

Party on the Porch Frequently Asked Questions

Getting There

Where do I park?

Our parking lot will be closed so that guests can safely access food trucks, but free parking is available at the UNT Health Science Center lot and east garage on Clifton Street (immediately north of the museum). Paid parking is available at Will Rogers Memorial Center off Lancaster Avenue. Don't want the hassle of parking? Take advantage of ride sharing like Lyft or Uber!

What does it cost to get in? Do I need a ticket?

This community event is free to attend. No tickets are required! Food and beverages will be available for purchase onsite from local trucks.

Where do I enter?

Event entrances will be on Camp Bowie Boulevard and Lancaster Avenue, near our front door. Please note that Will Rogers Road will be closed between Lancaster Avenue and Camp Bowie Boulevard from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on the day of the event.

What time should I arrive?

The event kicks off at 6 p.m., but our grounds will be open beforehand. Please note that the museum building will be closed from 5-6 p.m. If you do need to use the restroom during that time, the portable restrooms will be your only option.

What should I wear?

The action happens outside, so we suggest you wear casual, comfortable clothing and shoes!

Is this event wheelchair accessible?

For any accessibility-related questions and/or needs, please email visitors@cartermuseum.org.

What happens if it rains?

Party on the Porch is on, rain or shine! In case of dangerous inclement weather, please follow our social media accounts and check our website for updates.

What to Bring

Can I bring my kids?

Yes! Party on the Porch is family-friendly fun for all ages!

Can I bring my lawn chair?

Yes, bring your lawn chairs and blankets and snag your spot on the lawn to enjoy the evening! Don't want to bring your own? We will have limited seating available throughout our campus. Please note that lawn chairs cannot be brought inside the museum.

Can I bring my dog?

We love our fur babies, but due to conservation policies and the safety and security of all our visitors, we have to limit to human attendees only. Thanks for your cooperation!

Do I need cash?

Food trucks and bars will take both cash and credit card, but cash will help the lines move faster!

What CAN'T I bring?

Please leave your pets and coolers at home. We ask that you do not bring outside food or drink and that you support our local food truck vendors who will be in attendance.

What's On

I'm a member! Is there something special for me?

We love our members! Members get access to our VIP area, with free food and drink provided by Righteous Foods, Topo Chico, and Ben E. Keith. Not a member? Join at the event for VIP perks!

When will the bands play?

Summer Dean will kick off the night 6:30 p.m.; the Matt Tedder Trio will keep the party going beginning at 7:30 p.m.; and Green River Ordinance will bring the house down starting at 8:30 p.m.

What food trucks will be there?

You can grab dinner from Central Market, Chile Pepper Grill, Crazy Burger, Down to Earth, Gepetto's Pizza, Jenny Lynn's BBQ, or Luckybee; Alchemy Pops, the Beignet Bus, and Gypsy Scoops will be serving up the sweet stuff!

Hungry now? Beat the lines by preordering Central Market Picnic Packs by calling 817.377.9307. Food baskets will be at Central Market's onsite pop-up store for pick up, as well as an assortment of food and beverages for purchase.

What can I drink?

Bars will serve beer and wine. Don't forget to bring your ID!

Can I see the art, too?

Yes! Galleries will be open from 6-9 p.m. Come inside to check out our great American art, participate in a fun art-making activity, take a self-guided tour, or visit with a docent. From 9-10 p.m., only the restrooms will be open inside the museum.