

## Make it a cool, entertaining and affordable summer

Imagine a summer where you and the kids could cool off in a nice pool or fill your entire day with indoor activities that kept everyone entertained. Even better — what if you could do those things without breaking the bank? Welcome to summertime in Tempe, where it's all possible. Here are the top 5 affordable ways for families to enjoy the summertime without ever leaving the city.



## 1 BEAT THE HEAT AT TEMPE POOLS AND SPLASH PADS



Jump on in — the water's great! All of Tempe's pools and splash pads are open for the summer. Residents can swim seven days a week at [Escalante Pool](#) and [Kiwanis Wave Pool](#) until the end of July. Tempe's three splash pads at Esquer, Hudson and Jaycee parks are also open and free to use. Visit [www.tempe.gov/pools](http://www.tempe.gov/pools) for locations and more information.

### Kiwanis Wave Pool

2–12 years: \$5  
13+ years: \$7

### Escalante Pool

6–17 years: \$.75  
18+ years: \$1.25



## 2 TEMPE TOWN LAKE ROWING, STAND-UP PADDLING AND KAYAKING

Why drive for miles when you can be on the lake right here in Tempe? The city offers several morning and evening classes at [Tempe Town Lake](#) for [kayaking](#), [stand-up paddling](#) and [yoga](#). There is also an incredible Junior Rowing class for youth ages 13 and up. Wrap up your day at the lake by taking part in Glow Paddle, which happens two evenings a month all summer long (ages 10 and up). To see class offerings, schedules and to register, visit [www.tempe.gov/brochure](http://www.tempe.gov/brochure).

## 3 FREE CLASSES AND SUMMER READING AT THE TEMPE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Stay cool and keep those minds alert with free classes and Summer Reading events all June and July at the [Tempe Public Library](#).

For the kids, Totally Tempe Tuesdays are a must — every Tuesday in June and July features a Summer Reading theme and related activities. The whole family can join in the fun though — there are several classes and activities for teens and adults as well. And of course, everyone can earn rewards and badges for taking part.



Mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 20, when Mayor Mark Mitchell will stop by at 2 p.m. for a special reading. For more information, visit [www.tempe.gov/SummerReading](http://www.tempe.gov/SummerReading).

## 4 TRAINS AND TRANSPORTATION AT THE TEMPE HISTORY MUSEUM



The Tempe History Museum is open all summer long, featuring the main exhibit that takes visitors on a journey through Tempe's past, along with the current changing exhibit, [Trains of Tempe](#). Summertime at the museum also means the return of [Tempe Time Machine](#), a free summer enrichment program that takes place every Wednesday and second Saturday in June and July. This year's theme is Trains and Transportation.

Attendees will take part in interactive stations, stories, hands-on crafts and more. The activities take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Drop-ins are welcomed though reservations are recommended for large groups. Admission is free for all museum events. For more information, visit [www.tempe.gov/TimeMachine](http://www.tempe.gov/TimeMachine).





## 5 INDOOR SPORTS AND SWIM LESSONS

Tempe offers several affordable indoor sports classes and swim lessons to keep the kids active and healthy this summer. Indoor soccer sessions start at \$25. The city's [Youth Hoops](#) basketball program is top-notch and costs \$89. Martial arts classes are also available for all ages (costs vary by age). Visit [www.tempe.gov/brochure](http://www.tempe.gov/brochure) for schedules and registration.

Swim lessons are also available at Kiwanis Recreation Center and Escalante Pool. Classes are available for swimmers of all ages and skill levels. They start as low as \$25 per session, but vary by skill levels and age groups. Visit [www.tempe.gov/swim](http://www.tempe.gov/swim) for classes and registration.

## MCCLINTOCK POOL REOPENS IN LATE SUMMER

Get ready to dive back in! [McClintock Pool](#), located at 1830 E. Del Rio Dr., is reopening to the public this summer for recreational swim. It will feature increased depth for diving, an ADA-accessible entry and updated equipment.

Once open, McClintock Pool will be the only public diving pool in Tempe. The pool will also have removable bulk heads to accommodate lane lengths and pool configurations.

A grand reopening celebration is in the works for late July. Check [www.tempe.gov/pools](http://www.tempe.gov/pools) for updates.



## FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH AVAILABLE FOR TEMPE STUDENTS THIS SUMMER

Tempe children 18 years and under have access to free meals through [Summer Lunch Buddies](#), which is Arizona's campaign for the national [Summer Food Service Program](#). There are no applications or eligibility requirements. Teens and kids simply show up at the closest location during meal time.

