

COOLCITY WELCOME

GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

With daylight stretching up to 16 hours, summer gives you time to experience more of the city. Here are 10 great attractions – eight of them downtown within a **10-minute walk or free shuttle ride:**



1 Gerald R. Ford Presidential Museum
A celebration of our most prominent citizen. \$8 regular admission; \$6 with convention badge. (616) 254-0400



2 Grand Rapids Art Museum
A work of art inside and out. \$10 general admission; \$8 with convention badge; free on Tuesdays & 5-9 pm Thurs. (616) 831-1000



3 Grand Rapids Public Museum
Exploring history, nature, cultural heritage and more. \$8 regular admission; \$7 with convention badge. (616) 929-1700



4 Urban Institute for Contemporary Arts
Groundbreaking visual art, music, film and more. (616) 454-7000



5 Nightlife
Two distinct districts – Ionia Avenue and Bridge Street – are lined with multiple breweries and nightspots.



6 Shopping
60+ retailers include the Downtown Market, a local-foods emporium lined with artisan vendors and restaurants.



7 Riverwalk
Paved path along the Grand River passes by parks and attractions, and links to an extensive trail system.



8 Rosa Parks Circle
One of America's Top 5 Public Spaces becomes an outdoor gathering space, hosting live music, swing dancing & more.



9 John Ball Zoo
1,400 animals a five-minute ride from downtown. Opens March 10. \$12.50 regular admission; buy one-get one free with convention badge. (616) 336-4300



10 Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park
This "Top 30 Must-See Museum" is just a 10-minute ride away. \$14.50 regular admission; \$10 with convention badge. (616) 957-1580

Events Scheduled July 8-13

Fifth Third Bank Summer Concerts at Meijer Gardens: Michael Franti & Spearhead--July 8 at 7:00 PM

Venue: Frederik Meijer Gardens & Sculpture Park Amphitheater
1000 East Beltline Ave. NE, (616) 957-1580
See website for tickets <http://www.meijergardens.org>

Monday Jazz in the Park with Paul Keller Sundown Quintet—July 9 from 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Venue: Ah-Nab-Awen Park, 220 Front Ave. NW, Downtown
Monday night Jazz in the Park is back for a new season of outdoor concerts that continue to draw record crowds to Grand Rapids! In its 18th year.
FREE Admission

Free Zumba at Rosa Parks Circle Monday, July 9 from 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM

Venue: Rosa Parks Circle Monroe Center and Monroe
Zumba is a fusion of Latin and International music.
No registration required, simply drop in!
FREE Admission

PRETENDERS—July 11 at 7:30pm

Host: 20 Monroe Live at 11 Ottawa Ave. NW, Downtown
Phone: 1-844-678-LIVE (5483)
Alone is the first Pretenders album in eight years and was recorded in Nashville, TN.

Relax at Rosa - Watching for Foxes July 12 from noon - 1:30pm

Venue: Rosa Parks Circle Monroe Center and Monroe
FREE Admission

Fifth Third Bank Summer Concerts at Meijer Gardens: Patti LaBelle—July 13 at 7:00pm

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