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Summer Brings Out the Dogs in Kansas City's West Bottoms Barks in the Bottoms First Friday Weekend events welcome dogs August 2-4

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI — The Historic West Bottoms District is rolling out the canine ruff carpet. Leashed dogs are welcome at most West Bottoms shops and they'll have paws-tively the best time with bone-appétit treats, water, and dog-approved seating to enjoy with shoppers at the First Friday Weekend August 2-4 Barks in the Bottoms event.

Many toe-tapping and tail-wagging activities will surround 13th and Hickory Streets with music including Wonderfuzz, a live band, playing under the historic 12th Street Bridge and Anthony Perkins playing a grand piano outside the doors of Robins Nest. Friends are fur-ever, and Lucky Dog 13 Rescue will have pups for adoption that are sure to raise the woof.

"We won't hound anyone to bring their dog but they are sure to have a ball at Barks in the Bottoms this First Friday Weekend," said the West Bottoms district spokesperson, Amber Arnett-Bequeaith. "We are lining up photo opportunities, foods, drinks, music, and vintage shopping experience extraordinaire."

Upcoming Festival of the Full Moon at West Bottoms First Friday Weekend events include

- September: Brews in the Bottoms, Sept. 6-8
- October: Boo in the Bottoms, Oct. 4-6
- November: Blessings in the Bottoms, Nov. 1-3
- December: Bows in the Bottoms, each weekend in December prior to Christmas starting Dec. 6.

AUGUST's BARKS in the BOTTOMS WEEKEND PLANNER

West Bottoms' Shopping: Embracing the Festival of the Full Moon Weekends' theme, Barks in the Bottoms runs from Aug. 2-4. Shops will be open Friday through Sunday, with most opening at 9 AM, closing around 6 PM on Friday and Saturday, and Sunday from 12-4 PM. For specific store openings, it's recommended to refer to individual store Facebook pages or visit westbottoms.com.

- o All Keyed Up Piano Shop www.allkeyeduppiano.com/
- o Bella Patina www.bellapatinakc.com
- o <u>Chef J's Barbecue</u> www.chefjbbq.com
- o Fetch www.fetchkcmo.com
- o Fountain City Winery www.fountaincitywinery.com
- o Full Moon Escape Games www.fullmoonescape.com
- Good JuJu www.goodjujukc.com
- Java Garage www.thejavagarage.com
- O Robins Nest www.facebook.com/therobinsnestwestbottoms
- Rustic Vintage Rose www.facebook.com/RusticVintageRose
- Serendipity www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063641434771
- Stuffology www.facebook.com/stuffologykc
- Treasures on 13th www.facebook.com/treasureson13thstKC
- Ugly Glass www.facebook.com/UglyGlassCo
- West Bottoms Bicycles www.worldclassbikes.com/

Live Music: Enjoy the tunes of Anthony Perkins performing on an All-Keyed Up Piano outside at 13th and Hickory from 12-3 PM on Friday and Saturday. Also, Wonderfuzz, a live band, playing under the historic 12th Street Bridge.

Lucky Dog 13 Rescue: On Friday and Saturday from 11 AM to 2 PM, visit Lucky Dog 13 Rescue to view and potentially adopt dogs needing their forever homes.

Food & Drink: Satisfy your cravings with food trucks and various on-site vendors, including the Full Moon Street Bar, Chef J BBQ, Java Garage, Bella Patina's 3rd Floor Painted Rooster Café, and West Bottoms Whiskey.

Full Moon Escape: the Escape Games have slots available and new games. Open Friday, 12:00 PM - 10:30 PM; Saturday, 10:30 AM - 10:30 PM; Sunday, 10:30 AM - 9:30 PM.

About the West Bottoms Historic Entertainment District

The West Bottoms Historic Entertainment District, located just off the 12th Street Bridge, has 22 warehouses in a thirteen-block area with approximately 600 vendors and more than 30 stores and restaurants. Its large, multistory buildings have histories dating back more than 130 years. These repurposed, vast spaces form the largest indoor vintage entertainment district year-round. The West Bottoms is the destination for interior decorators, designers, collectors, and consumers making unique, quality finds for home, décor, style, and gift options with history and patina that cannot be replicated. westbottoms.com

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