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Newfields to Re-open Outdoor Spaces on June 25 *Member tickets available June 16, public tickets go on-sale June 22*

INDIANAPOLIS, June 12, 2020— Beginning June 23 for members and June 25 for the public, Newfields will re-open its outdoor spaces, including The Garden, The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park, and The Beer Garden as part of *Summer at Newfields* presented by The National Bank of Indianapolis. The re-opening of these spaces follows Governor Holcomb's five stage roadmap to safely re-open Indiana and the recent Marion County Public Health Order.

"We at Newfields are thrilled to finally be able to safely welcome the Indianapolis community back to our beautiful outdoor spaces," said Dr. Charles L. Venable, The Melvin & Bren Simon Director and CEO. "Our expansive 152-acre campus at Newfields provides a healthy place for our guests to leave their homes and spread out in the fresh air, while enjoying the sights and sounds of summer. We hope the reopening of The Garden and Fairbanks Park will help bring back the sense of respite and joy that everyone so badly needs at this time."

Entrance to The Garden and The Beer Garden will be free to members. General admission tickets for the public will be \$18 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6-17, and free for children five and under, while Fairbanks Park remains free to all. Member tickets are available to reserve June 16 at 11 a.m., and public tickets will go on-sale June 22 at 11 a.m. All guests are required to reserve a ticket online at discovernewfields.org. Online ticket service fees are being waived at this time. The Garden and The Beer Garden will be open to the public Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and the campus will remain closed on Mondays. Fairbanks Park will be open to the public daily from dawn to dusk.

For the safety of all guests and staff, Newfields will adhere to all crowd gatherings restrictions by maintaining a reduced capacity onsite. All guests and members will be required to reserve a timed ticket online before they arrive, which will allow Newfields to safely control crowd size and facilitate a contactless check-in process. Guests over of the age of two are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering or mask and must practice social distancing towards others by staying six feet apart. Face coverings or masks will be required to enter the restrooms. All Newfields employees will be required to wear a face covering or mask when in public or common areas, or within six feet of others. Please visit discovernewfields.org to review all Newfields safety protocols and FAQs before reserving tickets.

"Art and nature gives us the tools to make sense of the world, to see things with a fresh perspective, to be boldly inspired, and to come together or even find solace alone" said Ann Merkel, chief market development officer at The National Bank of Indianapolis. "Supporting *Summer at Newfields* is a way for us to give back to our city, and to support our community in an engaging, meaningful way. At The National Bank of Indianapolis, we dedicate our resources to supporting activities that create a stronger community and enhance the quality of life for all who live here. So, our partnership with Newfields is a natural one."

The Beer Garden will offer guests a safe and socially distanced experience. Favorite menu items such as *Among the Leaves* beer from Sun King Brewing Co. and a shareable giant pretzel will once again be available for guests. The full menu for The Beer Garden can be found [here](#). The Beer Garden will be open during all regular Newfields hours, with last call being 30 minutes before close. Limited table seating will be available and placed six feet apart for guests to use, or as always, guests are invited to stroll with their food and beverage. All culinary staff members will be wearing the required personal protective equipment, such as masks and gloves.

Membership at Newfields has its perks, including free general admission, first access to reserve tickets, and two exclusive Member Days on June 23 and 24. Become a [Newfields member](#) and reserve your free ticket today.

Also part of *Summer at Newfields* presented by The National Bank of Indianapolis is the debut of a brand-new outdoor exhibition in The Garden called *Anders Ruhwald: Century Garden*. This open-air installation features five sculptural vignettes by Chicago-based artist Anders Herwald Ruhwald. Ruhwald's installation investigates the history of The Garden by interrupting the European-style design of the historic landscape with colorful ceramic sculptures and striking tropical and native plant arrangements.

Restrooms will be available at reduced capacity for guests inside The Deer Zink Special Events Pavilion, located at The Garden entrance. To access the restrooms guests will be required to wear a face covering or mask and to practice social distancing inside the building. The Museum & Garden Shop is closed onsite, but open online at shop.discovernewfields.org. Items are available for delivery or curbside pickup. Other areas of the Newfields campus including the IMA Galleries, The Café, The Lilly House, and the Madeline F. Elder Greenhouse remain temporarily closed until further notice.

About The National Bank of Indianapolis

The National Bank of Indianapolis was founded in 1993 with the vision of providing an extremely high level of specialized service in a very personalized manner to professionals, businesses, and nonprofit organizations. Today, through its dedication to superior service and through its support of the greater Indianapolis community, The National Bank of Indianapolis has grown to be our city's largest locally owned national bank. For more information visit www.nbofi.com.

About Newfields

Newfields offers dynamic experiences with art and nature for guests of all ages. The 152-acre cultural campus features art galleries, lush gardens, a historic home, performance spaces, a nature preserve and sculpture park. From inspiring exhibitions in the IMA Galleries, to concerts in The Toby, to a stroll through The Garden with a glass of something cold, guests are invited to interact with art and nature in exciting new ways. Newfields is home to the Indianapolis Museum of Art, among the ten largest and ten oldest general art museums in the nation; the Lilly House, a National Historic Landmark; The Garden, featuring 40 acres of contemporary and historic gardens, a working greenhouse and an orchard; and The Virginia B. Fairbanks Art & Nature Park: 100 Acres, one of the largest art and nature parks in the country. The Newfields campus extends outside of Indianapolis with Miller House and Garden in Columbus, Ind.—one of the nation's most highly regarded examples of mid-century Modernist architecture. For more information visit www.discovernewfields.org.

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