



HOME ENERGY WORKSHOP

Learn from experts on home energy efficiency, electrification and solar and enjoy a free, light dinner at the home energy workshop on Wednesday, July 31, 6:30-8 p.m., Black Box Theater, Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road. RSVP online at blm.mn/homeenergy. Questions? Contact Jamila Boudlali at jboudlali@BloomingtonMN.gov or 952-563-8732.

LEARN MORE ABOUT MINNESOTA'S POPULATION

Minnesota is undergoing a dramatic shift in its age structure as the immense Baby Boomer generation continues to enter the 65-and-older age group. This shift will move our state's average age higher, transforming our workplaces, communities and systems along the way. Join State Demographer Susan Brower to learn more on Tuesday, June 11, 9-10 a.m., at Creekside Community Center, 9800 Penn Ave. S.



LEARNING LINK UP

The Learning Link Up resource fair will take place Saturday, August 17, 12-4 p.m., Valley View Elementary School playfield, 351 E. 88th St. This free event connects families with resources and services available to help them thrive offered by Bloomington Public Schools and the City. Many community partners will be on site to answer questions. Learn more at blm.mn/learning-linkup.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

JOIN US FOR SUMMER FETE

Join us Wednesday, July 3, 5-10:30 p.m., for the "ringing in" of Independence Day in Bloomington. This festival, which culminates in one of Minnesota's largest fireworks displays, takes place at Normandale Lake Park, W. 84th Street and Normandale Boulevard. There will be live music, food trucks and more! Summer Fete is part of the annual Arts in the Parks series. To learn more, visit blm.mn/artsparks.

MONDAY MORNING KIDS' SERIES

Wake up to Mondays at Moir Park, 10320 Morgan Ave S., and Valley View Park, 9000 Portland Ave., June 3-August 12. Bring your family and friends alternating weeks at these two popular locations throughout the summer to enjoy music, dancing, magic, storytelling and much more. The fun begins at 10:30 a.m. and each show lasts approximately one hour.

June 10

Brodini (Valley View)

Interactive comedy magic.

June 17

Todd 'n' Tina (Moir)

Award-winning kids' music.

June 24

Hooperina (Valley View)

Hula hoop fun!

July 8

Jolly Pops (Moir)

Great kids' music and fun.

TUESDAY PERFORMANCE SERIES

7 P.M. AT NORMANDALE LAKE BANDSHELL, 84TH STREET AND CHALET ROAD.

Take in a lovely summer evening with Bloomington's best music and dance. All shows are free.

June 11

Bloomington Chorale



June 18

Blue Groove



June 25

Medalist Concert Band



July 9

Continental Ballet



THURSDAY BLOCKBUSTERS SERIES

FOOD SERVICE 6:30 P.M., SHOWS BEGIN 7 P.M. AT NORMANDALE LAKE BANDSHELL, 84TH STREET AND CHALET ROAD.

June 13 ❌

International Reggae Allstars



June 20 ❌

Tuxedo Band: Hometown Heroes



June 27 ❌

Featuring: Rhino



July 11 ❌

Hitchville



SUNDAY FUNDAY

Sunday Funday offers free, family-friendly live entertainment and food. This series is sure to be a fun way to spend summer afternoons. Events take place 4-6:30 p.m. at locations throughout the city.

June 16 ❌

John Philip Sousa Memorial Band

Pond Dakota Mission Park, 401 E. 104th St.

June 30 ❌

Ballet Folklórico Mexico Azteca with Mariachi

Civic Plaza, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road

July 7

Shakespeare in the Park

Normandale Lake Bandshell, 84th Street and Chalet Road

OUTDOOR FARMERS MARKETS BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER

Bloomington hosts two outdoor farmers markets in the Civic Plaza's east parking lot, 1800 W. Old Shakopee Road. This year both promise to be bigger and better than ever with greater varieties of fresh produce, specialty foods, and beverages, makers, crafters and more. Learn more at blm.mn/market.

The Bloomington Farmers Market runs Saturdays, June 8 to October 12, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Midweek Music and Market runs Wednesdays, July 10 to August 21, 5-8 p.m.

SOUTH LOOP COMMUNITY GARDEN OPENING CELEBRATION

Celebrate a completed Creative Placemaking project, the South Loop Community Garden with food, music, free paletas (a frozen treat made from fresh fruits) and a creative activity led by artists Erin Genia and Sheila Novak on Saturday, June 29, 1-4 p.m., on the east side of E. Old Shakopee Road, just south of E. 86th St. (Rain date Sunday, June 30.) Parking will be available at Hometown Church, 2300 E. 88th St. Learn more at blm.mn/southloopgarden.

