

parade steps off at noon in downtown Aurora. Free. aurorapride.org

June 12

SPECIAL EVENT

GARDEN GAIT

The Lisle Women’s Club hosts its annual fundraising event showcasing homeowner gardens. Enjoy refreshments and browse craft-fair vendors at the Museum at Lisle Station Park, then spend the afternoon visiting private gardens in Lisle. \$15 in advance, \$20 day of event. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lisle Station Park, 921 School St. lislewomansclub.org

June 16–19

FESTIVAL

PRAIRIEFEST

Enjoy live performances from national and local bands, along with the Rock-N-Circus show, PrairieFest Expo, pony rides, petting zoo, carnival, and food vendors. Free. PrairieFest Park, 91 Plank Dr., Oswego. prairiefest.com

June 17–18

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BLUES ON THE FOX

Celebrate the blues with two days filled with live music, kids’ activities, food trucks, and vendors. Performers include Shemekia Copeland, Kenny Wayne Shepherd, Melody Angel, Billy Branch, and Mindi Abair and the Boneshakers. Chicago Blues legend Buddy Guy closes out the festival Saturday evening. \$15–\$35/day. RiverEdge Park, 360 N. Broadway, Aurora. paramountaurora.com

June 17–19

FAMILY

FATHER’S DAY

WEEKEND

FISHING

TOURNAMENT

Catch large-mouth bass, crappie, catfish, or trout anywhere between 5 a.m. Friday and 5



Blues on the Fox headliner
Buddy Guy

p.m. Sunday. Submit a photo via email to ewise@lisleparkdistrict.org of the fish next to a ruler and proof of date, where it was caught. Prizes awarded for the longest fish in each category and age group. Register by June 16. \$5/person. lisleparkdistrict.org

June 17–20

FESTIVAL

RIBFEST

Enjoy award-winning ribs, live music, carnival rides, and family fun at Ribfest’s new location, the DuPage Event Center and Fairgrounds. This fundraiser, hosted by the Exchange Club of Naperville, raises money to fight

child abuse and domestic violence. The headliner is Toby Keith. DuPage County Fairgrounds, 2015 Manchester Rd., Wheaton. ribfest.net

June 17–August 14

FAMILY

**NATURE’S BLUEPRINTS:
BIOMIMICRY IN ART AND DESIGN**

Be inspired by nature’s incredibly resourceful designs. Enjoy hands-on stations about natural emulation and discover: how forest burrs inspired Velcro; how beetles’ teeth inspired a more efficient chainsaw; how bird and bat wings aided early flight tests; and how spiderwebs have inspired suspension bridges. \$15/adult; \$12/seniors (65+): Free: members, kids, and students. Noon to 5 p.m. Elmhurst Art Museum, 150 S. Cottage Hill Ave., Elmhurst. elmhurstartmuseum.org

June 18

FAMILY

FISH-O-RAMA

Bring your fishing poles to the annual Fish-O-Rama. Offered in cooperation with the Kiwanis Club of Wheaton, this annual event invites kids 15 and under, with an adult, to participate in an open fishing contest. First-, second-, and



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