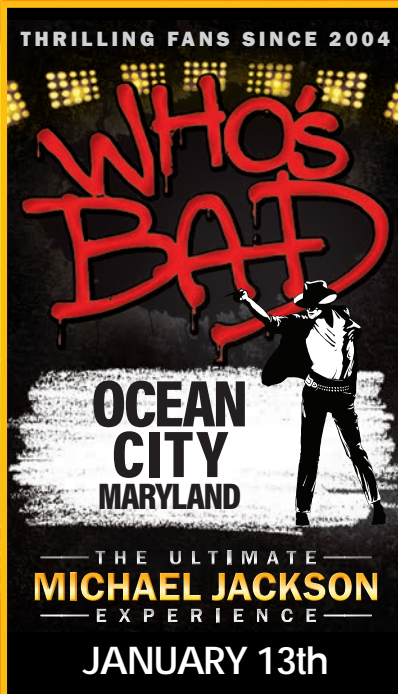
# MLK WEEKEND Dreamfest 2024

JANUARY 12 - 14 • MLK WEEKEND



**MARSHALL CHARLOFF  
PURPLE XPERIENCE**

JANUARY 12th



JANUARY 13th

## Live Music Performances ALL WEEKEND

Visit [ococean.com/dreamfest](https://ococean.com/dreamfest)  
for more information and a weekend schedule.

THREE DAYS OF SOUL-FILLED MUSIC  
OCEAN CITY, MD • PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

CONCERT TICKETS SOLD SEPARATELY.



Open Year-Round • 94th St. & the Bay

For more info & a complete schedule of events & classes:

410.524.9433 • [OCart.org](https://OCart.org)

### Add the Center of the Arts to your Ocean City Itinerary

We invite you to visit the Ocean City Center for the Arts. Open every day of the week, year-round, rain or shine, with **FREE ADMISSION**, OC's most outstanding cultural amenity is a wonderful treasure to discover at the resort. The bayfront home of the nonprofit Art League of OC features a spacious two-story gallery with major art exhibits that change every month, featuring the original work of local & regional artists. Guests to the Arts Center also enjoy the in-house gift shop, pottery studio, classrooms & the studios of eleven working artists. The Art League also offers art classes & workshops for all ages, skill levels & interests.

### Monthly Events

**FREE!**  
**1st Friday Art Exhibit  
Opening Reception**

Every 1st Friday • 5 - 7 PM

Meet local artists, enjoy  
hors d'oeuvres & see new  
exhibits. All are welcome.

**FREE!**  
**Free Family Art Days**  
Saturdays • 10 AM - 12 PM

Fun projects every month with instructor  
Barbara Buford. We supply everything. For  
schedule and to register go to [OCart.org](https://OCart.org)  
For children with accompanying adults.

**FREE!**  
**Writer's Group**  
Saturdays • 1 - 3 PM  
Creative writing discussion  
in a supportive group. All  
welcome. For schedule and to  
register go to [OCart.org](https://OCart.org)

### Summer Events

**FREE!**  
**Free Kids Crafts  
in the Courtyard**  
Saturdays, Memorial Day Weekend  
to Labor Day • 11AM - 1 PM

Stop by & make the project of the week.  
Kids must have adult supervision. (weather  
permitting)

**FREE!**  
**Guided Gallery Tour**  
Sundays, Memorial Day Weekend  
to Labor Day • 1 PM  
Explore the galleries & learn about the exhibiting  
artists & the programs & activities of the  
Art League. Tour takers receive 10% off any  
purchase from the gift shop of the galleries.

### Some of our Annual Events

**Youth Art Adventure Camp** (June - Aug.)  
**Artists Paint OC: A Plein Air Event** (Aug.) • **Sand Castle Home Tour** (Sept.)  
**Art Yard Sale** (Nov.) • **Holiday Artisan Fair** (Dec.) • **Ocean City Film Festival** (Spring)  
**Shirley Hall Youth Art Show** (Mar.) • **Anime Youth Art Show** (Apr.)

