

Ignite! Neighbor Nights, Juneteenth & More!



Summer is heating up! Join us!

While the weather might be a bit chilly, our season is heating up! Don't miss June's lgnite! Neighbor Nights this Thursday, June 15th, and the 3rd annual MetroHealth Cleveland Juneteenth Freedom Fest this weekend, Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th! (And check us out in the New York Times!)

Plus we are excited to share our recent events with Dominion Energy's Employees in Action program and the Cleveland Museum of Natural History! AND don't forget, there's still time to get involved in IngenuityFest 2023: Biologies & Geologies as a sponsor, exhibitor, vendor and more!



Celebrate Juneteenth with us THIS WEEKEND!

We are honored and excited to present the 3rd annual MetroHealth Cleveland Juneteenth Freedom Festival alongside our partners Karamu House and Downtown Cleveland Alliance!

Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the proclamation ending slavery on June 19, 1865 in Texas, and is colloquially recognized as the day when all African Americans were freed from slavery. Set to take place on Friday, June 16 with a Block Party, Trunk Show, headlining acts from Karamu House and Kid Capri and Fireworks finale from 6:00pm - 10:00pm; then continuing on Saturday, June 17 from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm on Mall C in the heart of Downtown Cleveland, the city-wide, family-friendly celebration and commemoration of Juneteenth is one you don't want to miss.

The MetroHealth Cleveland Juneteenth Freedom Festival is FREE and open to everyone! Saturday's events will feature music, dance, and poetry performances, live and interactive art experiences, make and take crafts, vendors, and so much more! Bring your family and friends to celebrate, educate and activate yourselves around the rich history of African American culture right here in Cleveland! Ingenuity Cleveland and MetroHealth Arts in Medicine team will showcase half a dozen "mini galleries" featuring works by Black artists, community interactive murals, hands-on activities, and plenty of Black-owned businesses, creative entreprenuers, artisans and more!

Check out this awesome New York Times article that features this incredible event!







Ignite! Neighbor Nights - THIS THURSDAY!

Join us on Thursday, June 15th from 5-8pm at the newly renovated St. Clair Plaza for Ignite! Neighbor Nights - Healthy Play! Don't miss this FREE, family-friendly, evening of outdoor games and activities featuring Bike Cleveland and a bounce house from Recess Cleveland, crafts from HEYMAN! Productions, resources from the Cleveland Metroparks, Cleveland Kids' Book Bank, EITC Coalition, St. Clair - Superior Development Corporation, Famicos Foundation, and more, plus entertainment, food and more!

RSVP to the Facebook Event!





Dominion Energy Employees in Action - THANK YOU!

Special thanks to nearly 20 employees from across all departments at Dominion Energy, who joined us on Friday, June 9th as part of their Employees in Action program, to help us build and beautify our outdoor teaching garden. IngenuityLabs is located on the site of a former scrapyard, and for the past 2 years, Dominion employees have helped us revitalize the space for our summer and festival season, while continuing to clean up and remediate the former industrial site. This year, we're looking forward to growing tomatoes, squash, basil and more, thanks to soil from IngenuityLabs graduates Rust Belt Riders and an extra special thanks to board member, George Smith, Manager of Gas Operations at Dominion Energy, for coordinating this fun event!









Cleveland Musem of Natural History Innovations & Inventions Community Day!

On Sunday, June 11th, we had so much fun with the Cleveland Museum of Natural History at their Innovations & Inventions Community Day, sponsored by the Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandel Foundation! Residents of Cleveland and East Cleveland were invited to attend the museum for free and visit a variety of partner organizations for hands-on activities and resources. We made and decorated artist journals and spread the word about our year-round offerings!









IngenuityFest 2023: Biologies & Geologies

Are you a musician, performer, artist, maker, or vendor? Applications are NOW OPEN to participate in IngenuityFest 2023! Dedicated to a rebirth, and celebration of our singular planet's resources and wonders, this year's Fest will explore how human innovation interacts with communities across earth, air and water. IngenuityFest 2023 is a journey through crystal caverns, aquatic landscapes and more, at once whimsical and wholly serious in its dedication to environmental stewardship, sustainability and innovation and human invention. Be sure to follow us on Facebook for all the latest updates!

OR... Join our growing list of supporters so you don't miss out on upcoming IngenuityFest promotions with YOUR company included!

Your support in 2023 ensures continued support for our community's artists, entrepreneurs, and residents. Your sponsorship offers year-round visibility in IngenuityLabs and through our digital channels, and we hope you will join us for our 2023 Season. Sign up today to ensure your organization is part of the story.

I'd like to apply for IngenuityFest 2023!

I'm interested In Supporting!

Or, to learn more, please contact Marketing & Development Manager, Emma Morris via email at emma@ingenuitycleveland.org.

With great appreciation,

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Ingenuity Cleveland ignites the creative spark of creativity among artists, entrepreneurs, and innovators of all types through joy and collaboration, in service to social progress. With our year-round programming, including the annual IngenuityFest, we inspire audiences, push boundaries, and generate economic impact, all while changing attitudes about our region!

Marketing & Development Manager

Ingenuity is also a founding member of the Hamilton Collaborative. We are redefining growth and innovation as an open, intentional community, managed cooperatively. We provide tools, space, and knowledge to a broad community.

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