



Parks, Arts & Recreation

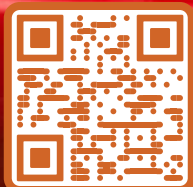
Spring 2026

Experience It!

Outdoor Recreation

*Get outside, get moving,
and explore together.*

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Director's Note

Spring has a way of changing the pace around Olympia. Trails get a little greener, daylight stretches longer, and familiar places feel new again. You might notice gardens waking up, parks filling with movement, or neighbors lingering a bit longer outdoors.

This season is an open invitation to get outside, learn a new skill, spend time together, or simply enjoy being part of an active, creative community. Whether you're joining a class, visiting a park, or trying something unexpected, we're glad to be part of how you spend your spring.

Thank you for continuing to explore, play, and grow with Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation.

Sylvana Niehuser, Director



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Program Locations

The Olympia Center
222 Columbia St NW

Decatur Woods Park
1015 Decatur St SW

Percival Landing
405 Columbia St NW

Squaxin Park
2600 Eastbay Dr NE

Swantown Marina
1210 Marine Dr

Avanti Bike Shop
1113 Legion Way SE

Lincoln Elementary
213 21st Ave SE

Marshall Middle School
3939 20th Ave NW

Evergreen State College
2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW

Aikido Olympia
506 Columbia St SW

Black Hills Gymnastics
7961 29th Ave NE, Lacey

Burfoot Park
6927 Boston Harbor Rd NE

Glass Art Studio
Address upon registration

Jacob Smith House
4500 Intelco Loop S, Lacey

My STEAM Lab
2424 Heritage Ct SW, Suite 302

The ONE Center
7400 Gallagher Cove Rd NW

Tumwater Old Town Center
215 N 2nd Ave SW

Tumwater Valley Golf Course
4611 Tumwater Valley Dr SE,

U.S. Martial Arts Center, Westside
2302 Harrison Ave. NW, Suite 205

Washington Middle School
3100 Cain Road SE

Locations subject to change. See pre-class info for location details.

Please note: Due to recent changes in Washington State sales tax law, certain programs may include additional sales tax. Final tax amounts will be applied at the time of purchase.

Ina's Fund Scholarships

Ina's Fund: Recreation Scholarships for All Ages

Everyone deserves access to meaningful recreation experiences—regardless of income. Ina's Fund helps reduce cost barriers for eligible Olympia residents, offering sliding-scale scholarships for many programs through Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation.

Scholarships are made possible through generous community donations and sponsorships and are awarded based on financial need, program type, and available funds.

Support the Fund

Help more families participate in recreation by donating to Ina's Fund!

- o Donations are tax-deductible and go directly to scholarships.
- o Individuals may give online at olympiawa.gov/scholarships.
- o For larger gifts—such as donor-advised funds, check payments, or sponsorships from businesses or organizations—please contact auyeda@ci.olympia.wa.us.

Every gift expands access and builds a stronger, more connected community.

Application Details

To qualify, applicants must:

- o Live within the City of Olympia or Olympia School District boundaries
- o Submit proof of income eligibility (e.g., free/reduced lunch, SNAP, SSI, or income documentation)
- o Scholarship limits: Youth – up to \$300/year | Adults – up to \$150/year
- o Download the application at olympiawa.gov/scholarships or contact 360.753.8380 or olympiaparks@ci.olympia.wa.us to request a paper copy.

Summer Camp Scholarships & Priority Registration

Families may still apply for summer camp scholarships after the priority deadline (2/26). Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis as funding allows. While scholarship support may still be available, priority registration and award amounts cannot be guaranteed. We'll contact you to confirm your award amount and assist with registration if space is available. Open registration begins 3/7/26.



Through Ina's Fund, more kids and families can explore, play, and grow with us!

Registration Information

Registration & Fees

- o **First Come, First Served:** Registration for programs operates on a first-come, first-served basis, with minimum and maximum enrollment guidelines.
- o **Payment:** Unless specified otherwise, fees must be paid at registration via cash, check (made payable to City of Olympia), or credit card, either online, in person, or over the phone.
- o **Payment Plans:** We offer scheduled payment plans for camps and select classes, requiring a credit card. Please contact us for details.
- o **Supplies:** Most fees include necessary supplies. If additional supplies are needed, lists will be provided at registration or during the first class.
- o **Non-Pro-rated Fees:** Classes with monthly fees are not pro-rated.
- o **Financial Assistance:** If fees present a hardship, please inquire about our “Ina’s Fund” scholarship program.
- o **Waivers:** Please complete any required waivers or intake paperwork at registration.

Waitlist Policy

- o If a program is full, you can be placed on a waitlist and will be contacted if a spot opens.
- o **Confirmation Periods:**
 - For programs starting in more than two weeks, you have 48 hours to confirm your spot.
 - For programs starting in 3 to 14 days, you have 24 hours to confirm.
 - For programs starting in less than two days or on a Friday before a Monday/Tuesday start, the slot will go to the first waitlisted customer to respond and pay.

Refunds & Cancellations

- o **Satisfaction Guarantee:** If you are not satisfied with a program, call us before the second meeting to receive a full refund. After two meetings, refunds will be pro-rated, and no refunds are issued after the third meeting.
- o **Withdrawal Methods:** You may withdraw from a program from your online account up until 14 days before the program starts. You may also withdraw at any time before the program starts by calling us at 360.753.8380 during regular business hours.
- o **Refund Guidelines:**
 - **Class & Trip Withdrawals:** Refunds, minus a \$10 administrative fee, are available if you cancel by 10 a.m. at least three business days before the first class or trip. After that deadline, only 50% of the fee will be refunded. No refunds issued for same day cancellations. No exceptions will be made for illness, emergencies, or no-shows. Whenever possible, please withdraw at least one week before the first class to allow us to offer the spot to someone on the waitlist.
 - **Camp Withdrawals/Transfers:** Refunds will be issued, minus the following cancellation fees:
 - 14+ days before camp: \$25 cancellation fee per session/week
 - 2–14 days before camp: 25% of the total camp fee per session/week
 - After 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the Friday before camp begins: 50% of the total camp fee per session/week
 - After camp begins: No refunds, except under the Satisfaction Guarantee.
 - **Sports League Withdrawals:** Refunds (less a \$10 admin fee) are available only if requested before league schedules are created (typically one week before play begins).
- o **Class/Trip Cancellations:**
 - Classes/Trips may be canceled due to low enrollment, with full refunds provided. We aim to notify participants 48 hours in advance via email and/or phone.
 - In case of inclement weather, classes follow the Olympia School District’s schedule and will be canceled if the District cancels school. If schools are delayed one hour, classes are held on time. If schools are delayed two or more hours, morning classes are canceled. Refunds/rescheduling decisions are made on a case-by-case basis.

Disclaimers

Classes and workshops are designed to be informative and do not endorse specific products or services. You are responsible for making informed decisions based on the information presented. Due to the volume of information in our program guide and registration website, changes or errors may occur post-publication. We will update our registration

Early Childhood

Preschool by the Bay

Ages 3-5

Learning & fun are fostered through themes, sharing, turn-taking, and positive communication. Stories, music, art, games, snack, and play support your child's social skills and readiness to learn in this comprehensive school-year program. Children must be potty trained. Registration for Fall 2026 opens in May. Call 360.753.8380 to register for this school-year program. Instructor: Mya Clark

Meets at The Olympia Center

MW	Apr 1 - 29*	9:30 AM - Noon	\$139	13875
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
TuTh	Apr 2 - 30*	9:30 AM - Noon	\$139	13881
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
MW	May 4 - 27*	9:30 AM - Noon	\$139	13876
	*No class 5/25			
TuTh	May 5 - 28	9:30 AM - Noon	\$139	13882
MW	Jun 1 - 10	9:30 AM - Noon	\$85	13877
TuTh	Jun 2 - 11	9:30 AM - Noon	\$85	13883

Baby & Toddlergym

Ages 1 month-2 years

Enjoy interactive playtime with your little one in a nurturing environment! Our indoor playground fosters growth through exploration, socialization, and physical activity. Caregivers connect while children engage in enriching experiences. Join us for memorable moments that will support your child's development. Facilitator: Becky Baker

Meets at The Olympia Center

MW	Apr 1 - 29*	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$29	14140
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
TuTh	Apr 2 - 30*	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$29	14146
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
TuTh	Apr 2 - 30*	10:00 - 10:50 AM	\$29	14143
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
MW	May 4 - 27*	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$29	14141
	*No class 5/25			
TuTh	May 5 - 28	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$29	14147
TuTh	May 5 - 28	10:00 - 10:50 AM	\$29	14144
MW	Jun 1 - 10	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$15	14142
TuTh	Jun 2 - 11	9:00 - 9:50 AM	\$15	14148
TuTh	Jun 2 - 11	10:00 - 10:50 AM	\$15	14145



Big fun for tiny explorers.

Kindergym

Ages 2-5

Looking for a fun and interactive program for you and your child? Our group activities are designed to promote social skills and help your child make new friends while enjoying our indoor playground. On "Trike & Bike Fridays" kids can ride around half of the gym on their favorite vehicles, while the other half is open for play. Individual registration is available for mobile siblings, and babies in arms under the age of 1 are welcome to join without registering. Join us for a fun-filled and educational experience that will help your child grow and develop! Facilitator: Becky Baker

Meets at The Olympia Center

MWF	Apr 1 - 29*	10:10 - 11:00 AM	\$39	14150
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
MWF	Apr 1 - 29*	11:00 - 11:50 AM	\$39	14153
	*No class 4/6-4/10			
MWF	May 1 - 29*	10:10 - 11:00 AM	\$39	14151
	*No class 5/25			
MWF	May 1 - 29*	11:00 - 11:50 AM	\$39	14154
	*No class 5/25			
MWF	Jun 1 - 12	10:10 - 11:00 AM	\$20	14152
MWF	Jun 1 - 12	11:00 - 11:50 AM	\$20	14155

Adult & Tot Gymnastics

Ages 1½-3

Tumbling, songs, exercise and fun equipment are a great way to give your child healthy playtime! This exciting, adult-participation class will give caregivers and little ones a chance to meet new friends too! Each class is expertly led by an enthusiastic and knowledgeable coach. Activities are designed to develop motor skills, agility, and spatial awareness.

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

Tu	Apr 14 - May 5	11:00 - 11:30 AM	\$85	14117
Tu	May 12 - Jun 2	11:00 - 11:30 AM	\$85	14118

Kindernast Gymnastics

Ages 3-5

One way to keep kids healthy is to develop their love of movement and activity. Kindernast is a wonderful first gymnastics adventure which will build your child's confidence and agility. The energetic instructors are all about SAFETY along with fun! If your youngster is ready to explore movement skills without assistance from mom or dad, they will have a great time in this secure, success-oriented program.

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

Tu	Apr 14 - May 5	11:30 AM - Noon	\$85	14123
Tu	May 12 - Jun 2	11:30 AM - Noon	\$85	14124

Holiday Break Kid's Half Day Camp

Ages 3-5

Get ready to flip, twist, and soar! This exciting program is designed for kids who love to move and have fun. This day is filled with organized gymnastics activities, fun games, and open play time, giving your child the chance to improve their skills and meet new friends in a supportive and encouraging environment.

M	May 25	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	\$50	14138
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Lil Ninja's Gymnastics

Ages 3-5

Do you have a little one at home who is full of energy and constantly jumping off the couch? They will love our Lil Ninja class where they can get out all that energy and learn how to do those jumps safely. They will learn rolls, kicks, jumps and how to speed race through our fun and creative Ninja Course. Our coaches are trained to instill discipline in them and teach them how to use their bodies safely.

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

Tu	Apr 14 - May 5	Noon - 12:30 PM	\$85	14132
Tu	Apr 14 - May 5	4:30 - 5:00 PM	\$85	14135
Tu	May 12 - Jun 2	Noon - 12:30 PM	\$85	14133
Tu	May 12 - Jun 2	4:30 - 5:00 PM	\$85	14136

Preschool Gymnastics Camp

Ages 3-5

Give your preschooler the chance to release their boundless energy and unleash their creativity! This engaging program seamlessly blends structured gymnastics exercises, exciting games, creative art and craft sessions with free play. Your little ones will develop strength, confidence, and cherished memories within a secure and encouraging atmosphere. Campers should be potty trained. Please pack a lunch, snacks and water.

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

M-F	Apr 6 - 10	9:00 AM - 12:30 PM	\$220	14115
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Kids flip, tumble, and play while building coordination and confidence.

Early Childhood

Taekwondo

Ages 5 and up

Experience an introduction to Taekwondo from the award winning U.S. Martial Arts Center. The emphasis is on building confidence, improving physical fitness and coordination, and character development. This is a great class for youth, teens, adults, or the whole family! You may register only once through Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation. After the first month, registration will be through the U.S. Martial Arts Center. Class fee includes uniform.

Meets at U.S. Martial Arts Center - Westside

MW Apr 6 - 29 4:40 - 5:20 PM \$60 [14112](#)

MW May 4 - 27 4:40 - 5:20 PM \$60 [14113](#)

Mommy/Daddy & Me Soccer

Ages 2-3

The fun happens on the field, so don't just watch from the sidelines! Here is your chance to join in your toddler's introduction to the world's most popular sport. You'll participate in fun, age-appropriate activities, and help your child to develop their motor and socialization skills. A variety of soccer activities are played each week. Adult participation is required. Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer

Meets at Percival Landing Park

Th Apr 9 - May 28* 6:20 - 6:50 PM \$152 [14098](#)
*No class 5/7

Meets at Washington Middle School

Sa Apr 11 - May 23 3:00 - 3:30 PM \$152 [14097](#)

Tot Soccer

Ages 3-4

Chase the ball! Tot-Soccer helps kids learn to be part of a structured group activity without a parent by their side. Realizing this can be difficult for young children, our field-tested, age specific curriculum builds confidence and promotes physical development in a safe, supportive and fun environment. Tot Soccer focuses on helping kids develop their large motor skills through skill demonstrations and entertaining games like Bugs in the House! These games build skill and self-esteem and prepare tots to start running and kicking - just like the big kids! All participants receive a Kidz Love Soccer jersey! Tot-Soccer classes are 30 minutes long and meet once a week. Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer

Meets at Washington Middle School

Sa Apr 11 - May 23 3:40 - 4:10 PM \$152 [14100](#)

Tot/Pre Soccer

Ages 3-5

Little tykes will enjoy running and kicking just like the big kids! Children will have fun and learn the basic techniques of the game while building self-esteem. Children learn to follow instructions in a nurturing, age appropriate environment. All participants receive a Kidz Love Soccer jersey! Shin guards are required, after the first meeting. Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer

Meets at Percival Landing Park

Th Apr 9 - May 28* 5:40 - 6:15 PM \$152 [14104](#)
*No class 5/7



Develop motor skills, confidence, and teamwork, just like the big kids.

Pre Soccer

Ages 4-5

Enjoy running and kicking just like the big kids! Have fun and learn the basic techniques of soccer while building self-esteem and learning to follow instructions in a nurturing teaching environment. The focus will be more on skills and individual development as a result of the current accommodations. Shin guards are required, after the first meeting. All participants receive a Kidz Love Soccer jersey! Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer

Meets at Washington Middle School

Sa Apr 11 - May 23 4:15 - 4:50 PM \$152 [14101](#)



Trail Time for Tots brings families together to explore Olympia parks and nature.

Trail Time for Tots

Ages 2-5

Trail Time for Tots offers a unique opportunity for children and their parents or caregivers to connect with nature while making new friends. Join other families to explore Olympia Parks through trail walks and outdoor activities. Sing songs, play games, and have fun in a safe and nurturing environment. Our program promotes social interaction and learning, while also providing caregivers with the chance to connect with other adults. Siblings who are mobile must register individually, and some classes may have mixed ages if mobile siblings are registered. Enroll now for an enriching experience that will foster a love for nature! Instructor: Sparkle Smith

Meets at Squaxin Park

Tu	May 5 - 26	9:30 - 11:00 AM	\$45	14246
Tu	Apr 7 - 28	9:30 - 11:00 AM	\$45	14279

SUMMER CAMP!



