



Saturday, September 18

Noon - 9 p.m.

Sunday, September 19

Noon - 5 p.m.

Downtown Riverfront

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Free Admission!

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Information: 614-645-3332

Grange Insurance Family Fun Fest

TARGET AMAZING ARTS

CREATIVE KIDS STUDIO

Step inside and become an artist! From the Fridge Frames to the Glow-in-the-Dark Boppers, your hands will be full of great projects to take home.

FESTIVAL FLOWERS

Put your green thumb to work in our tissue paper flower garden. Whether you wear it in your hair or use it to brighten up your outfit, everyone is sure to be impressed!

GIRL SCOUTS' ART HOUSE

Join the Girl Scouts and learn how to make masks, bracelets, and even a doll! Also, learn how you can become a Columbus Girl Scout!

OODLES OF NOODLES

Let your imagination run wild as you make a million different creations out of these brightly colored foam noodles.

PHOENIX THEATRE CIRCLE

Join the folks from Phoenix as they lead a fun activity and share their dramatic opportunities.

TOBY TORTOISE

Back by popular demand, Toby the Tortoise sits ready to be splashed with brush after brush of colorful paints upon his enormous shell. (Sculpted by Melanie Roy).

SIDEWALK CHALK

Let the sidewalks near the Broad Street Bridge become your enormous canvas as you create a masterpiece with chalk that everyone can admire and enjoy.

STEVE GRYB, THE PIED PIPER OF PERCUSSION, THE RHYTHM IS GOING TO GET YOU!

Don't miss America's most interactive percussion show for the young and young at heart. Features hundreds of percussion instruments from around the world with hands-on interaction and prizes for everyone who participates during the show! After the show, make some noise of your own on the huge assortment of sound effect and percussion instruments.

SUPER SILLY PUPPET THEATER

Who wants to be serious when you can sing songs and talk in a funny voice? Make a puppet and then put on a show in our kid-sized puppet theater.

YMCA

Let the talented instructors from the YMCA of Central Ohio lead you through one last summer art extravaganza that will bedazzle young and old alike.

BOB EVANS FISHING POND

There will be no shortage of fish stories in this area! Visit this instructional fishing exhibit and learn how to become a successful shallow water angler.

COLUMBUS RECREATION AND PARKS OUTDOOR EDUCATION

Fly-fishing, archery, survival skills and environmental education are all part of Indian Village Camp. Stop in to catch some fish, learn to make flies, dream catchers and learn more about this environmental education center. Fly-tying from 12:00-4:00 p.m. Saturday.

City Safari

BUGMAN ENTOPRISES

Bugman instructors bring the living world of bugs to people of all ages

in an interactive and entertaining presentation that will change your outlook on all Arthropods.

CLASSROOM VENTURES

Experience the adventure of live reptiles and amphibians. Slither through this hands-on exhibit and learn about the different snakes in our world.

COLUMBUS AND FRANKLIN COUNTY METRO PARKS

Discover your local Metro Parks. Explore Ohio wildlife and chat with Metro Parks' staff and volunteers.

COLUMBUS ZOO AND AQUARIUM, CONSERVATION AND EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Make a new friend when the zoo brings some of its fascinating animals to meet you. Also, make an animal project to take home. Parents can find out about all of the exciting learning opportunities the zoo has for kids. Noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.



FRANKLIN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

Ever consider opening your home to man's best friend? Learn about the loving benefits available to your family by participating in the Pet Adoption Program. Saturday

OHIO NATURE EDUCATION

Test your wildlife IQ as you view Ohio Nature Education's display and see LIVE wild animals such as hawks & owls up close!

RICHARD ENGLISH'S WILDLIFE DISPLAY

Go on safari with Richard English and get up close to American and African wildlife. This live display will feature an African porcupine, wildcats including caracal, bobcat and serval, and "Flag" – an all-American buck. Saturday only.

TURTLE LADY

Break out of your shell and visit the Turtle lady with her amazing reptile friends. 2:00-5:00 p.m.

CONSTRUCTION CORNER

PRESENTED BY THE GRANGE BANK & LOWE'S

GREATER COLUMBUS HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Grab a hammer! Don't miss your chance to build walls for a future Habitat house. Volunteers from Habitat's *Women Build* will provide hands on training for moms and girls 16 and older. Workshops and activities throughout the day.

JUST BLOCKS

Construct your favorite creation from the most basic building supplies around.

LOG CABIN RETREAT

Who needs a cabin in the woods when you can build one in the heart of the city?

LOWE'S KIDS CLINICS

Build a project provided by Lowe's. Kids work with their parent to construct a fun kit that they can keep. Quantities limited.

PAINT STIR PUZZLES

This paint project will really stir up the Picasso in your home.

SCIOTO BEACH

Build your dream castle at Scioto Beach - shovels and mounds of sand provided.

THE GRANGE BANK

After constructing your masterpiece at the Lowe's activity center, stop by The Grange Bank tent to add the finishing touches to your new "build."

DESTINATION FUN

GRANGE INSURANCE

Visit the Grange Insurance tent to adopt a balloon animal for your home or pose for a caricature. Things get even better when Strawberry Shortcake, Madeline and Curious George stop by to join the celebration. **Be sure to stop by Saturday evening from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. to get your 3-D glasses for the Roxane Laboratories 3-D Fireworks extravaganza.** Quantities are limited.

COSI

Rocket over to the booth of central Ohio's premiere family science center for a look at things that are out of this world.

