

2014
September

Bates-Hendricks Newsletter



September 8 Meeting a Cookout in Hendricks Park

The September Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association meeting will be a cookout in Hendricks Park (corner of Madison Avenue & Orange Street) at 6:30pm on Monday, September 8. The Association will provide hot dogs, drinks, and paper products. We are requesting that you bring a side dish or dessert. See you there!



Lincoln Center Grand Opening Open House



There will be an open house from 5:00pm to 8:00pm on Saturday, September 6 celebrating the opening of the Lincoln Center, which is located at 516 Lincoln Street (corner of S. East Street and Lincoln Street). The official ribbon-cutting ceremony will be at 5:00pm. Come for hotdogs, popcorn, drinks, goodie bags, face painting, balloon animals, lawn games, and much more!

The Lincoln Center will be run by Dathouse, a group of people who live and work in the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood. They partner with groups around the Southside to work with and for their neighbors to develop a community that knows, cares for, and supports one another. The Lincoln Center will be a community center to centralize all these happenings. If you have any questions, call or email Brandon, (317) 840-6702, bemott34@gmail.com or Derek, (317) 361-6904, datderek@gmail.com.

Art Squared is September 20 in Fountain Square!

Get three great art events for the price of...none! Masterpiece in a Day and the Fountain Square Art Parade are free to participate in or to watch. The Fountain Square Art Fair is free to attend (vendors pay a nominal space rental fee). The event is from Noon to 6:00pm.

Masterpiece in a Day is where you can find locals, artists, students, neighbors, and friends creating works of art in a day for cash prizes.

It's Fountain Square's one-day art and writing competition. It's free to participate, just bring your favorite creating supplies and you're ready.

Fountain Square Art Parade is where you can be a part of a moving work of art. Build a float, wear an outfit, make a statement. Or just watch the art move...and maybe even move you. The rules are simple: whatever you do has to be family-friendly, and has to be able to move along the entire parade route. And it doesn't cost a thing to participate. The parade showcases contemporary artworks of all sizes and shapes that celebrates parades, street pageantry, and community. This is an all-ages event. Bates-Hendricks is planning on entering a float, so if you're interested in participating, contact John Winter at president@bateshendricks.org.

Fountain Square Art Fair is a place for local Indiana artists and vendors to come together as a whole to sell their goods, art, hand-made items, etc. By keeping the booth fees low, you are able to experience a local Art Fair like no other – one where it is strictly local Indiana artists and vendors.



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Letter from the President

Last weekend, many neighbors and I got to take part in the Miracle Mile Parade and Gateway South Festival and I was pleasantly surprised. There was a good-sized family fun area with many information booths (Bates-Hendricks even made an appearance), activities for kids, booths to purchase crafts, and some pretty good food. The parade was fairly well attended, although I somewhat forgot that the “Miracle Mile” parade was actually a mile! Regardless, the Bates-Hendricks float made its way through the parade with signs proudly showing the many gardens that we have created over the years. To add to the garden theme, we had some amazing flower arrangements on the bicycles! There are some pretty amazing pictures on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/bateshendricks) that show the fun time that we had. If you weren’t able to make it to the festival this year, you should certainly consider it next year.



BHNA President, John Winter

For those who don’t want to wait a whole year to see Bates-Hendricks in action again, coming up in just two weeks is the Art Squared festival on September 20. The event combines three great events. First, there’s Masterpiece in a day, which as the title says, artists create works in a matter of hours! Secondly, Virginia Avenue is turned into an art festival with many great booths. Finally, for those who have now seen the Miracle Mile Parade pictures and are regretting not being able to be part of the fun, you have the chance to be part of the Art Parade! Once again, Greg Allen will turn bicycles into wonderful flower arrangements and we will get to show the southeast why Bates-Hendricks truly is an “Indianapolis Garden District!”

I hope to have a chance to see everyone out at Art Squared Festival or at the parade. It would be a shame not to enjoy such an amazing event at our doorstep!

–John Winter

2014 Miracle Mile Parade

We had another successful Miracle Mile parade this year, with much better weather this year too! This year's theme celebrated all the landscaped areas in our neighborhood, with the theme "Bates-Hendricks: An Indianapolis Garden District". Thank you to everyone who came out to represent Bates-Hendricks and all those that helped plan our "float"! A very special thanks to Greg Allen, for his beautiful and creative bicycle flower arrangements!



