



City of Mercer Island Parks and Recreation Commission

Department Report
September 5, 2024



Pride in the Park

- The Aug. 24 Mercer Island Pride in the Park event was a success, despite the challenging weather.
- The community spirit truly shone through!
- Activities, included lively music from an enthusiastic band, food vendors, and a fantastic RuPAWS Puppy Parade and Costume Contest.
- It was terrific to see participants of all ages coming together to celebrate and we thank Mercer Island Pride+ for their partnership in this event.





Luther Burbank Sports Court Renovation

- **Good news!** Construction has resumed!
- As a reminder, we uncovered failing subgrade in July, and construction paused while we developed a plan to remediate the base for asphalt paving.
- This work is extensive and required a significant change order, which was approved by City Council on Tuesday night.
- FieldTurf has already removed all the remaining asphalt and started excavating the weak soils.
- Staff anticipate the courts will reopen for pickleball play by mid-October.
- Weekly updates available on Let's Talk: <https://www.mercerisland.gov/lbpcourts>

Playground Replacements

- New play equipment for Roanoke Park was delivered last month!
- The equipment is being stored at Public Works while permitting and the construction timeline are finalized.
- The playground replacement for First Hill Park is also progressing. Berger is finalizing materials to start the permitting process and working with staff to order equipment.
- Planning for Deane's Children's Park is on the horizon. Stay tuned!



Art Uncorked

- Mercer Island's First Friday Art Walk is set to coincide with the annual **Art Uncorked** event for an evening of fun - catch both events on **September 7** for a creative exploration of art, wine, and more in Town Center.
- Art Uncorked will feature a tasting garden, live music, and food. See the schedule and get your tickets on the event website.

<https://www.mercerislandartuncorked.com/>



The poster features a central graphic of a wine cork with a vibrant, multi-colored ribbon (orange, yellow, red, purple, blue) spiraling around it. To the left of the graphic, the words "Music", "Art", "Food", "Wine", and "Tasting" are stacked vertically in a pink, sans-serif font. The main title "Mercer Island Art 2024 UnCorked" is prominently displayed in the center-right, with "Mercer Island" in purple, "Art 2024" in blue and pink, and "UnCorked" in large blue letters. Below the title, the date and time "Saturday, September 7th 3:00pm-7:00pm" are written in purple. At the bottom, it specifies "21+ Event Only" and lists activities: "20+ Wineries, Food Trucks, Artisan Booths, Music, Photo Booth, Games and More!". In the top right corner, the title sponsor "THE MERCER APARTMENT HOMES" is shown with its logo.

Title Sponsor

THE MERCER
APARTMENT HOMES

Presented by Mercer Island Chamber

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Art 2024
UnCorked

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Mid-Autumn Festival

- The City has partnered with the Mercer Island Chinese Association to bring the Mid-Autumn Festival to the Community Center on **September 22 from 10am – 2pm.**
- This event will be filled with beautiful lanterns, delicious mooncakes, incredible performances, fun games and activities for the entire family.
- For more information, visit: <https://www.michinese.org/>

百家 ASIAN FAMILY MARKET
Mercer Island
Mid Autumn Festival
Carnival
默瑟岛中秋嘉年华

FREE ENTRY
免费入场

SEP. 22, 2024
SUNDAY,
10 AM - 2 PM
MERCER ISLAND
COMMUNITY & EVENT
CENTER

WIN
\$100+ VALUE
GOODIE BAGS
FOR THOSE WHO WIN ALL
THE GAMES
闯关成功获\$100大礼包!

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GAMES | 闯关游戏
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Summer Recap

Thank you to everyone who participated in making this summer unforgettable – whether you attended one of the seven **Mostly Music** in the Park concerts, contributed or participated in **Summer Celebration**, saw a **Shakespeare in the Park** performance, joined **Juneteenth** or **Pride in the Park**, enrolled in a **summer camp** or stopped by the **Community Center** – you’ve all made Mercer Island vibrant, fun, and a special place to be!



Thank you to our Summer event sponsors!

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Pride+



Parks and Recreation Planning Schedule

October 3- Canceled

October 8 Special Meeting

- Park Zone planning

November 7

- Park Zone planning
- Recreation Policy Implementation Review

December 5

- Park Zone Planning
- Parks Capital Projects Update





Thank
You