

Things to Do April

Public events and things to do in April 2026 on Chicago's North Side, within a roughly **5-mile radius of Montrose Beach** (covering areas like Uptown, Lincoln Park, Lakeview/Wrigleyville, and parts of Lincoln Square/Ravenswood):

Easter & Family Events (Early April)

- **Lakeview Easter Celebration** (April 4, 2026, 11 a.m.–12 p.m.)
Corner of Lincoln Ave. & Wellington Ave. (Lakeview). Free family-friendly event with Easter Bunny photos, giveaways, and activities for kids.
- **Gallagher Way Easter Egg Hunt** (April 4, 2026, 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m.)
Gallagher Way at Wrigley Field (Lakeview). Free egg hunt and spring festivities near the ballpark.
- **Lincoln Park Zoo Spring Egg-Stravaganza** (April 4, 2026, 7:45–11:45 a.m.)
Lincoln Park Zoo (2001 N. Cannon Dr.). Ticketed egg hunts (ages 1–8), bunny photos, carousel/train rides, face painting, music, animal chats, and games. \$20–\$25; zoo grounds free otherwise.

Ongoing Nature & Outdoor Activities (All April)

- **Jewels of Spring Flower Show at Lincoln Park Conservatory** (through mid-April or longer; daily 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m.)
Lincoln Park Conservatory (2391 N. Stockton Dr.). Free viewing of blooming displays (Tower of Jewels, camellias, azaleas, etc.). Timed entry may apply; docent tour available April 4 for \$15.
- **Montrose Beach & Lakefront Trail** (daily, weather permitting; beach open ~11 a.m.–7 p.m.)
Montrose Beach itself. Walk, run, or bike the scenic Lakefront Trail; visit the dog-friendly beach area; spot migratory birds at Montrose Point Bird Sanctuary (peak spring migration); kayak/volleyball rentals available. Free public access.
- **Lincoln Park Strolling & Zoo Visit** (daily)
Lincoln Park (adjacent to Montrose area). Explore paths, lagoons, free zoo exhibits (outside of special events), and spring blooms. Great for picnics or casual outings.

Later April Cultural Events

- **Doc10 Film Festival** (April 24–May 3, 2026)
Primarily at Davis Theater (4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincoln Square/Ravenswood). Chicago's documentary film festival with screenings of acclaimed films from Sundance, Tribeca, etc. Individual tickets required.

Additional Things to Do Nearby

- Walk or bike the **Lakefront Trail** north to **Hollywood Beach** or south toward **North Avenue Beach** (all within radius).
- Explore **Uptown** for dining/shopping along Broadway or catch live music at historic venues.
- Visit **Wrigley Field** area for neighborhood vibes, possible Cubs-related spring activities (check schedule), or casual ballpark tours.

April weather can be variable (spring showers common), so check ChooseChicago.com, Chicago Park District, or venue sites closer to dates for updates, reservations, or weather impacts. Many activities are free or low-cost, emphasizing outdoor spring renewal near the lake. Enjoy the North Side!

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