Our Residential Security Check program is completely free & gives our residents peace of mind while away. To sign up for this program, call OCPD at 410.520.5395 or visit [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) & click on "Crime Prevention" & complete the Residential Security Check Form



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Thru Jan 15: <b>Christmas Tree Drop-Off Site:</b></p> <p>Trees can be placed in the northeast corner of the 100th St. Municipal Parking Lot. Please remove all tinsel ornaments &amp; other non-wooden items from the tree.</p>	<p>New Year's Day</p> <p>1</p> <p>Town Offices Closed</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Mayor &amp; City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>• Art League of Ocean City 1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM</p>	<p>6</p> <p>• New Year's Knockout, Eagle's Landing</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Mayor &amp; City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>DREAMFEST</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14</p> <p>DREAMFEST</p>	<p>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</p> <p>15</p> <p>Town Offices Closed</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Mayor &amp; City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM</p>	<p>Flag Day</p> <p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p> <p>• Writer's Group, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • OC Film Night, Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)</p>
<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>Summer Solstice</p> <p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Mayor &amp; City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM</p>	<p>31</p> <p>• Art League of OC Originals Only Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers</p>	<div> <p>Join the OC Volunteer Fire Department</p> <p>Offering Live-in Program, Ride Along Program, Cadet Program &amp; Rookie School</p> <p>There are many benefits to becoming part of the OC Volunteer Fire Department! Not only will you have the privilege to serve your community, but you will also receive tons of fire training with unmatched experience &amp; be part of a full-spectrum life safety agency that responds to over 1,500 fire/rescue calls each year. For more info, visit: <a href="http://ocvfc.com">ocvfc.com</a></p> </div>		





Before the big game, join us for  
**SUPER BOWL  
SCRAMBLE**  
& TAILGATE PARTY  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

**Tailgate Party 9 AM • Shotgun Start 10 AM**  
(Rt. 611) 12367 Eagles Nest Rd, Berlin, MD  
**eagleslandinggolf.com • 410.213.7277**

This 18-hole scramble tournament scores in the traditional football manner, awarding points for touchdowns, field goals, extra points & penalizing for safeties. A player from each team will have the chance to throw the bomb! Teams consist of a coach, quarterback, running back & receiver. Gross & net prizes are awarded. Get your team together, remember to stay under the salary cap & sign up early as this tournament fills up each year.

**Eagle's Landing Golf Course is a beautiful, seaside golfing paradise with a sweeping vista of land, water & sky.**

Open year-round & located minutes from OC, the course overlooks Sinepuxent Bay & Assateague Island National Seashore.

**FEATURES:**

**18 HOLES • PAR 72 • GOLF CARTS • PULL CARTS • CLUB RENTALS  
PRO SHOP • RESTAURANT / SNACK BAR • PGA PRO**

**ANNUAL EVENTS:**

**New Year's Knockout (Jan.) • Super Bowl Scramble (Feb.)  
St. Patrick's Scramble (March) • Swing For Youth Golf Open (Oct.)  
Turkey Trot Open (Nov.)**



# EXPLORE OC PARKS

**Parks & Facilities Reservations: [oceancitymd.gov/rec](http://oceancitymd.gov/rec) • 410.250.0125**

OC Recreation & Parks has just what you need from equipment reservations & fields to picnic areas & sports courts. Most facilities are located within the Town's 5 square miles, so you hardly have to leave your backyard! Pack a lunch, grab family & friends & enjoy some quality time at one of these great sites. Reservations will guarantee availability.

