100 McDowell Street — For more information, call (704) 321-7275

AUGUST 2020

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT NEWSLETTER

For more info on classes & events OR to REGISTER ONLINE go to **WWW.MATTHEWSNC.GOV/MATTHEWSFUN**

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August Classes, Programs and Events

In the upcoming pages, we list out all of our programs, classes, camps and events coming up in August.

If you would like more information, please visit our website or reach out to us via phone or email!

Important Dates

August 14 & 28: Food Truck Friday Returns!

TENTATIVE

COVID-19 Update

Precautions are in place for all summer camps and programs. This includes daily health screenings, constant cleaning throughout the day, and all staff are encouraged to wear masks.

Expect a health screening when you enter the facilities for programs, camps, or facility rentals.

Check out all of our Summer & Fall programs at WWW.MATTHEWSNC.GOV/MATTHEWSFUN

Town of Matthews Parks, Recreation & Cultural Resource

Crews Recreation Center

1201 Crews Road—Behind the Matthews Police Department

For more information on Crews Center activities, call (704) 708-1287

Facility Rentals

Now booking for Fall 2020! Our space is a great place to host your birthday party, baby and wedding showers, anniversary parties, family reunions and meetings. Availability will not last long!
Contact Charles Smith at 704-708-1289 or via email at csmith@matthewsnc.gov for facility pricing and availability.

Dance It Up

Tentatively scheduled to resume on

M O N D A Y, A U G U S T 1 0 !

Join us for a dance-inspired fitness class that will leave you sweating and smiling. Every class is different, from the toning and cardio moves to the anything-goes playlist, you'll never go to the same class twice!
Mondays 7pm-8pm. Visit www.danceitupclt.com for more information.

American Elite Karate

Youth martial arts classes remain cancelled until further notice.
Virtual training sessions are available.
www.facebook.com/CharlotteKarate

Open Gym Sports

B A S K E T B A L L

Visit www.matthewsnc.gov/matthewsfun for our full monthly open gym/play calendar.

P I C K L E B A L L

Saturdays, 8:30am-12:30pm
Tuesdays, 5:30pm-8:30pm
$2/person
Advance registration encouraged via signup genius (https://qrgo.page.link/skXdx).

B A D M I N T O N

Sundays, 10:30am-4:30pm; $2/person.
Advance registration via signup genius (https://qrgo.page.link/CYTjW) **required** to guarantee court time.
Beginner (Adults): 10:30am-12:30pm
Advanced (Adults): 12:30pm-2:30pm
Family Time (Youth and Adults): 2:30pm-4:30pm

In an effort to promote a healthy environment, health screenings will be conducted at the check-in desk.

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McDowell Arts Center

123 McDowell Street

For more information, call (704) 847-9746

ARTS DELIVERED SUMMER CAMPS

ARTS SAMPLER CAMP

Ages 6-14 | August 3-7 | 9:00am-12:30pm

Campers learn simple art history and experiment with clay, drawing and painting, then switch to using promotional and apparel software and hardware to turn original designs into art objects.

Matthews Residents $200
Non-Residents $210

CLAY CAMP

Ages 6-14 | August 10-14 | 9:00am-12:30pm

Clay campers will learn about local ceramics history and use coils, slabs, extrusions, pottery wheels, glazes and paint to create different artwork.

Matthews Residents $185
Non-Residents $195

CLASSES TAUGHT BY EILEEN SCHWARTZ

RETURNING IN SEPTEMBER!

Art with Eileen - Resuming September 8

Art classes for adults with disabilities

Tuesdays | 12pm-3pm Matthews Residents $60 Non-Residents $65

Fridays | 9am-1pm Matthews Residents $65 Non-Residents $70

Art for Veterans - Resuming September 9

FREE for Veterans as a thank you for your service

Wednesdays | 12pm-3pm

No art experience required!

CLASSES WITH ARTS DELIVERED

CHECK ONLINE FOR MORE DETAILS!

Wednesday Homeschool Clay Classes

Ages 7+ | September 2-30 (5-week class) | 10am-11am

Homeschoolers come play with clay and experience different techniques, tools, glazes and the pottery wheel.

Beginners learn, and experienced students explore on their own.

Matthews Residents $95 Non-Residents $105 10% discount for siblings

Wednesday Pre-K Clay - Classes Begin September 9

Ages 3-6 | 9am-9:45am | 2nd Wednesday of each month

Adult participation required (no cost)

Fall themes! Adult and child artists will use glazes, brushes and even hand prints to design a seasonal dishwasher- and microwave-safe clay platter.

$10 per platter (not per person) | All tools & glaze provided | Additional platters are $7 each

Wednesday Adult Clay

September 2-October 21 (8-week class) | 6pm-8:15pm

Clay class for adults. All levels welcome! Open studio time on Sunday afternoons.

