RiverScape MetroPark
Known for breathtaking landscapes, RiverScape MetroPark has become a favorite outdoor gathering place in downtown Dayton. This hotspot has also become an invention station, showcasing the history of some of Dayton’s most innovative inventors.

Inventors' River Walk & Invention Stations

Dayton INVENTORS

RiverWalk & Invention Stations

The Dayton MetroPark RiverWalk includes seven invention stations that celebrate Dayton’s inventors, sometimes literally in the middle of the park. These brick medallions line the path along the walk, helping to introduce visitors to other Dayton inventors. A medallion at the northeast corner of Main Street and Monument Avenue claims the origins of Celotex, digital watches, recycled water, and more.

Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a fun way to contribute to your MetroParks and enhance the quality of experience for park visitors?

There are a variety of ways to volunteer, from conducting tours to interacting with children and adults to growing gardens in your area. The gardens in Dayton MetroParks are a volunteer opportunity to add a splash of green to your neighborhood. For more information, please visit metroparks.org/volunteer or call (937) 275-PARK (7275).

Support Your MetroParks

By making a donation to the Five Rivers MetroParks Foundation, you support Five Rivers MetroParks’ mission to protect the region’s natural resources, preserve outdoor experiences that inspire a personal connection with nature, and provide opportunities for everyone to enjoy the outdoors. Donations can be made in any denomination and are tax deductible. For more information, please visit metroparks.org/foundation or call (937) 275-PARK (7275).

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There’s something happening year round at RiverScape MetroPark

Inventors’ River Walk

Inventors’ River Walk is a walking tour through the history of significant individuals and families enjoying homes an ice skating rink. Amenities for friends. In the winter, this pavilion offers something for every winter-sports enthusiast and cyclist. The Loop invites visitors to explore through or just starting out with restrooms, water and picnic areas available. Visit metroparks.org/RiverScape for more information.

Biking, Walking & Running

Running, walking and biking are allowed along the center of more than 330 miles of connected, paved bikeways and in designated areas near the bike hub. Remember to bring your own lock.

RiverScape is the perfect stop whether you are passing through or just starting out with restrooms, water and picnic areas available. Visit metroparks.org/RiverScape for more information.

Things to Do

- RiverPark Rentals: Where would you like to enjoy river activities? Canoe rentals, kayaks, and child-sized boats are available for reservation and pick up and drop off at locations in the park. Renting is available online or by calling (937) 656-2580.
- Ranger Assistance: A ranger is available to assist with general information needs and answer questions. Rangers can be found at the Visitor Center located at 237 E. Monument Ave. between North Main Street and Patterson Blvd. 237 E. Monument Avenue, Dayton, Ohio 45402.
- Ranger Office: Located at 237 E. Monument Avenue, Dayton, Ohio 45402

Information & Regulations

- PETS – Dogs are welcome, but must be leashed and under control at all times. We ask that you leave pets out of large bins/pods. Pets are not allowed on ice or snow-covered areas.
- ALCOHOL – Not permitted, unless served by vendors at a special event in the park.
- SCOOTERS/BICYCLES – Bicycles are preferred in the park, with any scooter or bicycles excluded. No skateboards or skates.
- HEADLIGHTS – Lighted headlights are required on any bicycle.

Volunteer

To volunteer on a special event in the park.

Contact the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office dispatcher at (937) 535-2580.

PARKING – Free parking is available during the week at RiverScape MetroPark and Patterson Blvd. 237 E. Monument Ave. between North Main Street and Patterson Blvd. 237 E. Monument Avenue, Dayton, Ohio 45402.

Parking near RiverScape MetroPark

Getting to RiverScape MetroPark:

- MetroParks Transportation: If you don’t feel like driving, the easiest way to get to RiverScape MetroPark is by using the MetroParks Transportation service. The RiverScape Drop-Off service provides transportation to RiverScape MetroPark when you’re ready to head back home.

There are a number of ways to volunteer in your MetroParks. From programs and special projects. Sponsorships, tribute donations are tax deductible and used to support experiences that inspire a personal connection with nature.

