

THE LOWELL WEEKENDER

ARTS, MUSIC & COMMUNITY IN LOWELL, MASS.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Saturday's Southeast Asian Water Festival at Sampas Pavilion brings music, food, and cultural performances from Lowell's Cambodian, Laotian, and Thai communities. Saturday evening adds concerts at Boarding House Park and Taffeta Music Hall, plus the Ghost Tour after dark.

VENUE GUIDE

- Belvidere**
Shedd Park
- Downtown**
Arts League of Lowell, Athenian Corner, Bellegarde Boathouse, Boarding House Park, Boott Cotton Mills Museum, Brew'd Awakening Coffeehaus, Brush Art Gallery & Studios, Cafe Eclipse, Derby Park, Dragonfly Cafe, Fuse Bistro, Hive and Forge, Hive Public Market, JFK Civic Center, Kerouac Park, Ladd and Whitney Memorial, Lala Books, Lawrence Mills, Lazy Cat Lounge, Lowell City Hall, Lowell Memorial Auditorium, Lowell National Historical Park, Mary J. Bacigalupo Victorian Garden, MCC Academic Arts Center, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, National Streetcar Museum at Lowell, One Urban Tribe, Pollard Memorial Library, Pop Cultured, Roberto Clemente Park, Smokehouse Tavern, Suffolk Mill, SUTRA Studio, Tescobar Performance Center, The Lass Stop, The Worthen Attic, Tsongas Center, Warp & Weft, Worthen House Cafe
- Pawtucketville / Highlands**
Durgin Concert Hall, Peephup Tmei Restaurant, Pottery Mill, Sampas Pavilion
- The Acre**
Edward A. LeLacheur Park, Loading Dock Gallery, Nibbana Cafe, Taffeta Music Hall, Western Avenue Studios

LOWELL BY THE NUMBERS

FOUNDED	1826
POPULATION	~115,000
CANAL SYSTEM	5.6 mi

★ EDITOR'S PICK

Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 · 10:00 AM · SAMPAS PAVILION

One of Lowell's biggest annual celebrations, drawing the city's Cambodian, Laotian, and Thai communities together for music, food, cultural performances, and a traditional water blessing at Sampas Pavilion.

Friday · AUGUST 14
☀️ SUNNY, 85°

MORNING

10:00 AM TOUR

Step into History Walking Tour
LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

10:00 AM TOUR

Riverboat Tour
Also departs 11 AM, 2 & 3 PM
BELLEGARDE BOATHOUSE

EVENING

5:00 PM MUSIC

No Hit Radio: Songwriter's Open Mic
ONE URBAN TRIBE

6:00 PM COMMUNITY

Horror Book Club
LALA BOOKS

7:30 PM MUSIC

Watchhouse
BOARDING HOUSE PARK

8:00 PM MUSIC

Legend Zeppelin
TAFFETA MUSIC HALL

9:00 PM MUSIC

Lola Sweet Band
WARP & WEFT

Saturday · AUGUST 15
☀️ SUNNY, 84°

MORNING

10:00 AM COMMUNITY

Lowell Southeast Asian Water Festival
SAMPAS PAVILION

10:00 AM COMMUNITY

Kitty Yoga
LAZY CAT LOUNGE

10:00 AM TOUR

Step into History Walking Tour
LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

10:30 AM COMMUNITY

Lowell Writers Writing Group
LALA BOOKS

11:00 AM COMMUNITY

National Streetcar Museum at Lowell Open
NATIONAL STREET CAR MUSEUM AT LOWELL

AFTERNOON

12:00 PM MARKET

Beat the Heat Collectibles Market
HIVE PUBLIC MARKET

1:30 PM MUSIC

Booty Vortex with Alligator Wine
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN LOWELL

2:00 PM COMMUNITY

CBG Community Kickback Cookout
NORTH COMMON AMPHITHEATER

2:00 PM COMMUNITY

Fort Hill Fair
ROGERS FORT HILL PARK

EVENING

6:00 PM TOUR

Lowell Ghost Tour: Bone and Water
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN LOWELL

7:00 PM MARKET

Southeast Asian Artisan Night Market
HIVE PUBLIC MARKET

7:00 PM MUSIC

Dueling Pianos
FUSE BISTRO

7:30 PM MUSIC

Pink Talking Fish
BOARDING HOUSE PARK

7:30 PM MUSIC

Geena Fontanella / David Michael Frank
TAFFETA MUSIC HALL

8:00 PM MUSIC

Live Greek & Middle Eastern Music and Belly Dancing
ATHENIAN CORNER

9:00 PM MUSIC

Latin Saturday
TESCOBAR PERFORMANCE CENTER

9:00 PM MUSIC

Hubcap Romeo
WARP & WEFT

Sunday · AUGUST 16
☀️ SUNNY, 83°

MORNING

10:00 AM TOUR

Step into History Walking Tour
LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

11:00 AM MARKET

Downtown Lowell Farmer's Market
HIVE PUBLIC MARKET

11:30 AM MUSIC

Michael Paul Brennan & Nikki Monteiro
WARP & WEFT

AFTERNOON

2:00 PM MUSIC

Play It Forward 2026 w/ Westbound Train
TAFFETA MUSIC HALL

2:00 PM COMMUNITY

Sketchers Lowell: Boott Mills Boarding House Park and Riverwalk
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN LOWELL

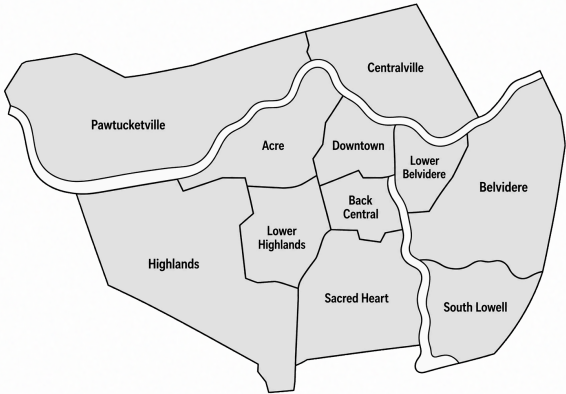
EVENING

7:00 PM COMMUNITY

Comedy at Warp
WARP & WEFT

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LOWELL, MASS. - Founded in 1826 and named for mill financier Francis Cabot Lowell, the city was America's first large-scale planned industrial center, powered by the Pawtucket Falls and once home to thousands of "mill girls" from across New England.



Events compiled from Mosaic Lowell (mosaiclowell.org) and curated from across the web

Plan Your Weekend

JOT DOWN WHAT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14	SATURDAY, AUGUST 15	SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

THE LOWELL WEEKENDER

YOUR GUIDE TO ARTS, MUSIC & COMMUNITY IN LOWELL, MASS.

A free, weekly guide to arts, music, and community happenings around Lowell, Massachusetts - gathering the weekend's festivals, live shows, markets, and neighborhood events into one easy itinerary so you never miss what's going on downtown, in the Acre, or along the canals.

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