Registration for Summer Camp opens the first Saturday in March (3/7) at 8:00 AM. The Summer Camp catalog is digital and is emailed to customers who are opted into emails from us in mid-February and is also available at olympiawa.gov/summercamp. If you did not receive the catalog, contact us at 360.753.8380 to opt in for future years.

Spring Break Olywahoo Day Camp

Ages 6-9

Make the most of your spring break at Olywahoo Camp! Enjoy crafts, sports, games, and off-site field trips. Campers will go on at least two field trips during the week—sometimes more, and occasionally every day, depending on the weather. Field trip days may include longer outings, with travel by van or bus lasting approximately 30–90 minutes each way. Campers should be comfortable riding in group transportation and spending the day out in the community, supported by highly supervised and experienced staff. Destinations are places we visit regularly and know well and may include swimming, Northwest Trek or Point Defiance Zoo, roller skating, mini-golf, or visits to local parks. Field trips typically depart by 9:00 AM and return by 4:00 PM. Please bring your own snacks, lunch, and water bottle. A full itinerary and additional camp details will be provided before the first day of camp.

Meets at Lincoln Elementary School

M-F Apr 6 - 10 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM \$209 [13933](#)

Variety Camp: Spring Break

Ages 9-12

Have an outdoor adventure this spring break! Activities may include hiking, sea kayaking, swimming, rock climbing, and more. This off-site camp involves regular travel by van or bus to reach activity locations, and campers should be comfortable spending time in group transportation and full days out in the field. Our counselor-to-camper ratio is 1:6, with experienced leaders and expert guides providing close supervision, instruction, and support. Camp fees include transportation, instruction, admission, and related equipment. Field trips typically depart by 9:00 AM and return by 4:00 PM. Please bring your own snacks, lunch, and water bottle. A full itinerary and additional camp details will be provided before the first day of camp.

Meets at Lincoln Elementary Gymnasium

M-F Apr 6 - 10 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM \$225 [14043](#)

Art for Kids School Multimedia Art Camp

Unleash your creativity this spring! This fun, hands-on program is all about exploring art and self-expression. You'll work on 8 exciting projects using pen and ink, charcoal, pastels, and acrylics - everything you need is included. With guidance from an experienced artist, you'll have the chance to learn new skills and build your confidence in a relaxed, supportive setting. Art for Kids School, with 35 years of experience, is the perfect place for your spring art adventure. Just bring a peanut-free snack and an old shirt. Staff-to-camper ratio is 1:15. Instructor: Art For Kids School

Meets at The Olympia Center

Ages 5-8

M-Th Apr 6 - 9 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM \$139 [13896](#)

Ages 8½-12

M-Th Apr 6 - 9 1:30 - 4:30 PM \$139 [13897](#)

Chess Wizard Camp

Ages 6-12

Checkmate boredom at Chess Wizard Camp! This camp combines challenging lessons, engaging activities, and thrilling games to sharpen chess skills and strategic thinking. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced player, you'll enjoy improving your tactics, participating in friendly competitions, and having fun with fellow chess enthusiasts. By the end of the camp, you will feel like a chess master! Staff-to-camper ratio is 1:14. No lunch supervision available for this camp.

Instructor: Chess Wizards

Meets at The Olympia Center

M-F	Apr 6 - 10	9:00 AM - Noon	\$259	13898
M-F	Apr 6 - 10	1:00 - 4:00 PM	\$259	13899

Bricks 4 Kidz LEGO Camp

Ages 6-12

Treat your child to this awesome STEAM-based camp where kids use their creativity and innovation to have fun building with LEGO® bricks, motors, mosaics, sculptures, crafts, and robots. Each camp (regardless of title) has a unique mix of model plans inspired by popular themes such as Minecraft®, Harry Potter®, Frozen®, Star Wars®, Pokémon®, Super Mario Brothers®, Roblox®, The LEGO Movie®, Jurassic Park®, LEGO City, space, ninjas, super heroes, amazing animals, pirates, under the sea, interesting inventions, and many more. Your child could attend any or even all camps without repeating the same model! All campers make and take home a mini-figure and photo collage of the week's experience. Please bring a snack and water bottle. For an all-day option, sign up for both morning and afternoon camps and receive half-hour early drop-off, lunch hour, and half-hour late pick-up included FREE. Instructor: Bricks 4 Kidz

Meets at The Olympia Center

M-F	Apr 6 - 10	9:00 AM - Noon	\$245	13894
M-F	Apr 6 - 10	1:00 - 4:00 PM	\$245	13895

Spring Break STEAM Camp

Ages 8-12

Curious about science, technology, engineering, art, and math? This camp brings STEAM to life through hands-on projects and interactive challenges. You'll build robots or rockets, experiment with electrical circuits, make music with fruit, and dive into fun, messy science experiments. You should have basic computer skills and be comfortable working independently and in small groups. Staff-to-camper ratio is 1:8. Instructor: My STEAM Lab Staff

Meets at 2424 Heritage Ct SW

M-F	Apr 6 - 10	1:00 - 4:00 PM	\$249	14083
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Spring Break Gymnastics Day Camp

Ages 6-12

Prepare for a thrilling journey of flips, twists, and soaring through the air! Our dynamic program caters to children with a passion for movement and enjoyment. Each day is brimming with structured gymnastics activities, entertaining games, creative art and craft sessions, and free play opportunities. You will have the opportunity to enhance your skills and form new friendships in a nurturing and supportive setting. Please pack a lunch, snacks and water. Instructor: Black Hills Gymnastics

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

M-F	Apr 6 - 10	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	\$315	14114
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Holiday Break Kid's Day Camp

Ages 6-12

Get ready to flip, twist, and soar! This exciting program is designed for kids who love to move and have fun. This day is filled with organized gymnastics activities, fun games, and open play time, giving your child the chance to improve their skills and meet new friends in a supportive and encouraging environment. Instructor: Black Hills Gymnastics

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

M	May 25	9:00 AM - 3:00 PM	\$70	14137
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Youth & Teen

Python Programming and Drones

Ages 11-18

Students will dive into the world of computer programming using python-3. Throughout the sprint, concepts such as automation, digital logic, and modularization will be practiced using python-3 and a programmable drone. Instructor: iCode Staff

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 11 - May 30 12:30 - 1:30 PM \$109 [13929](#)

Coding Class: Movie Maker

Ages 7-12

Has your child ever wondered how your favorite animated movies like The LEGO® Movie were made?... Well, it's time to find out! Join Bricks 4 Kidz® to learn to build an epic movie using the #1 children's programming Language on the planet, Scratch. Students will make a take-home minifigure then turn it into a virtual character to be used in their very own movie! Each week, kids learn how to implement different elements and techniques. Coding Level: Beginner-friendly but previous experience is also welcome. Instructor: Bricks 4 Kidz

Meets at The Olympia Center

M Apr 13 - May 18 6:00 - 7:00 PM \$105 [13890](#)

Junior and Advanced Robotics Class

Ages 6-14

Step into real-world robotics with Bricks 4 Kidz, perfect for aspiring engineers and programmers. Different age groups will have challenges appropriate to their skill level. Every week, students will build new dynamic robotic creations utilizing LEGO's innovative Spike Prime technology and Bricks 4 Kidz unique model plans, then use software on tablets to program them to do amazing things. It's a unique opportunity to dive into the fundamentals of robotics, coding, and problem-solving for beginners as well as fun challenges for more advanced kids as they all enjoy 6 weeks filled with learning, building, and endless innovation. Instructor Bricks 4 Kidz

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th Apr 16 - May 21 6:00 - 7:15 PM \$135 [13893](#)



Explore real-world robotics and strengthen STEM skills with Bricks 4 Kidz classes.

Safe at Home

Ages 8-12

Come learn how to be aware of potential dangers when left home alone. Get the skills to be responsible and safe in any situation. We will cover family communication, first aid, internet, gun, phone, and door safety. Instructor: Jaque Ball

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 2 2:00 - 4:00 PM \$42 [13908](#)

Super Sitters

Ages 11-15

Come for a day of fun while earning your Super Sitters Certificate. This class will cover leadership and the business of babysitting, basic care for children, understanding children of different age groups, safety and first aid. Learn the skills you need to be a great babysitter. Bring a sack lunch and snack to class. Participants are encouraged to register early as this class fills quickly.

Instructor: Jaque Ball

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 2 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM \$88 [13907](#)

Taekwondo

Ages 5 and up

Discover Taekwondo with the award-winning U.S. Martial Arts Center. Build confidence, improve fitness and coordination, and develop strong character. This beginner-friendly class welcomes youth, teens, adults, and families. Register once through Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation; ongoing registration continues through the U.S. Martial Arts Center. Uniform included.

Meets at U.S. Martial Arts Center - Westside

M W Apr 6 - 29 4:40 - 5:20 PM \$60 [14112](#)

Tu Th Apr 7 - 30 5:30 - 6:10 PM \$60 [14510](#)

M W May 4 - 27* 4:40 - 5:20 PM \$60 [14113](#)

*No class 5/25

Tu Th May 5 - 28 5:30 - 6:10 PM \$60 [14511](#)



Teens develop the skills to be safe, confident, and prepared babysitters.

Youth Aikido

Ages 7-12

Our kids Aikido class focuses on coordination of mind and body. Being present in our bodies. We keep the class fun and focused. Class includes warm-up, Aiki Taiso (conditioning exercises), one person exercises, Ukemi (the art of falling) and basic Aikido techniques. Aikido is great for the whole family and you progress at your own pace. Registration for subsequent classes is through Aikido Olympia. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to class start time.

Meets at Aikido Olympia

Tu Th May 5 - 28 5:30 - 6:20 PM \$49 [14111](#)

Youth & Teen

Teens Biking to Destinations

Ages 12-16

This earn-a-bike program is for middle and high school students who want to build confidence, skills, and friendships through biking. During this week-long program, you'll take part in hands-on activities and group rides on neighborhood streets while learning essential bike safety, handling, and maintenance skills. You'll practice fixing a flat tire, riding safely in a group, and caring for your bike, while building independence and teamwork skills in a fun, supportive environment. At the end of the session, you'll earn a brand-new bike, helmet, lock, and lights. All skill levels welcome. Instructor: Intercity Transit Walk N Roll

Meets at Avanti High School Bike Shop

M-F Apr 6 - 10 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM FREE [14071](#)



Hands-on biking, safety, and fun for middle and high schoolers.

Soccer 1

Ages 5-6

Players will learn dribbling, passing, defense and shooting goals! Fun skill games are played at every session, and every participant will have a ball at their feet. Small-sided soccer matches will be introduced gradually. Perfect for first time players while being fun and engaging for kids with some experience. All participants receive a Kidz Love Soccer jersey! Shin guards are required, after the first meeting. Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer

Meets at Percival Landing Park

Th Apr 9 - May 28* 4:50 - 5:35 PM \$152 [14105](#)
*No class 5/7

Meets at Washington Middle School

Sa Apr 11 - May 23 4:55 - 5:40 PM \$152 [14102](#)

Soccer 2

Ages 7-10

A great introduction to competitive soccer, Skillz and Scrimmages teaches advanced skill building such as dribbling, passing and shooting in a team format, as well as an introduction to goal-tending. Kids will scrimmage and learn to play together as a team. From defense and mid-field to forward and goalie...kids get exposure to playing every position and have a blast doing it. Appropriate for players of varying skill levels. And...best of all, each participant receives a Kidz Love Soccer jersey! Skillz & Scrimmages classes are 45 minutes long, and meet once a week. Instructor: Kidz Love Soccer

Meets at Percival Landing Park

Th Apr 9 - May 28* 4:00 - 4:45 PM \$152 [14106](#)
*No class 5/7

Meets at Washington Middle School

Sa Apr 11 - May 23 5:45 - 6:30 PM \$152 [14103](#)

Sensory Friendly Creative Dance Class

Developmental Ages 5-9

This Specialized Recreation class is designed for those who are developmentally between ages 5-9 and who are neurodivergent and/or on the autism spectrum. Partnering with South Sound Dance Access, we provide a nurturing space for creative dance that fosters motor skills, self-expression, and mind-body connection. Supported with props from Sensory Tool House LLC. Participants will explore dance styles, concept-based games, and movement elements like time, space, and direction, and have the opportunity to make their own dances!

Meets at Jacob Smith House

Tu Apr 14 - May 26 4:30 - 5:15 PM \$85 [14177](#)

Beginning Gymnastics

Ages 6-10

Gymnastics develops agility, strength and self-esteem. You will safely learn specific gymnastics skills and enjoy the opportunity to build confidence and new friendships! The professional and dedicated coaches at Black Hills Gymnastics know how to motivate you and maintain your enthusiasm. If you are ready to follow instructions, you'll benefit from the fun and exercise too!

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

Boys

Tu Apr 14 - May 5 5:00 - 5:55 PM \$100 [14126](#)

Tu May 12 - Jun 2 5:00 - 5:55 PM \$100 [14127](#)

Girls

Tu Apr 14 - May 5 6:00 - 6:55 PM \$100 [14120](#)

Tu May 12 - Jun 2 6:00 - 6:55 PM \$100 [14121](#)

Ninja's Gymnastics

Ages 6-10

Does your kiddo love American Ninja Warrior and imagine that they can do amazing flips, kicks and jumps? Bring them to our Ninja class to learn those tricks for real! They will gain so many creative skills including racing through our challenging Ninja Course and how to run up our full size warp wall. Our experienced coaches will give them valuable lessons on how to respect their bodies and other people. Instructors: Black Hills Gymnastics Staff

Meets at Black Hills Gymnastics

Tu Apr 14 - May 5 6:00 - 6:55 PM \$105 [14129](#)

Tu May 12 - Jun 2 6:00 - 6:55 PM \$105 [14130](#)

Olympia Dance Squad

Ages 5-10

Join our dance team to develop your dance technique and performance skills! Learn jazz, hip hop, and pom while building teamwork and interpersonal, intrapersonal, kinetic, musical, discipline, sportsmanship, and social emotional skills. Build strength, gain confidence, and have fun with our optional performance opportunities. No experience necessary! The dance team will have optional performance opportunities outside of class throughout the fall session in which members can participate. Outside performance opportunities not affiliated/sponsored by Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation. Instructor: Mariah Mao

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 2 - Jun 27* 10:30 - 11:30 AM \$79 [13910](#)

*No class 5/30, 6/6



Young dancers express themselves and develop coordination and creativity.

Adult & Teen



Uncover your astrological insights.

