# CITY OF RENTON FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## "Chalk Your Walk" returns for second year on May 3-9

Participants can pick up a free chalk kit at community sites from April 30 – May 2

**RENTON, WA** – The City of Renton and Hyatt Regency Lake Washington at Southport invite sidewalk chalk artists of all ages and abilities to participate in the second annual "Chalk Your Walk" from May 3-9.

"Chalk Your Walk" encourages neighborhoods to go outdoors and transform their sidewalks, driveways, etc. into colorful works of art to entertain.

Artists are encouraged to share their artwork on social media using #ChalkRentonOut. The city will pick the best submissions and feature them in This Week in Renton, the city's weekly e-newsletter.



One of the themes of "Chalk Your Walk" in 2020 paid tribute to our essential workers.

For inspiration, the event offers these daily themes. However, creativity and individuality are encouraged.

- Monday, May 3: Pet Portraits Spotlight your cutest quarantine buddy and give them a well-deserved chalk portrait.
- Tuesday, May 4: Star Wars Day: May the Fourth Be With You- Use imagination, you must! Whether it's Boba Fett, BB-8 or Grogu, your drawings are going to be out of this world!
- Wednesday, May 5: Cinco de Mayo Honor this celebration of Mexican heritage and tradition through your chalk art!
- Thursday, May 6: Lake Day Adventure with the Hyatt Show us your favorite watersport or lake-side activity in your chalk art.
- Friday, May 7: Gotta Chalk 'Em All Green, pink, blue! I choose you! Roll up your sleeves and draw your favorite Pokemon.
- Saturday, May 8: Concrete Comedy Share a joke or bring your favorite meme to life. Your creations are sure to being lots of grins!
- Sunday, May 9: Show Mom's Some Love! Create a beautiful design to surprise the special women in your life.











The city's Recreation & Neighborhoods Division and the Hyatt Regency will provide one free chalk kit per household at these drive-thru locations while supplies last.

Friday, April 30 3-5 p.m. Hyatt Regency Lake Washington (1053 Lake Washington Blvd. N)

Saturday, May 1 11 a.m. − 1 p.m. Highlands Neighborhood Center (800 Edmonds Ave NE)

Sunday, May 2 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tiffany Park (1902 Lake Youngs Way SE)

The Hyatt Regency is providing \$2,000 worth of chalk for the campaign and will host "Chalk at Hyatt's Dock!" on May 3-7. The hotel is inviting "Chalk Your Walk" participants to decorate their dock on Lake Washington. All chalk artists will receive 10% off at Dock and Drink in the Hyatt.

Participants can find more information at rentonwa.gov/chalkyourwalk.

#### About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 105,500 (2020), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate attracted nationally recognized companies that wish to provide employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information is on our website, in news releases, or on Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor.

### About the Renton Recreation & Neighborhoods Program

Renton Recreation & Neighborhoods focuses its efforts on improving quality-of-life standards through initiatives designed to improve physical and social livability throughout Renton. Through community collaboration, Recreation & Neighborhood staff are dedicated to creating experiences that:

- Make Renton a great place to live, work, and play
- Create access to health and recreation opportunities
- Celebrate our community through unique educational, cultural, and recreation-based programming that connect all walks of life
- Offer residents and neighborhood organizations the opportunity to be a part of and influence Recreation and Neighborhoods' decision-making processes
- Create opportunities to improve neighborhood communities' physical and social well-being
- Support neighborhoods and their residents in the navigation of city government

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