

## HYDE PARK USED BOOK SALE

40,000+ BOOKS OVER 50 SUBJECT AREAS AT AFFORDABLE PRICES  
(most from \$.50 cents to \$2)

Currently managed by the Hyde Park Kenwood Community Conference, this 60 year old tradition is a major fundraising activity. Contributions are used to support a variety of local endeavors including community forums, school libraries, neighborhood parks, and educational programs.

## HYDE PARK HOLIDAY NIGHTS

### 3 THURSDAY NIGHTS 3 FORMS OF FESTIVITIES

(including caroling, characters and carving)

Holiday carolers serenaded shoppers, lively characters from the movie "Frozen" made the rounds at Hyde Park shops, and Nadeau's Ice Carving demonstrations intrigued audiences. Einstein Bros. Bagels hosted the Hot Chocolate Welcome Station of refreshments.

## HYDE HYDE PARK-ING

### 2 HOURS FREE PARKING

For the second year in a row, UChicago CREO sponsored a holiday parking promotion with two hours of free parking in the Harper Court garage on Lake Park Avenue.



## HYDE PARK VITALITY COMMITTEE HYDE PARK EVENTS 2016 CALENDAR

**May 13-15th** | 57th Annual Spring Fair

**June 2 – Oct 27th** | Hyde Park Farmers Market

**June 4-5th** | 57th Street Art Fair

**June 4-5th** | Hyde Park Brew Fest

**June 28th** | Hyde Park Dinner Crawl

**July 4th** | 4th on 53rd Street Parade & Picnic

**July 11 – Sept 11th** | George Franklin Memorial  
Summer Sunday Concert Series

**July - Sept** | Harper Court Summer Music Series

**Aug 19-21st** | Downtown Hyde Park Fest

**Sept 24-25th** | Hyde Park Jazz Festival

**Sept 17th** | Fall Bulb & Mum Fair  
Hyde Park Used Book Sale

**Oct 4th** | Hyde Park Dinner Crawl

**Oct** | Oktoberfest

**Dec** | Hyde Park Nights Holidays

## FOR MORE INFO:

Event details were provided by official organizers for aggregation by the Vitality Committee. Some 2016 dates were not available at the time of publishing, and all dates are subject to change. For more information about any of these events, please contact the South East Chicago Commission.

## HYDE PARK VITALITY COMMITTEE PRESENTS HYDE PARK EVENTS 2015-2016

The Hyde Park Vitality Committee is a team effort to communicate and collaborate on significant events and activities that promote community vitality and economic development in Hyde Park.

Led by the South East Chicago Commission, the committee includes contributions from Downtown Hyde Park, the Hyde Park Chamber of Commerce, the Nichols Park Advisory Council, and UChicago Commercial Real Estate Operations (CREO).



Hyde Park Garden Fair  
Hyde Park Farmers Market  
57th Street Art Fair  
Hyde Park Brew Fest  
Hyde Park Dinner Crawl  
4th on 53rd Street Parade & Picnic  
Jazz in the Courtyard  
Kids in the Courtyard  
Summer Sunday Concert Series  
Harper Court Summer Music Series  
Downtown Hyde Park Fest  
Hyde Park Jazz Festival  
Hyde Park Used Book Sale  
Hyde Park Holiday Nights

## HYDE PARK GARDEN FAIR

Spring / Fall

**SPRING:** 1,500+ shoppers with 1,000 pots of perennials, large numbers and varieties of beautiful hanging baskets and geraniums, and unique vines, trees, shrubs, and wildflowers.

**FALL:** There are more than 40 kinds of tulips, 41 kinds of narcissus, 10 kinds of crocus, plus a large assortment of hyacinths, alliums, fritillaria, scilla, Dutch iris, dwarf iris, hand-chosen chrysanthemums, and flowering kale.

All sales from the garden fair pay for the plantings in the formal gardens at Nichols Park, Spruce Park and other parks across the neighborhood, as well as urban agriculture and gardening programs across the South Side.

## HYDE PARK FARMERS MARKET

June - Oct

**7,000+** ATTENDEES | **14** VENDORS

**\$80,168**

OF LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

**400+** FREE REUSABLE SHOPPING BAGS

In 2015 the Hyde Park Farmers Market returned to the brand new Harper Court after a four-year temporary relocation. The market is held weekly, every Thursday from 7 am to 1 pm during the 5-month season.

## 57TH STREET ART FAIR



**250 ARTISTS &  
20,000 ATTENDEES**

Exhibitors are invited to participate by a jury made up of collectors, critics, curators and artists. The goal of the 57th Street Art Fair is to provide a venue for creators of quality fine art and fine craft to meet with the art-buying public.