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Protool RiverScape MetroPark is a no dog. Do not bring your dog to any event or area of any kind. Hunting, fishing and swimming are not permitted. Please check for any exceptions.

PETS - Dogs are welcome but must be leashed and under control at all times. We ask that guests please keep their pets off of any benches, swings, or rides. Pets are not permitted in any indoor area of RiverScape MetroPark.

ALCOHOL - Not permitted unless served by vendors at a special event in the park.

INTERACTIVE FOUNTAINS - Water play features are only operational during interaction funtions. In the rest of the year, RiverScape MetroPark is not made in the reflection of hot water.

BICYCLES - Bicycles are available for the rental and in the during inclement weather.

RIVERSCAPE

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It's our nature.

Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a fun way to contribute to your MetroParks and further the quality of experience for park patrons? There are a variety of ways to volunteer or organize a group of your friends or family. Contact the Montgomery County Sheriff's Administrative Offices for more information — made possible by Montgomery County citizen conservation opportunities. Facilities are available to the public for open space and provides year-round recreation, education and conservation.

Support Your MetroParks

By making a donation to the Five Rivers MetroParks Foundation, you support Free concerts, educational programs and special projects. Sponsorships, tribute opportunities to suit any age, physical ability, gender or interest. For more information, please call (937) 278-2607.

INVENTORS RIVER WALK

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INVENTION STATIONS

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INVENTION STATIONS

SEARCH ENGINE

INVENTION: Search Engines of World Wide Web

In 1990, Tim Berners-Lee created the world wide web in search for information and to make searches easier. This invention was created to prevent floods such as the one that occurred in Dayton in 1913. Morgan developed the idea for the hydraulic jump fountain on the farm of Col. Edward deeds, where they built models in his swimming pool. The This invention was created to prevent floods such as the one that occurred in Dayton in 1913. Morgan developed the idea for the hydraulic jump fountain on the farm of Col. Edward deeds, where they built models in his swimming pool. The

INVENTION: Ice Cube Tray

Inventor: Arthur Frei

Year: 1912

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INVENTION: Cash Register

Inventor: James Ritty

Year: 1879

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INVENTION: Ice Skating

Inventor: Joseph J. Gregson

Year: 1903

Ice skating is a favorite spot to fish. View the river from a swing on the pedestrian bridge or round the bike path. Remember to bike safety. The RiverScape MetroPark has become known for breathtaking landscapes, active location, yet a relaxing gathering place in the middle of the city with free concerts, educational programs and the community’s favorite outdoor gathering place in the Dayton region, RiverScape MetroPark.

INVENTION: Flywheel

Inventor: Charles F. Kettering

Year: 1912

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INVENTION: Microwave Observation

Inventor: Albert Einstein

Year: after 1913

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INVENTION: Airplane

Inventors: Wilbur & Orville Wright

Year: 1903

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INVENTION: Pop-Top Can

Inventor: George Harter

Year: 1960

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Information & Regulations

Protocol RiverScape MetroPark is a smoke-free and pet-free environment. No dogs are allowed on any trail within the park. Bicycling, jogging and running are not permitted. Thank you for your cooperation.

PETS – Dogs are welcome, but must be leashed and under control at all times. We ask that guests please keep their pets out of river areas. Pets are not allowed in the Nature Center or in the Children’s Garden.

ALCOHOL – No alcohol is permitted, unless served by vendors at a special event in the park.

BIKES – Bicycles are permitted on the pathways and in designated bike zones. Single bikes only.

FISHING – Permits are required. For a list of permitted species visit the river management office in the Nature Center.

PET BOWL – Pet water bowls are available in the park for a nominal fee.

OPEN YEAR-ROUND – Open year-round, including Christmas and New Year’s Day.

Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a fun way to contribute to your MetroParks and advance the quality of experience for everyone? The Volunteer Corps is here. There are a number of ways to volunteer, including assisting at RiverScape MetroPark on the weekends or conducting trail events with children and adults to create green space for existing parks. In the garden at RiverScape, there is a volunteer opportunity to teach any plant or herb care. For more information, visit metroparks.org/volunteer or call (937) 275-PARK (7275) for more information.

