



Thank you for joining the celebration for the opening of Newark Riverfront Park. This place exists thanks to the diligence and fortitude of the people of Newark and Essex, and their enduring will to make better neighborhoods, cities, and communities.

Today, we hope that you feel the spirit that made this park possible, and find your own way to contribute to its future history.

Here's to Newarkness and riveriness, and the places where they come together.

[www.newarkriver.wordpress.com](http://www.newarkriver.wordpress.com)

Walk to the Water & Orange Party organized by Newark Riverfront Revival, The Trust for Public Land, Ironbound Community Corporation, Friends of Riverfront Park, Essex County Parks System, and Councilman Augusto Amador with the support of The Trust for Public Land, the City of Newark, Newark Riverfront Fund, and Victoria Foundation. Thanks to all the performers and organizations who made today possible!

I've known rivers:

I've known rivers ancient as the world and older than the flow of human blood in human veins.

My soul has grown deep like the rivers.

I bathed in the Euphrates when dawns were young.

I built my hut near the Congo and it lulled me to sleep.

I looked upon the Nile and raised pyramids above it.

I heard the singing of the Mississippi when Abe Lincoln went down to New Orleans, and I've seen its muddy bosom turn all golden in the sunset.

I've known rivers:

Ancient, dusky rivers.

My soul has grown deep like the rivers.

—Langston Hughes



Mayor Cory A. Booker and the Newark Municipal Council



Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. and the Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders



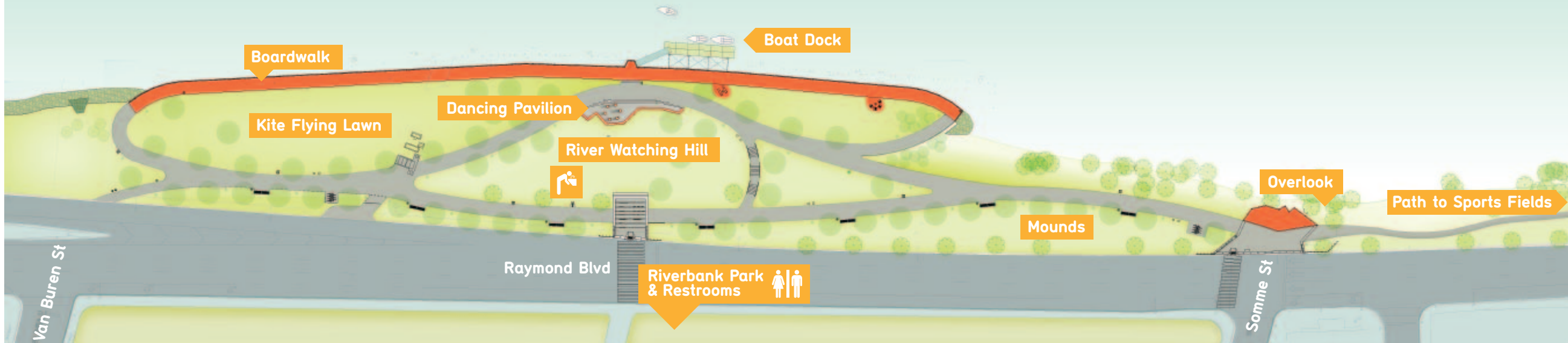
# Newark Riverfront Park

Welcome!

Bienvenido!

Bem-vindo!

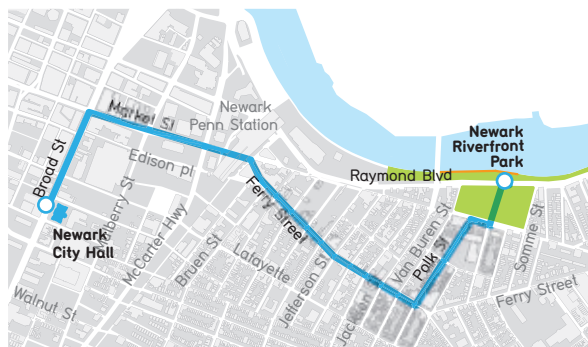
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9 am

## Newark Walks to the Water

Meet on front steps of Newark City Hall, 920 Broad Street. Featuring Symphony Hall Special Ensemble, Grupo de Bombas Os Roxinois, the SOTC Steppers, the East Side Drum Line, young adult singers from Union Baptist Church, and residents from across Newark and the region.



11:30 am

## Newark Riverfront Park Ribbon Cutting

with Mayor Cory A. Booker and County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.

Ceremony takes place at **Dancing Pavilion**

and is best seen from **River Watching Hill**

12:30 pm

## Song of the Passaic Mural Dedication

Raymond Boulevard and Brill Street

Get there by following the

**Path to Sports Fields**

1-4 pm

## River Activities

Face Painting & Tile Painting at the **Overlook**

Mini-Boat Tours & Kayaking at **Boat Dock**  
Advance sign up with Dock Manager required

Learning tables from Ironbound Community Corporation, Greater Newark Conservancy, NJ Historical Society, SPARK, Friends of Riverfront Park, and NJ Department of Environmental Protection on the path to the **Overlook**

Let's Move! activities at **Dancing Pavilion**

- 1:30 pm Double Dutch
- 2 pm Drum Circle
- 2:30 pm Zumba Intro Class
- 3 pm Capoeira Intro Class
- 3:30 pm Yoga Intro Class

Kite flying at **Kite Flying Lawn**

4-7 pm

## River Performance

Featuring Newark talent & culture

Hosted by Rodney Gilbert  
**Spoken Word from Elijah Brown**  
 Capoeira from Grupo Libertade  
**Traditional Ecuadorian Dance from Ballet Folklórico Estrellas del Horizonte**  
 Jazz/R&B from the Melectrix  
**Hip Hop Dance from Dynamic Dynasty**  
 Traditional Portuguese Dance from Rancho Folclórico Barcuense  
 & Rancho Folclórico A Eira de Newark  
**Songs from 2013 Newark Youth Idol Winners**  
**Byinnah Lockett & Samir Dieujuste**  
 Percussion from Cedric & Co  
**Gospel from Chrystal Atmosphere**

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