**NORTH SURF PARK** (1.96 ac.) Adjacent to North Surf Rd.

**FIESTA PARK** (2.46 ac.) 141st St. & Fiesta Rd. • **GORMAN PARK** (1.8 ac.) 136th St.

**JAMESTOWN PARK** (.34 ac.) Jamestown Rd. • **LITTLE SALISBURY PARK** (2.22 ac.) 94th St. & Bayside

**OC TENNIS CENTER** (2.5 ac.) 61st St. • **CONVENTION CENTER BOARDWALK PARK** (1.25 ac.) 41st St.

**ROBIN PARK** (.23 ac.) Robin Dr. • **9TH ST. FISHING PIER** (.05 ac.) 9th St. & Edgewater Ave.

**DOWNTOWN RECREATION COMPLEX** (4.25 ac.) Between 3rd & 4th St. Bayside

**3RD STREET BEACH VOLLEYBALL COURTS** (Beach) Between 3rd & 4th St.

**ENTRY PARK** (.49 ac.) N. Division St. & Philadelphia Ave.

**SUNSET PARK** (.67 acres) S. Division St. west of S. Philadelphia Ave.

**INLET PARK** (.21 ac.) South 2nd St. - southern-most end of OC

**NORTHSIDE PARK** (58 ac.) 125th st.

OC's Largest & Most Popular Park Facility & Recreation Complex



## TOWN OF OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND Planning & Community Development FAQs

**Welcome homeowners, business owners and contractors.** Our entire process is digital and completely user friendly. Applying for a permit has never been easier. It's time saving and efficient. All new construction requires a building permit. Please visit our Department web page or scan the QR code.



**• Our department has qualified inspectors**

that enforce and complete Zoning, Building and Plumbing inspections. They enforce safety standards, property maintenance and current Building and Zoning Codes within the Town.

**• Several Town Boards are under our roof:** Board of Zoning and Appeals, Board of Adjustment and Appeals, Planning Commission and the Board of Port Wardens.

**• Search Historical Records:** Permits and site plans can be found in our Laserfiche files.



Port Warden boats

**• Marine Permitting:** All new marine construction is required to go in front of our Marine Board for approval.

**• Map Room:** We have created a suite of interactive map tools to help the public find essential Town of OC information. Some of these tools include:

- **Flood insurance rate Map (firM)**
- **Building Permit Lookup**
- **Rental License Viewer**
- **Citizen Reporter**

To view these tools and more, check out our GIS Map Gallery using the QR code.



**For questions, call 410.289.8855**

# FEBRUARY 2024

**PREPARE FOR COLD WEATHER!** Prevent frozen pipes by maintaining your heat no lower than 55° F. Open kitchen & bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around plumbing. Visit OCFD on Facebook (@OCMDFD) for more tips on how you can prevent your pipes from freezing.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Subscribe to "Job Alerts"</b> & be Notified of Town of OC Job Openings via Email Visit <a href="http://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a> , click on <b>I want to</b> and choose <b>Apply for a job</b> . Click on <b>Full-Time Job Postings</b> & then click on <b>Subscribe to Job Alerts</b> . You can also view <b>Part-Time/Temp/Seasonal Job Postings</b> . The Town of OC advertises in local & regional newspapers, local Department of Labor & Licensing Regulations (DLLR) offices, on the bulletin board of City Hall & bulletin boards of all Town of OC Departments. It is the City's policy only to accept Town of Ocean City applications with resumes for currently available positions as advertised. You may complete your application online or email only full-time applications & resumes to <a href="mailto:jobs@oceancitymd.gov">jobs@oceancitymd.gov</a> or mail completed application & resume to: Town of Ocean City, Human Resources Office, P.O. Box 158, Ocean City, MD 21843. <b>To receive an application via US Mail or for any other specific employment info, contact the Human Resources Office at 410.289.8822</b>				<b>1</b> • <b>OC Rec &amp; Parks Summer Camp Registration</b> , opens for OC RESIDENTS/ PROPERTY OWNERS on Feb. 1; they have priority registration from Feb. 1-13. Registration will be open to the public on Feb. 14 on a first come, first serve basis. Visit <a href="http://camps.oceancitymd.gov">camps.oceancitymd.gov</a> . Register early so you don't miss out!	<b>2</b> Groundhog Day • Art League of Ocean City <b>1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
Superbowl <b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	Shrove Tuesday / Mardi Gras ("Fat Tuesday") <b>13</b> Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM	Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday • <b>OC Rec &amp; Parks Summer Camp Registration</b> opens for NON-RESIDENTS • <b>Valentine Dinner Dance</b> for seniors, Clarion Hotel, Crystal Ballroom, 101st St. (\$) <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> • <b>Writer's Group</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • <b>OC Film Night</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)
<b>18</b>	President's Day <b>19</b> Town Offices Closed	<b>20</b> Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> • OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Indoor Adult Soccer Tournaments</b> , Northside Park, 125th St.	<b>24</b> • OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Indoor Adult Soccer Tournaments</b> , Northside Park, 125th St.
• OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Indoor Adult Soccer Tournaments</b> , Northside Park, 125th St. <b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM	• Art League of OC <b>Originals Only</b> Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers <b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	Show your Love for <b>FOR OC</b> OC Flags are available at the Billing & Collection Office at City Hall. 3 sizes available: 3 ft. x 5 ft. \$39    2 ft. x 3 ft. \$32    12" x 18" (boat size) \$22 Stop by City Hall Mon-Fri 8 AM - 4:30 PM & begin your wave of memories.	

