

## Letter from the President

We have great greenspaces in Bates-Hendricks: parks, playgrounds, and some excellent places to take a walk. Try our two esplanades, just a block apart, for a lovely stroll.

First, you can take a walk down New Jersey Street. A place where the neighbors have done a magnificent job of maintaining the intricate landscaping. Enjoy the flowers, the trees, the lovely paths leading down the center of the esplanade. Stop and take a moment to enjoy the quiet.

Continue walking. Looking for a gazebo? Looking for a gazebo and yearning to play the piano in said gazebo? Well, keep walking down the New Jersey esplanade and find that piano waiting...in a gazebo. Stop for a minute, crack those knuckles, and play a tune. Enjoy a break from your walk.

And then continue your walk west to Alabama Street.

I love trees. Especially tall trees that have had a chance to grow and form a canopy. In a dense city neighborhood like ours, we have some wonderful maples and oaks that stretch up towards the sky and provide a little shade to the houses and street within their reach. But where in our neighborhood do we have tall tree after tall tree? On the Alabama Street esplanade – that's where.

The Alabama Street esplanade is wide and grassy, flanked by tree after tree. Here you can stop and enjoy the limbs of mature trees stretching far over your head. Stop for a picnic, play catch, enjoy the swaying of the branches that surround you. Relax on the Alabama Street esplanade.

Hopefully, you take a walk. Say hello to a neighbor or two. Better yet, join a neighbor or two for a walk up and down our esplanades for a lovely day.



**BHNA President, James Bulow**

## Volunteers Needed for Street Fest

You can help make this year's Street Fest the best yet by joining the Events Team to volunteer behind the scenes. By volunteering to assist with setup, event management, or teardown, you can give back to Bates-Hendricks while getting to know your neighbors! Volunteers are asked to work a 3-hour shift that helps Bates-Hendricks' largest fundraiser come to life.

As an added bonus... all volunteers will receive a coupon for Turchetti's!

Sign up to volunteer at [bit.ly/StreetFest22Volunteer](http://bit.ly/StreetFest22Volunteer).

# Sneak Peek at the Street Fest 2022 Entertainment Schedule



Get excited for Street Fest coming up on Saturday, September 17 from 3:00pm to 8:00pm with a sneak peek at the fun stuff that will be going down at Street Fest this year! You can learn more about Street fest by visiting [www.bateshendricks.org/streetfest](http://www.bateshendricks.org/streetfest).

Grab a drink and enjoy live music from:

- Lost City Dreams playing all of your favorite 90s rock songs, from Smashing Pumpkins to Foo Fighters
- Keith Beatty performing solo acoustic R&B, soul, and other upbeat tunes
- Breakfast of Champions returning to close out the fest with the best rock & pop anthems from the 70s to today
- Mr. Daniel sharing his love of music with kids using singing, dancing, and instruments

And don't miss out on a new addition to this year's fest: a series of yard game showdowns with prizes! Go head-to-head with neighbors in cornhole as well as jumbo-sized, yard pong. Teams with the most wins will be crowned champions and adorned with prizes.

## 6th Annual Bates-Hendricks Street Fest Entertainment Schedule

### Main Stage

- 3:00pm: DJ set - funky grooves from around the world
- 4:00pm: Cornhole - game challenge with prizes
- 5:00pm: Lost City Dreams - all of your favorite 90's rock songs and more
- 6:00pm: Yard Pong - game challenge with prizes
- 7:00pm: Breakfast of Champions - the best rock & pop anthems from the 70's to today

### Gazebo Stage

- 4:00pm: TBD
- 6:00pm: Keith Beatty - singer-songwriter performing R&B, soul, & more

### Kids Area

- 5:30pm: Mr Daniel - kids performer w/ singing, dancing, and instruments

## SENSE Back to School Night



SENSE Charter School hosted their Back to School and Meet the Teacher Night on Thursday, July 21. It is an open house, the tradition of welcoming parents and guardians to join educators as partners in the educational process. It's one of the best ways to begin to build that all-important home-school connection. It is the first time after two years that families could fully come into the school building to meet the teachers due to COVID health and safety concerns. SENSE was delighted to have everyone back!

