Welcome
Portland Parks & Recreation maintains some beautiful fountains throughout Portland. The largest concentration of fountains lies within the downtown area.

Take an opportunity to discover and explore downtown Portland and her treasure chest of unique artwork—Portland's fountains.

On the inside of this brochure you will find a 2.6-mile walking tour of 16 decorative and interactive fountains in the downtown Portland area.

Portland's Interactive Fountains
On hot summer days these fountains and parks are perfect for family outings and picnics!

- **Salmon Street Springs Fountain** at Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park, SW Naito Parkway and Salmon Street
- **McCoy Fountain** at McCoy Park, N Trenton Street and Newman Avenue
- **Holladay Park Fountain** at Holladay Park, NE 11th Avenue and Multnomah Street
- **Jamison Square Fountain** at Jamison Square, 810 NW 11th Avenue
- **Bill Naito Legacy Fountain** at Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park, SW Naito Parkway and Ankenny Street
- **Teachers Fountain** at Director Park, SW Yamhill Street and Park Avenue

Fountain users should be aware that while the bureau cleans fountains regularly, monitors operations, and chlorinates the interactive fountains to the level of a swimming pool, the water in these fountains is not suitable for drinking. Also, please use caution when walking near pools of water or on slippery surfaces.

Rules to Follow When Visiting Fountains

- **Look, but don't drink!** The water flowing in decorative fountains is not for drinking. To conserve water, most of these fountains recycle water.
- **Be safe!** Although people enjoy splashing around in the interactive fountains (Jamison Square, McCoy, Holladay Park, Bill Naito Legacy, Teachers at Director Park, and Salmon Street Springs Fountains), there are potential dangers for unattended children.
- **Please use caution at all fountains.** Slippery surfaces, rapidly moving water, and pools of water require careful attention.

Other Fountains Maintained by Portland Parks & Recreation

- **Beverly Cleary Sculpture Garden for Children (Grant Park)** NE 33rd Avenue and Bazaar Street
- **Holladay Park Fountain** NE 11th Avenue and Multnomah Street
- **The Rose Petal (Stark Street Island Park)** SE 106th Avenue and Stark Street
- **Peninsula Park Rose Garden Fountain** N Albina Street and Ainworth Street
- **Vietnam Veterans of Oregon Memorial (Washington Park)** 4000 SW Canyon Road
- **Water Sculpture (Washington Park International Rose Test Garden)** 4000 SW Kingston Avenue
- **Loyal B. Stearns Memorial Fountain** W Burnside and SW Tichner Drive
- **South Waterfront Water Garden** SW Montgomery and SW River Drive

Maintenance
Maintaining these fountains is no small feat. In addition to two full-time maintenance mechanics, Portland Parks & Recreation employs one electrician/instrument technician and one seasonal maintenance worker to ensure that Portland's fountains are in working order, safe for public enjoyment, and running efficiently. The bureau turns the fountains off for the cold weather months to prevent water from blowing or freezing on surfaces. This down time also provides an opportunity for maintenance and repair projects.

Aesthetics
Portland Parks & Recreation works with the Regional Arts & Culture Council to maintain aesthetics at each fountain. Sculptures undergo restoration when needed in order to present the art as originally intended.

Health and Safety
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Efficiency
Most of Portland's decorative fountains and all of the interactive fountains recirculate water to minimize water use and run-off. The bureau has installed meters to gauge water use and electrical consumption.

For more information on Portland's municipal fountains, visit portlandoregon.gov/parks/fountains.
Pioneer Courthouse Square Fountain
Wild Marten, 1985, renovated in 1999 and 2017 (granite)
SW Broadway Avenue, between Yew Hill and Morrison streets

In 1848, Eliphalet Hill bought this block of downtown Portland for $24 and a pair of boots.
The fountain, which features granite, is a major part of Portland's "living room." Look for designer Will Martin's bronze hat at the top of the fountain.

Shemanski Fountain (Rebecca at the Well)
Olive Barrett (scultor) and Carter Lunde (bronze), 1926
South Park Blocks, between SW Salmon and Main streets

Joseph Shemanski commissioned this fountain as a gesture of appreciation for the people of Portland. His companions for animals inspired the three pet-level drinking fountains. There are also three human-level fountains. Two years after the initial fountain was erected, Shemanski commissioned the sculpture of Rebecca at the Well, which reflects the biblical tale of Abraham's discovery of a bride for Isaac when he saw Rebecca drawing water for camels. The water is suitable for drinking at this fountain.

