

## Explore Cleveland with RTA One-Pass Trips

Bummed out over high gas prices?

Looking for a way to spend less on this year's vacation?

Why not stay close to home and explore Cleveland?

RTA has just released a series of brochures highlighting six local, unique neighborhoods – Coventry, Little Italy, Ohio City, Tremont, Shaker Square and University Circle.

The brochures include information on how to use RTA to get to each neighborhood from the north, south, east and west, as well as details on all the attractions, shopping and dining that each neighborhood has to offer.

"If you have ever wanted to explore Cleveland, now is the time," says RTA General Manager Joe Calabrese. "These brochures really answer all your questions."

Each of these areas is served by RTA rail, bus or Community Circulator service. All you need is \$3.50 for an All-Day Pass that gives you unlimited service until 3 a.m.

The brochures are available at many sites throughout the county, as well as at [rideRTA.com](http://rideRTA.com).

### Need more help?

- Similar information about One-Pass Trips is available on [rideRTA.com](http://rideRTA.com). Click on "Programs."
- For RTA schedule and service information, go to [rideRTA.com](http://rideRTA.com)
- For personalized scheduling, visit RTA's automated trip planner at [tripplanner.gcrtta.org](http://tripplanner.gcrtta.org)
- Visit RTA's Customer Service Center at Tower City, from 7 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday.
- Call the RTAanswerline, 216-621-9500.
- If you are hearing-impaired, call 216-781-4271.

## New bus loop opens at West 117<sup>th</sup> Station

A new, improved bus loop at the West 117th Street Red Line Rapid Station is now open, offering riders an easy, convenient transfer point.

Customers can also begin using some of the 170 spaces in the expanded station parking lot.

The new bus loop entrance is 250 feet from the intersection, increasing safety, and the bus drop-off point right in front of the station.

A ribbon-cutting for the \$4.7 million station is set for September. Federal funds paid for 80 percent of the work.

The new station will be called Highland Square at West 117<sup>th</sup> St., a reference to a neighborhood name used in the 1800s. Its red brick exterior reflects nearby manufacturing plants, and keeps the flavor of the neighborhood. It will be ADA-compliant.

The station also features:

- A heated waiting area for up to 50 persons on the platform level.
- New canopies for passengers who need to walk from the station to waiting buses.
- An energy-efficient LED neon light, with the RTA graphic, on top of the station will stay lit all night.
- A large, quick elevator with glass panels
- A more open and spacious tunnel.

Design work is progressing on new rail stations at Brookpark, Puritas and East 55th Street.



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[rideRTA.com](http://rideRTA.com)

# Rider's Digest



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## Join RTA in the Flats for fun on July 4<sup>th</sup>

Looking for a great spot to view the July Fourth fireworks display in the Flats? Join RTA.

RTA is hosting a BYOB (bring your own blanket) Family Fest at the Settler's Landing Station on the Waterfront Line. RTA will operate extra trains before and after the fireworks to make travel fast and convenient.

Fun starts at 7 p.m. Fireworks are set to begin about 9:30 p.m., and will be launched from Dock 20, where the Cuyahoga River meets Lake Erie. Settler's Landing has always been one of the best places to view the fireworks.

The event includes:

- A 12-piece Sousa Band
- A caricaturist
- Stilt walkers
- Fire jugglers
- Free glow sticks
- Free bottles of water
- And other surprises



Customers are encouraged to buy an All-Day Pass — \$3.50 for adults and \$1.25 for each child, age 6-12, up to three children. Up to three children younger than age 6 can ride free. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

# Ride RTA to these summer fun events

For service info, visit [rideRTA.com](http://rideRTA.com) and use the automated trip planner. For more details, call the RTAanswerline, 216-621-9500. Parking is free at any rail station that offers parking.