\*Check [ococean.com](http://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)





**saturday, march 16th**

Irish Festival 11 AM - 4 PM • 45th St. Parking Lot  
Parade 12 - 2 PM • 61st St. South to 45th St. (Rain or Shine)  
**[delmarvairish.org](http://delmarvairish.org) • 410.289.6156**

**bringing the sights  
& sounds of Ireland to OC**

**Sponsored by the Delmarva Irish-American Club**, this event has grown to become Maryland's largest St. Pat's Parade, featuring pipe & drum bands, school marching bands, St. Patty's Day floats & more! Trophies are awarded in several categories, including best marching band, commercial float & best overall. To avoid traffic delays, parade spectators are urged to arrive before 10:30am. The Irish Festival features food, draft beer, Irish coffee & more.



**8th Annual Ocean City Film Festival**  
Coming Spring 2024

**[OCMDFilmFestival.com](http://OCMDFilmFestival.com) • 410.524.9433**

The Ocean City Film Festival, a major annual program of the Art League of Ocean City, returns for its 8th season in the resort showcasing films both local and from around the world. The festival promotes & prioritizes uniqueness & diversity in its juried selections. In addition, they offer monthly film screenings & special events throughout the year. Check out the Ocean City Film Challenge in July!

# Easter Bunny EGG HUNT

Celebrate the season by enjoying this fun hunt for eggs with treats!  
For kids ages 2-10. Advanced registration is encouraged as we accept a limited number of participants & this event typically sells out.

**SATURDAY, MARCH 30**



**REGISTER AT**  
**[OCEANCITYMD.GOV/REG](http://OCEANCITYMD.GOV/REG)**

**1 - 3 PM • Northside Park, 125th St.**



# Ocean City, Maryland

# MARCH 2024

**DRUNK DRIVING** is a deadly epidemic that takes the lives of more than 10,000 people each year, on average.  
**REMEMBER TO DRIVE SOBER OR GET PULLED OVER!**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Town of Ocean City Job Fair</b> <b>Stay tuned for dates to be announced for the town's job fair in spring.</b> Exclusively for the Town of Ocean City, the job fair is held at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center & is FREE & open to the public. Candidates of all experience levels are encouraged to attend. Hiring Departments: Beach Patrol, Convention Center, Public Works Maintenance & Construction, Recreation & Parks, Solid Waste & Transportation. <b>For more info, visit: <a href="http://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a>.</b>		<b>LANDSCAPING YEARLY REMINDER:</b> If you own property in OC corporate limits, all weeds, brush & grass shall be cut & trimmed & not exceed a height of 9 inches or more. Land & lot owners are responsible for cutting, destruction or removal of all weeds, brush & grass.			• Art League of Ocean City <b>Shirley Hall Youth Art Show</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., • Art League of Ocean City <b>1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM	• Art League of Ocean City <b>Shirley Hall Youth Art Show</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Featured art by Worcester County middle & high school students for an annual one-weekend only exhibit.
• Art League of Ocean City <b>Shirley Hall Youth Art Show</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Featured art by Worcester County middle & high school students for an annual one-weekend only exhibit.			• OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Bingo for Seniors</b> , OC Senior Center, 41st St., 10 AM - 12 PM		• OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Indoor Adult Soccer Tournaments</b> , Northside Park, 125th St.	• OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Indoor Adult Soccer Tournaments</b> , Northside Park, 125th St.
<b>OC FILM FESTIVAL</b>	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM				<b>OCEAN CITY FILM FESTIVAL</b>	
<b>Daylights Saving Time Begins</b> (Set clocks ahead 1 hour) • OC Recreation & Parks <b>St. Patrick's Indoor Adult Soccer Tournaments</b> , Northside Park, 125th St.						• St. Patrick's Scramble, Eagle's Landing • <b>Writer's Group</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • <b>OC Film Night</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)
<b>St. Patrick's Day</b>		Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM			<b>ST. PATTY'S DAY PARADE</b>	
	Mayor & City Council Regular Meeting, City Hall, 6 PM					
<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<b>Maryland Day</b>				<b>Good Friday</b>	
<b>Easter</b>		Mayor & City Council Work Session, City Hall, 1 PM	• Art League of OC <b>Originals Only</b> Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers			• <b>Easter Bunny Egg Hunt</b> , Northside Park, 125th St., 1 PM (\$)