Littman Fountain ( Farewell to Orpheus)
Frederick Littman, 1966 (bronze)
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Littman Fountain was installed as part of the South Park Blocks Urban Renewal Development Project. The sculpture of Eurydice has always been surrounded by water but the fountain, which continually recycles 227 gallons of water, was not added until the 1990s. "Farewell to Orpheus" has been described as a "soothing refuge" for Portland State University students.

The Source Fountain
Laurance Hul_gp, 1968 (brick)
North of SW Lincoln Street, between 3rd and 4th Avenues

This small structure was erected as part of the South Auditorium Project, the Portland Development Commission's first urban renewal project. The Source Fountain gives the illusion that water is flowing between the bricks, as smoke might seep through a chimney.

Lovejoy Fountain
Laurance Hulgp, 1968 (concrete, brick)
Lovejoy Fountain Park, SW 4th Avenue, between Lincoln and Harrison streets

In a 1963 contest with Francis Pétrigou, Ava Lovejoy, the fountain's namesake, lost two out of three coin tosses and thus the right to name the city after his hometown of Los Guayos. Pétrigou and Lovejoy flipp'd the coin a second time to determine which of two neighboring parks would be named Lovejoy and which would be named Pétrigou. This beautiful fountain was built in Lovejoy's park and took on his name.

Dreamer Fountain
Manuel Lazoquez, 1979 (bronze)
Pettygrove Park, SW 3rd Avenue, between Market and Hawthorne streets

Located in Pettygrove Park, Manuel Lazoquez's design of a reclining woman is made from soap-nut bronze that he bought and strung. Lazoquez said, "The Dreamer speaks of hope, of beauty and serenity, of love, and for a better life in our midst."

Carsen Fountain
Laurance Hulgp, 1988 (concrete)
Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park, SW Salmon Street and Naito Parkway

The Carsen Fountain is one of Portland's most iconic fountains, majestically spouting water in an array of designs and speeds. A computer changes the pattern of the water display every 20 minutes. At full capacity, the fountain recycles 2,004 gallons of water per minute through as many as 117 jets at one time.

Taking its name from the winner of a city-wide naming contest, the fountain has become one of Portland's most popular summer hangouts.

Bill Naito Legacy Fountain 2009
Waterbrook Park, between SW Naito Parkway and the Willamette River, near the Burnside Bridge

The Bill Naito Legacy Fountain is intended to honor the late Portland businessman and civic contributor of the same name. This fountain includes two interactive water features within the park, the Upper and Lower Plaza fountains. The Upper Plaza is the interactive fountain area under the canopy with playful water sprouts emerging from decorative pavers. The Lower Plaza is the pool area to the south of the canopy with dancing water jets.

This fountain and park include a sprawling pavilion that houses Portland's Saturday Market on the weekends, at which time portions of the fountain are turned off.

With its depiction of the majestic waterfalls of Oregon's Cascade Mountains, the Ira Keller Fountain is a hallmark of Portland's best known landmarks. Formerly named Fomcourt Fountain, it was renamed in 1978 in honor of the first chairman of the Portland Development Commission, Ira Keller, who had a major influence on the rehabilitation of the area.

Residents and visitors alike flock to this series of waterfalls and pools which occupy nearly a full acre in downtown Portland's busiest business district.

This fountain, Portland's oldest commissioned public art, stands at what was once the city center. Designed by Stephen Galloway, the statue is inscribed with "Ira Keller Fountain," the name the sculptor gave it. It crysals from Portland instead of decorating Central Park.

Car Wash Fountain
(currently inoperable)
Carrs, Hall, Nobilo, McCullley, 4th & Mars, 1977 (steel)
5th Avenue and Ankeny street

This uniquely shaped fountain never worked as a fountain, but it seems appropriate given its similarity to a car wash. As a precaution for passing pedestrians, a wind gauge shuts off the pumps if the wind speed exceeds 2 miles per hour.

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