IndyGo Forward

Every five years, IndyGo undertakes a study to look at the operation of its transit system through a comprehensive operational analysis (COA). This study identifies potential efficiencies, analyzes the changing market for transit, and serves as a plan for growth. Growing ridership on the IndyGo system, general public demand for more transit, and the opening of IndyGo's Downtown Transit Center in 2015 represent key changes in the local environment that require IndyGo's response. Over the next nine months, IndyGo will leverage its COA, branded IndyGo Forward, to facilitate a discussion with planning partners, policymakers, stakeholders, and the public to formalize new policies around how we invest in transit.

Outcomes

- New routing pattern to serve Downtown Transit Center, opening late 2015
- Agreement on transit system priorities
- Implementable \$10 million service improvement package
- Long-range (2021) plan including rapid transit lines

Public Meetings

All Public Meetings will be held at The Hall, 202 N. Alabama Street.

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| • Thursday, September 18 | 11:30am to 1:30pm |
| • Friday, September 19 | 9:00am to 11:00am |
| • Friday, September 19 | 4:00pm to 6:00pm |
| • Wednesday, October 29 | Noon to 2:00pm |
| • Thursday, October 30 | 9:00am to 11:00am |
| • Thursday, October 30 | 4:00pm to 6:00pm |



Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association

The Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association strives to improve the quality of life of those living in the neighborhood through efforts to assure safety, to maintain or improve the living environment, and to enhance the spirit of cooperation and neighborliness among all residents. We meet monthly on the first Monday of the month at the Immanuel United Church of Christ at the corner of East and Prospect at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$3 for individuals, \$5 for families, and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Kate Reinhardt, 1407 S. New Jersey Street, Indianapolis, IN 46225. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at bateshendricks.org.



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Newsletters Online

This newsletter and previous newsletters available online at bateshendricks.org/news

Monthly Calendar

- Sep 6** Lincoln Center Grand Opening Open House, 5:00pm to 8:00pm, 516 Lincoln Street. See page 1 for details.
- Sep 8** **Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Cookout, 6:30pm, Hendricks Park (corner of Madison Ave. & Orange St.). Association providing hot dogs, but bring a side dish or dessert!**
- Sep 10, 17, & 24** Digital Littles Tech Club, Fountain Square Library, 4:00pm to 4:45pm. Preschoolers to 3rd graders are invited for fun and educational activities using computers, iPads, digital cameras, and robot dinosaurs to help them gain confidence in their technology and literacy skills. Each week will feature different activities.
- Sep 11** Afternoon Book Discussion, Fountain Square Library, 1:30pm. Adults are invited to this monthly book discussion program. The book to be discussed is "Bless Me Ultima" by Rudolfo Anaya.
- Sep 12 & 26** Senior Euchre, The Burrello Family Center at Garfield Park, 1:00pm, Free or \$1 to play in prize fund.
- Sep 12** IndyProv Comedy, White Rabbit in Fountain Square, 8:00pm to 10:00pm.
- Sep 13** Fountain Fest, Garfield Park Sunken Gardens, 3:00pm to 7:30pm, \$10 per person, children 12 and under Free. This fundraiser for maintenance of the fountains at Garfield Park will feature music by Cathy Morris, Free But Not Cheap, and Filter Kings. There will also be food trucks and beverages. For details, call (317) 840-8111.
- Sep 16** Family Game Night, Fountain Square Library, 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Families are invited to play a variety of fun and educational games, including Wii Brain Academy, with their children.
- Sep 20** Art Squared, Fountain Square, Noon to 6:00pm. See page 1 for details.
- Sep 20** Garden Groceries, Garfield Park Conservatory, 2:00pm to 3:00pm, Free, all ages. Stop by the Children's Garden and learn about the benefits of eating your fruits and vegetables and have the chance to pick some fresh produce to take home!
- Sep 22** Leaf Hoppers, Garfield Park Conservatory, 10:00am to 11:00am, \$4 per child, ages 2 to 5. Create a leaf craft and find all different kinds of leaves – and, of course, find out why leaves are so important to plants! Registration required.