Introduction to Astrology

Ages 14 and up

This class offers an introduction to the fascinating world of astrology. You will learn the basic building blocks of astrology including birth chart layout, signs, planets, houses and phases of the moon. We will explore the many ways that astrology is reflected in our own lives and the lives of those around us. Join us for lively and enlightening conversations about this beautiful, ancient, mystical art and science. Please bring a copy of your birth chart using whole sign house if you can. Instructor: Maia O'Brien

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 4 - 25 10:30 AM - Noon \$79 [14180](#)

Intermediate Astrology

Ages 14 and up

This class is for people who have a good foundation of the basic building blocks of astrology. In this Intermediate class, we will delve deeper into the next steps of putting the building blocks together for a greater understanding of ourselves and our birth charts. We will cover planetary cycles, aspects between planets, transits, and progressions. We will introduce other special topics including additional timing techniques, eclipses, using astrology for health and more! Bring your questions and insights about how astrology can help shine a light on ourselves and our world through greater understanding. Join us for lively interactive conversations about this fascinating art and science. Instructor: Maia O'Brien

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 2 - 16 10:30 AM - Noon \$59 [14181](#)

7-Path Self Hypnosis (Recognitions 6-10) **NEW!**

Ages 18 and up

Continue to add depth and breadth to your Self-Hypnosis practice by exploring Recognitions 6–10 of the 7-Path Self Hypnosis® system. You'll deepen your understanding of trance states, subconscious patterns, and personal transformation through guided instruction and practice. Prerequisite: For graduates of the 7-Path Self Hypnosis Class (Recognitions 1-5). Instructor: Jonathan Hyatt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th Apr 16 - May 21 5:30 - 6:30 PM \$99 [14020](#)

Conflict Crash Course

Ages 16 and up

Navigating conflicts with integrity, civility, and respect is essential for healthy relationships and a civil society. This interactive course introduces conflict resolution and provides practical skills for daily use to improve communication, enhance relationships, manage conflict, and prevent verbal escalation. Emphasizing group collaboration and personal empowerment, we recognize that our values are shaped by our histories, experiences, and cultural backgrounds. Instructors: Certified Mediators from Dispute Resolution Center of Thurston County

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 18 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$49 [14178](#)

Intro to Singing Circle **NEW!**

Ages 16 and up

The Singing Circle is a community-focused session open to anyone who wants to explore music through singing and movement. The workshop is centered on connection, creativity, and joy. No experience is required, just bring your enthusiasm and a willingness to learn! Instructor: Cathryn Frazier-Neely

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 2 10:00 AM - Noon \$29 [14233](#)

Breaking Into Casting: How to Become a TV Casting Producer **NEW!** Ages 12 and up

Learn what it takes to discover talent, build cast lists, conduct interviews, and shape the personalities that drive unscripted and reality television. This session breaks down the casting pipeline from research to final selects, offering real-world techniques used by working casting producers. Virtually hosted by Samuel Swanson from OV9 Studios, this workshop is perfect for anyone curious about how people end up on TV and how casting shapes the stories we see on screen. Instructor: TCMedia

[Meets Online via Zoom](#) ▶

F Apr 3 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$125 [14157](#)

Production Management for Film: Concept to Completion **NEW!** Ages 12 and up

Step inside the world of professional production management through the eyes of an industry professional. This class walks you through the full lifecycle of a project - planning, scheduling, budgeting, coordinating crews, managing resources, and problem-solving in real time. Learn the essential systems and leadership skills that keep productions running smoothly, on time, and on budget. Ideal for those pursuing roles in film, TV, events, or corporate production environments. Instructor: TCMedia

[Meets Online via Zoom](#) ▶

Sa Apr 4 1:00 - 3:00 PM \$85 [14158](#)

Sing to Get the Call Back: Vocal Audition Masterclass **NEW!** Ages 12 and up

Get industry-standard feedback from an experienced casting professional and learn what makes a vocal audition stand out. This session covers essential vocal warm-ups, how to choose the right audition songs, shaping your personal story, and wardrobe tips for casting. The class includes a live audition opportunity with a casting producer currently reviewing talent for American Idol and America's Got Talent. Virtually hosted by Samuel Swanson from OV9 Studios, this work is fit for singers preparing for TV competitions or professional auditions. Instructor: TCMedia

[Meets Online via Zoom](#) ▶

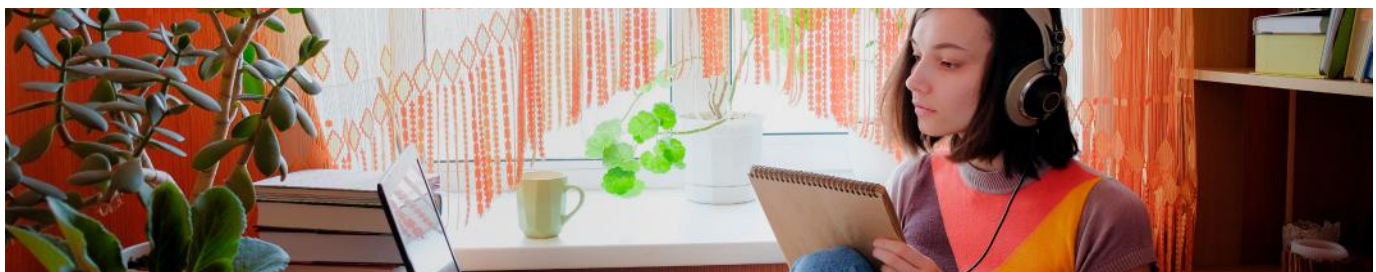
F Apr 17 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$125 [14159](#)

Scripted vs. Unscripted TV: Understanding The Two Sides **NEW!** Ages 12 and up

Explore the key differences between scripted and unscripted television - from production structures and job roles to creative workflows and hiring trends. While many enter the industry aiming for scripted work, unscripted TV offers a wider range of opportunities and unique positions that scripted shows don't require. Taught by professionals in the television industry, this class gives you a clear understanding of how each world operates and helps you identify where your skills and interests fit best. Instructor: TCMedia

[Meets Online via Zoom](#) ▶

F May 22 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$95 [14160](#)



Explore the world of TV and film from home with TC Media classes.

Adult & Teen

Intro to Acrylics

Ages 16 and up

Find out if acrylic painting is for you! You will complete three small projects on paper and/or canvas, inspired by the subject of your choice. While playful experimentation is encouraged, attention to composition, use of space, concept and other relevant aspects will be explored. Bring simple subject images. All other materials supplied. A \$15 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

W Apr 1 - 22 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$69 [14163](#)

Found, Cut and Adhered: Personal Collage Journeys

Ages 16 and up

This class will explore the use of found materials, images and texts to create collages on paper. Both formal and personal explorations will be encouraged. An emphasis will be placed on the search for images to achieve the unexpected as found images are juxtaposed. This class is for those curious about the format to those wishing to push themselves beyond their present abilities. Supply list available online and at registration. A \$4 material fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th Apr 2 - 23 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$55 [14164](#)

Exploring the Written Word through Art

Ages 16 and up

Join this inspiring workshop where you'll craft four unique collages, each centered around a Muse/Guide theme. Dive into the creative realm, stretching your creative boundaries, whether you're a writer or artist. After each collage, delve into a writing prompt to connect your words with your artwork. The instructor provides all materials and supplies, making it a seamless experience. Unleash your creativity and explore the symbiosis of visual and written expression! A \$6 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 4 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$30 [14169](#)

Creative Watercolor Sketchbook

Ages 16 and up

A watercolor sketchbook is the perfect place to freely and fearlessly expand your creativity. Improve your painting and sketching skills as you explore a variety of subjects and techniques using watercolor, along with fascinating combinations of watercolor pencils and pens. All skill levels are welcome. A supply list will print on registration receipt. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

M Apr 6 - 27 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$49 [14161](#)



Develop sketching and painting skills while exploring watercolors and mixed media.



Stitch together stories.

Simple Book Making

Ages 16 and up

This hands-on class will focus on combining simple book structures to make small art books/journals. Easy to learn bookmaking such as the Japanese stab binding stitch, ribbon & chopstick book and other simple forms will lead students to understand the formal qualities of the book. Book covers will be created using mixed media/collage approach. All supplies are included. A \$8 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu Apr 7 - 28 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$59 [14162](#)

Suminagashi: Floating Ink Collage

Ages 16 and up

Marbleize paper in beautiful unexpected patterns the Japanese way. Work with traditional black ink as well as modern colors to create incredible designs. Collages will be made using the suminagashi as backgrounds or additions to a collage. All materials supplied. A \$10 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 11 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$39 [14170](#)

Van Gogh on the Loose

Ages 16 and up

Step into the world of Vincent Van Gogh and experience his iconic freestyle painting method in this workshop with award winning artist Rene Westbrook. Westbrook's expertise and guidance will help you discover the poetry in motion that is Van Gogh's lyrical style. Bring your own supplies and a 16"x20" canvas along with primary acrylic paints to explore and unleash your creativity. Don't miss this unique opportunity to channel the masterful techniques of one of the most celebrated artists in history.

Meets at The Olympia Center

M Apr 13 - May 18 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$109 [14202](#)

Oil Painting II NEW!

Ages 16 and up

This is the second class in a series of 3 oil painting classes to get you going in oil painting. As the first oil painting class covered the basics, oil painting II classes are designed to move people into painting more comprehensive paintings. We will work on composition, how to prepare a painting, light and dark effect, using color more fully, how to pick a subject, and how to complete a painting. This is to get the painter to feel more confident in moving forward into self-expression. Prerequisite: Completion of Beginning Oil Painting or equivalent prior experience required. All supplies are provided. A \$20 supply fee is added in the registration fee. Instructor: Sandra Hurd

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu Apr 14 - May 26* 6:00 - 8:30 PM \$129 [14198](#)

*No class 5/12

Adult & Teen

Ceramics

Ages 18 and up

Discover the fundamentals of pottery with a focus on hand building, wheel throwing, and decorative techniques to express your artistic ideas. The class fee covers a \$60 clay, glazes, and supplies cost. Continuing students can pre-register from February 9-28. Instructors: John Brooks, Eowyn Smith, Joelle Montez

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu	Apr 14 - Jun 16	6:00 - 9:00 PM	\$389	14205
W	Apr 15 - Jun 17	6:00 - 9:00 PM	\$389	14206
Th	Apr 16 - Jun 18	6:00 - 9:00 PM	\$389	14208
Th	Apr 16 - Jun 18	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	\$389	14207
Sa	Apr 18 - Jun 20	9:30 AM - 12:30 PM	\$389	14209

Ceramic Lab

Ages 18 and up

This Ceramic Lab/Open Studio provides self-directed studio access. Registration is only open to those who have experience in Ceramics. No instruction provided. No outside clay or glazes allowed. The class fee covers a \$50 clay, glazes, and supplies cost. Lab Monitor: Eowyn Smith

Meets at The Olympia Center

M	Apr 20 - Jun 15*	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	\$289	14210
M	Apr 20 - Jun 15*	6:00 - 9:00 PM	\$289	14211

*No class 5/25

Gelli Plate Mono Printing

Ages 16 and up

This no-fuss printing technique is easy to learn and produces stunning prints every time. Whether you want to create a monoprint or a multi-layered masterpiece, Gelli Plate printing offers endless possibilities. You can use stencils, stamps, found materials, and other fun embellishments to enhance your prints and make them truly unique. Our class is perfect for anyone who wants to experiment with this exciting printing technique and unleash their creativity. Please see required supply list upon registration. Instructor: Rene Westbrook

Meets at The Olympia Center

W	Apr 15 - May 27*	6:00 - 8:00 PM	\$109	14270
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*No class 4/22

Life Drawing

Ages 18 and up

Perfect for all levels, you'll learn to sketch the human form, from gestures to longer poses. No experience required, just bring your sketching materials. Unlock the art of human expression. Facilitator: Bill Collins

Meets at The Olympia Center

W	Apr 15 - 29	7:00 - 9:00 PM	\$59	14203
W	May 13 - 27	7:00 - 9:00 PM	\$59	14204



Learn the craft of ceramics and create pieces and memories that last.

Color Your Canvas Painting: Spring Cactus **NEW!**

Ages 16 and up

Step into the beauty of winter as you paint a vibrant floral masterpiece bursting with color and life. In this guided workshop, you'll learn step-by-step techniques to create a stunning bouquet on canvas, capturing the essence of nature's renewal. No experience needed - just a love for creativity! Fee includes all supplies, plus coffee and tea for a relaxing artistic escape. Registration deadline is one week prior to the workshop. Class may run over time depending on the project. Instructor: Tina Price, Bessie Mae's Paint Parties

Meets at Tumwater Old Town Center

Th Apr 16 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$45 [14212](#)

Beginning Watercolor

Ages 16 and up

Immerse yourself in the world of watercolors. Perfect for beginners and those eager to refine their skills, this course delves into essential techniques, color theory, and advanced subjects. Join us to create vibrant, captivating watercolor paintings. Supply list available online and at registration. Instructor: Sandra Hurd

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th Apr 16 - May 28* 12:30 - 3:00 PM \$109 [14200](#)

*No class 5/14

Watercolor Painting IV

Ages 16 and up

Take your watercolor skills to the next level in this 6-week advanced class, designed for artists ready to refine their unique style and creative voice. Building on previous skills, this course focuses on self-expression and developing more confident, in-depth paintings. You'll explore advanced techniques, including mastering texture, refining color theory, and incorporating more complex subjects into your work. Throughout the class, we'll dive deeper into the design process, allowing you to create original compositions that reflect your individual artistic journey. You'll also gain insight into the styles of other artists and explore how they can influence and enhance your own approach to watercolor painting. By the end of the course, you'll be well on your way to becoming a self-generating painter, confidently creating work that is uniquely yours. Prerequisite: Must have prior experience in watercolor painting, either through previous courses or equivalent experience. Instructor: Sandra Hurd

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th Apr 16 - May 28* 6:00 - 8:30 PM \$109 [14199](#)

*No class 5/14

Painting People and Faces

Ages 16 and up

We will begin with drawing techniques before transitioning to watercolor painting. The primary focus will be on understanding the structure and angles of the human head, exploring facial features, and emphasizing correct proportions for accurate placement. Additionally, we will study hands, hair, body posture, and integrating figures into backgrounds. A supply list is available online and will be provided upon registration. Instructor: Sandra Hurd

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 11 - May 23* 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM \$109 [14201](#)

*No class 5/16



Adult & Teen

Palette Knife Painting with Acrylics

Ages 16 and up

Looking for an opportunity to try palette knife painting? We'll explore knife strokes and color mixing with acrylics and modeling gel/paste, mixing on the palette versus on the canvas, the uses of color contrasts and blending, creating simplicity and complexity, and more. Supply list available online and at registration. A \$7 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 18 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$39 [14171](#)

Spring Celebration Cast Glass Art **NEW!**

Ages 7 and up

In this one session workshop, you will create kiln-cast vibrant glass flowers, butterflies, and birds using a variety of gorgeous glass colors from 8"x8" provided patterns or your own design. Brighten up your space from the winter! No experience is necessary, and all supplies are included in this beginner-friendly workshop. Please wear closed-toe shoes and long pants for safety. After the workshop, when firing is completed, they will be ready for pickup at The Olympia Center. Instructor: Mary Van Cline - Glass Studios.US

Meets at Glass Art Studio

Sa Apr 18 Noon - 4:00 PM \$99 [14232](#)



Let your creativity shine!



Watch doodles turn into designs.

Zen Ink Doodles

Ages 16 and up

Calling all artists, doodlers, and pen-wielding daydreamers! Using design principles and elements, you will create patterns and textures. Finished drawings can be plain black and white or you can add a little color to some or all of your black and white designs. This is a great right brain activity. Please bring fiber-tip pens, such as Sakura Micron or Artline Fine Liner in different sizes. Full supply list available on receipt. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 25 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$29 [14172](#)

Spring into Painting: Watercolor Flowers **NEW!**

Ages 18 and up

This watercolor spring flower class with instructor Diana Quinn at The ONE Center focuses on techniques for painting spring blooms such as pansies, centaurea, and daffodils from the Healing Garden. Designed for beginner to intermediate artists, you'll explore the grounds to sketch buds and blossoms before returning indoors to complete your compositions. If you have mobility limitations, a starting sketch and a potted flower will be provided. You'll learn essential watercolor techniques, color mixing, and how to include environmental elements that help your blooms stand out. A supply list is available online and at registration.

