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# WELCOME

Discover Presque Isle hits the park for a non-stop fun-filled week for the 29th year! As always, Discover Presque Isle's goal is to encourage the community to "discover" the park in new ways and to raise awareness of its rich offerings.

Discover Presque Isle also provides an opportunity to give something back to the park in appreciation for all it has given to us over the years. Please seek out our button & t-shirt tents and donate generously - money raised benefits the park through Presque Isle Partnership projects - projects focused on improving and expanding accessibility for all visitors, enhancing park amenities to create a more enjoyable experience, ensuring public safety, preserving the park's rich history, providing educational opportunities, and fostering a culture of conservation.

This year's Presque Isle Partnership projects include the purchase and planting of native trees within the Waterworks Area, adding another beach wheelchair to the park's existing fleet, installing solar panels and lighting on the restored Waterworks Gear Tower, and the on-going offering of annual events that engage our community in unique ways.

A special thanks must be extended to our sponsors, volunteers, and event partners who have gone above and beyond in bringing this celebration together. Their all-important contribution of time, talent, and resources is unmatched and is a tribute to their concern for the community and the environment!



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## OFFICIAL EVENT T-SHIRTS

Presque Isle Partnership is excited to announce Erie Apparel as our 2023 Merchandise Partner! Erie Apparel merchandise and gifts will be available at Discover Presque Isle all week, along with this year's official event shirts and buttons! As a part of their partnership, EA merchandise sale proceeds will directly benefit the park and future initiatives.

BUTTONS AND T-SHIRTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT VISTA 4 PARKING LOT ON THE BAYSIDE OF THE PARK OR AT VARIOUS DISCOVER PRESQUE ISLE EVENTS



Location	Fri. Event
Weather Dependent	Fri. & Sat. Event
Daily Event	Fri. Sat. & Sun. Event
Tues. Event	Sat. Events
Wed. Event	Sat. & Sun. Event
Thurs. Event	Sun. Event

# ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

## Presque Isle Canoe & Boat Livery

Daily | 9am-8pm | Rental Fee

📍 Lagoons

Choose from a variety of canoes, kayaks, paddle boards, pontoon boats and more to explore the water trails of Presque Isle. Visit [www.presqueisleboatrental.com](http://www.presqueisleboatrental.com)

## Lake Erie Lights of PA

Daily | 10am-5pm | Tour fee applies

📍 Presque Isle Lighthouse

Immerse yourself in Erie's rich maritime history by visiting the Presque Isle Lighthouse, Erie Land Lighthouse, and North Pier Light. Visit [www.presqueislelighthouse.org](http://www.presqueislelighthouse.org)

## Tom Ridge Environmental Center & Erie Visitor Center

Daily | 8am-4pm | Free admission

The Tom Ridge Environmental Center and Erie Visitor Center is dedicated to the conservation and education of Presque Isle's unique 3,200 acres of the many different forms of life that inhabit the peninsula.

## Yellow Bike Rental Company

Daily | 9am-8pm | Rental fee

📍 Waterworks Area

Stop by the Yellow Bike Rental Company to rent aqua-cycles, bicycles, surreys, and more to explore the park! Visit [www.presqueisleyellowbikerental.com](http://www.presqueisleyellowbikerental.com)

## Beach Yoga, Pilates & Yogilates

Daily | 7:30am & 7:30pm | Free

📍 Beach 8

Enjoy some relaxing exercise overlooking Lake Erie on Beach 8! Sessions are held daily at 7:30am & 7:30pm.

	AM Sessions	PM Sessions
Mon.	Yogilates	Pilates
Tues.	Yoga	Yoga
Wed.	Pilates	Pilates
Thurs.	Yoga	Yoga
Fri.	Yoga	Yoga
Sat.	Yoga	Yoga
Sun.	Yoga	Yogilates

## Lady Kate Boat Tours

Daily | Tour Times Vary | Fee applies

Fully narrated cruises offer a unique view of Erie's historic lighthouses, nature preserves, the city's skyline, and numerous other sites. Visit [www.piboattours.com](http://www.piboattours.com)

## Discover Archery with DCNR

Tues. | 1-3pm | Free

📍 Outdoor Pavilion @ TREC

Give archery a try at this beginner's program with Park Naturalist. You will be introduced to equipment, how to use it, and how to shoot safely. No experience necessary.