## HYDE PARK BREW FEST



**50+ CRAFTED BEERS &  
3,000+ ATTENDEES**

Beer, food and live music make this festival a great way to enjoy the Summer months outside. In tandem with the 57th Street Art Fair, the Brew Fest is growing rapidly as a fantastic featured event in Hyde Park.

## JAZZ IN THE COURTYARD

June - September



Jazz in the Courtyard entertains hundreds of people with incredible live jazz performances on Friday afternoons from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. As the perfect backdrop for a lunch break or an early start to the weekend, each concert takes place in the Courtyard area at the Hyde Park Shopping Center at 55th & Lake Park Avenue. Featured performers have played at all the best festivals, concert halls, and music clubs around the world.

## KIDS IN THE COURTYARD

Kids in the Courtyard at the Hyde Park Shopping Center was an excellent escape for the entire family. The fair offered free art activities from the Hyde Park Art Center, performances by the Hyde Park School of Dance and music from Super Stolie. This fun-filled day also included balloon animals, face painting and goodie bags.



## 4TH ON 53RD STREET PARADE AND PICNIC



**25 SPONSORS =  
\$16,000 IN DONATIONS**

**1,000+  
ATTENDEES**

**24 PLANNING COMMITTEE  
100+ PARADE AND PICNIC VOLUNTEERS**

2015 was the 24th anniversary of the parade that begins at Hyde Park Bank and travels South to 55th Street, East to Hyde Park Boulevard, North to 53rd Street and back West to end with a fantastic picnic at Nichols Park. Local politicians dressed in Colonial period garb marched with activist groups. A float of Japanese drummers was followed by a group of African American cowboys. King College Prep and Kenwood Academy marching bands keep the tempo.

## DOWNTOWN HYDE PARK FEST

2015 marked the first ever Downtown Hyde Park Fest, spotlighting the people, artists, and businesses for a weekend filled with fashion, film, music, family and fun.

- Fashion on 53rd
- Family Fun and Festivities
- Cuisine and Concerts
- Children's Book Fair
- Music in the Park



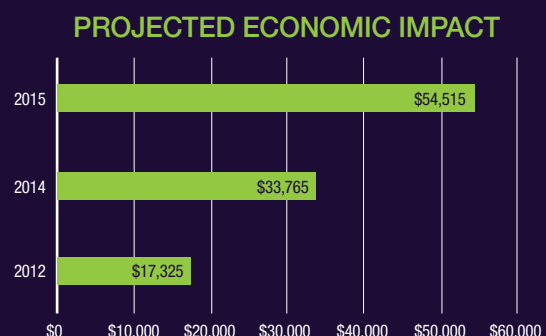
**18+ LOCAL  
BUSINESSES PARTICIPATED**

**4,500  
GUESTS ATTENDED**

**\$125,515 OF  
RETAIL ECONOMIC IMPACT**

## GEORGE FRANKLIN MEMORIAL SUMMER SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES

This mid-summer series invites music fans to enjoy jazz, soul, blues, indie rock, reggae, cumbia, funk and more on Sunday evenings from 4pm to 6pm. The 10-week concert series held at Nichols Park has grown from an average attendance of 90 people to an average of 257 guests, representing a 285% increase in attendance over 3 years. Admission is free!



## HYDE PARK DINNER CRAWL

Hyde Park Chamber orchestrates a social dine and dash with 10 different restaurants in Hyde Park for only \$25 per person.

**2 CRAWLS  
PER YEAR** | **10+ RESTAURANTS  
PER CRAWL**

**\$5,000 ECONOMIC  
RETAIL IMPACT PER YEAR**

## HARPER COURT SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Sponsored by the UChicago Commercial Real Estate and Operations (CREO) and organized by McCaffery Interests and Eric Williams of The Silver Room, the first annual three-part nighttime music and dance series held on the last Wednesday of July, August and September from 6-9pm in Harper Court brought hundreds of people to the front steps of the restaurants and shops in Harper Court.



## HYDE PARK JAZZ FESTIVAL



**18 HOURS OF MUSIC  
OVER 2 DAYS**

In only five years, the Hyde Park Jazz Festival established itself as one of the premier annual musical festivals in Chicago – named Best Neighborhood Music Festival by Chicago Magazine. This year the Jazz Fest presented Chicago's greatest jazz musicians to an anticipated crowd of more than 20,000 jazz lovers, 300 dedicated volunteers and festival committee members