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa Apr 25 1:00 - 4:00 PM \$65 [14250](#)



Alcohol Ink

Ages 16 and up

Alcohol ink is a highly pigmented, alcohol-based dye that dries rapidly due to its quick evaporation. You will work on Yupo paper, a special polypropylene substrate with a flexible plastic feel. This allows for limitless creativity with vibrant colors. No prior art experience is required, to enjoy serendipitous experimentation. All supplies are included in the class fee. A \$7 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 2 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$39 [14173](#)

Painting with Water Soluble Colored Pencils

Ages 16 and up

Water-soluble colored pencils can match many watercolor effects plus have the ability to create colored pencil techniques. Discover this medium's exciting versatility using wet-on-dry, dry-on-wet, wet-on-wet and much more! At each class you will apply this information to create painting studies. If you wish to try watercolor pencils first before purchasing, the instructor will provide samples for students to try. Participants bring watercolor paper [Strathmore 200 Series Watercolor Pad, 11 x 15 Inches, 90 lb. or other paper of your choice] and watercolor pencils to class. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

M May 4 - 18 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$39 [14165](#)

Pen, Brush & Ink Drawing

Ages 16 and up

Ink drawings are strikingly beautiful. In this class you'll learn to use dip pens, crow quill pens, inking brushes, felt tip pens and calligraphy pens to create striking high-contrast images. You'll learn how to do feathering, hatching, cross-hatching, and more. The class will focus on the artists exploring classic ink drawing techniques and developing their own style with mark-making. Subjects will include flowers, landscapes, and birds. Supply list will print on registration receipt. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu May 5 - 26 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$49 [14166](#)

The Art of Seeing: Beginning Drawing

Ages 16 and up

This class is designed to help you see the world with new eyes through drawing. Each week, you will engage in exercises that challenge your perceptions and encourage intense, direct observation of your subjects. The primary goals are to equip you with tools for visual problem-solving, build your confidence in handling drawing media, and inspire joy, meditation, and awareness through the act of seeing. No prior art experience is required, Please bring a soft pencil (4B is good), an eraser, and a sketch pad no smaller than 11" x 14" to class. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

W May 6 - 27 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$49 [14167](#)

Adult & Teen



Learn the art behind the shot.

Design Principles: An Introduction

Ages 16 and up

Design is the basis for all other art courses and it includes the elements and principles of art. The material will be presented through hands-on studio problems in two dimensions. These will cover line, shape, texture, value and color. Also the topics of balance, unity repetition and other principles will be introduced through simple projects. These exercises will provide you with the tools to create compositions in any medium. Please bring a pencil, eraser, and pad of mixed media (11x14 inch) to first class. Other materials will be provided. A \$5 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th May 7 - 28 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$59 [14168](#)

Dotting (Dot Painting)

Ages 16 and up

Dotting is a colorful and eye-catching craft that's easy to learn. Also known as pointillism or dotillism, this art form encourages focus and relaxation, letting your creativity shine. Instructor will bring various acrylic paints to share with the class. A \$6 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 9 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$30 [14174](#)

Nature Photography Workshop

Ages 16 and up

If you are interested in taking photographs but want to learn more from a hands-on class, this workshop is for you! Instructor Brian Walsh has over 30 years of experience taking landscape, wildlife and travel photography and he has designed this class to give you the opportunity to learn in the field in a small group instructional setting. The course will begin with a 1.5 hour photography session outside along Percival Landing. You will learn camera basics, as well as more advanced techniques such as exposure compensation, composition, depth of field, and shutter speed. Bring your camera, manual and a tripod (if you have one). After the field session, the class will shift to The Olympia Center for a session for reviewing your photos, enhancing images with a computer, ideas for improved compositions, and ways to share your photos. Beginning or intermediate photographers are encouraged to enroll. Instructor: Brian Walsh

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 9 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM \$49 [14197](#)

Color Your Canvas Painting:

Dragonfly NEW!

Ages 16 and up

Step into the beauty of winter as you paint a vibrant floral masterpiece bursting with color and life. In this guided workshop, you'll learn step-by-step techniques to create a stunning bouquet on canvas, capturing the essence of nature's renewal. No experience needed - just a love for creativity! Fee includes all supplies, plus coffee and tea for a relaxing artistic escape. Registration deadline is one week prior to the workshop. Class may run over time depending on the project. Instructor: Tina Price, Bessie Mae's Paint Parties

Meets at Tumwater Old Town Center

Th May 14 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$45 [14213](#)

Mixed Media Monotype

Ages 16 and up

Enhance monotypes by incorporating hand stamped elements, decorative papers and various other collage elements into your prints to create beautiful texture and depth. By printing onto lightweight papers, you will layer imagery onto substrate/base paper. No need to have had previous printmaking experience to enjoy exploring a combination of monotype and mixed media elements. A \$6 supply fee is included in the class fee. Instructor: Ellen Miffitt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 16 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM \$30 [14175](#)

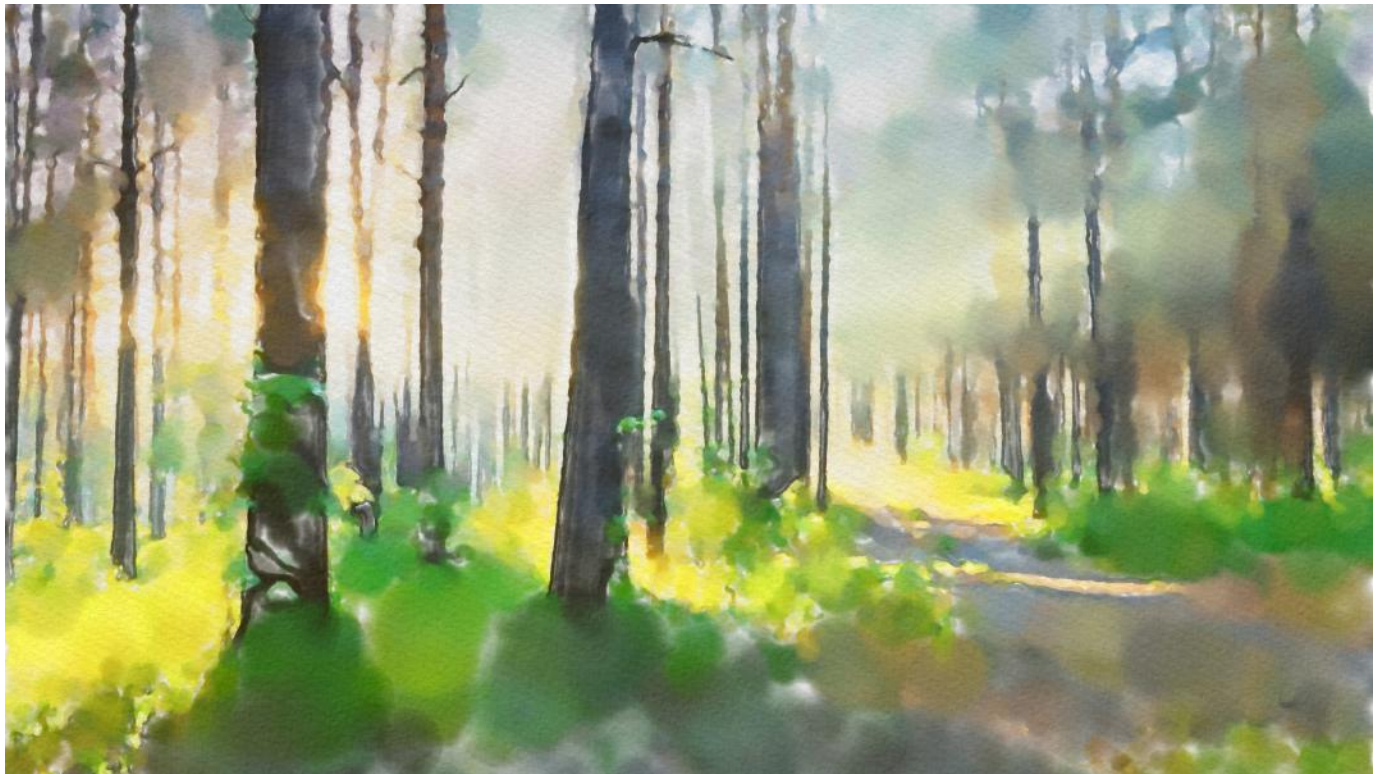
Watercolor Woods and Water

Ages 18 and up

Welcome to the woods and water at the ONE Center as instructor Diana Quinn teaches tips and techniques for water coloring trees and the shoreline. From beginner to intermediate artists, we will be walking the land at the ONE, sketching the trees and coastline before returning to the tables to finalize our compositions. If participants have mobility issues, a starting sketch and branches will be provided too. This course will teach essential watercolor techniques, color mixing and how to include enough environment to make your subjects the highlight of the composition. Supply list available online and at registration. Instructor: Diana Quinn

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa Jun 6 1:00 - 4:00 PM \$65 [14253](#)



From shoreline to sketchbook, turn the beauty of nature into vibrant watercolor art.

Adult & Teen

Beginner Hula Hoop Dance Series

Ages 14 and up

Do you remember hula hooping as a kid and wonder if you could pick it back up? Are you looking to learn something new, dance, and bring more play into your physical activity? This class is for you! You'll learn hula hoop basics, fun and easy hula hoop tricks, and get to express yourself by adding moves together! This class is repeatable for more dance, play, and joy.

Instructor: Jessica Morrison

Meets at The Olympia Center

F Apr 3 - May 8 5:30 - 6:30 PM \$39 [14194](#)

2.0 Hula Hoop Dance Series

Ages 14 and up

This class is for anyone who has previously taken Beginner Hula Hoop and would like to expand their on and off body hoop skills! This class includes new trick sequences, tosses, isolations, behind back work, and more. It will also teach fun and expressive dance elements and encourage you to add flare to your hooping! This class is repeatable for more hoop time, layers of challenge, and continued play! Instructor: Jessica Morrison

Meets at The Olympia Center

F Apr 3 - May 8 6:30 - 7:30 PM \$39 [14195](#)



Rediscover the joy of hula hooping.



Build strength, spark creativity, and connect through movement.

East Coast Swing: Rock & Be-Bop Part Two

Ages 14 and up

Get ready to show off some seriously fun moves as you continue building your East Coast Swing skills. This upbeat class adds Rock & Be-Bop patterns, variations, and styling to what you already know, giving you more options on the dance floor. Expect great music, lots of movement, and a high-energy, social atmosphere that keeps things light and fun. Prior East Coast Swing experience is required. While partners aren't mandatory, they're recommended since many of the moves are flirty and full of playful energy. Instructor David Lynch

Meets at The Olympia Center

F Apr 3 - May 29* 6:00 - 6:50 PM \$49 [14221](#)

*No class 4/10, 4/24

Basic Ballroom Waltz: Part Two

Ages 14 and up

This popular and requested class builds on the fundamentals introduced in Part One. You'll refine footwork, timing, posture, and frame while learning additional patterns and variations of the ballroom waltz. Emphasis is placed on smooth movement, musicality, and partner connection in a relaxed, encouraging environment. You should already be comfortable with basic waltz steps and turns. This class is a great option for anyone looking to give a thoughtful gift, whether it's for a graduation, a best friend, or a special someone. Partners are not required, but highly recommended - because let's face it, dancing is always more fun with a partner! Instructor: David Lynch

Meets at The Olympia Center

F Apr 3 - May 29* 7:00 - 7:50 PM \$49 [14222](#)

*No class 4/10, 4/24



ough RakasaFit and Belly Dance.

Creative Contemporary Dance

Ages 18 and up

Join South Sound Dance Access for this fun opportunity for creative expression, strength building, and connection. Creative Contemporary Dance is an open-level dance class for adults of all ages drawing primarily upon Modern and Contemporary Dance techniques. In this class we will learn fundamentals of modern dance technique and dance composition concepts. We'll learn fun routines each week and have opportunities to create dances together! Instructor: South Sound Dance Access

Meets at The Olympia Center

M Apr 13 - Jun 8 5:15 - 6:15 PM \$80 [14176](#)

Sensory Friendly Creative Dance Class

Developmental Ages 5-9

This Specialized Recreation class is designed for those who are developmentally between ages 5-9 and who are neurodivergent and/or on the autism spectrum. Partnering with South Sound Dance Access, we provide a nurturing space for creative dance that fosters motor skills, self-expression, and mind-body connection. Supported with props from Sensory Tool House LLC. Participants will explore dance styles, concept-based games, and movement elements like time, space, and direction, and have the opportunity to make their own dances! Instructor: South Sound Dance Access

Meets at Jacob Smith House

Tu Apr 14 - May 26 4:30 - 5:15 PM \$85 [14177](#)

RakasaFit Core Fitness Belly Dance

Ages 14 and up

Discover the perfect fusion of core fitness and belly dance in RakasaFit! Learn how to work out with invigorating Middle Eastern remixes that engage your deep core fitness. Designed for all levels, including those with no dance experience, this 60-minute workout is a fun and challenging way to build fluidity and strength in your movements. Wear comfortable, stretchy clothes and get ready to sweat! With over 30 years of belly dancing experience, Amira believes in the power of this art form to create positive physical and emotional change. For more information, visit RakasaFit.com.

Meets at The Olympia Center

M May 4 - Jun 29* 6:00 - 7:00 PM \$56 [14214](#)
*No class 5/25

Intermediate/Advanced Belly Dance

Ages 14 and up

Enjoy the art of belly dancing while building strength and confidence in a fun, supportive environment. The Intermediate/Advanced Belly Dance class is designed for those who have at least one year of belly dance experience and want to dive deeper into this dance form. The class will be learning choreographies for performance that will span multiple classes so regular attendance is recommended. Instructor Amira has belly danced for over 30 years, studied with Egyptian masters, and was voted #1 People's Choice Belly Dancer USA 2017 & 2018.

Meets at The Olympia Center

M May 4 - Jun 29* 7:00 - 8:00 PM \$56 [14215](#)
*No class 5/25



Feel the island rhythm.

Hawaiian Dance

Ages 14 and up

Explore Hawaiian culture through dance! Whether you're a beginner or have some experience, this ongoing class will guide you through the fundamental steps and hand movements, while introducing you to Hawaiian language and culture. Our engaging instructor will lead you in learning routines that showcase the artistry of Hawaiian dance. Instructor: Eileen Mumm

Meets at The Olympia Center

W May 6 - Jun 24 6:00 - 7:00 PM \$56 [14216](#)

Advanced Hawaiian Dance

Ages 14 and up

Are you ready for more Hawaiian Dance?! Class is structured to advance your knowledge beyond the basics and to maintain proficiency. It is more demanding and faster paced for dancers with previous training. Come join this fun class! Prerequisite of completion of Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation Hawaiian Dance class or instructor approval. Instructor: Eileen Mumm

Meets at The Olympia Center

W May 6 - Jun 24 7:15 - 8:15 PM \$56 [14217](#)

Ballet 1: Introduction to Ballet

Ages 21 and up

This class is for beginners and those looking to refine their technique at a slow and comfortable pace. The focus is to work on increasing flexibility, strength, and balance while gaining an understanding of ballet technique. Additionally, this class is about working hard with a super fun attitude. Instructor: Melissa Johnson

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu May 5 - Jun 16 5:30 - 6:30 PM \$49 [14218](#)

Ballet 2: Advanced Beginning Ballet

Ages 21 and up

This class is designed for those with some ballet training. The focus of this class will help you refine your turns, your balance and increase flexibility and strength in a supportive environment. We work and laugh hard. Instructor Melissa Johnson. Prerequisite: Completion of a previous class with or approval from instructor Melissa Johnson two or more years of ballet experience recommended. Instructor: Melissa Johnson

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu May 5 - Jun 16 6:30 - 8:00 PM \$74 [14219](#)

Ballet 3: Intermediate Ballet

Ages 21 and up

This class is designed for those with ballet training. Enhance your current or past ballet skills and boost your confidence. The focus of this class is to refine barre and center work; increase flexibility, strength, and balance while helping you develop your unique ballet dancing style. We are super supportive and encourage each other's progress. Prerequisite: Approval from instructor Melissa Johnson, four or more years of ballet experience recommended. Instructor: Melissa Johnson

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th May 7 - Jun 18 7:00 - 8:30 PM \$74 [14220](#)

Pop Goes the Ukulele!