Tempe locations include Escalante Community Center, Wood Elementary, Broadmor Elementary, Connolly Middle School, Fees College Preparatory and Ward Traditional Academy. Visit [www.eatwellbewell.org/summerfood](http://www.eatwellbewell.org/summerfood) for addresses and meal times.



## APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR TEMPE'S FREE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

The City of Tempe is sponsoring Tempe PRE (Preschool Resource Expansion) — free high-quality preschools for income-eligible children ages 3 & 4. Applications are now being accepted online at [www.tempe.gov/TempePRE](http://www.tempe.gov/TempePRE). Preschool participants will be selected by a random drawing on June 26, and if seats are available, a second drawing will be held on July 17. Applicants must live in Tempe and be living at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Level.

# CITYWIDE NEWS



## Tempe 311 Launches Updated Mobile App

Tempe 311 has launched a new-and-improved mobile app with several new features, including request tracking, improved search functionality and easier account signup. The previous app will need to be deleted. Download the new one by visiting [Google Play](#) or the [App Store](#) and searching Tempe311.

## Feedback Needed On Utility Rate Study

Provide your thoughts on proposed changes to solid waste and water rates by visiting [www.tempe.gov/UtilityRateStudy](http://www.tempe.gov/UtilityRateStudy). Program changes are also being proposed, including new tiers for water use, same-day waste and recycling collection, and an incentivized recycling program to reduce waste.

# JULY 4TH FESTIVAL LIGHTS UP THE SKY OVER TEMPE TOWN LAKE

Celebrate Independence Day by being front and center for one of the largest fireworks displays in Arizona. Tickets are now on sale for the annual FOX 10 July 4th Tempe Town Lake Festival. Every year, Tempe Beach Park is transformed into a patriotic party spot for all ages. The event, produced by the Kiwanis Club of Tempe, happens Tuesday, July 4 at Tempe Beach Park. Gates open at 5 p.m. Celebrate with live local entertainment, kids' activities, games, inflatables and rock-climbing walls. The 35-minute fireworks show will be launched from the Mill Avenue Bridge and choreographed to a variety of popular music.

Net proceeds from the event will benefit the Kiwanis Club of Tempe Children's Charities. Tickets can be purchased at all Fry's stores, at several city offices and online. General admission is \$5; VIP tickets start at \$30. Visit [www.tempe4th.com](http://www.tempe4th.com) or call 480-350-5189 for ticket and parking information along with event do's and don'ts.

## Entertainment lineup:

- 6:15 p.m. – Rock Quartet [Lane Change](#)
- 7:15 p.m. – Country Singer [Kianna Martinez](#)
- 8:15 p.m. – Soul/Pop Singer [Levi Rebel](#)
- 9:15 p.m. – Fireworks Spectacular Over Tempe Town Lake





# JUNETEENTH CELEBRATIONS ON JUNE 16 & 17

Join us for the third annual Juneteenth Festival, presented by the African American Advisory Committee. Juneteenth is an American festival that commemorates June 19, 1865 when slaves were emancipated in Texas. The day is also celebrated throughout America to honor African American heritage. The Tempe History Museum, 809 E. Southern Ave., will host two Juneteenth events. Visit [www.tempe.gov/museum](http://www.tempe.gov/museum) or call 480-350-5100 for more information.

**Friday, June 16, 7 p.m.** • Video presentation and  
**Community Room** discussion

**Saturday, June 17** • Family-friendly live music and  
**11 a.m.–4 p.m.** dance performances  
• Information booths focusing on  
freedom, finance, family and  
education  
• Raffle prizes and giveaways

 To receive up-to-date information about exciting events and opportunities happening between Connecting Tempe newsletters, become a fan of Tempe Opportunities on [Facebook](#).

## SAVE THE DATE

**Wednesday, June 14**  
**Tempe Time Machine**  
10 a.m.–2 p.m.; [Tempe History Museum](#)

**Friday, June 16**  
**Juneteenth Video and Discussion**  
7 p.m.; [Tempe History Museum](#)

**Saturday, June 17**  
**Juneteenth Festival**  
11 a.m.–1 p.m.; [Tempe History Museum](#)

**Tuesday, June 20**  
**Totally Tempe Tuesday w/ Mayor Mitchell**  
2 p.m.; [Tempe Public Library](#)

**Wednesday, June 21**  
**Tempe Time Machine**  
10 a.m.–2 p.m.; [Tempe History Museum](#)

**Wednesday, June 28**  
**Tempe Time Machine**  
10 a.m.–2 p.m.; [Tempe History Museum](#)

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