\*Check [ococean.com](http://ococean.com) or [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov) or call 800-OC-OCEAN (800-626-2326) to confirm events before traveling long distances. Events, dates, times and/or fees are subject to change.



For a complete, updated event calendar, including weekly FREE events, visit [ococean.com/events](http://ococean.com/events)



# The Ocean City Police Department has welcomed two new members to the Mounted Unit.



Riptide "Rip" (black horse) is a 6-year-old Percheron pictured with PFC Sierra Stevens at Northside Park. Major (brown horse) is a beautiful 7-year-old Clydesdale Gelding that stands 17.3 hands and weighs 1,600lbs. The Mounted Unit was formed in the late '80s and as of today consists of five horses (Benson, Moose, Storm, Major and Riptide). You can find the horses throughout town during the year and primarily on the Boardwalk during the summer months for crowd control. For more information about the Ocean City Police Department, visit [oceancitymd.gov/police](http://oceancitymd.gov/police).



**Major**



**Riptide "Rip"**



**FRIDAY  
APRIL 26th**

Visit [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov)  
for the Tree Planting Location

**Arbor Day is traditionally  
celebrated each year in OC  
by planting a new tree!**

For over 25 years, the OC Beautification Committee has partnered with students to bring this program to our community & to show the importance of trees.

Make a positive & personal step toward improving our environment by planting a tree in your community!



## OCEAN CITY FLOOD HAZARD PROTECTION | April is Maryland Flood Awareness Month

All property in Ocean City is in a flood hazard area & subject to flooding from the ocean, coastal bays & heavy rainfall. Minor flooding is not uncommon & major flooding happens occasionally. FEMA places properties in flood zones based on their chance of flooding. Property owners can find their property's flood hazard designation by contacting the Department of Planning & Community Development, 410.289.8855, [bneville@oceancitymd.gov](mailto:bneville@oceancitymd.gov), or the City Engineer, 410.289.8790, [pmauser@oceancitymd.gov](mailto:pmauser@oceancitymd.gov).

**Natural & Beneficial Functions of Floodplains:** Floodplains in their natural state provide many beneficial functions. Primary undeveloped flood plain areas in OC are beaches & dunes, the first line of defense against flood damage from the ocean. Taking care of dunes by not walking on them & maintaining vegetation is essential to retaining their flood protection function. Bayside, wetlands & other open spaces act as sponges, storing floodwaters before they reach upland areas. These natural areas are protected by Federal, State & Local regulations.

**Flood Warning System:** OC has developed a flood warning system as part of our Comprehensive Operations Plan. Since flooding here is caused by storms & hurricanes, the warning system is based on storm severity & location. Protect family from flooding hazards. Establish a family rendezvous location when the warning is issued.

**Flood Insurance:** Standard homeowners insurance policies do not cover losses due to flooding. OC participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, which makes federally backed flood insurance available to property owners. This insurance is required in many cases, such as when property is purchased with a federally backed mortgage. Property owners can insure buildings & contents against flood damage & renters can insure possessions. Condominiums should carry a flood insurance policy on the structure itself. Flood insurance is available to all property owners & renters. Consider a Preferred Risk Flood Insurance Policy. The NFIP's Preferred Risk Policy, or PRP, offers low-cost flood insurance to owners & tenants of eligible residential & non-residential buildings located in moderate- to low-risk areas. For more information on flooding & insurance, visit <https://www.floodsmart.gov>.