Ages 18 and up

Learn to play ukulele versions of pop songs by hit-making artists such as Ed Sheeran, Taylor Swift, Bruno Mars, Lady Gaga, Train, Jason Mraz, and others while expanding your chord knowledge and uke skills. Bring your soprano, concert or tenor uke (no baritone ukes, please) along with a pick and a uke capo to each class. And if you have a portable music stand or book holder, bring that, too. No loaner instruments are available. Prerequisite: Yes, You Can Play the Ukulele, Pt. 1 (or similar intro class) or be self-taught and be able to play at least 7 basic uke chords and transition between them. Instructor: Jeff Saxon

Meets at The Olympia Center

W Apr 8 - 29 6:30 - 8:00 PM \$129 [14224](#)

Songs & Stars Who Made the Ukulele Famous

Ages 18 and up

You'll learn how to play iconic ukulele songs by artists—and those featured in films and TV shows—that helped spotlight and popularize the ukulele. Songs may include Israel Kamakawiwo'ole's iconic rendition of "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," Jack Johnson's "Banana Pancakes," Jason Mraz's "I'm Yours," George Harrison's version of "Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea," "Tonight You Belong to Me" (from The Jerk), and more. Bring your own soprano, concert, or tenor ukulele (no baritone ukes, please), a pick, and a ukulele capo; a portable music stand or book holder is also recommended. No loaner instruments are available. Prerequisite: Yes, You Can Play the Ukulele, Part 1 (or a similar introductory class), or be self-taught and able to play at least seven chords and transition smoothly between them. Instructor: Jeff Saxon

Meets at The Olympia Center

W May 6 - Jun 3 6:30 - 8:00 PM \$129 [14226](#)

Ukulele Summer Songs

Ages 18 and up

Learn fun, summer-themed songs by artists like The Beach Boys, Jimmy Buffett, Van Morrison, Seals & Crofts and more, as you simultaneously improve your uke skills and strumming options. Bring your soprano, concert or tenor uke (no baritone ukes, please) along with a pick and a uke capo to each class. And if you have a portable music stand or book holder, bring that, too. No loaner instruments are available. Prerequisite: Yes, You Can Play the Ukulele (or similar intro class) or be self-taught and be able to play at least 7 chords and transition between them. Instructor: Jeff Saxon

Meets at The Olympia Center

W Jun 10 - Jul 8 6:30 - 8:00 PM \$129 [14227](#)

Yes, You Can Play the Ukulele! Part 1

Ages 18 and up

The popularity of the ukulele continues to grow, and it's become one of the most desirable and accessible instruments to learn. Why not give this easy-to-learn, smile-inducing instrument a try in this fun-filled group class that will have you strumming chords and playing songs in a few weeks. No prerequisite, but you will need to bring your soprano, concert, or tenor uke (no baritone ukes, please!) along with a pick to each class. And if you have a portable music stand or book holder, bring that, too. No loaner instruments are available. Instructor: Jeff Saxon

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Jun 20 - Jul 25* 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM \$129 [14229](#)

*No class 7/4



Tiny strings, big fun!



Learn chords, make music, and find your groove.

Beginning Guitar

Ages 14 and up

If you've never played guitar or know a few chords, this class is for you! Learn essential techniques, including exercises, tablature, chords, and sight-reading, to help you continue playing long after the class ends. You'll need an acoustic guitar or electric guitar with a small practice amp. A \$25 Diatonic Triad Book fee is due on the first day. KZOK award-winning instructor Bill Sweeney has taught guitar for all local Parks and Rec departments, SPSCC, TESC, and Pierce College.

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th	Apr 9 - May 7	7:30 - 8:30 PM	\$109	14068
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Guitar II

Ages 14 and up

Enhance your skills through sight-reading, chord charts, and finger-picking as we learn new songs. Prerequisite: Completion of any Beginning Guitar class using a Diatonic Triad book. Books are available for \$25.00 at the first session. Instructor Bill Sweeney brings extensive teaching experience from local Parks and Rec departments and community colleges. Let's play guitar! Instructor: Bill Sweeney

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th	May 14 - 28	7:30 - 8:40 PM	\$78	14069
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All About Guitar Chords

Ages 14 and up

Delve into the world of chord theory and song composition as we explore how chords are formed, why specific chords are used in songs, and techniques to simplify chord playing. Join us in co-creating a song together! This class is ideal for anyone who has completed a Beginning Guitar course or is familiar with basic guitar chords. All materials will be provided by our experienced instructor, Bill Sweeney.

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th	Jun 4	7:15 - 8:45 PM	\$48	14070
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Discover Voice Overs!

Ages 18 and up

In what could be the most enlightening two hours you've ever spent, this class will show how YOU could begin using your speaking voice for commercials, films, videos and more! In this class you will learn about unique, out of the box ways to crash into one of the most lucrative full time or part time careers out there! Instructor: Lisa Foster

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa	May 2	10:00 AM - Noon	\$49	14072
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Adult & Teen Aikido

Ages 13 and up

Experience a full-month introduction to the Japanese martial art of Peace. The practice of Aikido is to harmonize with your partner's attack, blending with and redirecting the energy. Aikido develops coordination of mind and body. Through its philosophy and techniques, Aikido brings us into harmony with our environment, other people, and ourselves. After the first month, registration is through Aikido Olympia. Please arrive 10 minutes prior to class start time.

Meets at Aikido Olympia

Tu Th	Apr 7 - 30	6:30 - 7:20 PM	\$65	14108
Tu Th	May 5 - 28	6:30 - 7:20 PM	\$65	14109

BollyX Dance Fitness

Ages 16 and up

BollyX is a high-energy dance-fitness class that blends Bollywood music with fun, dynamic choreography for an upbeat cardio workout. All fitness levels are welcome, and no dance experience is needed. Instructor Anjali Bhatt

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa	Apr 4 - May 30	10:30 - 11:30 AM	\$70	14196
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Taekwondo

Ages 5 and up

Discover Taekwondo with the award-winning U.S. Martial Arts Center. Build confidence, improve fitness and coordination, and develop strong character. This beginner-friendly class welcomes youth, teens, adults, and families. Register once through Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation; ongoing registration continues through the U.S. Martial Arts Center. Uniform included.

Meets at U.S. Martial Arts Center - Westside

M W	Apr 6 - 29	4:40 - 5:20 PM	\$60	14112
Tu Th	Apr 7 - 30	5:30 - 6:10 PM	\$60	14510
M W	May 4 - 27*	4:40 - 5:20 PM	\$60	14113
*No class 5/25				
Tu Th	May 5 - 28	5:30 - 6:10 PM	\$60	14511

Qigong

Ages 18 and up

Welcome the Qi of spring with practices to stretch, strengthen, and awaken body and mind. You'll learn a beginner's version of Wild Goose Qigong Form XIV ("Seven Stars Open the Chakras"), plus practices from Swimming Dragon Qigong and the Twelve Treasures. Expect in-depth instruction on alignment, moving with less effort, enhancing Qi flow, meditations to deepen your practice, and acupoints to help you relax, relieve anxiety, boost energy, and clarify the mind. Instructor: Rae Dimond

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu	Apr 28 - May 26	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$75	14231
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Stretch, flow, and awaken your energy.

Adult & Teen

Jazzercise Cardio Sculpt

Ages 16 and up

Get your heart pumping with this upbeat, full-body workout set to energizing music. You'll combine cardio, strength training, and stretching to improve endurance, tone muscles, and boost overall fitness. Movements are easy to follow and adaptable for different fitness levels, making this class both effective and fun. Expect a supportive, welcoming atmosphere where you can move, sweat, and feel great.

Instructor: Elaine Petersen

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu Th 5:15 - 6:15 PM or 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Sa 8:30 - 9:30 AM

\$10 drop-in class or purchase a 2-month membership

\$45 = 10 visits

\$70 = 20 visits

Women's Fitness

Ages 16 and up

Every woman will benefit from this year-round program that improves cardiovascular fitness, agility, and flexibility! No matter what condition you're in, you'll find someone working at your pace to get in shape with. No black soled shoes in gym please. Hand weights optional. Instructor: Martha Sweeney

Meets at The Olympia Center

M W F Apr 1 - 29 9:00 - 10:00 AM

\$32 [14191](#)

M W F May 1 - 29* 9:00 - 10:00 AM

\$32 [14192](#)

*No class 5/25

Zumba for Everybody

Ages 16 and up

Zumba for Everybody is a dance fitness class that combines Latin and international music with fun, easy-to-follow movements. This high-energy workout improves cardiovascular fitness, coordination, and balance while keeping the focus on enjoyment and community. All fitness levels and body types are welcome, low-impact options are provided for all dance movements. Instructor: Carolyn Ham

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th May 7 - Jun 25 5:30 - 6:30 PM

\$56 [14193](#)



Move your body, boost your energy, and feel strong and confident in every class.



Learn, move, and explore! Kayaking is a fun, low-impact way to experience the NW.

Beginning Flatwater Kayaking

Ages 12 and up

This indoor class, taught by Instructor Judson Lang, covers the basics of flatwater kayaking, including how to choose a boat, what to bring, and where to go. You'll learn everything you need to know before heading out on the water, making it perfect for beginners or those looking to brush up on their skills. Kayaking is a great low-impact exercise that strengthens your core and enhances cardiovascular fitness while exploring the beautiful environment of the Pacific Northwest. The possibilities for adventure are endless!

Meets at The Olympia Center

M Apr 6 6:00 - 9:00 PM \$29 [14236](#)

Being with Birds

Ages 8 and up

Birds are messengers, filling the air with song, riding the wind, and moving through the world with grace. Learning simple mindfulness practices helps us be still and attentive, being in their world. Practice deep listening, observe bird language and movement, and explore what their presence reveals about the land. Watch birds in trees, at the shoreline, or soaring above, and discover how they communicate through their calls, songs, and behaviors. Whether you're an experienced birder or just beginning, this practice deepens your awareness of the birds around you. Instructor: Brenda Butterfield

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa Apr 25 8:30 - 11:30 AM \$55 [14249](#)

Coffee and a Paddle at the Cove

NEW!

Ages 18 and up

Begin your day with intention on a mindful morning paddle on the South Salish Sea. You'll gather at The ONE Center for coffee/tea and a few quiet moments to arrive, connect, and set an intention before heading to the cove. Mindfulness-trained guides will invite you to practice non-striving and beginner's mind, with a gentle, spacious pace and time to pause and float. No prior mindfulness or kayaking experience required. Safety instruction and equipment provided. Instructors: The ONE Center Staff

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa Jun 6 7:30 - 11:30 AM \$59 [14241](#)

Council of All Beings

Ages 16 and up

This involves both art and heart - our relationship to the many threatened species of the world. With provided materials we will create a mask for a non-human living being (animals, birds, fish, insects, etc.). Then we will conduct a "council meeting" of all these beings (speaking in character of our critter with mask on) regarding the state of our Earth and what needs to happen for all our well beings. Previous participants describe this council meeting as captivating and insight provoking. Instructor: Lynn Fitz-Hugh, Thurston Friends of Trees

Meets at Squaxin Park

Sa May 2 1:00 - 4:30 PM \$55 [14184](#)

Adult & Teen

Intro to Map and Compass

Ages 12 and up

Feel more confident when you visit the backcountry by learning the basics of map and compass navigation. You'll practice reading topographic maps, understanding map symbols, and using a compass to determine direction. This class emphasizes foundational skills to help you navigate safely and with greater confidence. Take this class and have a lifelong skill that will never let you down! Instructor: Judson Lang

Meets at The Olympia Center

Th Apr 2 - 9 6:00 - 9:00 PM \$49 [14235](#)

Kayak Trip: Budd Inlet

Ages 12 and up

Join Outdoor adventure staff as we explore the Budd Inlet! We will check out the winter birds and sea life and explore our beautiful Ellis Cove. This trip is in generally protected waters and is the perfect opportunity for you to experience our local wildlife. This trip is suitable for beginners. All necessary equipment will be provided.

Meets at Swantown Marina Boathouse

Sa Apr 4 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM \$59 [14037](#)

Singing Mother Trees

Ages 18 and up

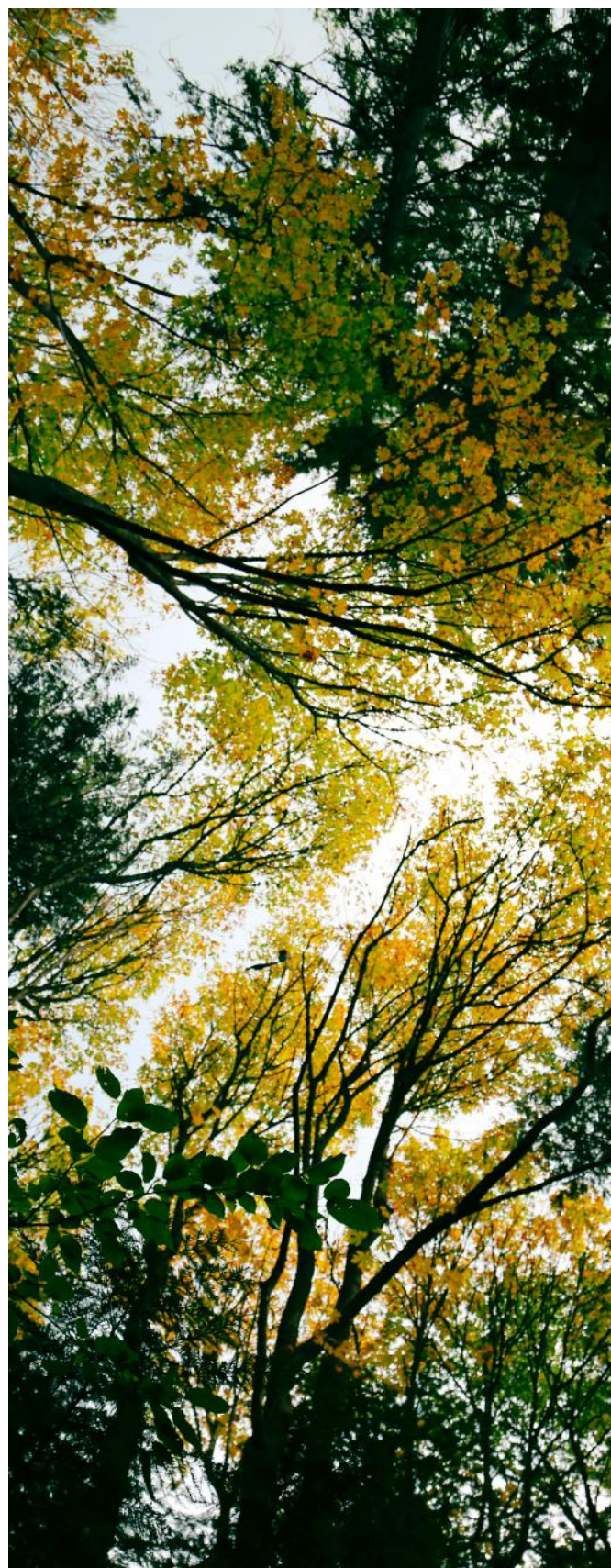
Walk in a rare undisturbed old growth forest. Land welcoming & guided meditation & a special way to hear the trees sing! We will learn about how trees communicate and nurture each other, how they are protecting us from carbon pollution, what tree activists around the world are doing for them, and why they are at risk right now. Feel revitalized, connected and centered as you leave. Instructor: Julie Ratner, Thurston Friends of Trees

Meets at Squaxin Park

Sa Apr 4 10:00 - 11:30 AM \$25 [14186](#)

Sa May 2 10:00 - 11:30 AM \$25 [14187](#)

Sa Jun 6 10:00 - 11:30 AM \$25 [14188](#)



Listen to the living forest.

How to Survive an Unexpected Night in the Forest

Ages 12 and up

What do you do if your planned day goes wrong and you are forced to spend an unexpected night in the forest? You'll learn practical skills to help you stay calm, warm, and safe, including shelter building, fire-starting basics, and decision-making strategies. This class focuses on preparation, awareness, and problem-solving to help you respond effectively in challenging situations. Instructor: Judson Lang

Meets at The Olympia Center

Tu Apr 7 - 21 6:00 - 9:00 PM \$75 [14237](#)

Hiking and Backpacking Lighter

Ages 12 and up

This class, taught by Judson Lang, shows you how to make decisions that lighten your pack so you can enjoy day hikes and backpacking again. You'll learn practical techniques for reducing weight while staying prepared, so your trips feel better on your body and more fun overall. Come ready to rethink what you carry and learn simple ways to lighten your load.

