

# Community Events Calendar\*

## RECURRING:

### MIDLAND AREA FARMERS MARKET: Wednesdays & Saturdays

- MAY 4 – OCTOBER 26
  - 7:00am – 1:00pm
- FIRST THREE SATURDAYS IN NOVEMBER
  - 9:00am – 12:00pm
- Location: Dow Diamond
- There are **No Animals** Allowed at the Farmers Market. The MAFM is not a safe space for pets of any kind due to the crowds and food safety concerns, please leave your pets at home. Trained Service Dogs are welcome. Sorry, Emotional Support Animals (ESAs) and Therapy Dogs are not ADA Service Animals

### Nature Connections: Select Thursdays

- 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd, Midland
- Embrace the opportunity to know the forest in a new way by focusing on an individual species of tree or shrub each month. Through exploration and guided experiences, participants will come to know a section of CNC's land throughout the seasons to make a meaningful, personal connection with nature.
- Quiet reflection, photography, journaling, exploration, history, and folklore will engage the mind and heart during this casual walk which includes group and solo time. Meet at the Visitor Center.
- Contact Information: [info@chippewanaturecenter.org](mailto:info@chippewanaturecenter.org)
- Fees/Admission: Free – Age 18+
- **2024 Nature Connections Schedule:**
  - **Sept 12, 6-8 pm - American Chestnut**
  - **Oct 24, 5-7 pm - Witch Hazel**
  - **Nov 14, 4-6 pm - American Beech**
  - **Dec 12, 4-6 pm – Oak**

## COMMONS LIVE MUSIC SERIES: Fridays & Saturdays – Pedestrian Plaza

- September 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Cabildo / Prior Noon
- September 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> Stephen Court Band / Pride and Joy Blues Band
- September 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> Moonshot Band / 2XL Band
- September 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> The ClaimJumpers / Slick Jimmy Band

## Wee Stroll

- September 13<sup>th</sup>
- October 11<sup>th</sup>
  - 9:30am – 10:30am
  - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
  - This program is designed for parents to take a guided walk with their child, learn about the outdoors and learn ways to introduce children to the natural world around them.
  - Contact Information: [info@chippewanaturecenter.org](mailto:info@chippewanaturecenter.org)
  - Fees/Admission: Free

## September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 – Tuesday

- Ribbon Cutting – Children’s Grief Center of the Great Lakes Bay Region
  - 4:30pm – 5:00pm
  - Location: 4708 James Savage Ave
  - The Children's Grief Center is kicking off their 10th school year of providing services to the Great Lakes Bay Region and is celebrating with a ribbon cutting!
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - [mpenkala@mbami.org](mailto:mpenkala@mbami.org)
  - Fees/Admission: Free

## September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Friday

- WakeUp! Midland - September
  - 7:30am – 9:00am
  - Location: Great Hall Banquet and Convention Center, 5121 Bay City Road, Midland
  - Talk Show Topic: An Update From: Midland County Vulnerable Adult Network
  - Contact Information: Becca Pleiman - [rpleiman@mbami.org](mailto:rpleiman@mbami.org)
  - Fees/Admission:
    - Member Registration: \$20
    - Walk-In / Future Member Registration: \$25
  - \*Updated Invoicing Policy: When registering for an event (advance or walk-in), payment is expected at that time. Invoicing will no longer be offered.
  - \*Per MBA policy, all event registration cancellations must be made at least 48-hours in advance of the event date for a refund.