**Floodplain Development Permit Requirements:** Build responsibly. OC Code requires a building permit be obtained for nearly all construction & structural repair work, & for any development within the Special Flood Hazard Area mapped on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps. The city reviews plans to be sure buildings are constructed to withstand flooding. Permits are also required before any land development (grading, filling, etc.) in the floodplain to ensure activities do not increase flooding potential on or around property. Part of the permit process involves preparation of elevation certificates, which provide a record of the structure's lowest floor elevation to predicted flood levels. Elevation certificates are maintained for

review by insurance agents, property owners & other interested persons. Obtain information & permits from Department of Planning & Community Development at City Hall 410.289.8855, [jmetzgar@oceancitymd.gov](mailto:jmetzgar@oceancitymd.gov). Illegal floodplain activity can also be reported here. Learn the Substantial Improvements rules by contacting the Building Office.

**Drainage System Maintenance:** It is important our drainage system be kept clear of obstructions & debris. The Town's littering ordinance prohibits throwing trash onto any public property, including storm drains & sewers. To report violations & clogged drainage ways, call 410.524.7716. Report any dumping of wastes you witness to the Environmental Engineer by calling 410.289.8825. Learn more at: <https://oceancitymd.gov/oc/departments/engineering/environment/pollution-prevention-plan/>.

**Flood Protection Assistance:** The Dept. of Planning & Community Development & City Engineer can assist with questions about flood protection & flood insurance, including historical flooding information so you can relate flood potential to your property; site visits to advise appropriate flood protection techniques; review retrofitting plans; locate property on flood insurance rate maps to determine flood zones & research elevation certificates for existing buildings to determine height above floodwaters. For more info, call 410.289.8855 or email [jmetzgar@oceancitymd.gov](mailto:jmetzgar@oceancitymd.gov).

**Property Protection Measures:** There are many ways to protect property from flood damage. Make sure your new building is constructed to meet or exceed code requirements. These include requirements for elevation of building, foundations, venting, etc. There are also ways to retrofit existing buildings to increase protection:

**ELEVATION:** Raising structure to bring it above floodwater level.

**LEVEES:** In areas of shallow flooding with low velocity, a levee can be built around the structure.

**FLOOD WALLS:** Similar to levees, but built of materials such as masonry block or reinforced concrete to keep flood water away.

**CLOSURES:** Involve techniques for protecting gaps left open for daily convenience, such as walks, doors, driveways.

**SEALANTS:** Can be applied to walls & floors to keep water from penetrating.


**UTILITY PROTECTION:** Flooding sometimes causes costly damage to utility systems. By elevating utilities or shielding them, flooding can be avoided. Moving utilities to less flood-prone locations can also minimize damage. This article is published in each edition of the newsletter as required by the Town's participation in FEMA's Community Rating System. Property owners in Ocean City **may** receive a 20% discount on flood insurance premiums through this program. For an expanded version of this article, visit: [oceancitymd.gov](http://oceancitymd.gov).

**NO GUARDED BEACHES.** Remember that pets are only allowed on the beach & Boardwalk Oct. 1-April 30. (Any handler or owner of a dog must remove any waste deposited on public or private property not owned by the handler or owner in possession of said dog. Also, dogs must be kept on a leash when being walked in & around Ocean City.)



