

Fun Things To Do on the North Shore this Memorial Day Weekend: May 22 – 25

I think someone forgot to tell Mother Nature that it's time to celebrate the unofficial start to summer! Regardless of what she throws at us this weekend, there is still plenty to do both indoors and out. For those not afraid of a little chill, I've also included some local pool and beach openings. And for those looking to honor our troops and Veterans this Memorial Day, there are many opportunities to do so. Here's to a relaxing and fun holiday weekend!



In the Next Room

May 22 & 23: 7:30 pm, May 24: 2 pm Josephine Louis Theatre, 20 Arts Circle Drive, **Evanston**

In a seemingly perfect, well-to-do Victorian home, proper gentleman and scientist Dr. Givings has innocently invented an extraordinary new device for treating "hysteria" in women: the vibrator. Adjacent to the doctor's laboratory, his young and energetic wife tries to tend to their newborn daughter—and wonders exactly what is going on in the next room. When a new "hysterical" patient and her husband bring a wet nurse and their own complicated relationship into the doctor's home, Dr. and Mrs. Givings must examine the nature of their own marriage and how the doctor's radical new therapy affects the entire household. This electrifying comedy questions the nature of relationships and intimacy, and what it really means to seek connection. For tickets, click here.

Northfield Farmer's Market

May 23: 7:30 am – 12:30 pm (every Saturday thru Oct. 17) Across from New Trier's Northfield Campus, 6 Happ Rd., **Northfield**

Now in its 38th year, shoppers can spend a relaxing Saturday morning, visiting with friends and neighbors and bringing home some of the most luscious, fresh-picked fruits and vegetables your family has ever tasted. You will also find beautiful blooming plants, shrubs, cut flowers, cheeses, a variety of delicious baked goods and wonderful specialty foods to enjoy. For more info and a list of participating vendors: click here.

The Great Superhero Exposition: Spring Youth Chorus

May 23: 4:30 & 7:30 pm, May 24: 3 pm

The Actors Gymnasium, 927 Noyes St., Evanston

As a superhero exposition falls victim to a team of villains out for revenge, a young nobody finds a strength within herself that might have the power to save the world. Aerial acrobatics, dance battles and superpowers collide in this original circus-theatre production. For more info., and tickets: click here.

Baha'i Choral Music Festival

May 24: 9:30 am, 12:30 pm

Baha'i House of Worship, 100 Linden Ave., Wilmette

Featuring more than 200 singers from all over the world, representing 32 states and 11 countries. The Baha'i faith does not permit instruments in the House of Worship and so the concert is comprised entirely of a cappella music

from a broad range of Christian, Jewish, Arabic, Hebrew, classical, gospel and negro spiritual traditions. The festival is free and open to the public. For more info., click here.

Beach/Pool Openings:

Wilmette Beach: May 23

Beach Hours: 9 am – 8 pm daily (or until daylight permits)

Centennial Family Aquatic Center, 2300 Old Glenview Rd., Wilmette

Opens May 23. Weekends only from 1 – 6pm, thru June 7. Regular Season June 13 – Aug. 7. For more info., click here.

Features 50-meter, 8 lane pool, leisure pool with zero depth entry, water slides, wading pool and tot slide, diving well with 2 boards and 2 drop slides. Concession stand.

Hidden Creek Aquapark, 1220 Fredrickson Place, Highland Park

Opens May 23. Special opening celebration of new water playground and splash pad. Free admission 10 am – 12 pm. Click here for pre-season and regular season hours.

Features winding and drop water slides, zero depth entry, six-lane lap pool, diving board and well, lounge chairs, concessions.

Memorial Day Events – Monday May 25

Essence of Freedom Run

7:45 am - 12 pm: Downtown Deerfield, 849 Waukegan Rd., Deerfield

Choose from a 5K or 10K race and run through the streets of downtown Deerfield in support of active duty armed forces and Veterans. To register, click here.

Lake Forest Memorial Day Ceremony

11 am: Market Square, 700 N. Western Ave., Lake Forest

Lake Forest American Legion Post 264 holds its annual Memorial Day Ceremony.

Winnetka Memorial Day Parade & Observance

10 am – 12 pm: Corner of Glendale & Elm Street, heads east toward the Village Green

Join in the Village's 88th annual Memorial Day observance. Parade concludes with a ceremony on the Green. In case of bad weather, and indoor ceremony will be held at Skokie School.

Northbrook Parade

10:30 am – 12:30 pm: Corner of Cherry and Western, heading east on Cherry/Church to the Village Green.

Bands from local schools will be marching and performing following the parade. All are encouraged to attend the traditional American Legion Memorial Day ceremony at the Village Green Park immediately following the parade.