

FAVORITE SUMMER FESTIVALS

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BLOSSOM TIME FESTIVAL

May 23-26

This festival, over Memorial Day weekend, kicks off the summer with hot air balloons, a 5K run, amazing food, old fashioned parade, the obligatory carnival rides, and a salute to our veteran heroes.

MARIANNE

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OHIO CITY STREET FESTIVAL

September 29

West 25th shuts down and it's a great end of summer event.

NICOLE

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LAKWOOD SUMMER MELTDOWN

July 13

Lakewood is such a vibrant and unique community. This festival brings people together of all ages and backgrounds to enjoy our neighborhood and what it has to offer truly comes alive.

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WATERLOO ARTS FEST

June 29

It showcases great local artists, makers, musicians, food, and an amazingly eclectic Cleveland neighborhood.

EVIE

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CLEVELAND PICKLE FESTIVAL

August 24

I'm looking forward to this new festival that includes bobbing for pickles, a kids costume contest, and pickle beer.

BOB

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INGENUITYFEST

September 27-29

Ingenuity features artists, musicians, performers, vendors, and forward-thinkers. It's a great place to get inspired and explore the studios and workshops of the craftsmen at the Hamilton Collaborative.

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SOMMER OKTOBERFEST

August 16-18

This Oktoberfest, at the Donauschwaben German-American Cultural Center in August is the best.

RACHEL

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BURNING RIVER FEST

June 21-22

It boasts a unique location, great bands, and tasty Great Lakes Brewing Company beers, what else could you ask for?

ANDREW

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AVON HERITAGE DUCK TAPE FESTIVAL

June 13-16

I love seeing the amazing creations people make solely out of Duck Tape. The ingenuity is mind-blowing.

MICHELLE

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STAR-SPANGLED SPECTACULAR

August 7

The Cleveland Orchestra downtown ... sometimes at Public Square, other times at Mall C ... always fabulous.

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LA PLACITA

June 15, July 20, August 17

La Placita is a great series of open-air markets that highlight Cleveland's great Hispanic community.

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BAYARTS ART AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

June 15

It is a great event to pick up some home decor items, jewelry, and produce from local vendors.

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CAIN PARK ARTS FESTIVAL

July 12-14

Great arts and crafts, entertainment and, of course, people. Perfect recipe for a summer weekend.

MICHAEL

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CHAGRIN FALLS ART BY THE FALLS

June 8-9

It features 120 painters, potters, jewelers and more. It's a great day to spend browsing along the Chagrin River in the sunshine!

BECKY

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