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>SPRING HYDRANT FLUSHING</b> The Town of OC's Public Works Department will be conducting a hydrant flushing of the water system <b>Apr 21 - 25</b> . Residents & businesses are reminded that after flushing there may be a slight discoloration of the water. For more info, visit <a href="http://oceancitymd.gov">oceancitymd.gov</a> .	<b>April Fools' Day</b> <b>1</b>  Mayor & City Council <b>Regular Meeting</b> , City Hall, 6 PM	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>  • Art League of Ocean City <b>Anime Youth Art Show</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St.  • Art League of Ocean City <b>1st Friday Art Exhibit Opening Reception</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 5 - 7 PM	<b>6</b>  • Art League of Ocean City <b>Anime Youth Art Show</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St.
<b>7</b>  • Art League of Ocean City <b>Anime Youth Art Show</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St.	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  Mayor & City Council <b>Work Session</b> , City Hall, 1 PM	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  Mayor & City Council <b>Regular Meeting</b> , City Hall, 6 PM	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>Tax Day</b> (Filing Deadline for IRS Tax Returns)  • <b>Writer's Group</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 1 - 3 PM • <b>OC Film Night</b> , Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., 7 - 8 PM (\$)
<b>21</b>	<b>Earth Day</b> <b>Passover</b> (Begins) <b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>  • Art League of OC <b>Originals Only</b> Ctr. for the Arts, 94th St., Enjoy musicians and performers	<b>25</b>	<b>Arbor Day</b> <b>26</b>  • Ocean City Beautification <b>Arbor Day Celebration</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Passover</b> (Ends) <b>30</b>  Mayor & City Council <b>Work Session</b> , City Hall, 1 PM	<b>Know about your Property's Flood Risk:</b> Contact the Planning and Community Development Department (Building Dept.) at City Hall <b>410.289.8855</b> or visit <a href="http://oceancitymd.gov/oc/contact-us/">oceancitymd.gov/oc/contact-us/</a> or email: <a href="mailto:bneville@oceancitymd.gov">bneville@oceancitymd.gov</a> . Department staff can tell you about the causes of repetitive flooding, how the City manages it, and what would be an appropriate flood protection level. The staff can visit your property to discuss flood protection alternatives, and provide location specific information regarding flood risk zones, base flood elevation, approximate flood depth and copies of elevation certificates on file. Map information can be provided for your property including protected coastal barriers and dunes, lines demarcating wave action (LiMWA) and other risk factors such as nuisance flooding. <i>Scan the QR code to view New Flood Map Tools!</i> 			

**Check your flood insurance policy:** Effective October 1, 2021, FEMA implemented Risk Rating 2.0 to establish flood insurance premiums. Contact your insurance agent for more information on rates and coverage, and ask if you have contents coverage. Don't forget ... in most cases, there is a 30-day waiting period before National Flood Insurance Program coverage takes effect. *Scan for more.*




PRSR STD  
US POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
Ocean City, MD  
PERMIT #41

Mayor & City Council  
Town of Ocean City  
P.O. Box 158  
Ocean City, MD 21843



## IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

### KNOW YOUR ZONE & DIVISION

Find yours at: [oceancitymd.gov/knowyourzone](https://oceancitymd.gov/knowyourzone)

FIRST RESPONDERS CAN COME TO MY:

### OCEAN CITY ADDRESS:

My property is located in **DIVISION:**

My property is located in **ZONE:**



## City Council



**Matthew James**  
Council President



**Tony DeLuca**  
Council Secretary



**Peter Buas**  
Council Member



**John Gehrig, Jr.**  
Council Member



**Frank Knight**  
Council Member



**Carol Proctor**  
Council Member



**Will Savage**  
Council Member



**Terry McGeen**  
City Manager

Ocean City Newsletter & Community Calendar is produced by the Mayor & City Council

Copyright © 2023. The Ocean City Newsletter & Community Calendar is published & distributed annually. While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the information provided, the Town of Ocean City, its employees and its agents do not accept any responsibility for any errors or omissions. All logos, trademarks, servicemarks, artwork and publicity photos are the property of their respective owners. Please visit our website, [oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov)/events, as events may be added/updated. This calendar is not a complete list of all events. Events, dates, times and/or fees subject to change.

## From the Mayor

Dear Residents, Property Owners & Friends,

They say time flies when you're having fun, and in Ocean City it's no surprise that another great year has passed. We started 2023 with a brand new event, Dreamfest, a MLK Celebration, at the Performing Arts Center. The Boat Show highlighted President's Day Weekend and the Ocean City Film Festival filled the Convention Center with many creative filmmakers. The St. Patrick's Day Parade made its return after a three-year hiatus to officially kick off the season!