Matthews Residents $190 Non-Residents $200

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SUMMER CAMPS AT THE MATTHEWS COMMUNITY CENTER

DO + ART CAMPS WITH MARIA TAVARES

Textile Art +

Ages 6-11 | August 3-7

9am-12:30pm

Explore the exciting means to create beautiful works of art using fabric and fibers. Using natural materials and upcycling, learn how to create different types of art using a variety of textiles.

Matthews Residents $135

Non-Residents $145

Fairy & Gnome Building

Ages 6-11 | August 10-14

9am-5pm

Create a home for fairies or gnomes. Shape your creation using found objects and paper mache, and furnish and decorate it with a variety of materials! Complement your design by making a beautiful garden around it using real moss, and create your own little friends to live in their new home.

Matthews Residents $270

Non-Residents $290

Mixed Media Nature-Inspiration for Teens

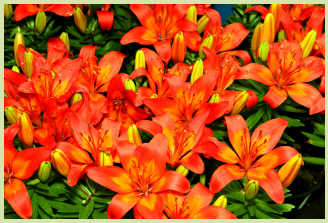
Ages 13-18 | August 3-7

1:30pm-5pm

Explore creativity in various hands-on projects inspired by the Earth's flora and fauna. Using paper mache, mosaic, printmaking and painting, campers will produce wearable, usable and displayable art.

Matthews Residents $135

Non-Residents $145



BALLET CAMP

Frozen 2 Camp

Ages 4-8 | August 3-7 | 9:30am-12pm

A fun-filled week of ballet along with Frozen-themed crafts and activities. Come dressed as your favorite character from Frozen!

Matthews Residents $110 Non-Residents $120

UKULELE CAMP

Introduction to Ukulele Camp

Ages 5-7 | August 10-14 | 9am-12pm

Campers will complete the 10-week Introduction to Ukulele course in this one-week camp. This camp is designed to give young children a fun and positive first experience with a musical instrument. Students will learn how to hold and strum the ukulele and some basic technique. They will learn five chords and twelve fun and engaging songs.

Matthews Residents $169 Non-Residents $174

CLASSES AT THE MATTHEWS COMMUNITY CENTER

Matthews Ballet

The 2020-2021 Season
of Matthews Ballet Classes
start this Fall!!
Visit matthewsnc.gov/matthewsfun for
the complete Ballet Brochure of all of
our classes.
Classes range for ages 3 up to 18!

Registration begins August 24 with classes beginning in September

More details to come!

Yoga Classes

Due to Covid-19, our yoga classes have
been put on hold. We hope to resume
classes soon!
Stay tuned to our website
and Facebook page for when classes will
start again.

Ukulele Classes - Starting in September!

These 10-week classes will run from September 15-November 19

Tuesdays, 6pm-6:45pm: Intro to Ukulele, ages 5-7
Tuesdays, 7pm-7:45pm: Beginner Ukulele 2, ages 13 to adult
Thursdays, 6pm-6:45pm: Beginner Ukulele 1, ages 8-12
Thursdays, 7pm-7:45pm: Beginner Ukulele 1, ages 13 to adult

Matthews Residents: $169
Non-Residents: $174
Visit matthewsnc.gov/matthewsfun
for more details about the class!

WE WILL BE ANNOUNCING MORE CLASSES ON OUR DEPARTMENT WEB PAGE OVER THE NEXT MONTH!

See you soon!

Parks and Special Events

For more information about Parks, call 704-708-1288

For more information about Special Events, call 704-708-1261

Our friends at the

Matthews Library

miss you!

While their in-person programs remain cancelled, they would love to see you online!

Join them for virtual book clubs or virtual children's programs led by your favorite library staff! If you have a technology question or want to learn how to download eBooks, give them a call to schedule a free virtual "Book a Librarian" video session!

They can be reached at 704-416-5021.

CHARLOTTE MECKLENBURG LIBRARY

BABYSITTER CERTIFICATION COURSE

WHAT DO PARTICIPANTS LEARN?

- This one-day certification course will give any youth (ages 10-17 years old), the information needed for effective babysitting. Specifically, the course teaches general baby care, toddlers, and older children care, as well as health and safety issues like choking and rescue breathing. You will be certified in babysitting at the completion of the course.
  Our curriculum is facilitated by a trained American Red Cross & American Safety and Health Institute instructor.

WHO?

- Youth ages 10-17 years old

WHEN?

- Saturday, August 8, 2020; 12:30-4:30pm

WHERE?

- Crews Recreation Center - 1201 Crews Road, Matthews, NC 28105

COST & REGISTRATION

- $65 per participant
- Register at: www.matthewsnc.gov.com or scan here

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FOR MORE INFORMATION: CALL 704-708-1289 OR EMAIL CSMITH@MATTHEWSNC.GOV