- **Grape Escape**
  - 3:00pm – 8:00pm
  - Location: Wild Pumpkin – 5799 Beaverton Road, Beaverton
  - VOICE, Inc. of Michigan’s Annual Grape Escape benefit will bring together 4-5 Mid-Michigan wineries to showcase some of their most popular offerings. Held on the grounds of The Wild Pumpkin, attendees will wind their way through several acres of the Corn Maze where they will find 5 tasting stations and enjoy 2 samples along with chocolate and cheese at each.
  - Once they find their way out, they will be greeted by the lively sounds of a local favorite band(s). A cash bar will offer the opportunity to taste more of the wines along with a selection of wine slushies. The Wild Pumpkin will be offering their fresh donuts along with a selection of go-to concession stand favorites.
  - Contact Information: Tonya Bevins - [tonya.bevins@voicemi.org](mailto:tonya.bevins@voicemi.org)
  - Fees/Admission: \$40/Adult & \$15 for designated driver

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### **September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Tuesday**

- **2024 Mulligan Masters Golf Outing**
  - 9:00am – 4:00pm
  - Location: Bucks Run Golf Club – 1559 S. Chippewa Rd, Mt. Pleasant
  - Contact Information: Becca Pleiman - [rpleiman@mbami.org](mailto:rpleiman@mbami.org)

## September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Wednesday

- **Ribbon Cutting – Creative 360**
  - 1:00pm – 1:30pm
  - Location: 5501 Jefferson Ave, Midland
  - Join us to celebrate the remodel, reopening, and renaming of our theater, The Andy and Donna Rapp Family Theater. Enjoy a short performance by the Michigan MOMsemble, tour the galleries, and enjoy light refreshments.
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - [mpenkala@mbami.org](mailto:mpenkala@mbami.org)
  - Fees/Admission: Free

## September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Thursday

- **Taste of Downtown**
  - 6:00pm – 8:30pm
  - Location: Downtown Midland
  - This ticketed event guides guests through a tasting menu at over a dozen restaurants in Downtown Midland.
  - By purchasing a ticket, you'll receive a tasting passport that will give you access to 17 tasting stations, exclusive coupons to select downtown shops and restaurants, and a reusable swag bag.
  - Participants can also enjoy music at the intersection of Main Street and McDonald Street provided by Sound Productions.
  - [2024 Taste of Downtown Tickets, Thu, Sep 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)
  - Fees/Admission: \$34/person. Must be 21+

## September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Tuesday

- **Ribbon Cutting – Members First Credit Union**
  - 11:30pm – 1:00pm
  - Location: 600 W. Wackerly St, Midland
  - Join us in celebrating the Wackerly branch remodel as part of the brand refresh initiative!
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - [mpenkala@mbami.org](mailto:mpenkala@mbami.org)
  - Fees/Admission: Free
  
- **Nature Story Hour**
  - 7:30pm – 9:00pm
  - Location: Chippewa Nature Center, 400 S Badour Rd Midland
  - Join an Interpretive Naturalist for a hike to enjoy this month's full moon. Learn how the tradition of naming moons began and what makes each month special. Please wear dark colors and bring a flashlight. Meet at the Visitor Center.
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  - Fees/Admission: Free

## September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Wednesday

- **September Business After Hours – Greater Midland Tennis Center**
  - 5:00pm – 7:00pm
  - Location: 900 E Wackerly St, Midland
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
  - Fees/Admission: Free to all MBA Members

## September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Thursday

- **Ribbon Cutting – Midland City Hall**
  - 4:00pm – 4:30pm
  - Location: 333 W. Ellsworth St, Midland
  - Join us to celebrate the newly renovated Midland City Hall at an open house!
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
  - Fees/Admission: Free

## September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Friday

- **Ribbon Cutting – Relief Care Chiropractic**
  - 11:30am – 12:00pm
  - Location: 2525 Washington Ave, Midland
  - Join us to celebrate the 20 year anniversary of Relief Care Chiropractic!
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
  - Fees/Admission: Free

## September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Friday

- **MyPros PerkUp! – United Way**
  - 8:00am – 10:00am
  - Location: 115 Jerome St, Midland
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
  - Fees/Admission: Free
  
- **Ribbon Cutting – Walmart**
  - 9:00am – 9:30am
  - Location: 910 Joe Mann Blvd, Midland
  - Come celebrate the grand re-opening of Walmart who has undergone a significant remodel and is celebrating 25 years in Midland!
  - Contact Information: Marybeth Penkala - mpenkala@mbami.org
  - Fees/Admission: Free

\*This information is provided as a community service and is not a complete list of community activities.  
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