



# Celebrate Manchester

SATURDAY, **June 3** - SUNDAY, **June 11, 2023**  
**FREE family-friendly events and activities all week long!**



JOSEPH D. NEGRI  
**Concert in the Park**

**RAIN DATE SUNDAY JUNE 4**

FEATURING  
*Soul Sound Revue*



PRESENTED BY **Town of Manchester**  
**FREE concert Saturday June 3**  
**starting at 6:30 p.m.**

- ▶ Bring a blanket, lawn chairs and picnic, **and** your family and friends.
- ▶ Food is available for sale.
- ▶ The park is located in Downtown Manchester (next to Mary Cheney Library, 586 Main Street).

**Plenty of free parking** behind Town Hall and in the Municipal lot on Pearl Street, as well as side streets. See website for info.

- **Soul Sound Revue** by far the hottest nine piece Motown show this side of Detroit, performs the greatest hits in the true "Motown Tradition". Soul Sound Revue recreates the dynamic vocal harmonies and stylings of classic Motown groups of the sixties, seventies, and eighties: The Four Tops, The Temptations, Stevie Wonder, Earth Wind & Fire, and many more. With all its flash and finery, reminiscent of a time when a band's looks were as important as their sound, Soul Sound Revue's three lead vocalists explode onto the stage backed by a power house rhythm and horn section!

Audiences of all ages will "groove" through the sixties and "boogie" through the seventies with Soul Sound Revue.

This will be an exciting fun-filled concert.

**Sunday June 4**

**art in the park**

**Art in the Park | 10am-4pm**

A free art and craft festival in Center Memorial Park. Over 100 booths feature unique items for sale including all genres of traditional and cutting edge painting, photography, sculpture, jewelry, ceramics, wood, fiber and related vendors. The day will include live art projects, music, and spoken word on the Main Stage. Proceeds benefit Artists in Real Time, Inc., a non-profit organization offering local artists opportunities to promote the sales of their artwork and services. For info, contact [artintheparkmanchester@gmail.com](mailto:artintheparkmanchester@gmail.com).

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**And much more!**  
See reverse side for the week's activities.

Events are FREE unless otherwise noted

[manchesterct.gov/celebrate](http://manchesterct.gov/celebrate)

SATURDAY, **June 3**

### Town Wide Tag Sale

Annual tag sale to support MWC Scholarship Fund. Register to be a participating tagsaler at your home. Participants will receive location identification on the community wide tag sale list and marketing through the townwide calendar. (rain date: 6/4/2023)

**Time:** varies by location **Location:** online map

**Contact info:** Manchester Women's Club | Karen Allies, kar\_ski@hotmail.com

**Fee:** \$20.00

### Walk with the Town Historian | 1pm • Center Springs Park

Meet at 39 Lodge Drive. Rain or shine. Extreme weather cancels.

### The Little Theatre of Manchester - Jane Austen's "Pride & Prejudice" | 7:30pm

#### Additional Performances & Times:

Sunday, June 4th – 2:00 pm

Friday, June 9th – 7:30 pm

Saturday, June 10th – 7:30 pm

Sunday, June 11th – 2:00 pm

For tickets or more information call **860-647-9824** or visit [cheneyhall.org](http://cheneyhall.org)

### Joseph D. Negri Concert in Center Memorial Park | 6:30pm

Join us to kick off "Celebrate Manchester Week." Free concert featuring Soul Sound revue. Bring a blanket, chair, family and friends. Food available for sale. (rain date 6/4/2023) Contact: Kevin Zingler, KevinZingler@gmail.com

### Manchester Women's Club Scavenger Hunt | 10am

Have fun while exploring Manchester. Download your Scavenger Hunt card off the MWC website: [manchesterwomensclub.org](http://manchesterwomensclub.org). Contact: Karen Allies, kar\_ski@hotmail.com

### Take a Hike –National Trails Day Weekend | sunrise to sunset

Take a hike on any of Manchester's extensive trail networks. Go to [bettermanchester.com](http://bettermanchester.com) and search "Trail Guide"



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### Walk with the Town Historian | 1pm • Salters Pond

Meet at 123 Lydall St. Rain or shine. Extreme weather cancels.

TUESDAY, **June 6**

### Senior Line Dance Party | 6pm-8pm

At the Senior Center, 549 East Middle Turnpike. Music and line dancing, with caller Jim Gregory. No experience needed and you do not need to bring a partner -- all welcome! Refreshments and door prizes. **Admission is free but tickets are required to be eligible for door prizes.** Tickets will be available until June 6 at the Senior Center and at the Customer Service area at Town Hall, 41 Center Street. Enjoy the fun of music, dance, and socializing.

