

DANCE

In The Parks
Summer Sunset



PERFORMANCE DATES

All performances start at 6:30 PM unless otherwise noted

BRING A CHAIR OR BLANKET

Tuesday, July 7

Kennicott Park
4434 S Lake Park Ave 60653
Youth Partner: Creative Network

Friday, July 17

Rutherford Sayre Park
6871 W Belden Ave 60707
Youth Partner: TranscenDance Studios

Wednesday, July 8

Jefferson Playground Park
1709 S Desplaines St 60616
Youth Partner: Intrigue Dance Company

Monday, July 20

Independence Park
3945 N Springfield Ave 60618
Youth Partner: Extensions Dance Company

Friday, July 10

McKinley Park
2210 W Pershing Rd 60609
Youth Partner: Joffrey Community
Engagement Exelon Strobel Dancers

Tuesday, July 21

Oakdale Park
965 W 95th St 60643
Youth Partner: MSB DANCE-Movement
Strengthens Balance Dance Ensemble
Rain location: Ridge Park
9625 S Longwood Dr 60643

Monday, July 13

West Pullman Park
401 W 123rd St 60628
Youth Partner: West Pullman Park
Lady Wolfpack Dance Team

Wednesday, July 22

Palmer Park
201 E 111th St 60628
Youth Partner: Chicago Elite of Palmer Park

Tuesday, July 14

Beverly Park
2460 W 102nd St 60655
Youth Partners: Dance Gallery Chicago
& Dance With Me Productions

Friday, July 24

Touhy Park
7348 N Paulina St 60626
Youth Partner: Synapse Arts

Wednesday, July 15

Ridgeville Park District *6:00 PM
908 Seward St, Evanston 60202
Partnership with Concerts on the Ridge
Youth Partners: Chicago Ballet Arts
& Dance Center of Evanston
Rain date: July 16 at 6:00 PM

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PROGRAM

Iltsári

Choreographer: Paula Sousa

Performers: Stephanie Cihlar, Sam Crouch, Katy Fedrigon, Ashley Johnson, Reid Kostroun, Kyra Laster, Ben Moleta

Music: *Xangô* by Goma-Laca, *Itsári* by Sepultura.

Music Edition: Paula Sousa

bestfavorite

Choreographer: Stephanie Cihlar

Performers: Sam Crouch, Kyra Laster

Music: *Avril 14th* by Aphex Twin; *11_1* by Westernmind

YOUTH PARTNER PERFORMANCE #1

Trenches

Choreographer: Jessica Deahr Neville

Performers: Katy Fedrigon, Ashley Johnson, Reid Kostroun, Kyra Laster

Music: *Sending Mark Home* by the Human Experience, *Lo <3** and *stop for a minute* by hurricane tortilla

Au Revoir

Choreographer: Rebecca Lemme

Performers: Reid Kostroun, Ben Moleta

Music: *I'll Be Seeing You* cover by Cat Power

PROGRAM

YOUTH PARTNER PERFORMANCE #2

Soft Place to Land

Choreographer: Tom Mattingly

Performers: Stephanie Cihlar, Katy Fedrigon, Ben Moleta

Music: *Piano Etude #2* by Philip Glass

RETURN YOUR COMPLETED SURVEY TO THE DANCE IN THE PARKS VOLUNTEERS NOW TO BE ENTERED TO WIN TICKETS TO SEE ANOTHER DANCE SHOW.

Attention Please

Choreographer: Jackie Nowicki

Performers: Stephanie Cihlar, Sam Crouch, Katy Fedrigon, Ashley Johnson, Reid Kostroun, Kyra Laster, Ben Moleta

Music: Phil Collins

COMPANY



KATIE MCCANN
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CHOREOGRAPHER



REBECCA LEMME
CHOREOGRAPHER



Tom Mattingly
CHOREOGRAPHER



Jackie Nowicki
CHOREOGRAPHER



Paula Sousa
CHOREOGRAPHER

YOUTH PARTNERS

KENNICOTT PARK

The Creatives (Creative Network)

Brighter Days

Choreographer: Jadah/ Mike D Chicago

Music: Brighter days



JEFFERSON PLAYGROUND PARK

Intrigue Dance Company

Liminal Shift

Choreographer: Kevin Ivins

Performers: Abigail Gaggiano, Bella Sun, Darielle Williams, Gwendolyn McCrudden, Isabella Moy-Zamora, Myrna Eigenberg

Music: Ingrid Michaelson & A Great Big World

Edit

Choreographer: Kevin Ivins

Performers: Abigail Gaggiano, Isabella Moy-Zamora

Music: Regina Spektor

YOUTH PARTNERS

MCKINLEY PARK

Joffrey Community Engagement Exelon Strobel Dancers

Free

Choreographer: Michael Smith

Music: Florence and The Machine

Everything Must Change

Choreographer: Carly Liegel

Music: Nina Simone

WEST PULLMAN PARK

Lady Wolfpack Dance Team

Pom Dance

Choreographer: Mariah McCaleb

Performers: Denym, Zoey, Drew, Aeryn, La'Bella, Liyah, Ja'Riyah, Alayzia, Ariana and Skye