There are many exciting things happening in Ocean City. We are thrilled to reveal Ocean City's new destination brand, "Somewhere to Smile About." The Department of Tourism has been working tirelessly on the brand development and we are excited to see it come to life!

Start planning your Ocean City to-do list now! On Sundays, don't miss the Sundaes in the Park with fireworks at Northside Park. Every Thursday, drone shows will light the skies downtown over the beach. Enjoy other events such as Sunset Park Parties, OC Dance Parties, and many more. We are excited to welcome back Professional Bull Riding at the beach and the OC Air Show featuring the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds!

The fun doesn't stop when summer ends! After a washed out weekend last September, we are excited to bring the new three-day music festival downtown featuring the hometown Maryland band O.A.R., and exciting national headliners! In October, we will celebrate the 48th Anniversary of Sunfest, Ocean City's largest arts and crafts festival. Take the family to Winterfest of Lights for the holidays, and catch a Broadway show and tribute bands at the Performing Arts Center. Be sure to check out [oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov) for a list of events.

Along with the excitement of our new attractions, I hope you will enjoy the traditional charms offered in Ocean City year-round whether it's a day at the beach, a round of golf, a stroll on our world-famous Boardwalk, or fishing and boating on the bay.

There is so much to experience in Ocean City, and I encourage you to browse the pages of this publication and learn more about the Town's programs and services. On behalf of the City Council, thank you for allowing us to represent this vibrant resort community. We take tremendous pride serving you and look forward to continuing to make Ocean City a great place for you to live, work or play. Ocean City is definitely "Somewhere to Smile About."

Sincerely,



**Rick Meehan**  
Mayor



## From the Editors

**Lauren Davis, Executive Assistant to the Mayor**  
**Molly Wooten, Graphic Designer**

We hope you enjoy this annual publication & welcome your feedback. Please email comments to

[ldavis@oceancitymd.gov](mailto:ldavis@oceancitymd.gov) or mail to: **Town of Ocean City**  
**Attn: Lauren Davis, 301 Baltimore Ave., Ocean City, MD 21842**

**Download the Ocean City Newsletter & Community Calendar at [oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov) (under "News & Media")**

## Ocean City

## IMPORTANT NUMBERS

### EMERGENCY:

Police, Fire, Ambulance .....911

### NON-EMERGENCY:

MD Natural Resources Police .....410.548.7070

Poison Control Center .....1.800.222.1222

U.S. Coast Guard .....410.289.7559

### OTHERS:

Atlantic General Hospital .....410.641.1100

Chamber of Commerce .....410.213.0144

Comcast .....888.266.2278

Coastal Association of Realtors ....410.641.4409

District Court .....410.723.6935

Humane Society .....410.213.0146

Life Crisis Hotline .....410.641.4357

Legal Aid Bureau, Inc. ....410.546.5511

Maryland Job Service .....410.341.8533

OC Center for the Arts .....410.524.9433

OC Development Corp (OCDC) ....410.289.7739

OC Hotel-Motel Restaurant Assoc. ....410.289.6733

OC Public Library .....410.524.1818

### CITY OFFICES:

Airport .....410.213.2471

Animal Control .....410.723.6649

Billing & Tax Information .....410.289.8833

City Hall General Information .....410.289.8221

City Manager .....410.289.8887

Eagle's Landing Golf Course .....410.213.7277

or .....1.800.TEE.TIME

Engineering Department .....410.289.8845

Fire Dept. (non-emergency) .....410.289.4346

Mayor .....410.289.8931

OC Life-Saving Station Museum ....410.289.4991

Police (non-emergency) .....410.723.6610

Public Works .....410.524.7715

Public Works Maintenance .....410.524.0391

Recreation & Parks .....410.250.0125

Solid Waste .....410.524.0318

Transportation Department .....410.723.1606

Visitor Center .....410.289.2800

Water Department Billing .....410.289.8833

Water Department .....410.524.8388

Wastewater Department .....410.524.6760

**[oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov) | [oceancitymd.gov](https://oceancitymd.gov)**

Find us! @TownofOceanCity