

# {TOP 10} Family Events for May

Celebrate spring and Mother's Day activities in and around the Baltimore area

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THROUGHOUT THE MONTH

**DINOSAURS: EXPLORE THE PREHISTORIC FOREST**

New exhibit alert! The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is launching its very own dino forest with life-sized—up to 35 feet high and 40 feet long—dinosaurs. Animatronics paint a realistic picture of how they moved, hunted and reared their young. The exhibit runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., May 6 through November. Tickets are \$5-\$34. [marylandzoo.org/special\\_events/dinosaurs](http://marylandzoo.org/special_events/dinosaurs)



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**SPRINGFEST AT THE IRVINE NATURE CENTER**

It's the season for gardening! Your children will find many fun activities to explore, including making nature crafts, building a bird's nest, planting flower seeds and hanging with Irvine's owl mascot, Hoot, at this spring festival from 10 a.m. to noon. Tickets are \$15; adults and children ages 2 and younger are free.

[explorenature.org](http://explorenature.org)

MAY 5

**WTMD'S FIRST THURSDAY FESTIVAL**

Pack a picnic and spend Thursday evening with your family at Canton Waterfront Park. The family-friendly free monthly concert series from WTMD kicks off in May after a two-year hiatus. Listen to local and national bands by the water while enjoying food trucks and fun prize wheels and goodies. Music begins at 5:30 p.m.

[wtmd.org](http://wtmd.org)



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**WE HEART MOMS 5K**

Celebrate mom on Mother's Day weekend with a 5K in Carroll Park. Baltimore City Recreation and Parks partners with Charm City Run for a fun run for only \$5. Begin at 8 a.m. with the option to complete the race virtually or at your pace over two days. Register for a full monthly 5K series beginning at \$25.

[bcrp.baltimorecity.gov](http://bcrp.baltimorecity.gov)



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**50TH ANNIVERSARY STEAM AND HAND SHOW**

Marvel at historic hand-drawn and horse-drawn fire apparatus from the Fire Museum of Maryland in Lutherville at an annual fun day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event features hose wagon rides, working steam engines and draft horses, kids' activities and food vendors.

[firemuseummd.org](http://firemuseummd.org)

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**BALTIMORE BIRTH FESTIVAL**

Parenting doesn't have to be a role you take on alone. Maryland Families for Safe Birth returns to Patterson Park for a second year with a festival focused on support for pregnancy, postpartum and parenting. Win a raffle for hundreds of dollars in baby, mom and parenting goodies. Free; \$30 for VIP swag bag (find details on Eventbrite).

[marylandfamiliesforsafebirth.org](http://marylandfamiliesforsafebirth.org)

MAY 21

**MAGICALLY MAY**

Do you ever wonder how some of those incredible magic tricks work? The answer might be science. From noon to 4 p.m. at the Maryland Science Center, learn the "science of illusion," including an interactive show by magician Adam Stone.

Free with museum admission

[mdsci.org](http://mdsci.org)

