

BE PART OF THE TEMPE VIBE



A city is more than just geographic boundaries. In Tempe, we believe our community gets its vibe from the people who live here, our thousands of students, the businesses that serve us, and those who come here to experience our atmosphere and hundreds of fun events.

The City of Tempe not only is a place where Ironman Arizona, Oktoberfest and many other great promoter-hosted events take place. Several city-hosted events celebrate what our community values most from our diverse people to our innovation, from our green trees and bike-friendly roads to our musical roots and cultural heritage.

If you would like to be part of our community celebrations, we'd love to have your help. Here is a list of many of Tempe's annual events and projects, along with contact information so you can get more details to see how you can be part of the Tempe vibe.

BIKE & GREEN EVENTS

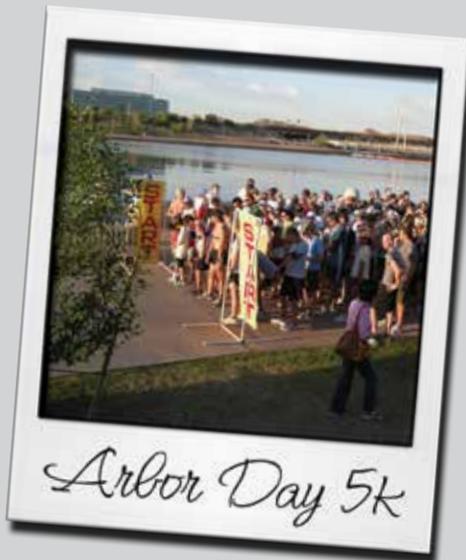
Adopt a Park/Adopt a Path

If your company has volunteers, we have paths and parks that could use people and supplies to keep them tidy.

www.tempe.gov/adopt

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Bike to Work Day

Hundreds of people meet for a quick breakfast and social time before pedaling to the office for the day.

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Tour de Tempe

This family-friendly ride takes participants from Kiwanis Park to downtown Tempe for a morning of healthy camaraderie.

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Arbor Day 5K

This annual 5K fun run/walk around Tempe Town Lake on Arbor Day provides an opportunity to support the Trees for Tempe program.

www.tempe.gov/arborday

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DIVERSITY EVENTS

MLK Diversity Awards Brunch

This event honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, and features a keynote speaker, entertainment, and the presentation of the Tempe Human Relations Commission's Diversity Awards.

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Regional Unity Walk

Join residents from the participating cities of Chandler, Gilbert, Guadalupe, Mesa, Phoenix, Scottsdale, and host-city Tempe as they "Walk for Unity in our Community." Following the walk, a Diversity Festival with food and entertainment takes place at the Tempe Beach Park.

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Tempe Tardeada

Celebrate Tempe's Hispanic Heritage at this eight-hour festival featuring live entertainment, dancing, music, arts and crafts, community booths, games for children, and a rich variety of delicious Mexican foods at family-friendly prices.

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HISTORICAL EVENTS



Healing Field

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Tempe hosts the nation's longest-running Healing Field at Tempe Beach Park each September.

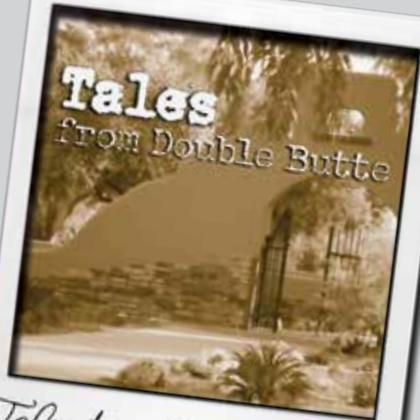
Nearly 3,000 American flags are displayed, honoring those who lost their lives on

Sept. 11, 2001.

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Tales from Double Butte

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The residents of Double Butte Cemetery could tell you a lot about our city's history. Take a guided tour and learn about their lives.

