



# Cincinnati Park Board

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**WHAT:** Invite Everyone to Watch New CET Documentary  
"Cincinnati Parks: Emeralds in the Crown"

**WHEN:** 8-9 p.m. on Wednesday September 23 and on Sunday, 7-8 p.m. September 27

**WATCH:** CET Channel 48, Local public broadcast station

The Cincinnati Park Board is proud to announce the airing of "Cincinnati Parks: Emeralds in the Crown" a one-hour documentary funded and produced by CET. The documentary features Cincinnati's oldest and newest parks, focusing on the history of our excellent park system.

The story of Cincinnati Parks is told by local historians, park employees and community leaders. In the documentary Mayor Mark Mallory explains, "It's one of the undeniable assets that we have in this city. And there are so few cities that can compete with us on this level. Our parks are among the things that makes us special."

"Emeralds in the Crown" describes the story of the creation of the park system and efforts to conserve our City's natural resources for future generations. Park Director Willie F. Carden, Jr. states, "I am elated that award-winning CET chose Cincinnati Parks as the subject of this documentary. To me the heart of the story is the legacy from citizens who acted on a vision of a public park system. Our city parks remain strong and vibrant to this day thanks to the support of the entire Cincinnati community."

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### **ABOUT CINCINNATI PARKS**

Park properties constitute over 5,000 acres, approximately 10% of the City's total land area. Parklands consist of 5 regional parks, 70 neighborhood parks, 34 natural preserves, 5 neighborhood nature centers, 52 playgrounds, 5 parkways, 18 scenic overlooks, over 500 floral beds, 65 miles of hiking & bridle trails, wheelchair accessible paths, public art and park architecture, and over 80,000 street trees. For more information, call the Cincinnati Parks Visitor Center inside the Krohn Conservatory in Eden Park (513) 352-4080, or visit [www.cincinnatiiparks.com](http://www.cincinnatiiparks.com)

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