## UPMC Sunset Music Series

Wed. | 5:30pm-Sunset | Free

📍 Beach 11

Rock out with us at the final concert of the Sunset Music Series! Bring a chair, your friends, and family and enjoy two live bands, weekly raffles, extended swimming, hula-hoop workshops, ice cream, and local food trucks.

## Bicycle Tour of Presque Isle

Thurs. | 10:30am-1pm | Free

📍 Cookhouse Pavilion

Join an Environmental Educator to see and learn about some of the most interesting places on this guided bicycle tour of Presque Isle. Suited for ages 12 and up. Bring your bike or rent one. To register, please visit [events.dcnr.pa.gov/presque\\_isle\\_state\\_park](http://events.dcnr.pa.gov/presque_isle_state_park) to register

## Tamarack Live Raptor Meet & Greet

Fri. | 11am-12pm | Free

📍 TREC Room 112

Join staff and volunteers from Tamarack Wildlife Rehab Center and get up close with several live raptors! Learn about the their important rehabilitation efforts.

## Kite Beach Illumination

Fri. | 8-10pm | Free

📍 Sunset Point

Prepare to be wowed by the colorful lights, windsocks and other airborne and land-bound lighted creations after enjoying a world-class sunset! Park at Beach 10 and enjoy the unique blend of kites and scenery.

## Sunset Point Kite Flyers

Fri. & Sat. | Dawn-Dusk | Free

📍 Sunset Point / Kite Beach

The Sunset Point Kite Flyers will be flying their kites at Sunset Point! Stop by to relax and marvel at the kites at Presque Isle.

## Presque Isle Lighthouse Artist Showcase

Fri. & Sat. | 10am-5pm | Free

📍 Presque Isle Lighthouse

Several local artists whose work is featured in the Lighthouse Gift Shop will be on site showcasing various pieces. Shop local!

## Archery Encounters

Fri., Sat., & Sun. | 10am-7pm | Free

📍 Play Field

More archery! Stop at the Play Field to try out this exciting sport from the local archery experts, Archery Encounters.

## Address Earth Kids Programs

Fri., & Sat., 12-6pm & Sun. 11am-4pm | Free

📍 Beach 11 Pavilion

Nature activities designed for kids such as Tree "Make a Match Game" Scavenger Hunt and nature notebooks. RELEAF will be donating trees for whoever would like to take one home. The nature activities will emphasize tree and water education. Come see Sherwin Squirrel!

## Lagoon By Pontoon

Fri., Sat., & Sun. | Times Vary | Free

📍 Pontoon Boat Station

Join Park Naturalists for an early morning one-hour boat tour of the lagoon system. Children 12 and under must wear a life jacket, provided. Sign-up is on location, in-person, first come first serve, 15 minutes prior to start time. Limited to 16 participants per ride.

Tour Times

9-10am | 10:30-11:30am | 12:30-1:30pm

## Art in the Park & Food Truck Festival

Fri., Sat., & Sun. | Times Vary | Free

📍 Beach 11

Join us in welcoming dozens of local and regional artisans, food trucks and environmental partners to Beach 11, Friday thru Sunday!

### OFFICIAL VENDING SCHEDULE

Fri.	12pm-8pm
Sat.	10am-8pm
Sun.	10am-4pm

## Presque Isle Volleyball Challenge

Sat. | 8:30am | Fee Applies

📍 Beach 6

Assemble your team for the annual Presque Isle Volleyball Challenge. Co-ed sixes round robin. Check-in; 8:30am, Cost is \$90 per team. Pre-register at [www.discoverpi.com](http://www.discoverpi.com)

## Fishing with the S.O.N.S. of Lake Erie

Sat. | 9am - 12pm | Free

📍 Waterworks Floating Dock

Fish with the S.O.N.S. of Lake Erie. License not required; equipment provided.

## Marquette Savings Bank Sand Sculpture Competition

Sat. | 9am-1pm | Free

📍 Beach 11

Show off your sand sculpting skills at Beach 11. All skill levels are welcome! Register morning-of at the Presque Isle Partnership tent.