## In downtown Cleveland

- **July 4**, 9:30 p.m., Fireworks display at the mouth of the Cuyahoga River, [clevelandflats.org](http://clevelandflats.org)
- **July 5**, 9 p.m., Cleveland Orchestra concert, Public Square. Pre-concert festival at 4 p.m. [clevelandorchestra.com](http://clevelandorchestra.com)
- **July 14**, 4:30 p.m., Kenny Chesney Music Festival, Browns Stadium. [kenncychesney.com/tour](http://kenncychesney.com/tour)
- **July 19-22**, Ingenuity Festival of Art and Technology, on Euclid Avenue from East 14th to East 18 streets, partnering with Playhouse Square, CSU and ideastream. Many events are free. [ingenuitycleveland.com](http://ingenuitycleveland.com)
- **July 19-22**, AST Dew Tour, Right Guard Open, North Coast Harbor, skateboarding, BMX, free-style motorcross, and a Friday concert. [astdewtour.com](http://astdewtour.com). RTA is the official public transportation sponsor of the event, and the Waterfront Line is most convenient and cost-effective way to see the action.
- **July 22**, Taste of Tremont  
Park at a rail station. Buy a \$3.50 All-Day Pass. Ride any rail line to Tower City. From there, ride the Waterfront Line to the events at Settler's Landing, Browns Stadium or North Coast Harbor, or board a free trolley on Euclid Avenue (Mon.-Fri.). Several other bus routes from Tower City serve the Ingenuity Festival.

## At Jacobs Field

- **July 2, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28, 31**, 7 p.m.
- **July 1, 15, 29**, 1 p.m.
- **July 18**, noon  
Park at a rail station. Buy a \$3.50 All-Day Pass. Ride any rail line to Tower City and take the Walkway to Gateway.

- <http://cleveland.indians.mlb.com/>

## At Quicken Loans Arena

- **July 16**, 7:30 p.m., The Police
- **July 21**, 8 p.m., Rascal Flatts  
Park at a rail station. Buy a \$3.50 All-Day Pass. Ride any rail line to Tower City and take the Walkway to Gateway.
- [theqarena.com](http://theqarena.com)

## At Historic Shaker Square, Cleveland

- Saturdays, 8 a.m.-noon, North Union Farmers Market, through Dec. 15  
Park at a rail station. Buy a \$3.50 All-Day Pass. Ride the Blue or Green light-rail lines to Shaker Square, or hop on bus routes #48/48A, #25B/W or #823.
- [shakersquare.net](http://shakersquare.net)

## At Crocker Park, Westlake

- **Fridays & Saturdays**, 6:30-9:30 p.m., outdoor concerts, through July 27
- **Saturdays**, North Union Farmers' Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- **July 4**, noon-5 p.m., Independence Day celebration  
Ride the #46 or #822 (Mon.-Sat.)
- [crockerpark.com](http://crockerpark.com)

## Wolstein Center at CSU,

- **July 6-8, 13-15, 27-29**, Christian Congregation, Jehovah's Witnesses  
Park at a rail station. Buy a \$3.50 All-Day Pass, ride any rail line to Tower City. Ride bus routes #8, #25B/W, #55X
- [wolsteincenter.com](http://wolsteincenter.com)

## At the Great Lakes Science Center,

- **Through Sept. 3**, Baseball as America  
Park at a rail station. Buy a \$3.50 All-Day Pass, ride any rail line to Tower City, and ride the Waterfront Line to the North Coast Harbor Station on East Ninth Street

# Euclid Avenue:

## Open for business

As work progresses daily on RTA's new Silver Line on Euclid Avenue, merchants continue to offer high-quality goods and services.

As part of an on-going campaign, "Euclid Avenue: Open for Business," RTA asks that you patronize these merchants, to help their businesses during the construction season.

The Silver Line is expected to be operational in late 2008.

## Starbucks

Starbucks is the world's largest purveyor of fine coffee. With 12,400 stores in 37 nations, more than 40 million people are served each week.



One store is conveniently located on the first floor of the Hanna Building, 1400 Euclid Ave., in Playhouse Square.

"All Starbucks offer the same menu, the same standards and quality products and services," says manager Melanie Horwatt.

**Hours:** 6 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 6 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday, 6:30 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday and 6:30 a.m.-9 p.m. on Sunday. Call 216-771-2541.

## The Finer Things Boutique

Owner Carole Stanley invites you to browse at her boutique in the Statler Arms building, 1127 Euclid Ave., or call her at 216-344-9119. Hours are 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Saturday.

"We feature one-of-a-kind items, all moderately priced – accessories and specialties, purses, scarfs, jewelry, dresses and gift items. Recently, we began offering some Cleveland sports items. If you don't see it here, we can order it. And of course, our staff is friendly."