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Augusta, Georgia celebrates July as Park and Recreation Month

AUGUSTA, GA (July 1, 2022) – Since 1985, America has celebrated July as the nation's official Park and Recreation Month. Created by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), Park and Recreation Month specifically highlights the essential and influential role local park and recreation professionals - such as our staff at Augusta Parks & Recreation - play in building more robust, more vibrant, and more resilient communities across the country.

This July, Augusta, Georgia is bringing attention to how important it is to rise and support the field of parks and recreation because every day, park and recreation professionals advance for their communities in service of equity, climate-readiness, and overall health and well-being.

In Augusta, the community can celebrate Park and Recreation Month by joining in on some of the over 23 activities the Augusta Parks & Recreation Department has planned throughout the month, from the Independence Day Celebration at the Augusta Common to free Tennis, Pickleball, and Disc Golf clinics.

“July is the perfect time to share how our park and recreation professionals in Augusta rise up for members of the community and provide essential services,” said Augusta Parks & Recreation Director Maurice McDowell. “We encourage everyone in Augusta to come rise up for parks and recreation with us this July.”

Parks & Recreation is leading initiatives and providing opportunities for people of all ages, abilities, and identities to achieve healthier lifestyles, promote and understand nature and environmental resilience, and bring the community closer through various programs and services.

Events throughout Park and Recreation Month

July 1*	First Friday at the Augusta Common
July 3	Song Band of Upstate Spartanburg, SC (Candlelight Music)
July 4*	Independence Day Celebration at the Augusta Common
July 8*	Popup in the Park – Elliott Park
July 9	Fishing Tournament at Mayor's Fishing Hole
July 10	824 Experience (Candlelight Music)
July 11*	National Swimming Pool Day @ Fleming Pool

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July 12*	Popup in the Park – Sand Hills Community Center
July 15*	Movies at the Augusta Common
July 16*	Tennis Clinic at Newman Tennis Center
July 17	Lady & Gents (Candlelight Music)
July 20*	Popup in the Park – May Park
July 21*	Battle of the Summer Camps at Diamond Lakes
July 23*	Summer Movie at the Aquatic Center
July 24	Tre Sound (Candlelight Music)
July 26*	Pickleball Clinic at Newman Tennis Center
July 27*	Popup in the Park – Meadowbrook Park
July 28*	Disc Golf Clinic at Lake Olmstead
July 30*	Fleming Pool Party
July 31	Art of Expression (Candlelight Music)

* The events with an asterisk are free of charge.

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