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PORTLAND IS CHANGING, AND
THERE'S NEVER BEEN A BETTER
TIME TO DISCOVER THIS
PROGRESSIVE CITY.

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BILAL AT THE 2017 SOUL'D OUT MUSIC FESTIVAL



EVENTS & FESTIVALS

From food and drink to music and parades, Portland finds something to celebrate all year long.

SPRING

PORTLAND FARMERS MARKET

Year-round

portlandfarmersmarket.org

There are three downtown markets offering fresh produce, prepared food, flowers and more: Saturdays at Portland State University (year-round); Mondays at Pioneer Courthouse Square (June–September); and Wednesdays in the South Park Blocks at Salmon Street (May–October).

PORTLAND SATURDAY MARKET

March–December

portlandsaturdaymarket.com

The nation's longest-running open-air arts and crafts

market features artisans selling their wares in a scenic riverside setting. (And it's open Sundays, too!)

PORTLAND DINING MONTH

March

portlanddiningmonth.com

Dozens of Portland's top eateries offer a full month of delicious deals, serving three courses for one low price.

DESIGN WEEK PORTLAND

April

designweekportland.com

Plug into Portland's vital creative community with crowdsourced programs exploring the process, craft and practice of design across disciplines.

CINCO DE MAYO

May

cincodemayo.org

Portland's largest Latino event offers authentic Mexican music, crafts and performers from Guadalajara, one of Portland's sister cities.

SOUL'D OUT MUSIC FESTIVAL

April

souldoutfestival.com

This multiday, multi-venue festival features soulful acts from all genres; 2018 headliners included Erykah Badu, De La Soul and Noname.

PORTLAND ROSE FESTIVAL

May 25–June 10, 2018

rosefestival.org

The city's quintessential celebration includes the Grand Floral Parade, dragon boat races, carnival rides, concerts and more.

blues festival west of the Mississippi has rocked crowds with four days of top national acts, as well as spectacular fireworks on July 4.

OREGON BREWERS FESTIVAL

July 26–29, 2018

oregonbrewfest.com

Tapping some of the world's best brews since 1988, this four-day rite of summer in downtown's Waterfront Park draws thousands of attendees with beers from dozens of craft breweries.

PICKATHON

Aug. 2–5, 2018

pickathon.com

The celebrated six-stage music festival at a farm just outside Portland minimizes waste and maximizes good vibes. Headliners for the 20th anniversary include Broken Social Scene and Built to Spill.

SUMMER

PORTLAND PRIDE

June 16–17, 2018

pridenw.org

The city's annual lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender pride parade (June 16) celebrates diversity and features a parade of floats, entertainment and family events.

WATERFRONT BLUES FESTIVAL

July 4–7, 2018

waterfrontbluesfest.com

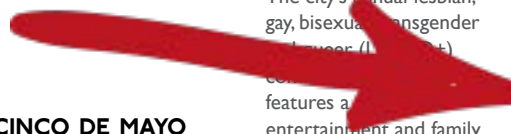
For more than three decades, the largest

ADULT SOAPBOX DERBY

Aug. 18, 2018

soapboxracer.com

For more than 20 years, crowds have lined up to cheer for teams racing their hand-built creations down Mt. Tabor, southeast Portland's extinct volcano.



SOAPBOX DERBY



PHOTOGRAPH ABOVE BY TODD COOPER/COURTESY SOUL'D OUT MUSIC FESTIVAL, BELOW BY JASON DESOMER

OUTDOORS

High Points

These city hikes deliver in-town wilderness and outstanding views. BY BRIAN BARKER

Mount Hood has inspired countless climbers and hikers over the years. But you don't have to trek to the mountain to reach a lofty summit. Here are some high-climbing treks that deliver bite-size adventures and stellar views inside city limits.

For a boot-powered excursion to Portland's highest point, head to **Marquam Nature Park** (*S.W. Marquam St. & Sam Jackson Park Rd.; portlandparks.org*). Tucked away at the base of a tree-lined ravine, this 178-acre (72 hectare) green space offers 7 miles (11 km) of trails surrounded by dense foliage. These trails lead to **Council Crest Park**, which tops out at 1,073 feet (327 m) and provides dazzling mountain and city views.

On the city's east side, **Mt. Tabor Park** (*S.E. 60th Ave. & Salmon St.; portlandparks.org*) reigns supreme at 630 feet (192 m). A series of self-guided nature walks circle this extinct volcano, leading to historic reservoirs, towering trees and a

panoramic view of downtown high rises backed by the rugged West Hills — great for sunsets.

Farther east, **Powell Butte Nature Park** (*16160 S.E. Powell Blvd.; 503.823.7529; portlandparks.org*) rises just over 600 feet (182 m) and is filled with 611 acres (247 ha) and 8 miles (13 km) of trails for hiking, mountain biking and horse riding. The paved Mountain View Trail stretches just shy of 1 mile (1.6 km) to the top of the butte, where a mountain viewfinder helps identify a series of cascade peaks, including Mount Hood, Mount Adams and Mount St. Helens.

For one last frame-worthy shot of town, follow the Wildwood Trail to Portland's historic **Pittock Mansion** (*3229 NW Pittock Dr.; 503.823.3623; pittockmansion.org*) via the **Lower Macleay Trail**. This heart-pumping endeavor climbs 800 feet (243.8 m) in 2.5 miles (4 km), ending with an unforgettable vista of the Portland skyline set against the backdrop of Mount Hood.

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