



TUMWATER PARKS & RECREATION 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

We are providing this calendar of City events to our elected officials and commission members in order to encourage participation in community activities. Thousands of our residents attend Tumwater's special events throughout the year. These events offer a wonderful opportunity for our public officials to interact – and have fun – with community members.

If you would like to be involved in an event, host an activity or just be on hand to talk with our local residents, we can set that up. Our Volunteer Coordinator, Brianna Feller, can work with you to create the perfect opportunity that is fun for you and fits within a particular event. You can contact Brianna at bfeller@ci.tumwater.wa.us or (360) 754-4167.

Special Events

- March 30** Easter Egg Dash (annually on Saturday before Easter) at 11am.
Location: Tumwater High School Stadium.
Target audience: Ages 11 and under; parents of young children.
Approximate attendance: 2,500.
- July 4** Independence Day Parade, 11am; Tumwater Family Festival and Nisqually Red Wind Casino Fireworks Show, (6 - 10:30pm).
Location: Capitol Blvd./Israel (parade) and TVGC (festival).
Target audience: Families, Thurston County and beyond.
Approximate attendance: 9,000 (parade), 11,000 (festival).
- August 17** Tumwater Artesian Brewfest (annually on 3rd Saturday in August), 1 - 8pm.
Location: Tumwater Valley Golf Club Driving range.
Target Attendance: 21 and older, Thurston County and beyond.
Approximate attendance: 5,000.
- December 7** Christmas Tree Lighting (annually on 1st Saturday in December), 1 - 5:30pm.
Location: Tumwater Fire Department Headquarters and City Hall.
Target audience: Youth, Teens, and Families.
Approximate attendance: 2,500.

Community Events

- June 8** Dog Days (annually on 2nd Saturday in June), 10am - 2pm.
Location: Pioneer Park.
Target Audience: Dog owners and their families.
Approximate attendance: 500 - 1,000.
- July 19** Screen on the Green – Tumwater City Hall (Sunset Drive In); movie begins at dusk.
Target Audience: Families, local to Thurston County.
Approximate attendance: 200 - 300.
- July 26** Screen on the Green – Barclift Park; movie begins at dusk.
Target Audience: Families, local to Thurston County.
Approximate Attendance: 150 - 200.
- August 2** Screen on the Green – Kindred Park; movie begins at dusk.
Target Audience: Families, local to Thurston County.
Approximate attendance: 200 - 400.
- August 9** Screen on the Green – Tumwater Valley Golf Course; movie begins at dusk.
Target Audience: Families, local to Thurston County.
Approximate attendance: 200 - 400.
- Sept 28** Falls Fest (annually on last Saturday in September), 10am - 4pm.
Location: Brewery Park at Tumwater Falls.
Target Audience: Local artists, art enthusiasts, general arts community, and families.
Approximate attendance: 5,000.
- October 17** Pumpkin Painting (typically 3rd Thursday in October), 6 - 7:30pm.
Location: Tumwater Middle School.
Target Audience: Local youth & families.
Approximate attendance: 200 - 250.

Volunteer Tumwater / Service Projects

- April 20** Earth Day/Arbor Day (annually on the Saturday nearest April 22), 10am - 1pm.
Location: Historical Park, varies annually.
Target Audience: Tumwater Middle and High School students, any interested volunteers.
- June 1** National Trails Day (annually on 1st Saturday in June), time TBD.
Educational/fun volunteer project for community highlighting our trail system.
Target Audience: Local volunteers.
- October 5** Clean-up, Drop Off Event (First Saturday in October), 9am - 12pm.
Location: City Hall.
Target Audience: Community members, volunteers.
Approximate attendance: 400 - 450 vehicles.
- Dec 5-21** Santa Stops (Tuesdays & Thursdays), 6:30 - 7:30pm.
Locations TBD. Typically neighborhood parks.
Target Audience: Residents of Tumwater neighborhoods.