AMUSEMENT ADVENTURE

Bounce, slide, climb and crawl your way through this inflatable city. Big Bounce
Obstacle Course
Spaceship Crawl
Giant Slide

GIANT EAGLE GOOD FOR YOU AREA

CHEF MARKO ELLINGER

Mix one part chef, one part comedian, a dash of comedy, let simmer for 20 years of experience - and you have culinary whiz Chef Marko! Don't miss the food comedy show as he whips up Flaming Banana Boats, Pastamobiles, Southwestern Quesadillas and Chili Sundaes! Catch him Saturday at 1:30, 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

FRANKLIN COUNTY SAFE COMMUNITIES

Your source for the latest safety tips about child restraint seats, seat belts and bike helmets.

KNOW!

Let everyone know that you're drug free and proud of it! Color a place mat that explains why you'll never do drugs, and create a post card to send to your friends that thanks them for staying away from drugs.

MID-OHIO DISTRICT NURSES ASSOCIATION

Exercise for a Healthy Heart: What is your favorite exercise? Try out several exercises while running our kid-friendly obstacle course.

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (MORPC)

Build your own watershed and learn the importance of keeping our waterways clean.

PAMPERED CHEF

Mix up a kid friendly snack with the Pampered Chef! Kids of all ages can learn how to create their own healthy snacks!

YOGINIS

Experience Yoga's simple and enduring qualities - breath, movement and relaxation are the foundations for all of the fun, educational and creative yoga classes made especially for kids! Check for times of yoga sessions.

PROJECT BOOMTOWN

Do you love Fred Flintstone, Yogi

Bear, George Jetson and Hong Kong Phooey? If so, come downtown and visit **Project Boomtown**. Meet these classic cartoon characters, get your photo taken, play interactive games and register to win a free TV. Enjoy all this fun courtesy of Time Warner Cable and Boomerang from Cartoon Network.

SPORTS SPOT

CLIMBING WALL

Test your skill at scaling Mt. Scioto.

COLUMBUS CLIPPERS

Visit Columbus Clippers interactive exhibit to test your pitching arm.

COLUMBUS COMETS

Players from the Columbus Comets, Columbus' national women's football league will sign autographs, show video clips from the past season and facilitate a series of fun, interactive, football games!

COLUMBUS CREW

Are you a young Mia Hamm or Jon Busch? Test your strength with the Columbus Crew's speed kick! Sunday

GET A KICK OUT OF SHARING

Kids all over the world love to play soccer, but not everyone has a ball to use. Join the World Vision in their effort to collect soccer balls for children in Africa and Latin America. Bring a new or gently used, deflated soccer ball to the festival and it will be shipped to grateful kids throughout the world. No one is too young to help others, so get your children involved in this great project.

HOT SPOT SHOOTOUT

How hot is your shot? Sink shots from all of the hot spots on the court before the buzzer sounds.

JUMBO JAM

Chances are you've never played basketball like this.

PUNT, PASS, & KICK

Compete for a chance to represent Columbus in the regional PUNT, PASS, & KICK football competition on Saturday from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Ages 8-15. Presented by UPN Columbus.

SLAPSHOT

Whether you're into ice hockey or street hockey this game is for you.

SPORTS SPOT OLYMPICS

Join in this kid friendly competition complete with tubes, hoola hoops and a log roll.

RIVER ROMP

RIVER RIDES

Don't miss your chance to cruise the Scioto River in style. Board a pontoon for a relaxing voyage along the downtown riverfront. Free, courtesy of United Steelworkers, AFL-CIO.

SANTA MARIA

Cruise over to the Santa Maria for free boat making workshops and pick up some coloring pages for the kids. Admission charged for tours.

WILDERNESS VOYAGEURS, INC.

Brave the raging Scioto River in a kayak, canoe, or river raft. Learn more about the family fun you can have on a rafting excursion. Free rides courtesy of Wilderness Voyageurs, Inc.

SAFETY ZONE

PRESENTED BY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL AND AEP OHIO

AEP OHIO

Kids of all ages can learn more about electricity safety. Follow

Louie the Lightning Bug as he teaches young and old how to be safe around electricity. Kids can make their mark on safety by coloring Louie and his various safety messages!

CENTRAL OHIO POISON CONTROL

Pick up coloring pages that will alert you to potential dangers in your home and help raise awareness within your family that poison prevention awareness starts at home.

COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Meet Columbus' finest as they pass out badges and coloring books. Learn about their new patrol for children. Saturday

FIRE SAFEHOUSE

Let Columbus firefighters show your child the proper techniques for safely exiting a burning house at their fire simulation house.

PREVENT CHILD ABUSE OHIO

Come to the Prevent Child Abuse Ohio tent and have your children participate in safety activities such as "Hopscotch to Safety" and the coloring activity "I Feel Safe When..."

OPERATION LIFESAVER

Railways are no place for children to play, walk or ride a bike. Join in on an array of fun puzzles, games and art activities that will remind everyone to "Look, Listen & Live!"

STOFHECK AMBULANCE SERVICE

Meet and talk with "Andy" the lovable robotic ambulance.

VERIZON WIRELESS SUPER READERS ZONE

FUNTASTIC FACES

Look the part with super hero face painting by Heather Parker and Funtastic Faces. Saturday 1:00-7:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00-5:00 p.m.

TAIWANESE PUPPETRY

Don't miss the North American Taiwanese Women Association's puppet performances of "The Legend of Sun Moon Lake," at 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. daily.

POWER POETRY

Use our colossal word magnets to write a poem about super heroes, comic books or whatever you can imagine.

SUPER READERS CHALLENGE

Show off your word and reading skills by playing these exciting reading games.

ZOOM, POW, READ!

You can be a super hero- just pick up a book! Join Batman, Robin and Spiderman as they share some of their favorite comic adventures with you. Take the fun home with your very own comic book while supplies last. Free comic books provided courtesy of The Laughing Ogre. Costume characters provided by Costume Specialists.