Meets at The Olympia Center

F Apr 10 - 24 6:00 - 9:00 PM \$75 [14238](#)

Hiking Trip: South Fork Skokomish Trail

Ages 12 and up

Take a break from the hustle and bustle and join us on a hiking adventure on the South Fork Skokomish trail near Shelton. Our experienced outdoor adventure staff will take care of the driving and provide all necessary equipment, making this beginner-level hike accessible to most fitness and skill levels. Enjoy the stunning scenery of the Pacific Northwest and cool off with some ice cream and coffee in Shelton after the hike.

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa Apr 25 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM \$69 [14243](#)

Mountaineers Basic Sea Kayak Course

Ages 18 and up

This course includes classroom instruction covering equipment overview, safety and hazards, rescue techniques, tides and currents, navigation, weather, boat-fitting, ten essentials, hypothermia and wilderness ethics. You'll also get paddling, and self and assisted rescue practice in a heated pool and on both Black Lake and the Salish Sea. With expert guidance by Will Greenough from The Mountaineers, you'll be well on your way to becoming a skilled kayaker. For more information contact 360.508.0456 or kayakwill@yahoo.com.

Session 1 Apr 27, 30 & May 2, 6, 9 \$379 [14254](#)

Session 2 May 19, 28, 30 & Jun 3, 6 \$379 [14255](#)

Schedule (times & locations apply to both sessions):

M	6:00 - 9:00 PM	Classroom: Friends Meeting Hall
Th	6:00 - 8:30 PM	Pool: Evergreen College Pool
Sa	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Open Water: Kenneydell Park
W	5:30 - 8:30 PM	Zoom
Sa	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Wet Paddle: Boston Harbor

Whale Watching Tour

Ages 12 and up

Leave the driving to us and join Island Adventures Whale Watching for an unforgettable tour in the San Juan Islands—home to some of the richest marine life on the planet. This is an excellent place to view Southern Resident killer whales (J, K, and L pods), along with Bigg's (transient) orcas, humpbacks, minke, and gray whales. Naturalist guides also highlight seals, sea lions, porpoises, bald eagles, and seabirds. Departs from and returns to The Olympia Center parking lot.

Meets at The Olympia Center

Sa May 9 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM \$175 [14242](#)



Whale wonders await.

Adult & Teen



Adventure starts with a paddle.

Kayak Strokes for Healthier Folks NEW!

Ages 18 and up

Kayaking can support both mental and physical health, and this class focuses on the fundamentals to help you build confidence on the water. You'll learn essential equipment basics and how to stay safe, plus core paddling skills including forward and reverse strokes, turning, and stopping. You'll also practice getting on and off the water safely. By the end, you'll have the skills to take short recreational trips and continue exploring kayaking for overall wellness. Instructors: The ONE Center Staff

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa May 2 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM \$79 [14251](#)

Kayak Trip: Nisqually Delta

Ages 12 and up

Discover the beauty of the Nisqually Delta as you explore this unique estuary by kayak. This guided trip offers opportunities to observe wildlife while practicing paddling skills in a dynamic tidal environment. Routes and pace will depend on conditions and group experience. All necessary equipment will be provided, so all you need to do is show up!

Meets at Swantown Marina Boathouse

Sa May 2 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM \$75 [14245](#)

Tree Bathing - Shinrin-yoku

Ages 18 and up

Immerse yourself in the healing presence of the forest through the Japanese practice of Shinrin-yoku, or "forest bathing." This is not a hike, but a slow, sensory experience of deepening your relationship with trees. Breathe in the earthy air, feel the textures of bark, listen to rustling leaves, and notice the play of light through the canopy. Research shows that time among trees reduces stress, lowers blood pressure, and enhances well-being. Let the forest support your mind, body, and spirit as you awaken to its presence. Instructor: Kathy Jacobson, Thurston Friends of Trees

Meets at Burfoot Park

W May 6 6:00 - 7:30 PM \$19 [14183](#)

Gardening in Small Spaces: Grow More with Less NEW!

Ages 8 and up

Gardening supports health and wellness, even when space is limited. This hands-on workshop is for you if you want to grow plants, herbs, or vegetables using a balcony, patio, windowsill, or small yard. You'll cover container gardening, vertical growing, smart plant selection, and practical tips for sunlight, soil, containers, watering, and low-maintenance care, with sustainability in mind. You'll leave with a few starter plants to jump-start your garden. Instructor: Jennifer Hurst

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa May 9 1:00 - 4:00 PM \$55 [14252](#)



Plant joy in small spaces.

Kayak Trip: Hood Canal

Ages 12 and up

Join Outdoor adventure staff as we explore the Great Bend of Hood Canal! Many wildlife species make their home near the mouth of the Skokomish River in Hood Canal. This location combined with the quiet calmness of kayaking makes this trip the perfect opportunity for you to experience our local wildlife. This beginner tour is set in calm, protected and generally shallow waters. All necessary equipment will be provided.

Meets at Swantown Marina Boathouse

Sa May 9 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM \$75 [14244](#)

Trees and Me

Ages 18 and up

Robin Wall Kimmerer urges us to have reciprocal relationships of care with all of nature. We breathe in oxygen and out carbon dioxide, while trees do the opposite. This exchange is just the beginning of the complex relationship we share with trees. Join us for a beautiful walk through Squaxin to learn about the many remarkable things Northwest trees do and deepen your connection with the forest. We will also visit some very cool nurse logs. Instructor: Lynn Fitz-Hugh, Thurston Friends of Trees

Meets at Squaxin Park

W May 13 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$19 [14182](#)



Experience the magic of evening on the water with breathtaking views.

Eventide Mindful Paddle **NEW!**

Ages 18 and up

End your day with a relaxing paddle, stunning scenery, and a community campfire. This contemplative sea kayaking experience invites mindfulness, guided by instructors who encourage non-striving and a sense of having nowhere to go and nothing to do. You'll launch from Gallagher Cove into Totten Inlet, sharing the water with harbor seals, blue herons, osprey, jellyfish, and more as the sun sets over the Olympic Mountains. Afterward, reflect together around the campfire. Safety-focused instruction and all necessary equipment are provided. Just bring your sense of adventure, a curious mind, and an open heart. Instructors: The ONE Center Staff

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa May 16 5:00 - 9:00 PM \$59 [14239](#)

Full Moon Paddle **NEW!**

Ages 18 and up

Experience the magic of the South Salish Sea on this full moon paddle. You'll launch from Gallagher Cove in the early evening and paddle into Totten Inlet as the sun sets behind the Olympic Mountains. Mindfulness-trained guides will invite non-striving, with a slow, spacious pace and time to pause, float, and take in the sights and sounds of dusk and moonrise. This is a contemplative paddle that emphasizes presence, connection, and shared experience on the water. Safety instruction and equipment are provided. Experienced paddlers only. Instructors: The ONE Center Staff

Meets at The ONE Center

Sa May 30 7:00 - 11:00 PM \$79 [14240](#)

Adult & Teen

Adult 4 on 4 Volleyball League

Ages 18 and up

We offer multiple divisions of play to help promote equal levels of competition in an enjoyable and healthy environment. Sign up as an individual for any of our leagues, and if we get enough players in a particular league to form a team, we'll put a team together for you. If you have questions about what league you should sign up for, contact tearley@ci.olympia.wa.us.

Registration deadline: March 15

Meets at Local Gyms

Individual Registration

M-Th Mar 30 - Jun 15 6:30 - 9:30 PM \$75 [13935](#)

Team Registration

Reverse A

M Mar 30 - Jun 15 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13951](#)

Reverse B Major

M Mar 30 - Jun 15 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13952](#)

Reverse B

M Mar 30 - Jun 15 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13953](#)

C Major

Tu Mar 31 - Jun 9 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13950](#)

C League

Tu Mar 31 - Jun 9 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13949](#)

Women's A/B Major

W Apr 1 - Jun 10 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13954](#)

Women's B/C Major

W Apr 1 - Jun 10 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13956](#)

B Major

Th Apr 2 - Jun 11 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13948](#)

B League

Th Apr 2 - Jun 11 6:30 - 10:00 PM \$289 [13947](#)

"These volleyball leagues truly keep me sane, and the community you've helped build has meant so much to me. It's something I really look forward to each week, and I'm very grateful for it."

- Volleyball League Participant



Good vibes, great volleys.

Volleyball Tournament "Fools of Spring"

Ages 18 and up

This annual 4-on-4 co-ed volleyball tournament delivers fast-paced play, friendly competition, and a fun tournament-day atmosphere. Expect great matches, cool prizes, and championship T-shirts for division winners. Divisions include Open, B Major, B, and C Major, with all divisions playing Reverse Co-Ed. **Registration deadline: March 20**

Meets at Marshall Middle School

Sa Mar 28 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM \$185 [13931](#)

Basketball Leagues

Ages: 18 and up

Our Spring leagues begin March 31. We offer several Divisions of play. Games are played on weeknights at local gyms and officiated by two certified referees. Sign up your team today! Minimum of 8 games played.

Registration deadline: March 21

Tu WTh Mar - Jun \$879 per team

Get Golf Ready NEW!

Ages 16 and up

In this 4-week session, you'll dive into the essentials of golf, learning the fundamentals in a fun and approachable way. Whether you're new to the game or looking to refine your skills, this class will give you the confidence to practice and play with ease. Get ready to enjoy the game and improve your swing! Class will include time on the golf course to apply what you have learned.

Instructor: The Valley Golf Academy

Meets at Tumwater Valley Golf Course

Tu	Apr 7 - 28	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14256
W	Apr 8 - 29	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14257
Th	Apr 9 - 30	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14258
W	May 6 - 27	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14259
Th	May 7 - 28	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14260
Tu	Jun 2 - 23	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14261
W	Jun 3 - 24	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14262
Th	Jun 4 - 25	5:30 - 6:30 PM	\$180	14263



Ultimate fun, ultimate community.

Women's 7 v 7 Soccer League

Ages 18 and up

Experience the thrill of the game in a fun and welcoming environment. Our modified 7 vs 7 field offers a recreational yet competitive experience with no referees. With 25-minute halves and a 5-minute halftime, you'll have plenty of time to showcase your skills and make new friends. All levels of play are welcome, from beginners to experienced players. Come join us on the field! Registration is team only. If you'd like to play, but don't have a team you can e-mail tearley@ci.olympia.wa.us to be added to a "Free Agent" list which will be distributed to current team captains.

Registration deadline: April 13

Meets at Washington Middle School

Sa	Apr 18 - Jun 13*	9:00 AM - 1:00 PM	\$295	13932
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*No class 5/23

Ultimate Frisbee

Join our Ultimate Frisbee league and experience the fun and excitement of the 4-on-4 format! Whether you sign up as a team with your friends and family or as a free agent, we guarantee you'll have a great time and meet new people. Plus, Ultimate Frisbee is a non-contact sport, making it a safe and enjoyable way to get exercise. New players are welcome and encouraged to play. Don't miss out on the action - register now and join the fun! Free Agents will be assigned to teams by the league organizers. *Memorial Day weekend games will be on Monday, May 25 instead of Sunday.* **Registration deadline: April 18**

Meets at LBA Park

Co-ed - Ages 16 and up

Su	May 3 - Jun 7	5:00 - 6:30 PM	\$42
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Youth League - Ages 7-15

Su	May 3 - Jun 7	4:00 - 5:00 PM	\$30 or \$6 drop-in
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Youth League sessions include 20-30 minutes of practice and drills to learn the rules and build skills, followed by a 30-minute scrimmage. Please bring a light and dark shirt, along with water. Drop-in registration is available each week through Wed before the session.

Adult & Teen

Softball Leagues

Ages: 18 and up

Join our adult recreational softball league for an unforgettable Spring/Summer season! Play under the lights at Yaeger Park on weeknights with our Recreational Co-ed leagues. With a minimum of 14 games played, you'll have plenty of opportunities to hone your skills and make lasting memories with your teammates. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the game, our league offers a fun and welcoming environment for all. Don't miss out on this chance to experience the thrill of softball in a friendly and competitive setting. **Registration deadline: May 9**

Meets at Yaeger Park

Co-ed

MWThF Jun - Aug \$989 per team

Men's

TuTh Jun - Aug \$989 per team

Open Gym

Meet other players and get a leg up on the competition by sharpening your skills in these fun pickup games that are offered year-round. Payment due at time of play.

Meets at The Olympia Center

Senior Pickleball & Volleyball

Ages: 50 and up

TuTh 7:45 - 10:00 AM \$3

Adult Pickleball

Ages: 18 and up

M - F 1:15 - 4:15 PM \$4



The courts are ready - come play, compete, and have fun!

Park Stewardship & Events

Earth Day Stewardship Event

All Ages

Show your support for Earth Day by participating in a stewardship project at Squaxin Park! The City of Olympia is teaming up with the PARC Foundation of Thurston County and local Lions Clubs to celebrate Earth Day in style, with a fun and exciting volunteer work party. Thanks to Lions Club donations, the school with the most student volunteers will win cash for their school! Tools, gloves, and light refreshments will be provided. Register today for this free event at volunteer.olympiawa.gov and show your support! For more information, call 360.753.8365.

Meets at Squaxin Park

Sa Apr 18 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM Free 13991

National Trails Day—PRIDE Event

All Ages

Happy PRIDE Month! Please join staff and community partners as we host our National Trails Day Stewardship PRIDE Event to give the LGBTQIA2S+ community an opportunity to share their passion for environmental restoration while feeling safe and celebrated for who they are. During this family-friendly event, we will remove English ivy and Himalayan blackberry from the wooded trails of Decatur Woods Park. We will have info booths, music, and giveaways! Everyone is welcome! Tools, gloves and light refreshments will be provided. Meet just inside the park. To volunteer for this free event, you must sign up online at volunteer.olympiawa.gov. If you have not signed up online before, you will need to create an account. For more information, call 360.753.8365.

Meets at Decatur Woods Park

Sa Jun 6 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM FREE [14234](#)

Weekly Work Parties

All Ages

Join us for fun, family-friendly work parties celebrating our trails and green spaces! Tools, gloves, and refreshments provided. Youth under 14 must be with an adult, and those under 18 need a waiver signed by a parent or guardian. Sign up at volunteer.olympiawa.gov.

Cultural Events

All Ages

The City of Olympia partners with and/or sponsors local organizations to offer a vibrant array of cultural events designed to celebrate the community's rich diversity, creativity, and traditions. These events foster a sense of connection and community pride, showcase local talent, promote inclusivity, and create opportunities for all to engage with Olympia's unique cultural landscape. For details on events, visit olympiawa.gov/events. Everyone is welcome!

Oly on Ice - 2026 Sponsorships

Do you love Oly on Ice and want the opportunity to help make this community event happen, while gaining some valuable exposure for your business or organization? We are now bringing on our sponsors for the 2026 season! Contact ayuda@ci.olympia.wa.us for more information.

Field Advertising

The Opportunity

City of Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation invites your business to seize a unique advertising opportunity! By placing your company's signage at Stevens Field, you'll reach thousands of potential customers while supporting the City's efforts to maintain and schedule our high-use fields—all at a minimal cost.

Why Advertise at Stevens Field?

Our two synthetic turf fields host an estimated **47,000 players and spectators** from Thurston County and beyond every year. By advertising here, you'll tap into a diverse audience through a range of community sports programs, including:

- Adult Coed Softball Leagues run by the City of Olympia
- Olympia High School Bears Fast-pitch games
- Numerous youth baseball and fast-pitch leagues from surrounding communities

This includes 300+ league games, 350+ tournament games, and hundreds of hours of practices, scrimmages, and tryouts.

Signage Options & Pricing

Your signage will remain displayed for one full year. At the end of the term, you'll have the option to renew your agreement. If your sign remains in good condition and does not need replacing, you'll qualify for a discounted renewal rate. Signage is expected to last at least 3-5 years. **We offer three signage sizes to suit your needs and budget:**

4'x3' - \$600 3'x2' - \$450 2'x1' - \$300

Need help with design? We can design your signage for an additional \$150 (includes two revisions).

