

What to do in Wilmington, May 16-18

East Coast Greenway Social Events

CityLife Block Party

Plaza at City Center, Tatnall St., between 10th and 11th streets, Wilmington, DE

Friday, May 16, 5:00 PM 10:00 PM

<http://www.downtownwilmington.com>

Kick off the Wilmington Grand Prix celebration as Wilmington Renaissance Corporation presents the first in the series of block parties to be held downtown. The event will feature live music and food from area restaurants, as well as prime viewing of the time trials to take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Wilmington Riverfront Walking Tour

Saturday, May 17, 6:15 PM

<http://www.riverfrontwilm.com>

Christina River Riverwalk/ECG (10 blocks from Opera House, 16 blocks from hotel)

Riverfront Market ECGA Dinner

Saturday, May 17

<http://www.riverfrontwilm.com>

6:45 PM Pre-dinner social, Riverfront Market

7:15 PM Buffet dinner at Riverfront Market; \$15

8:30 PM After-dinner speaker at Riverfront Market, Mark Chura, Delaware Greenways

Weekend Sporting Events

Wilmington Grand Prix

Market Street

Saturday, May 17

<http://www.wilmgrandprix.com>

A national cycling event, street festival and Chase Family Bike Parade in downtown Wilmington, the Bank of America's Wilmington Grand Prix. At 8 a.m., Habitat for Humanity's Bike to Build will take place, when riders can raise pledges and complete 25-, 50- and 100-mile courses to help fund the construction of a new home. At noon, the men's amateur race will have participants competing for a \$1,500 purse. 1 p.m. marks the beginning of the corporate relay race. At 2 p.m., take part in the Chase Family Bike Parade: come out to be part of the "world's largest bike parade" in group ride to make the Guinness Book of World Records. At 3 p.m. is the women's open, a competition for a \$7,500 purse, and at 4:15 p.m., the main event kicks off with the men's Grand Prix, a competition for a \$15,000 purse, followed immediately by an awards ceremony in the 800 block of Market Street.

Delaware Marathon

Frawley Stadium, 801 S. Madison St., Wilmington, DE

Sunday 7:00 AM 12:00 PM

<http://www.races2run.com.../marathon>

Christiana Care Health Systems will present the marathon at Frawley Stadium and on the Riverwalk on the Wilmington Riverfront. The proceeds benefit the Heart & Vascular Center at Christiana Care, the YMCA of Delaware's Strong Kids Campaign, and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training programs. In addition to the marathon, there will also be a relay race and a 10-mile race. The marathon will begin at 7 a.m., followed by the relay and 10-mile race at 7:05 a.m. "Run 1, 4 Fun" Family Run/Walk will follow the marathon at Frawley Stadium at noon. This one-mile race around Frawley Stadium to the marathon finish line is associated with "Get Our Youth Moving Marathon" and meant to promote a healthy lifestyle among kids. The run is open to kids 17 and under, while the walk is open to families and kids of all ages. The first 500 kids are free. For the rest, pre-registration is \$10, registration the day of is \$15 and begins at 11 a.m.

Arts and Culture

Delaware Art Museum

2301 Kentmere Pkwy, Wilmington, DE 19806

<http://www.delart.org>

Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., **Sunday** Noon – 4:00 pm

The museum's permanent collection focuses on [Howard Pyle & American Illustration](#), [British Pre-Raphaelite Art](#), [John Sloan](#) and [American Art, 1757 – Present](#). The new Sculpture Garden is also worth a visit.

Special Exhibit: The Baroque World of Fernando Botero. Colombian-born Fernando Botero is a painter, sculptor, and draftsman renowned for his extravagantly rounded figures combining the polish and excess of Spanish colonial baroque with the social realism of the Mexican muralists.

Delaware Symphony Orchestra

Grand Opera House, 818 N. Market Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

<http://www.desymphony.org>

Grant Youngblood, Baritone

Friday May 16 and 17, 8:00 pm

DuPont Theatre

1007 N. Market St., Wilmington, DE 19801

<http://www.duponttheatre.com/>

Friday May 16 and 17, 8:00 pm

Evita

EVITA brings to life the dynamic, larger-than-life persona of Eva Peron, wife of former Argentine dictator, Juan Peron. This exuberant Hal Prince production creates a gripping theatrical experience and features Andrew Lloyd Webber's compelling Latin, pop and jazz influenced score.

Theatre N

1007 Orange Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

www.theatren.org

The Counterfeiters

Friday May 16, 2 & 8 PM, Saturday, May 17, 2, 5 & 8 PM. Sunday, May 18, 2 & 5 PM

Winner of the Academy Award for Best Foreign Language Film

Tasty Places to Eat

Washington Street Dining

- **Washington Street Ale House:** 1206 N. Washington Street, good pub food and microbrews
- **Mikimoto's:** 1212 N. Washington Street, Asian and Sushi
- **Domaine Hudson:** 1314 N. Washington Street, Wine Bar and eatery
- **Presto:** 1204 N. Washington Street, Coffee shop and casual bistro

Downtown Dining

- **Deep Blue Bar and Grill:** 111 W. 11th Street, Seafood
- **Café Mezzanotte:** 1007 Orange Street, Italian
- **Ameritage Bistro:** 9th and Orange, Bistro
- **The Exchange on Market:** 902 N. Market, Bistro

Riverfront Dining (on the Riverwalk)

- **Harry's:** Seafood
- **Iron Hill:** Microbrewery
- **Conley Wards:** Steakhouse
- **Timothy's:** Casual dining
- **Joe's Crab Shack:** Casual seafood

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