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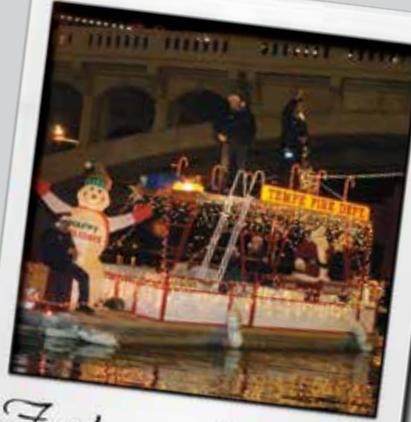
Walk Through History

Join Tempe historians and hundreds of people for guided walking and bicycle tours of the downtown and Papago Park area. Hear true stories dating back to the Hohokam, see great architecture and learn about your community.

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HOLIDAY TRADITIONS



Fantasy of Lights

Fantasy of Lights Boat Parade

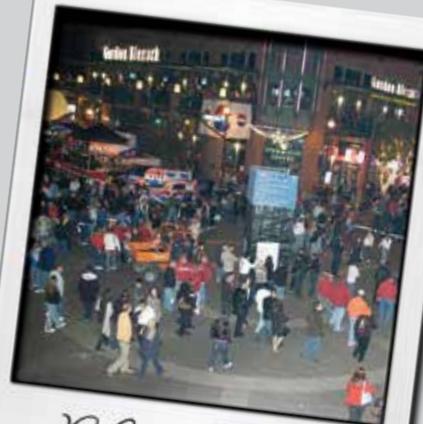
More than 50,000 spectators line the shores of Tempe Town Lake for the spectacle of the largest boat parade in Arizona. More than 50 boats illuminate the lake with millions of twinkling lights and motorized decorations.

Fantasy of Lights Street Parade

More than 50,000 people line Mill Avenue the day after Thanksgiving for a free electric light parade through downtown Tempe.

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Block Party

Tempe's New Year's Eve Block Party

Named one of the top 10 New Year's Eve celebrations in the nation, Tempe's block party draws more than 50,000 people to Mill Avenue to ring in the new year.

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Downtown Tempe
Community

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FAMILY EVENTS



Play Day

Annual free community event designed to promote play and play spaces. Tempe provides structured and unstructured activities designed to keep kids of all ages active.

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Movies in the Park

Friday evenings during May and October, Kiwanis Park transforms into Tempe's greatest outdoor movie theater. The free movie series provides an opportunity for the community to come together and enjoy a family-friendly movie.

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Tempe's Family Halloween Carnival

The Family Halloween Carnival provides a safe alternative to trick-or-treating. Carnival-style booths operated by local civic groups provide games, entertainment and food.

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ORIGINAL MUSIC EVENTS

Tempe is known for its thriving live music scene. Tempe Center for the Arts (TCA) offers several city-sponsored programs that showcase the talents of the live music community.

Contact for all TCA Music events:
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In the Spotlight

In the Spotlight at TCA brings five outstanding Valley musicians together for a night of music in the round.



Songwriters' Showcase

Songwriters' Showcase provides singer/songwriters with the experience of performing their original songs with a live band in a taped-for-television concert.

Walk-in Wednesdays Open Mic Night

Walk-In Wednesdays Open Mic Night offers musicians the opportunity to network and play their music before an attentive crowd in a welcoming environment.

TECH & LECTURE EVENTS

Geek Week/Geeks' Night Out

Celebrate the geek in all of us. In partnership with the Arizona SciTech Festival, Tempe is offering a week of scientific experiences. The city's best tech facilities, school campuses and businesses will open their doors to show how science is used in everyday life and to make our planet better. A Rapid Pitch and Success Panel provide opportunities for entrepreneurs to showcase their ideas and learn from the best in the industry. The highlight of the week is Geeks' Night Out, a salute to science fiction, video games, pop culture and all things STEM.

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