



# CITY of BEAVERTON

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## **BEAVERTON THIRD THURSDAY OUTDOOR SUMMER CONCERT SERIES KICKS OFF JUNE 16**

**BEAVERTON, Ore.** – Start your weekend a little early by attending the first of three free outdoor summer concerts at The Round. Join the City on Thursday, June 16 for an evening of fun and dancing, to the most requested band in the area, Hit Machine. During intermission watch the amazing Def Con 5 break dancers perform, just like they do at the Blazer's games. Bring your low lawn chairs or blankets, and picnic baskets full of yummy food, or enjoy dinner and drinks offered by one of these fine establishments at the Round: Bogza Coffee shop, Mio Sushi, Mingo's, and Siam Lotus.

To top it off, there's even more fun! Come and watch a professional chalk artist create a large scale chalk work on the ground! There will be a chalk artist at all three concerts this year, to bring attention to the October Beaverton Arts Mix! Art Show and Sale, which will include a Chalk Draw and Quick Draw contest.

Don't forget to join us again the third Thursdays of July and August for more outdoor summer fun.

**Thursday, July 21: The Beatniks**

**Thursday, Aug. 18: Cloverdayle**

Concertgoers can take the MAX and be dropped off at the Beaverton Central light rail station directly outside the event. For those driving, parking is available off of SW Cedar Hills Blvd at Westgate Drive in the former Westgate Theater lot.

For more information, please call 503-526-2559 or visit <http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/btt>.

### **ABOUT BEAVERTON**

Beaverton is a welcoming and responsible city that enjoys one of the most diverse populations in Oregon. In 2015, Beaverton was recognized as one of the **safest cities** in the Pacific Northwest (according to CQ Press with cities more than 75,000). Recently, the city's award-winning finance department received the **Distinguished Budget Presentation Award** as well as the **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting**. In 2012, the city was awarded the **Mayors' Climate Protection Award** from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. It was named one of the **best places to raise kids** by *BusinessWeek* magazine. The city was named **one of the top 25 Suburbs for Retirement** by *Forbes.com* and **one of the 100 Best Walking Cities in America** by *Prevention* magazine. The city also

received the **Recycler of the Year** award from the Association of Oregon Recyclers, named a **Tree City USA** by the Arbor Day Foundation, received a **Silver Award Bicycle Friendly Community** designation by the League of American Bicyclists, and recognized as one of the Environmental Protection Agency's **Green Power Communities**. Lastly, the city's nationally acclaimed visioning program was named **Public Involvement Project of the Year—Best Planning Project** by the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) Cascade Chapter and also received the prestigious **3CMA Award of Excellence**.

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**Caption:** Hit Machine got concertgoers up on their feet at last year's performance. Enjoy this year's performance as Hit Machine kicks off the Beaverton Third Thursday summer concert series. *(photo/City of Beaverton).*