Support Your MetroParks

By making a donation to the Greater Dayton MetroParks Foundation, you support the creation and protection of metro parks and the outdoor experiences that ensure a personal connection with nature. Donations are tax deductible and 100% support greater Dayton MetroParks. Learn more and donate online at metroparks.org/donate or call (937) 275-PARK (7275) for more information.

Volunteer at RiverScape MetroPark

Known for breathtaking landscapes, RiverScape MetroPark has become a favorite destination for recreational and commuter cyclists. This park is one of 25 outstanding public facilities operated by the Great Parks of Hamilton County, Ohio.

Inventors

Inventors are the driving force behind our everyday lives. Head to the Dayton Inventors Walk for a full day of exploring the stories of such inventors as Joe Duch, who cracked the German “Enigma” code and put the Allies one step ahead of the enemy in World War II. Learn about the origins of Calligraphy, wireless devices, recorded music, fax and “Dale” voice technology.

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PARK FEATURES

THE PAVILION
This covered pavilion is perfect for enjoying festivals, community events, live entertainment or just a relaxing lunch with friends. In the winter, the pavilion houses a large ice skating rink.

CAFÉ
RiverScape has two concessions to satisfy your hunger. The Fountain Snack Bar offers 10 flavors of ice cream, snacks and other tasty treats throughout the summer. The café is open for lunch, special events and concerts in the summer and ice skating in the winter.

FIVE RIVERS FOUNTAIN OF LIGHTS
The Five Rivers Fountain of Lights is created by five water jets housed in concrete towers and a powerful center geyser. The towers straddle the confluence of the Great Miami and Mad rivers just east of the Riverside Bridge and shoot 2,500 gallons of water per minute toward the center of the river. The central geyser rises from the jets to a majestic 200' in the air. Covering 395,000 square feet across an 800' diameter, the Five Rivers Fountain of Lights is one of the largest fountains in the world.

FESTIVAL PLAZA
Tables and chairs are scattered throughout the plaza. Enjoy the breeze off the river and be surrounded by stunning gardens. In summer, bring the kids in swimsuits to enjoy the interactive fountain.

PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR WALK
RiverScape pays tribute to the works of native Daytonian poet Paul Laurence Dunbar. Several of his poems are etched in stone at the top of the staircase at the west end of the park.

GARDENS
RiverScape MetroPark features beautiful gardens that include hanging baskets, life-size flower pots and beds overflowing with annuals, perennials and tropical plants. Many of the plants are labeled with botanical and common names so that you can be inspired for your own home garden. Our garden creates an oasis along the river in downtown Dayton. We invite you to pull up a chair and enjoy the beauty.

BIKE HUB
The facility offers bicycling enthusiasts and commuters a welcoming place to park their bikes. In addition to safe, secure bicycle parking, commuter hub members have access to private lockers, showers and changing areas. Water, refreshments, air pumps and places to rest are available to all cyclists, as well as rental bicycles on weekends and holidays.

FOUNDERS POINT
Can you name the five rivers of Five Rivers MetroParks? Confirm your best guess by wandering down to the five-sided pavilion at the edge of the Great Miami River, which features each of the names around its cap. This pavilion marks the location of where the first settlers of Dayton arrived by boat on April 1, 1796.

DEED’S POINT
Take a short walk over the pedestrian bridge to Deed’s Point to see a bronze statue of Wilbur and Orville Wright, as well as an aviation timeline exhibit that serves as an ongoing reminder of the importance of the Wright brothers and Dayton to aviation history. The park also has a monument – Dayton Peace Accord – that symbolizes the agreement for peace between Bosnia and Herzegovina reached in Dayton on November 21, 1995.

Five Rivers MetroParks supports the Americans with Disabilities Act by making reasonable accommodations in serving individuals with disabilities. Programs and facilities are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis. If accommodations are needed, please call (937) 275-PARK (7275) at least one week in advance.

Five Rivers MetroParks is an Equal Opportunity Employer.