Music: Beyonce

African Inspired Dance

Choreographer: Mariah McCaleb

Performers: Denym, Zoey, Talaiyah, Taniya, Mykel, Ava

Music: West African Drums

HBCU Majorette Dance

Choreographer: Mariah McCaleb

Performers: Journee, Tamia, Hailey and Aubree

Music: Beyonce

YOUTH PARTNERS

BEVERLY PARK

Dance Gallery Chicago

Waves

Choreographer: Roy'el Hill

Performers: Sasha, Jordyn, Peyton, Isabella, Isabella, Mia, Lola, Zoe, Orla

Music: *Blue Ocean Floor by Justin Timberlake - edited by Roy'el Hill*

Dance With Me Productions

Royal Bloodline

Choreographers: Alante Kylce & Breana Payne

Music: Michael and Janet Jackson

RIDGEVILLE PARK DISTRICT

Dance Center Evanston

Stargazers

Choreographer: Joey Castillo

Performers: Cici Barton, Adelaide Chu, Evelyn Cole, Tessa Merseeth Cook, Cecelia Sheaffer, Gwendolyn Sheaffer

Music: Moshi Moshi and Island Records

Chicago Ballet Arts

Celebration Polka

Choreographer: Maliwan Diemer

Performers: Micah Bonilla Worsley, Emma Intarakumhang, Olivia Sangalli, Claire Thrush

Music: Johann Strauss II

YOUTH PARTNERS

RUTHERFORD SAYRE PARK

TranscenDance Studios

The Rose Song

Choreographer: Stacy Anderson

Music: Olivia Rodrigo

Dancing With Myself

Choreographer: Stacy Anderson

Music: Billy Idol, Generation X

INDEPENDENCE PARK

Extensions Dance Company.

Ricochet

Choreographer: Jackie Nowicki

Dancers: Addie Bucks, Avery Clemmons

Music: Jung Jaeil

Mission

Choreographer: Lizzie MacKenzie

Dancer: Ava Dunaway

Music: Audiomachine



YOUTH PARTNERS

OAKDALE PARK

Movement Strengthens Balance Dance Ensemble

Ms. Celie's Pants

Choreographer: Brazhal Brewer

Performers: Nyla Jones, Nia Jones, Anavi Franklin, Demi Harris, Alaya Turead, Haley Robinson, Mariah Hardin, Haviland Redmond, Melanie Brevard

Music: Fantasia

She is Tired

Choreographer: Jenay Byers

Performers: Nyla Jones, Nia Jones, Anavi Franklin, Demi Harris, Alaya Turead, Haley Robinson, Mariah Hardin, Haviland Redmond, Melanie Brevard

Music: Andra Day

PALMER PARK

Chicago Elite of Palmer Park



YOUTH PARTNERS

TOUHY PARK

Synapse Arts Performance Troupe

Golden

Choreographer: Luke Virgilio

Music: Ejae, Audrey Nuna, Rei Ami, HUNTR/X



TICKET GIVEAWAY

AT THE END OF THE SHOW, WE WILL GIVE AWAY FREE TICKETS TO SEE THE FOLLOWING PERFORMANCES

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ENTERED TO WIN, PLEASE GET A
FEEDBACK SURVEY FROM A VOLUNTEER. FILL IT OUT AS
YOU WATCH.

WE'LL COLLECT THEM BEFORE THE LAST DANCE AND
DRAW THE WINNER AT THE END OF THE SHOW.

MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!

KENNICOTT PARK

Chicago Dance Crash

expo/sd July 24-25



JEFFERSON PLAYGROUND PARK

Visceral Dance

any show 2026-27 season



MCKINLEY PARK

Giordano Dance Chicago

2027 Spring Concert



WEST PULLMAN PARK

South Chicago Dance Theatre

2026 Spring Concert

SOUTH CHICAGO
DANCE THEATRE

energy | power | grace

TICKET GIVEAWAY

BEVERLY PARK

Broadway In Chicago

Dirty Dancing: The Musical on Sept 9



RIDGEVILLE PARK DISTRICT

Chicago Repertory Ballet

The Capulets in November

CHICAGO
REPERTORY
BALLET

RUTHERFORD SAYRE PARK

Winifred Haun & Dancers

How The Light Gets In in October

Winifred
Haun &
Dancers

INDEPENDENCE PARK

Auditorium Theatre

Any dance show 2026-27 season

AUDITORIUM THEATRE
CHICAGO'S LANDMARK STAGE EST. 1889

OAKDALE PARK

Joffrey Ballet

Notes on Love in February

JOFFREY ★ BALLET
CHICAGO

TICKET GIVEAWAY

PALMER PARK

Winifred Haun & Dancers

How The Light Gets In in October

Winifred
Haun &
Dancers

The Seldoms

All At Once in February

THE SELDOMS

TOUHY PARK

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago

Winter Series



HUBBARD STREET
DANCE CHICAGO

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

SUMMER SUNSET:

A CELEBRATION, A FAREWELL, A THANK YOU
OUR 18TH AND FINAL SEASON — JULY 2026

For eighteen summers, we've made dance for the parks, for the city, and for YOU. We've shared heat waves, rain outs, and the magic of dance on a perfect Chicago summer night. This season is our final season, our Summer Sunset, and we want to close it the way we've always danced it: together with joy.

You can help us celebrate by coming to another show and bring someone who's never seen us. Encourage your friends and family to go to a show.

This is our last curtain call — and we're grateful to be taking it with you.

Thank you for 18 amazing years!
Katie, and the DIP family

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