Families were able to see their children's classroom and had an opportunity to meet their child's teachers and aides, the principal, nurse, and other staff members as well as fellow parents. Community partners were in attendance to provide families with information and resources about their valued programming. It gave families the opportunity to get registered for after-school care and Clubs. Community partners were

excited to be able to connect with the families. The event was a great success and well attended; it was a nurturing event for families, staff, and community partners. It helped to celebrate bringing in the new school year, which started on Monday, July 25. SENSE is still enrolling in-person at 1601 S. Barth Street 46203 or at [www.senseindy.org](http://www.senseindy.org). Please call 317-423-0204 for more information and to schedule a tour.

## SENSE Grateful for Street Fest Donations by Kate Voss

On behalf of SENSE Charter School, we want to thank the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association for the generous donation of \$350. This money will be used for supporting the school's family events in the 2022-23 school year. This contribution was a result of the many donations made during the 2021 Street Fest. We are grateful to all who donated to make this amazing gift possible. The Bates-Hendrick's Street Fest is not only a fun social event, but it also provides needed support for community partners through the many valued contributions of neighbors like you.

## SENSE Plans Gnome & Fairy Fest for the Spring

It's coming?! Finally?! Due to the past couple of years' health and safety concerns with COVID, SENSE Charter School has been postponing our intended Gnome and Fairy Fest. But, so far, it looks like it is on for the Spring of 2023 to bring on the magic throughout the Bates Hendricks neighborhood, with many planned activities. Details are to come.

In preparation for the fun, our great partners, the Sew Sisters, created gnome hats and fairy head wreathes that some can wear for our magical celebration. The Sew Sisters created these fun-felt hats and wreathes during their recent annual retreat, where they lend their skills and talents to create projects in support of various community organizations. This year they generously included SENSE Charter School! Most of the Sew Sisters work or worked for our great school sponsor, Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance. Oh, these hats brought such a big smile to the SENSE community coordinator, Kate Voss, when she picked them up. And you will probably smile too when you see them too.



# 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 James A. Garfield IPS School 31 at 307 Lincoln Street at 6:30pm. Annual dues are \$10 for households and \$25 for businesses. Please mail dues to Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association, PO Box 342, Indianapolis, IN 46206. More information about the neighborhood can be found online at [bateshendricks.org](http://bateshendricks.org).



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## Upcoming

- Aug 1** **Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association Meeting, 6:30pm, James A. Garfield IPS School 31 (307 Lincoln Street).** The Association meets on the first Monday of every month except holidays (then it's the second Monday). Stay involved with the neighborhood and visit with your neighbors!
- Aug 8** **Quality of Life / Economic Development Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.** This committee works to improve the East Street corridor, among other objectives. For more information, contact [QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org](mailto:QualityOfLife@bateshendricks.org).
- Aug 11** **Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at [www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling](http://www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling).
- Aug 11** **ROW – Pleasant Run Meeting, 5:00pm, location varies.** This committee focuses on improving the waterway that runs through our neighborhood. For more info, contact [ROW@bateshendricks.org](mailto:ROW@bateshendricks.org).
- Aug 15** **Events Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, The Lincoln Center, 516 Lincoln Street.** This committee works to plan neighborhood events, including Street Fest, the Chili Cook-off, holiday dinners, and more. Contact [Events@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Events@bateshendricks.org) for more information.
- Aug 15** **Marketing Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online.** This committee works to promote the neighborhood. Contact [Marketing@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Marketing@bateshendricks.org) to join the meeting or for more information.
- Aug 16** **Heavy Trash Pickup.** More information at [www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup](http://www.indy.gov/activity/trash-pickup).
- Aug 20** **Monthly Parent Meetup, 9:30am to 11:30am.** Check [www.bateshendricks.org/parentmeetup](http://www.bateshendricks.org/parentmeetup) for the location. Join other downtown families for a monthly family-friendly event! All events are free unless noted in the event. Meetups are proudly hosted by the Bates-Hendricks Neighborhood Association but open to all families regardless of residency. Email questions to [Parents@bateshendricks.org](mailto:Parents@bateshendricks.org).
- Aug 23** **Land Use Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, online.** This committee considers zoning, development, and property issues in Bates-Hendricks with the goal of ensuring peaceful co-existence among residents and businesses. Contact [LandUse@bateshendricks.org](mailto:LandUse@bateshendricks.org) for more information.
- Aug 25** **Republic Recycling Pickup.** More info at [www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling](http://www.republicservices.com/residents/all-in-one-recycling).