



## About Northalsted Market Days®

- ☒ **What:** Chicago live music street festival during August, est. 1982
- ☒ **Features:** live entertainment on 5 stages, vending & food
- ☒ **Location:** [Halsted & Belmont](#) to Halsted & Addison, Chicago IL 60657
- ☒ **Date:** August 8-10, 2025 **Hours:** Fri 5pm-10pm, Sat-Sun 11am-10pm **Why:** A celebration of community in Chicago's [landmark](#) LGBTQ+ Northalsted neighborhood
- ☒ **Organized by:** [Northalsted Business Alliance](#), chamber of commerce 501c6
- ☒ **Sponsor:** - [other sponsors](#)
- ☒ **Admission:** suggested \$20 donation, all ages
- ☒ **Website:** [marketdayschicago.com](#) **Social Media:** [Facebook](#) - [Instagram](#)
- ☒ **Contact:** [info@northalsted.com](mailto:info@northalsted.com) (773) 883-0500
- ☒ **Media:** - [high res photos](#) - [logos](#) - [video clips](#) - [youtube](#)

## Info

Northalsted Market Days® is a weekend long, live music street festival celebrating community in Chicago's landmark Northalsted/Lakeview neighborhood.

The 1/2 mile long summer festival features all-day lineups of live music on 5 stages, 250+ vendors, food and drink, dance exhibitions, drag performance, and more!

A \$20 suggested donation for entry helps pay performers and festival workers, and supports local non-profits & community programs like the Chicago Pride Crosswalks; 14 rainbow paved intersections installed in 2019 that make up the longest installation of it's kind in the world.

Northalsted Market Days is one of [Thrillist's Can't Miss Queer Events](#), ranked in the [top 10 Chicago festivals](#) by BizBash, and a 2023 Best of GayCities Winner for [Travel Worthy Festival](#).







## FAQs

1. **Admission:** (all-age) a \$20 suggested donation that helps pay performers, festival workers, and supports local non-profits and community programs like the [Rainbow Crosswalks](#). Past beneficiaries include: Human Rights Campaign Chicago, AIDS Foundation Chicago, Brave Space Alliance, Howard Brown Health, Equality Illinois, and Chicago House.
2. **VIP Pass:** [New Gold and Platinum VIP Weekend Experience for 2025!](#) Limited number of Gold VIP Market Days experiences will be offered for the weekend that include VIP Lounge with private air conditioned restrooms, private bar service, covered lounge seating areas, and convenient in/out festival access for \$50, or select the Platinum VIP experience for \$100 and enjoy 6 complimentary beverages at the VIP bar.
3. **Performer Lineup:** Announced Spring 2025
4. **Past Performers:** [past performers](#) include international and legendary acts such as Lizzo, Todrick Hall, Anastacia, Jake Shears, Andy Bell, Sheila E, Trixie Mattel, Matteo Lane, Pussy Riot, Belinda Carlisle, Salt 'n Pepa, Macy Gray, The Village People, 10,000 Maniacs, Icona Pop, Betty Who, Joan Jett, Debbie Gibson, Darren Criss, Olivia Newton John, Sister Sledge, En Vogue, Expose, Wilson Phillips, Thelma Houston and more.
5. **Vending:** Merchants & Food Service Vendors (and Food Trucks), Artists, Local Non-Profit Organizations look for Vending Opportunities info/application at [chicagoevents.com/event/northalsted-market-days](http://chicagoevents.com/event/northalsted-market-days)
6. **Sponsorship:** contact [Karyn@chicagoevents.com](mailto:Karyn@chicagoevents.com) 312-799-0354
7. **Landmark Status:** In July 2019, the city recognized the Northalsted Rainbow Pylons and Legacy Walk Memorial installation as a [designated Chicago landmark](#) with cultural significance.