WEDNESDAY, **June 7**

### Spruce Street Farmers Market Opening Day Scavenger Hunt 4:30pm-7:30pm

Market Field, 150 Spruce St. • Pick up a market scavenger hunt card at our welcome pavillion and learn more about our market while you complete it; Square Peg Pizzeria Food Truck. Contact: Cynde Acanto, [cacanto@manchesterct.org](mailto:cacanto@manchesterct.org), (860) 647-3089

THURSDAY, **June 8**

### Veterans Barbecue | Noon-2pm

At the Manchester Elks Lodge, 30 Bissell Street • The Manchester Elks Lodge will be cooking up barbecue chicken and ribs with all the fixins which will be free to our veterans to show our appreciation and support. To help us better plan, **please RSVP to reserve your meal** by contacting John Grinvalsky **860-305-8181** or email to [veterans@manchesterelks.org](mailto:veterans@manchesterelks.org)

### WORK\_SPACE | 5:30-7PM

**Art Opening of THEMELESS exhibit at WORK\_SPACE** (903 Main Street)  
In honor of Manchester's Bicentennial, the Galleries @ WORK\_SPACE opens THEMELESS, an art exhibit that showcases and celebrates the talents of Manchester Art Teachers and members of Manchester Art Organizations. Exhibit runs June 8 - July 28. Gallery is open Weekdays 10A-4P and on 2nd Saturdays 10AM-2P.

SATURDAY, **June 10**

### WORK\_SPACE | 10am-2pm

**2ND Saturday Open House at WORK\_SPACE** (903 Main Street)  
Visitors are invited to view the THEMELESS exhibit (description under June 8) and other art collections throughout the building, peruse our Gallery Shop, and tour our Coworking & Meeting spaces. There will also be live music provided by Imagine Main St. and a free Art-Creation Station (sponsored by ECHN) where you can make your own greeting card for Father's Day or any other occasion.

### Perennial Planters of Manchester "Through the Garden Gate" 2023 Garden Tour | 9:30AM-3:30PM (rain or shine)

#### Garden Tours of (6) unique Manchester residential gardens

Contact: Perennial Planters Garden Club of Manchester

Judith Filiault, [filiault.judyxf@gmail.com](mailto:filiault.judyxf@gmail.com) | **Fee:** \$20 advance ticket\*, \$25 day of

\*[www.manchestergardenclubs.org](http://www.manchestergardenclubs.org) for ticket info

### Connecticut Open House Day | Free 11am to 3pm

- **The History Center**, 175 Pine St. Then & Now exhibit. The museum store has books on local history, high school yearbooks, copies of vintage maps, tee-shirts, mugs, notecards, etc. *The former Cheney machine shop is now on the National Register of Historic Places*
- **Cheney Homestead, Gardens, and Keeney Schoolhouse**, 106 Hartford Road
- **The Mill Studio of Fine Arts** at 199 Forest Street. Classes and workshops in the traditional methods of fine arts. Classes in drawing and painting for ages 12 and up. [Millstudiofinearts.com](http://Millstudiofinearts.com)
- **Old Manchester Museum** at 126 Cedar Street
- **Woodbridge Farmstead's** barn and grounds at 495 East Middle Turnpike at Manchester Green
- **Pitkin Glass Works** at the corner of Parker and Putnam Streets, with an archeological dig for children. Enjoy visiting the open museums and a stroll on your own in the Historic District.
- **The Fire Museum**, 230 Pine Street, corner of Pine St. and Hartford Road.



### Duck Race | 2:00 p.m Charter Oak Park. Tickets: \$5 per duck.

Cash prizes will be awarded. Sponsored by the Manchester Lion's Club. Contact David at: 860-250-1500 or 860-645-6500 • [David@dubaldo.com](mailto:David@dubaldo.com)

### Truck Day at the Lutz | 12 noon-3 pm Lutz Museum, 247 So. Main St., Manchester

Want to climb in and out of big trucks and emergency vehicles? Then visit the Lutz Children's Museum from 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM. All gathered will be able to beep horns, sound sirens and flash emergency lights as part of Connecticut Open House Day. Advance reservations are required to enter the museum but admission is free.

SUNDAY, **June 11**

### Cheney Homestead Open House | 1-4 pm, 106 Hartford Road

Programs are subject to change. Please check website.

