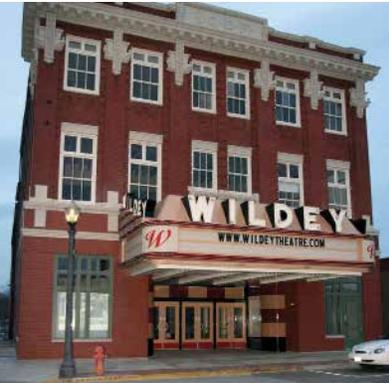


# ENTERTAINMENT & ATTRACTIONS



## ■ Wildey Theatre

252 North Main | 618.307.2053  
[wildeytheatre.com](http://wildeytheatre.com)

Located in downtown Edwardsville, the Wildey Theatre opened in 1909 as an opera house and a second floor meeting hall for the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Throughout the years, the Wildey has undergone many transformations. It was designated as a "Local Landmark" in 1986 by the Edwardsville Historic Preservation Commission and purchased by the City in 1999 with a state grant. On April 12, 2011, the newly renovated, 325 seat, Wildey Theatre re-opened to the public as a venue for live music, theatrical performances, and movies. Check out the website for upcoming events!

## ■ The Watershed Nature Center

1591 Tower Road | 618.692.7578  
[watershednaturecenter.org](http://watershednaturecenter.org)

The 40-acre Watershed Nature Center was transformed from a sewage waste lagoon into a nature preserve and is owned by the City of Edwardsville. The Watershed is managed by the non-profit Nature Preserve Foundation whose mission is environmental education, ecological restoration, and passive recreation. Visitors can view the two lakes, adjoining wetlands, tall grass prairies, and upland forest by hiking one of the trails on the property. The Watershed Nature Center also hosts scout troops, schools, and youth groups.

## ■ MCT Trails

[mcttrails.org](http://mcttrails.org)

Madison County Transit has developed more than 130 miles (209 km) of scenic bike-ways that weave throughout the communities of Edwardsville, nearby Glen Carbon, and beyond. The trails are mostly asphalt. Maps of the trails, which connect to neighborhoods, schools, business districts, SIUE, parks, and more, can be found on kiosks throughout the trail system and the MCT website.

## ■ Edwardsville Children's Museum

722 Holyoake Road | 618.692.2094  
[edwardsvillechildrensmuseum.org](http://edwardsvillechildrensmuseum.org)

Edwardsville Children's Museum was founded in the fall of 1998 in response to a community need for local, interactive, and educational enrichment for children ages infant to 12 years old. The Children's Museum is housed in the City of Edwardsville's LeClaire Academy building and is home to many exhibits designed especially for children. The museum is open to the public Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday 10 am to 6 pm. To learn more about the exhibits, or to inquire into facility rental, field trips, or birthday parties, please visit the website.

## ■ The Gardens at SIUE

SIUE Campus  
[siue.edu](http://siue.edu)

The Gardens at SIUE is a botanical garden on the campus of Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. It originated as an arboretum and occupies a 35-acre tract of the university's 2,660 acre campus.



City of Edwardsville | 618-692-7533 |



■ **Leon Corlew Park and Splash Pad**

333 South Main Street | 618.692.7538  
[betterplacetoplay.com](http://betterplacetoplay.com)

The Leon Corlew Park and Splash Pad opened in July of 2016 adjacent to Edwardsville's Public Safety Facility. The first phase of construction included a splash pad, traditional dry playground, ADA compliant trail with fitness equipment, a concession and restroom building, shade shelters, picnic pavilions and natural plantings. The City will continue to improve upon the park with additional shelters, a butterfly garden, and more playground equipment.

■ **Edwardsville Glen Carbon Community Pool**

88 Recreation Drive, Lot 10 | 618.692.7538  
[cityofedwardsville.com/parks](http://cityofedwardsville.com/parks)

The Edwardsville Glen Carbon Community Pool, formerly known as Cougar Lake Pool, located on SIUE's campus, is a 25-meter pool with water depths of 3'6" to 9'8". The pool features a slide on the deep end and a splash pad installed in 2013 which is perfect for small children. Light concessions are available to enjoy on the deck while taking in the beautiful lake and natural area surrounding the pool.



■ **Benjamin Stephenson House**

409 South Buchanan Street  
618.692.1818  
[stephensonhouse.org](http://stephensonhouse.org)

The Stephenson House is a hands-on learning center bustling with activities from the 1820s that will entertain and educate visitors of all ages. Historical interpreters in period dress provide tours of the house and gardens. Visitors might see bread-making in the kitchen, children playing period games, or women sewing in the parlor. The sights, smells and sounds are designed to increase awareness of the region's cultural heritage and provide a real-life glimpse of Edwardsville in the 1820s.

■ **Edwardsville Public Library**

112 South Kansas Street | 618.792.7556  
[edwardsvillelibrary.org](http://edwardsvillelibrary.org)

The Edwardsville Public Library contains books, magazines, large print books, videos, books on tape, comic books, digital books, decorating stencils, a 3-D printer, and computer programs. A few of its services include participation in an interlibrary loan program, Internet access, homebound book service, an ongoing book fair within the library, word processors for public use, genealogy, children's reading programs, summer fun activities for the kids, as well as a wealth of additional services. It also houses Edwardsville Speaks, an oral history project co-sponsored by the Library and the Madison County Historical Museum and Archival Library.



■ **The Land of Goshen Community Market**

Downtown Edwardsville  
[goshenmarket.org](http://goshenmarket.org)

Celebrating over 20 years in downtown Edwardsville, visitors can find fresh, seasonal fruits and vegetables, farm fresh eggs, naturally raised meats, including beef, pork, and poultry, along with baked goods, pottery, jewelry, other fine arts, honey, soaps, seedlings, cut flowers, live music, and demonstrations. The Market is open from 8 am to noon every Saturday, May through October.

■ **Edwardsville Arts Center**

6165 Center Grove Road | 618.655.0337  
[edwardsvilleartscenter.com](http://edwardsvilleartscenter.com)

The Edwardsville Arts Center is a community visual arts center featuring exhibits by local, regional, and national artists. They host regular showings and classes, and are dedicated to offering the Edwardsville-Glen Carbon communities cultural experiences that are educational, entertaining, and affordable.

