# U District

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Shopping,

**Link:** https://www.udistrictseattle.com/

**Coordinates:** 47.6628 , -122.3139

**Description:**

University District, U District, is a social hub for all UW Students. There are beautiful trails such as the Burke Gillman Trail. Eateries such as Mod Pizza, Cedars, and Aladdin.

On May 20th U District will have a street fair event. The U District Street Fair returns for its 52nd year during the weekend of May 20-21, 2023, kicking-off Seattle’s summer event season with a 10 block-long arts and crafts fair that takes over University Way (a.k.a. “The Ave”). The two-day event will also feature free live music and performances, and over 40 food trucks and booths. This Seattle tradition regularly attracts over 50,000 visitors and now is accessible by link light rail which will transport visitors to the middle of the event at NE 43rd Street.

# Arboretum

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature

**Link:** https://botanicgardens.uw.edu/washington-park-arboretum/

**Coordinates:** 47.6364 , -122.2958

**Description:**

The Arboretum is a welcome oasis on the shores of Lake Washington. Take a walk through the Arboretum and discover this beautiful living collection. The Graham Visitors Center contains an information desk, and a gift shop managed by the [**Arboretum Foundation**](http://www.arboretumfoundation.org/). The [**Japanese Garden**](https://www.seattlejapanesegarden.org/), located at the south end of the Arboretum has an entrance fee and is managed by the City of Seattle.

# Marymoor Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Biking, Dog Friendly, Entertainment

**Link:** <https://kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/parks-and-natural-lands/popular-parks/marymoor.aspx>

**Coordinates:** 47.6364 , -122.2958

**Description:**

Marymoor Park has plenty of incredible events such as [Concerts](https://kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/parks-and-natural-lands/popular-parks/marymoor/concerts.aspx), [Movies](https://kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/parks-and-natural-lands/popular-parks/marymoor/movies.aspx), [Off Leash Dog Walking](https://kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/parks-and-natural-lands/popular-parks/marymoor/offleash.aspx), [Day Circuses](https://www.cirquedusoleil.com/alegria), [Activities Rentals](https://kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/activities-rentals/rentals.aspx), and the [Velodrome](https://kingcounty.gov/services/parks-recreation/parks/parks-and-natural-lands/popular-parks/marymoor/velodrome.aspx)!

# Bridle Trails State Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature

**Link:** https://www.parks.wa.gov/481/Bridle-Trails

**Coordinates:** 47.6548 , -122.1777

**Description:**

Bridle Trails State Park is a 489-acre day-use park with 28 miles of trails that welcomes equestrians, hikers, and visitors. It does not offer bike trails or camping. The park is known as one of the top equestrian parks west of the Mississippi; it does not, however, offer horse rentals.

# Golden Gardens Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Dog Walking

**Link:** https://www.seattle.gov/parks/allparks/golden-gardens-park

**Coordinates:** 47.6918, -122.4031

**Description:**

This popular park offers extraordinary views of Puget Sound and the Olympic Mountains. This park features two wetlands, a short loop trail, and restored the northern beach. Golden Gardens offers strolls along a rugged coastline, hikes through forest trails, sunbathing on sandy beaches, fishing from a pier and a boat launch consisting of 300' of shoreline at south end of park. The park is also home to an off-leash area for dogs in the upper northern portion of the park.

# St. Vincent de Paul’s

**Tags:** Sustainability, Shopping

**Link:** https://www.seattle.gov/parks/allparks/golden-gardens-park

**Coordinates:** 47.758051 , -122.243280

**Description:**

Cheaper than goodwill. You can buy electronics for cheap. They strive to assist and advocate for individuals and families to meet basic needs and achieve stability and self-sufficiency.

# Saint Edward State Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Dog Walking, Boating

**Link:** <https://www.parks.wa.gov/577/Saint-Edward>

**Coordinates:** 47.7330°, -122.2565°

**Description:**

Saint Edward State Park is a 326-acre day-use park with 3,000 feet of freshwater shoreline on Lake Washington. Picnic tables are available first come, first served, and the Grotto and several picnic areas are available for rental. For events at the seminary please contact The Lodge at Saint Edward.

# The Quad

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature

**Link:** https://www.washington.edu/maps/#!/lndmk-1

**Coordinates:** 47.657211, -122.306869

**Description:**

Featuring gothic architecture, brick pathways and green lawns, the Quad is surrounded by six buildings that house the arts, humanities, and social sciences. It is the primary gathering place on campus, especially when the Yoshino Cherry trees are in bloom each spring.

# Seattle Waterfront

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature

**Link:** <https://waterfrontseattle.org/>

**Coordinates:** 47.6094, -122.3422

**Description:**

The City of Seattle is rebuilding Seattle’s central waterfront. Now that the Alaskan Way Viaduct removal is complete, the City is constructing a park promenade along the water, building a new surface street along Alaskan Way, rebuilding Pier 58 and Pier 62, building an elevated connection from Pike Place Market to the waterfront, and improving east-west connections between downtown and Elliott Bay.

# Green Lake Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature

**Link:** https://www.seattle.gov/parks/allparks/green-lake-park

**Coordinates:** 47.6802, -122.3284

**Description:**

Green Lake is one of Seattle's most beloved parks. Its expanse of water and green space in the center of a dense urban neighborhood draws thousands of people daily from all over the city. The park serves as a natural preserve for hundreds of species of trees and plants, as well as numerous birds and waterfowl. The 2.8-mile path around the lake provides a perfect recreational spot for runners and walkers. Many others use the athletic fields or visit the park for boating, picnics and swimming.

# Paradise Valley Conservation Area

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Wildlife

**Link:** https://www.seattle.gov/parks/allparks/green-lake-park

**Coordinates:** 47.7886, -122.0798

**Description:**

Located south of SR-522 on Paradise Lake Rd, this beautiful 793-acre park offers a rich environment with abundant forest areas, wetlands, streams, and more than 13 miles of designated multi-use trails for hikers, bikers, and equestrian riders. Paradise Valley provides refuge for bears, cougar, deer, and other wildlife. A majority of the site is wooded with several large wetland areas.

# Centennial Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Wildlife

**Link:** https://www.seattle.gov/parks/allparks/green-lake-park

**Coordinates:** 47.622591, -122.366406

**Description:**

Centennial Park is an 11-acre large with 4,100 feet of shoreline. There is a beautiful Rose Garden, Bike and Pedestrian Trails and views of Elliot Bay.

# Juanita Beach Park

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Wildlife

**Link:** https://www.kirklandwa.gov/Government/Departments/Parks-and-Community-Services/Find-a-Park/Juanita-Beach-Park

**Coordinates:** 47.622591, -122.366406

**Description:**

Juanita Beach Park features a playground, bathhouse with restrooms, sand volleyball courts, ballfields, tennis courts, walking path, picnic shelters and a seasonal swimming area. This park includes areas on both sides of Juanita Drive and includes 1,000 feet of Lake Washington shoreline.

# Mt. Baker Snoqualmie National Forest

**Tags:** Social Gatherings, Walking, Nature, Wildlife

**Link:** https://www.fs.usda.gov/mbs

**Coordinates:** 47.827266, -121.619656

**Description:**

Located on the west side of the Cascades between the Canadian border and Mt. Rainier National Park, you will find glacier-covered peaks, spectacular mountain meadows and old-growth forests rich in history and outdoor opportunities.