



**The Oval 2016**  
**Eakins Oval on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway**  
**July 15 – August 21, 2016**  
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**Eight acres of chestnut trees, grass lawns, and public art encompass Eakins Oval, a public space which is transformed into a summer oasis called ‘The Oval’ from July 15 – August 21, 2016. The Oval, presented by PNC, is a partnership of the Fairmount Park Conservancy and Philadelphia Parks & Recreation.**

The Oval, Philadelphia’s “Park on the Parkway” located on the southeastern end of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, has free programming, events, and activities for all ages. The Oval features interactive games, special events including live music, movie nights, performances, and workshops, as well as a rotating lineup of food trucks and a beautiful beer garden. Special events will take place during the Democratic National Convention in July. The City of Philadelphia Mural Arts Program will create a large mural on the ground to bring more colorful summer fun to the pop-up park. A ground mural,

covering 25,000 square feet, will be installed by Mural Arts beginning after the Welcome America July 4<sup>th</sup> celebrations conclude. The Oval is presented by PNC Bank with additional support from Warby Parker and Park Towne Place. The Oval, at Eakins Oval, is at the center of the Ben Franklin Parkway at 2451 Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19130.

**The Oval Regular Summer Season 2016, July 15-Aug 21:**

- Wednesdays (Wellness): 11 AM – 10 PM
- Thursdays (Arts & Culture): 11 AM – 10 PM
- Fridays (Food & Flicks): 11 AM – 10 PM
- Saturdays (Game Day): 11 AM – 7 PM
- Sundays (Family Fun): 11 AM – 7 PM

**Beer Garden at The Oval**

- Wednesdays - Fridays, 5 – 10 pm
- Saturdays, 12 – 7 pm (note Saturday closing time is early)
- Sundays, 12 – 5 pm

**ADDITIONS DURING WEEK OF THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION, July 24 - 29**

Oval Programming

- Sunday, July 24: 11 am – 7 pm
- Monday, July 25 – Friday, July 29, 11 am – 10 pm
- Tuesday, July 26, 11 am – 10 pm – The Truth Booth**

## Beer Garden at The Oval

Sunday, July 24: 12 – 5 pm

Monday, July 25 – Friday, July 29, 5 – 10 pm

The Beer Garden at The Oval will feature Ales of the Revolution from Yards Brewery for the week of the DNC, and have \$1 off drinks with discount code on 7/24-29 (see website for details).

**Monday, July 25, 7 pm – Political Quizzo** – Philadelphia's premiere quizmaster and only true man of leisure, Johnny Goodtimes, will be hosting an all-Presidents quiz at the Oval on Monday, July 25th at 7 pm For the 3rd straight year, Goodtimes will be hosting quizzes each Saturday this summer for at the Oval, but this will be his only Presidential quiz. From Washington to Obama, plan on learning a little something about America's Presidents, from the easy to the ridiculous to the sublime. Which President had a pet hippo? Which President killed a man in a duel? Which 19th century President still has living grandsons? It will be a night of trivia, food trucks, and fun.

## About The Oval

Philadelphia Parks & Recreation, in partnership with the Fairmount Park Conservancy, revealed the City of Philadelphia's new "Park on the Parkway" in July 2013. The eight acres of public space located on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway known as Philadelphia's own "Avenue des Champs-Élysées," Eakins Oval (2451 Benjamin Franklin Parkway) became The Oval, a park with community programming, events, and activities. Designed to promote the Parkway as a neighborhood park for all Philadelphians, The Oval offers a wide array of activities and amenities, and features park spaces that all ages can easily access and enjoy.

## About Philadelphia Parks & Recreation

Philadelphia Parks & Recreation advances the prosperity of the city and the progress of her people through intentional and sustained stewardship of public land and waterways as well as through safe, stimulating recreation, environmental and cultural centers. PPR helps Philadelphia's children and other residents grow by connecting them to the natural world, to each other, and to fun, physical and social opportunities. For more information, find Philadelphia Parks & Recreation online at [www.phila.gov/parksandrecreation](http://www.phila.gov/parksandrecreation) and follow @philaparkandrec on social media:



## About The Fairmount Park Conservancy

**Fairmount Park Conservancy** exists to champion Philadelphia's parks. Our mission is to work as a collaborative partner to lead and support efforts that preserve and improve the parks and recreation system in order to enhance the quality of life and stimulate economic development of the Greater Philadelphia Region. We fulfill our mission by leading capital projects and historic preservation efforts, fostering neighborhood park stewardship, attracting and leveraging resources for the parks, and developing innovative programs throughout the 10,200 acres that include Fairmount Park and more than 100 neighborhood parks around the city. The Fairmount Park system is one of the largest urban park systems in the world and includes some of the region's most famous attractions. For more information, visit [myphillypark.org](http://myphillypark.org), [facebook.com/fairmountparkconservancy](https://facebook.com/fairmountparkconservancy), and follow on Instagram and Twitter @myphillypark.

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