Contact Us

For more information or to reserve your space, contact: Jeff Johnson, Recreation Supervisor
jjohnson@ci.olympia.wa.us 360.753.8051

Advertising Policy:

We do not accept advertisements that conflict with the Department's mission, values, policies, or planning documents, or that would create a conflict of interest. This includes, but is not limited to, businesses that promote:

- *Illegal practices (e.g., environmental violations, child labor exploitation)*
- *Drugs, marijuana, tobacco, or firearms*
- *Activities in violation of City policies or the Olympia Municipal Code*
- *Non-commercial sponsors*



Choose Your Own Adventure

Choose Your Own Adventure

Embark on a personalized adventure with the City of Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation's "Choose Your Own Adventure" program, designed specifically for small to mid-size groups. Whether you're planning a team retreat, a family outing, or a gathering with friends, we offer a diverse menu of customizable outdoor experiences to suit your group's interests and needs.

Seasonal Outdoor Activities:

- **Guided Kayak and Paddleboard Trips:** Explore Olympia's stunning waterways with expert guides. Ideal for groups of up to 12 participants.
- **Hiking Expeditions:** Discover scenic trails tailored to your group's skill level. Transportation options include our 13-passenger bus or self-arranged travel for larger groups.
- **Snowshoeing Adventures:** Experience the tranquility of snow-covered landscapes during the winter months. Perfect for full-day excursions.



Specialty Group Experiences:

- **Adult Variety Weekends:** Engage in a mix of outdoor activities designed for adult groups seeking both adventure and relaxation.
- **Private Campouts:** Enjoy exclusive camping experiences under the stars, complete with all basic equipment.
- **Overnight Kayak Trips:** Combine paddling with camping for an immersive nature experience.
- **Wilderness Survival:** Learn essential techniques, from fire-starting to shelter-building.

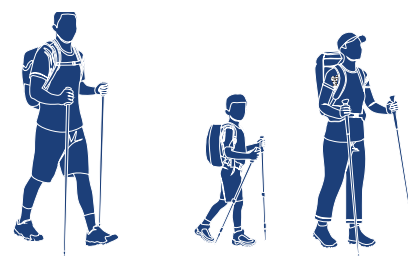
Customizable Options:

In addition to our standard offerings, we're eager to collaborate with you to design unique adventures that align with your group's interests.

Pricing:

Pricing varies by activity, group size, and duration. Approximate costs:

- **Half-Day Activities:** \$59–\$100 per person
- **Full-Day Excursions:** \$75–\$175 per person
- **Overnight Experiences:** \$150–\$400 per person



Booking Information:

- **Group Sizes:** Varies by activity; up to 13 participants with our bus transportation, larger groups can be accommodated with self-transport.
- **Scheduling:** For our kayak, hiking, and snowshoeing trips, requests should be made a minimum of two weeks in advance to ensure staffing availability and adequate preparation. For specialty or customized options, please contact us three to four weeks prior to your preferred date(s).

Join us for an unforgettable adventure tailored to your group's desires.

Contact Mike Baker at mbaker@ci.olympia.wa.us or 360.570.5854 today to plan your adventure.

Olympia's Parks Plan

A Six-Year Roadmap for Parks, Arts, and Recreation

Did you know that the City of Olympia has a Parks, Arts, and Recreation Plan that is updated every six years?

The Parks, Arts, and Recreation Plan serves as a guide for the phased development and enhancement of Olympia's parks, recreation facilities, and arts programs. It takes inventory of the current system and programs and charts a course for the next six years, outlining priorities for investment, improvement, and community engagement across all areas.



2022-2028 Parks, Arts & Recreation Plan

City of Olympia



February 1, 2022

Looking Ahead: The 2029 Update

Our current plan, adopted in 2022, outlines goals and projects that guide investments and priorities through 2028. As we prepare to begin the next update in 2026, we invite community members to review the 2022–2028 plan at olympiawa.gov/parksplan to learn about the vision and projects shaping our work today. The upcoming 2029 plan will build on this foundation, include updates on progress and new priorities identified through community input, and reflect any relevant updates from the City's Comprehensive Plan, which was completed in 2025.

Olympia's Parks Plan

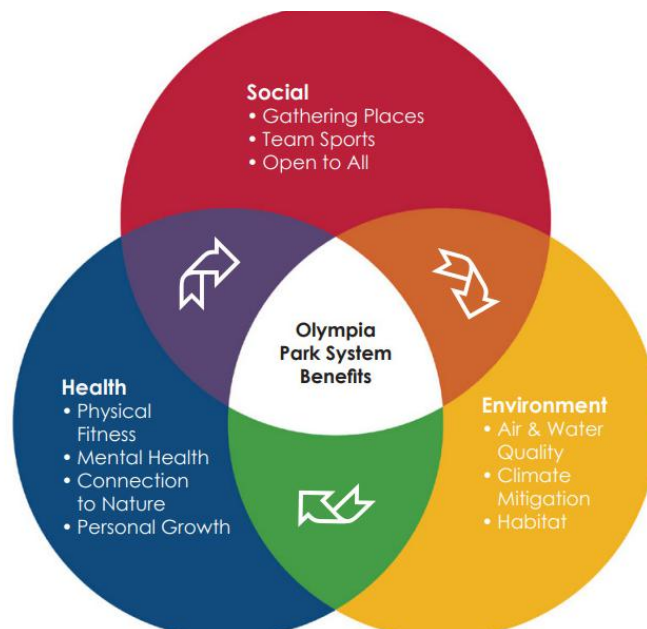


Public engagement is a key part of long-range planning for our parks and facilities.

In addition to setting goals for equity, inclusion, and belonging in our parks and services, the plan lays out a capital investment strategy—a roadmap for how the City prioritizes and funds improvements such as new park facilities, trail connections, and equipment upgrades over time. It also commits the department to pursuing climate mitigation and adaptation efforts.

Stay Involved and Informed

Please sign up for the OPARD e-newsletter at olympiawa.gov/subscribe to stay in the loop on how to participate in the community engagement process for the next plan that will begin in the new year. Thank you!



Arts in Olympia

Experience Art!

Olympia invests in creativity by dedicating one dollar per resident and one percent of major City construction budgets to public art. This commitment brings vibrant, community-owned artwork to our parks, neighborhoods, and public spaces, celebrating local and regional talent and enriching our shared environment.

From eye-catching sculptures to inspiring murals, public art is woven into the fabric of our city. Explore the collection at olympiawa.gov/publicart and see how art connects us to our community's stories. Stay in the loop on upcoming projects and events — subscribe to the Arts & Culture e-news at olympiawa.gov/subscribe.

The Olympia Armory is now the Daley Arts Center!

The name Daley Arts Center honors former Olympia Mayor Bill Daley, whose leadership played a key role in downtown revitalization during the 1980s and in the creation of Olympia's Arts Commission. The name was approved by the Olympia City Council in January 2026, following an extensive public engagement process and recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) and the Community Livability and Public Safety (CLPS) Committee. This process also resulted in official names for Yelm Highway Community Park - now Jolene Unsoeld Community Park and Kaiser Woods Park - now Marj Yung Park.

Spring Arts Walk & Procession of the Species Celebration: April 24 & 25

Celebrate creativity at Arts Walk! Join us on Friday, April 24, from 5:00 - 10:00 PM, and Saturday, April 25, from Noon - 6:00 PM for a vibrant two-day celebration of community, culture, and the arts! Artists, makers, and performers will showcase their work in various forms, from exhibits and events to interactive activities, across more than 100 local business locations, transforming downtown Olympia into a bustling hub of creativity you won't want to miss!



Explore the arts in all forms at Arts Walk - from performances and exhibitions to hands on activities.



Arts Walk takes place across almost 120 venues in downtown Olympia.

Plan Your Arts Walk Adventure:

- Over 100 artist exhibits, live performances, and events to explore! Browse the online calendar or search by artist name or genre. Event map available online at artswalkoly.com at or you can find paper maps at each of the participating business, City Hall or the Olympia Center.
- Innovation Award Spotlight Series – learn about the five recipients selected for their creative contributions to Arts Walk and efforts to inspire the community.
- Procession of the Species, Saturday at 4:30pm and Luminary Procession, Friday at 8:30pm! Two incredible experiences of cultural exchange and appreciation, presented by Earthbound Productions. Learn more at procession.org.

Outdoor Features:

- Enjoy a 4-block street closure in downtown Olympia, creating pedestrian-friendly space and Activity Area for gathering and celebrating.
- NEW on Percival Landing! Shop for unique, handcrafted items from talented artisans at the Arts Walk Arts Market.

Arts in Olympia

How to Get to Arts Walk:

- Take the Bus! Intercity Transit is fare-free—just hop on and go! Plan your trip using tools like IT's trip planner or the transit option in Google Maps.
- Bike in! Bike racks are available throughout downtown, or you can park in the secure, covered bike lockers at the Olympia Transit Center. Don't forget to bring your own lock for the locker. You can also use the Thurston County Bike Map to help find a good route.
Bonus: You can put your bike on a bus for the uphill trip!
- Stroll in! If you live nearby, consider walking or rolling into town. Several of Olympia's neighborhoods are within a mile of Downtown.
Bonus: You can take the bus on your trip home if needed.



Arts Walk event goers will find a range of visual arts from paintings and drawings to sculpture, craftwork and an artisan makers market.



Performing arts range from poetry, music and dance to video and theatrical performance.



Outside the various arts venues, the streets are alive with spontaneous performances and activities.

Arts Walk takes place twice a year—on the fourth Friday and Saturday in April and the first Friday and Saturday in October. Interested in participating? Register online in January for the spring event and in July for the fall. Learn more at artswalkoly.com.

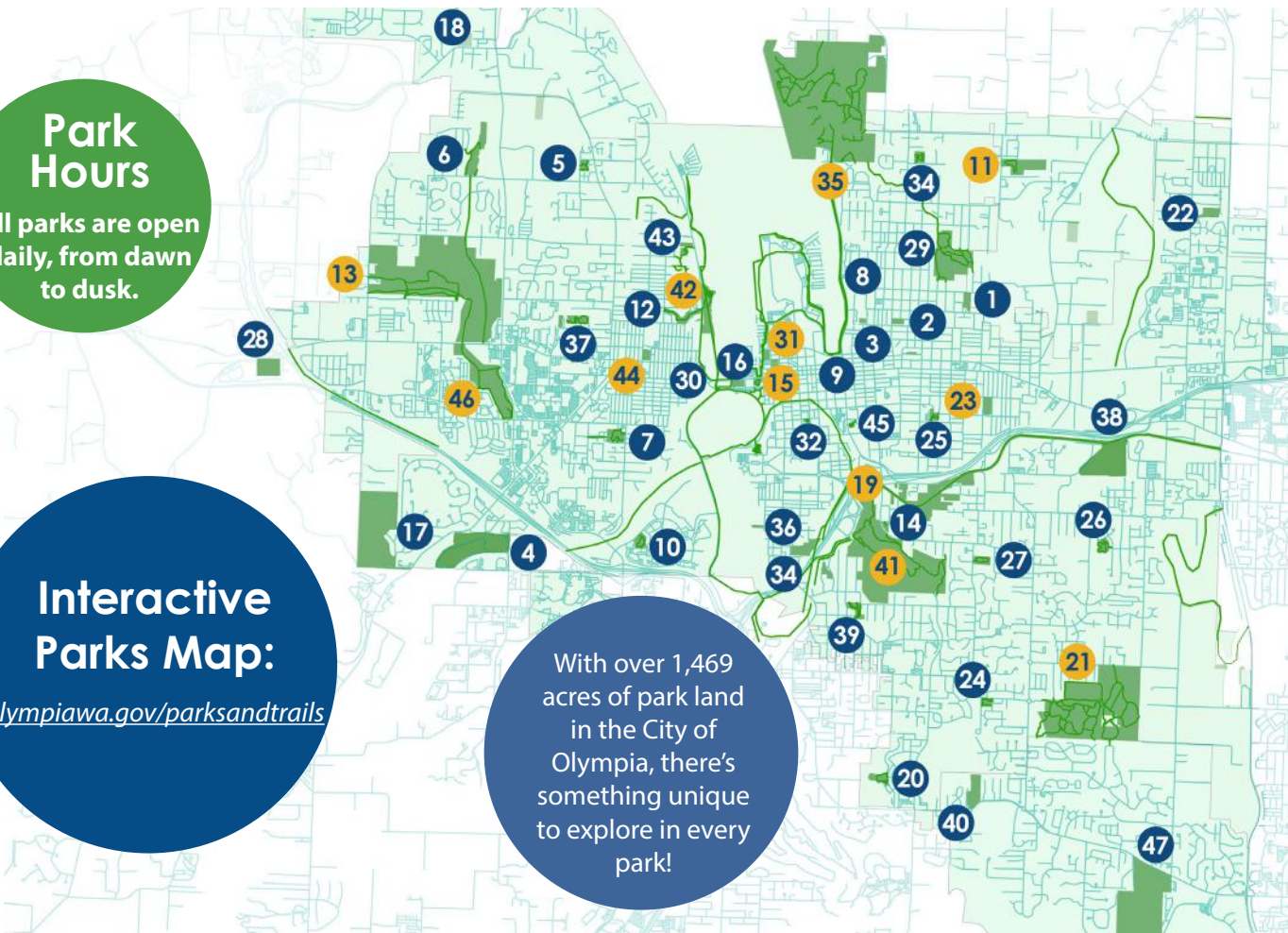
Park Hours

All parks are open daily, from dawn to dusk.

Interactive Parks Map:

olympiawa.gov/parksandtrails

With over 1,469 acres of park land in the City of Olympia, there's something unique to explore in every park!

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| <p>1 <u>18th Ave</u>
2803 18th Ave NE
<i>Undeveloped</i></p> | <p>2 <u>Bigelow</u>
1220 Bigelow Ave NE</p> | <p>3 <u>Bigelow Springs</u>
930 Bigelow Ave NE</p> |
| <p>4 <u>Black Lake Meadows</u>
3333 21st Ave SW</p> | <p>5 <u>Burri</u>
2415 Burbank Ave NW</p> | <p>6 <u>Cooper Crest</u>
3600 20th Ave NW</p> |
| <p>7 <u>Decatur Woods</u>
1015 Decatur St SW</p> | <p>8 <u>East Bay Viewpoint</u>
313 East Bay Dr N</p> | <p>9 <u>East Bay Waterfront</u>
313 East Bay Dr N</p> |
| <p>10 <u>Evergreen</u>
1445 Evergreen Pk Dr SW</p> | <p>11 <u>Friendly Grove</u>
2316 Friendly Grove Rd NE</p> | <p>12 <u>Garfield Nature Trail</u>
620 Rogers St NW</p> |
| <p>13 <u>Grass Lake</u>
700 Kaiser Rd NW</p> | <p>14 <u>Harry Fain</u>
1115 20th Ave SE</p> | <p>15 <u>Heritage Fountain</u>
330 5th Ave SW</p> |
| <p>16 <u>Isthmus</u>
531 4th Ave W</p> | <p>17 <u>Marj Yung Park</u>
4300 Park Dr SE</p> | <p>18 <u>Kaiser Road</u>
3035 Kaiser Rd NW
<i>Undeveloped</i></p> |

19 Karen Fraser Woodland Tr.
1600 Eastside St SE



22 Lilly Road
1100 Lilly Rd NE
Undeveloped

25 Madison Scenic
1600 10th Ave SE



28 McLane Dog Park
4421 Mud Bay Road NW



31 Percival Landing
405 Columbia St NW



34 Springwood
1500 Springwood Ave NE



37 Sunrise
505 Bing St NW



40 Ward Lake
2008 Yelm Hwy SE



43 West Bay Woods
1415 West Bay Dr NW



46 Yauger
530 Alta St SW



20 Kettle View
1250 Eagle Bend Dr SE



23 Lions
800 Wilson St SE



26 Margaret McKenny
3111 21st Ave SE



29 Mission Creek
1700 San Francisco Ave NE



32 Rebecca Howard
911 Adams St SE



35 Squaxin
2600 East Bay Dr NE



38 Taylor Wetlands
3100 10th Way SE



41 Watershed
2500 Henderson Blvd SE



44 Woodruff
1500 Harrison Ave NW



21 LBA Park & Woods
3333 Morse-Merryman Rd SE



24 Log Cabin Road
2220 Log Cabin Rd SE
Undeveloped

27 McGrath Woods
2300 Cain Rd SE



30 Park of the Seven Oars
Olympic Way



33 South Capitol
2015 Water St SW



36 Stevens Field
300 24th Ave SE



39 Trillium
901 Eskridge Blvd SE



42 West Bay
700 West Bay Dr NW



45 Yashiro Japanese Garden
1010 Plum St SE



47 Jolene Unsoeld Park
3323 Yelm Highway



- Athletic Field
- Community Garden
- Ice Skating (Seasonal)
- Paved Path
- Picnic Table
- Restroom/portable toilet
- Tennis Court
- Volleyball Net (Seasonal)

- Basketball Court/Hoop
- Concessions (Seasonal)
- Low-Barrier Trail
- Off-Leash Dog Area
- Pedestrian Access Only
- Playground
- Skate Court/Feature
- Water Feature

- Beach Access
- Hand-Held Boat Launch
- Mountain Bike Trail
- Open Field
- Pickleball Court
- Public Art
- Sledding Hill (Seasonal)
- Water Play (Seasonal)

- Boat Moorage
- Horseshoe Pit
- Natural Surface Trail
- Park Bench
- Park Shelter
- Pump Track (Seasonal)
- Swings
- Wildlife Viewing

Park Shelters

From the scenic beauty of Squaxin Park to the spacious activity areas at Yaeger Park, we have shelters for every event. Shelters may be reserved from Apr 1 - Oct 31, up to one year in advance (first come, first served Nov 1 - Mar 31).