### SCULPTING SCHEDULE

Build	9am-12:30pm
Judging	12:30pm
Awards	1pm



## Presque Isle History Presentation

Sat. | 10 - 11:30am & 12:30 - 1pm | Free

📍 TREC Big Green Screen

Join Park Naturalists for a presentation on the photos and videos the education staff have collected of the park's flora, fauna, and unique events.

## Discover Presque Isle Rock Stage Presented by Cumulus Media

Sat. | 2-10pm | Free

📍 Beach 1

Vibe out to five fantastic local bands with us at Beach 1! This is our biggest concert of the year so bring friends and family and enjoy some great summer tunes.

### BAND LINEUP

2-3pm	First to Eleven	6:30-8pm	Soul Addiction
3:30-4:30pm	Josh Travis	8:30-10pm	Reign Maker
5-6pm	Lights + Letters		

## Fire Performers

Sat. | 7:30pm - 9:30pm | Free

📍 Beach 1

Kinetic Creativity presents fire performances by Jennifer Dennehy, Samantha Cyparski, and Sophia Kopasakis around the giant bonfire. Enjoy a safe and dazzling demonstration of fire art!

## Giant Beach Bonfire

Sat. | 9-10pm | Free

📍 Beach 1

Feel the heat of the Giant Bonfire at Beach 1 on Saturday Night! Shout out the maintenance crew at Presque Isle for constructing this monster of a bonfire.

## Pancake Breakfast

Sat. & Sun. | 7:30am - 12pm | Fee Applies

📍 Rotary Pavilion

Breakfast is served on Saturday and Sunday mornings at the annual Presque Isle Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast! Bring the whole family and enjoy pancakes on the beach. Adults \$10; Children (under 12) \$6; Add eggs for \$1

## Lake Erie Cyclefest Sunrise Ride

Sun. | 6:15am | Beach 1 | Fee Applies

📍 Beach 1

This early morning ride provides the opportunity to become one with Presque Isle as you ride 13 miles around the park. Included in registration: Pancake Breakfast at the Rotary Pavilion ticket and the opportunity to climb the Presque Isle Lighthouse tower between 6 & 8am. Visit [www.lakeeriecyclefest.org](http://www.lakeeriecyclefest.org) to register.

## Birding Crafts & Activities for Kids

Sun. | 12 - 4pm | Free

📍 Perry Monument Pavilion

Birding activities galore for all ages, especially children: making pine-cone bird feeders, learning how to use binoculars and spotting scopes, bird watching, birding arts and crafts, and interactive displays about birds.

# TOP TEN BIRDS TO SEE

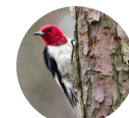
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Erie Bird Observatory (EBO) is an Erie-based non-profit organization dedicated to fostering enthusiasm for birds and conservation through ornithological research and public engagement. Local ornithologists and birding experts weighed in on what birds to keep an eye out for during Discover Presque Isle. Check them out below!



**YELLOW WARBLER**  
Commonly seen in shrubs all over the park.



**RED-HEADED WOODPECKER**  
Commonly seen in dead trees by the Head of the Bay.



**OSPREY**  
Commonly seen near Thompson Bay.



**RING-BILLED GULL**  
Commonly seen at the beach & in the water!



**EASTERN KINGBIRD**  
Commonly seen nesting in cottonwood trees around the park.



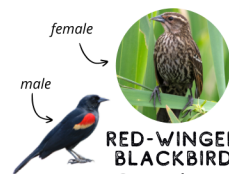
**SONG SPARROW**  
Commonly seen (and heard!) all over the park!



**MALLARD**  
Commonly seen at ponds and shorelines.



**PURPLE MARTINS**  
Commonly seen at West Pier.



**RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD**  
Commonly seen in marshes & wetlands!



**KILLDEER**  
Commonly seen in gravel parking lots and all over the park!



## 2023 ERIE BIRD OBSERVATORY BIRDING PASSPORT

NAME:

PHONE NUMBER:

Take a selfie birding with a landmark at the locations below. Show your pictures to front desk staff or volunteers at the Tom Ridge Environmental Center (TREC) & get a stamp. When your Passport is full, bring it back to TREC to be entered to win a special prize!



Use this QR Code to view EBO's Birding Hotspot Map



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Questions? Contact Lydia | [lydia@eriebirdobservatory.org](mailto:lydia@eriebirdobservatory.org)