

CLEVELAND HISTORY CENTER of the WESTERN RESERVE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Euclid Beach Park Memories Start Here

Relive the heyday of Cleveland's favorite lakeside amusement park

CLEVELAND, OH (July, 2018) – Euclid Beach Park was one of the most prominent amusement parks in Cleveland, and the memories created there were so strong, stories about the Park live on today. In 2014, the Western Reserve Historical Society (WRHS), Cleveland Carousel Society and Euclid Beach Park Now partnered with the community to restore the beloved 1910 Euclid Beach Park Grand Carousel to operating condition. Though Euclid Beach Park closed its gates in 1969, generations of Clevelanders create new memories, riding on the Carousel every day at the Cleveland History Center.

Now in its fourth year, **Euclid Beach Park Day** invites audiences of all ages for a community celebration of Cleveland's iconic amusement park. On July 21st, guests to the museum enjoy fun, family activities including unlimited rides on the Euclid Beach Park Grand Carousel, lawn games and so much more. And NEW this year - Lolly the Trolley will offer special Euclid Beach Park tours featuring storytelling and narration.

On June 22, 1895, John Irwin, Hylas B. Gladwish, Albert E. Thompson, John Flynn, and Jerome B. Burrows opened Euclid Beach Park. In 1901, Dudley S. Humphrey assumed ownership of the park, operating it until it closed on September 28, 1969. Under the Humphrey family's ownership, Euclid Beach Park thrived with the installation of the Euclid Beach Park Grand Carousel, the Flying Turns ride, the famous Euclid Beach Bath House, and so much more. Today, the iconic Euclid Beach Park archway and the remnants of a swimming pool are all that remain on the site.

"Our annual Euclid Beach Park Festival at the Cleveland History Center brings family, community, and history together for a day full of food, laughter, and games, with generations of Greater Clevelanders creating new memories with the Euclid Beach Park Grand Carousel at the center of the fun. The Carousel is the ultimate interactive exhibit and best place in Cleveland – in our opinion – to capture a photograph," says President & CEO, Kelly Falcone-Hall.

Euclid Beach Park Day is Saturday, July 21, 2018 from 10am – 5pm at Cleveland History Center.

Additional information can be found at: <https://www.wrhs.org/events/euclid-beach-park-day-2/>

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About the Cleveland History Center

The Cleveland History Center houses exhibits that tell the story of Northeast Ohio through items, documents and artifacts. Through the use of the Western Reserve Historical Society's extensive collections Cleveland History Center provides the public with a much-needed sense of place in today's mobile society. Each document and artifact tells a story that personally engages individuals, young and old to make these stories come alive. Discover the history of Euclid Beach Park when visiting Cleveland Starts Here® sponsored by the Jack, Joseph and Morton Mandel Foundation before taking a ride on the Euclid Beach Park Grand Carousel.

From the very first map of Cleveland to LeBron James' championship shoes, journey through Cleveland's history from 1796 to today, with the extensive collection and interactive exhibits at the Cleveland History Center. Museum guests can walk through two historic mansions, experience the innovation and evolution of the automobile in Cleveland and the world in the Crawford Auto-Aviation Museum, and discover why Cleveland is Mad For Plaid. Cleveland Starts Here®. Cleveland Starts with You!

About the Western Reserve Historical Society (WRHS)

Western Reserve Historical Society was founded in 1867 to preserve and present the history of all of the people of Northeast Ohio. Today, WRHS is one of the largest regional historical societies in the nation with a mission to inspire people to discover the American experience by exploring the tangible history of Northeast Ohio.

WRHS is a Smithsonian Affiliate (www.affiliations.si.edu) a national outreach program that develops collaborative partnerships with cultural organizations to enrich communities with Smithsonian resources. WRHS is supported in part by the residents of Cuyahoga County through a public grant from Cuyahoga Arts & Culture. Sponsorships, bequests, grants, admissions, and other funding are used by WRHS to preserve and enrich the region's artistic and cultural heritage. WRHS has earned a top four-star rating from Charity Navigator, the nation's most-used independent evaluator of charities and nonprofits. Visit us at 10825 East Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44106, at www.wrhs.org or on social media @clestartshere.

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