Additional shelters located at parks throughout the City of Olympia are available on a first come, first served basis. Visit olympiawa.gov/parkshelters for more details, including rental guidelines and cancellation policies or to reserve online. You may also call 360.753.8380 to reserve.

Shelter	1-6 Hrs	6.5-12 Hrs	Amenities	Maximum Guests
 Squaxin #1	Shelter Only \$89 Shelter plus Rose Garden \$172	Shelter Only \$118 Shelter plus Rose Garden \$224	Picnic Tables 3 Outlets Lighting Sink	40
 Squaxin #2	\$56	\$78	Picnic Tables 2 Outlets Lighting Water Spigot	40
 Squaxin #3	\$56	\$78	Picnic Tables 2 Outlets Lighting Water Spigot	40
 Squaxin #4	\$89	\$118	Picnic Tables 3 Outlets Lighting Water Spigot	40

Park Shelters

Reservable Hours:

April: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

May-August: 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM

September: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

October: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

(Nov 1 - Mar 31: first come, first served)

Shelter	1-6 Hrs	6 1/2-12 Hrs	Amenities	Maximum Guests
 Friendly Grove	\$56	\$78	Picnic Tables 2 Outlets Lighting Sink	30
 Lions	\$56	\$78	Picnic Tables 2 Outlets Lighting Sink	30
 LBA	\$89	\$118	Picnic Tables 2 Outlets Lighting Sink	75
 Yauger	\$89	\$118	Picnic Tables 4 Outlets Lighting Water Spigot	75

The Olympia Center

Facility Reservations

To check fees and availability, please contact our customer service team:

Email: olympiaparks@ci.olympia.wa.us Phone: 360.753.8380

	Building Hours	Counter Hours	Phone Hours
Monday-Friday	8:00 AM - 9:00 PM	8:00 AM - 9:00 PM	8:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Saturday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sunday	Closed		

The Olympia Center

The Olympia Center is a versatile, centrally located facility near Budd Inlet, offering scenic views of Percival Landing and the Marina. This well-equipped venue features a commercial kitchen, a spacious event room with a stage, multiple meeting spaces, a gymnasium, and convenient dedicated parking. Take advantage of our comprehensive amenities, including a variety of tables, A/V equipment, and Wi-Fi access.

Whether you're planning a conference, wedding, fundraiser, or community event, The Olympia Center provides the perfect setting. With flexible spaces accommodating groups ranging from 15 to 300, we're here to make your occasion seamless and memorable.



The Olympia Center & The Harbor House



Location: 222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia

Olympia Center Rental Spaces	Weekday Rate	Capacity w/ Chairs	Capacity w/ Tables
Multi-Purpose Room ABC	\$123/hr + \$300 damage deposit 2 hour minimum - weekdays 4 hour minimum - Saturdays	250	200
Multi-Purpose Room A	\$84/hr + \$150 damage deposit 2 hour minimum	150	130
Large Room	\$42/hr + \$50 damage deposit 2 hour minimum	Varies up to 75	Varies up to 50
Standard Room or Stage	\$21/hr + \$50 damage deposit 2 hour minimum	Varies up to 25	Varies up to 20
Small Kitchen	\$23/hr + \$50 damage deposit 2 hour minimum	N/A	N/A
Main Kitchen	\$39/hr + \$300 damage deposit 2 hour minimum	N/A	N/A
Gymnasium	\$33/hr + \$50 damage deposit 2 hour minimum	N/A	N/A

The Harbor House

Located along the east boardwalk on Percival Landing, The Harbor House is also available for all your small event needs. The Harbor House provides direct access to the boardwalk, playground, grass playfield, and Budd Inlet.

Available amenities include gas fireplace, 6' and 1.5' tables, 8 armchairs and 20 stackable chairs, A/V cart, projection screen, flat-screen monitor, whiteboard, easel, microwave, refrigerator, sink, and small prep space.

Location: 216 Thurston Ave NW, Olympia

Rate: \$47 per hour + \$100 damage deposit



Information

Mission

We enrich lives by connecting people with quality experiences.

Olympia City Council

Olympia's seven-member City Council sets and approves policy for the City of Olympia, including the Parks, Arts and Recreation Department. Members include: Mayor Dontae Payne, Mayor Pro Tem Yén Huynh, Clark Gilman, Kelly Green, Dani Madrone, Robert Vanderpool and Paul Berendt.

Olympia Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee is appointed by the Olympia City Council and is tasked with making recommendations to the City Council regarding parks and recreation plans, policies, programs and projects, and to serve as liaison between citizens and the Council on parks and recreation related matters. Members include: Alexandria Safiq, Chair; Jeff Prevost, Vice-Chair; Jamie Gerken; Sare Webster; Caroline Mellor; Theresa Woodward; Meg Jones; James Goebel; Vacant seat.

Olympia Arts Commission

The Olympia Arts Commission advises City Council on the art experiences of diverse communities of this region, through programs and opportunities that proactively foster arts and cultural activity for every segment of the community. Members include: Kathryn Dorgan, Chair; Jim Burlingame; Coral Garey; Katherine Ransom; Jay Spivak; Andrew Repcik; Sergio Garcia; Christen Greene.



Projects like Grass Lake are collaborative efforts between City Staff, Council, and Advisory Committee members.

Interested in Teaching a Class or Workshop?

We are always on the lookout for enthusiastic and knowledgeable instructors to teach classes and workshops. Contact us at olympiaparks@ci.olympia.wa.us to get more information.

Athletics Non-Discrimination Policy

The City of Olympia does not discriminate against any person on the basis of gender in the operation, conduct, or administration of community athletic programs for youth or adults. For questions regarding this or other policy content related to field use, please contact Scott River, Director of Recreation and Facilities, at 360.753.8506.

ADA Accommodations

The City of Olympia does not discriminate against individuals with disabilities in City services, programs, or activities. The City provides reasonable accommodations to those with disabilities. We invite you to contact the Parks, Arts and Recreation Department two weeks in advance of the date a program begins or forty-eight hours before Parks and Recreation meetings to discuss any special accommodations which may be necessary. Deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, and speech disabled customers may contact us with the support of Telecommunication Relay Services at 711 or 800.833.6384.

Partner Information

Olympia Senior Center

The City of Olympia is proud to partner with Senior Services for South Sound at The Olympia Center. Senior Services provides a wide variety of services including classes, nutrition programs, trips and tours, and fun events. The Olympia Senior Center is open M - F from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

southsoundseniors.org

360.586.6181



Thurston County Specialized Recreation

Thurston County Specialized Recreation offers a variety of engaging activities in collaboration with Olympia, Lacey, and Tumwater. Tailored for individuals with developmental and/or physical disabilities, but open to individuals of all abilities, this program fosters growth, community integration, and friendship. Through shared experiences, participants build self-esteem, independence, and lasting connections. Most activities are suitable for those aged 16 and above, unless otherwise specified. TCRecreation@co.thurston.wa.us 360.867.2679



Olympia School District

We value our long-standing partnership with Olympia School District #111, which supports shared use of facilities for City recreation programs throughout the year.

Olympia Parks, Arts and Recreation manages reservations for Yauger Park, Stevens Field, LBA Park, and Olympia School District athletic fields. Field demand is high, and youth programs receive priority at school facilities. Please call 360.753.8051 or 360.753.8506 before scheduling athletic activities on City of Olympia or Olympia School District fields. Natural grass fields are closed to scheduled use from November 1–February 28.



Information

The Olympia Center

Olympia Parks, Arts & Recreation programs are based out of The Olympia Center, conveniently located in downtown Olympia — just minutes from I-5 and HWY 101.

Address

222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 98501

Phone

360.753.8380

Email

olympiaparks@ci.olympia.wa.us

Website

olympiawa.gov/parks

	Building Hours	Counter Hours	Phone Hours
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Saturday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sunday	Closed		

Directions

From I-5 Northbound
Exit 105B
(Port of Olympia)
Left on Plum
Left on State
Right on Columbia

From I-5 Southbound
Exit 105B
(Port of Olympia)
Merge onto 14th
Right on Henderson
Left on Plum
Left on State
Right on Columbia

From HWY 101
Take 101 to I-5
Follow the directions for
From I-5 Southbound
~ OR ~
Exit onto Black Lake Blvd
toward W. Olympia
Slight left on Black Lake
Right on 4th
At traffic circle, take
2nd exit onto 4th
Left on Columbia

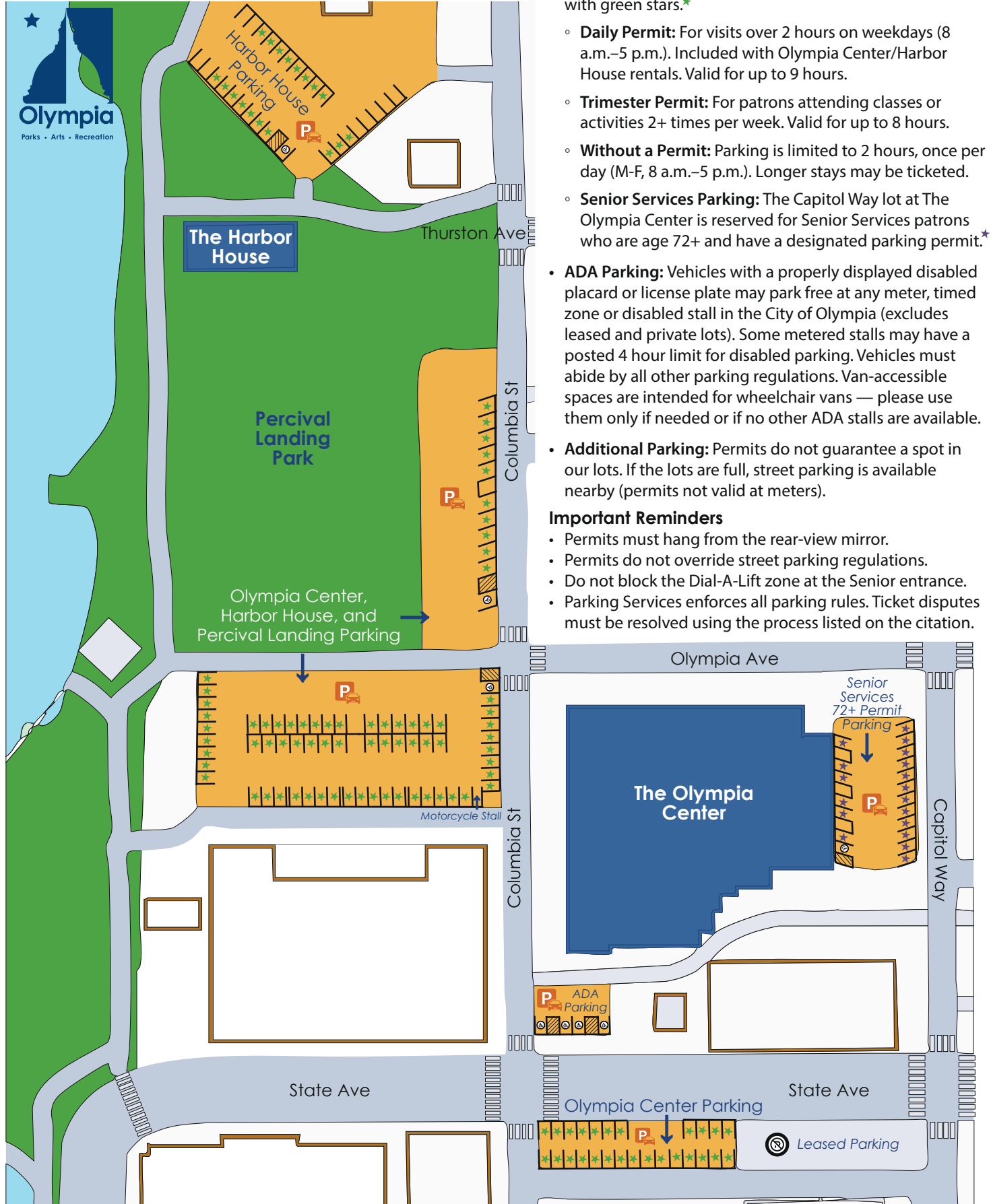
Bus Routes

The Olympia Center is located along Intercity Transit's FREE FARE bus line. For a complete schedule, visit intercitytransit.com.



Our friendly front desk team is always ready to help with questions, registrations, and more!

Olympia Center and Harbor House Parking



- **Available Lots:** There are three lots available for all Olympia Center/Harbor House patrons — located on Columbia, State, and behind the Harbor House/Wine Loft off Columbia and Thurston. Available stalls are marked with green stars.*
 - **Daily Permit:** For visits over 2 hours on weekdays (8 a.m.–5 p.m.). Included with Olympia Center/Harbor House rentals. Valid for up to 9 hours.
 - **Trimester Permit:** For patrons attending classes or activities 2+ times per week. Valid for up to 8 hours.
 - **Without a Permit:** Parking is limited to 2 hours, once per day (M-F, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.). Longer stays may be ticketed.
 - **Senior Services Parking:** The Capitol Way lot at The Olympia Center is reserved for Senior Services patrons who are age 72+ and have a designated parking permit.*
- **ADA Parking:** Vehicles with a properly displayed disabled placard or license plate may park free at any meter, timed zone or disabled stall in the City of Olympia (excludes leased and private lots). Some metered stalls may have a posted 4 hour limit for disabled parking. Vehicles must abide by all other parking regulations. Van-accessible spaces are intended for wheelchair vans — please use them only if needed or if no other ADA stalls are available.
- **Additional Parking:** Permits do not guarantee a spot in our lots. If the lots are full, street parking is available nearby (permits not valid at meters).

Important Reminders

- Permits must hang from the rear-view mirror.
- Permits do not override street parking regulations.
- Do not block the Dial-A-Lift zone at the Senior entrance.
- Parking Services enforces all parking rules. Ticket disputes must be resolved using the process listed on the citation.



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How to Register

Online: The easiest way to register for programs is at olympiawa.gov/experienceitonline.

Phone: Call 360.753.8380, Mon-Fri from 8:00 AM-7:30 PM and Sat from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM.

In Person: Stop by The Olympia Center at 222 Columbia St NW in downtown Olympia. Staff are available Mon-Fri from 8:00 AM-7:30 PM and Sat from 9:00 AM-4:00 PM.



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