

DYNGUS DAY

CLEVELAND 2026

POCKET GUIDE | April 6 | 10 AM – 8 PM | Gordon Square Arts District

Everyone's Polish on Dyngus Day. *Na Zdrowie!*

WHEN
Mon, April 6

TIME
10 AM – 8 PM

COST
\$14 (12 & under free)

WEATHER
Rain or Shine

NEW FOR 2026

Expanded footprint (W. 54th–58th) | Live wedding on stage at 1:15 PM | The Kishkas debut | Guardians tie-in April 7

Gordon Green Stage

10:30 – 1:15 PM Bob Earl & the Polish All Stars
1:30 – 4:30 PM Don Wojtila
4:45 – 7:30 PM Johnny Koenig

Happy Dog Street Stage

10:00 AM Opening Ceremony (DJ Kishka)
10:30 – 1:15 PM Chardon Polka Band
1:15 – 1:30 PM **A Polish Wedding!**
1:30 – 4:00 PM Ed Rodick
4:15 – 5:00 PM **The Kishkas**
5:00 PM Pierogi Eating Contest
5:15 PM Miss Dyngus Day Crowning
5:45 – 8:00 PM Da Land Brass Band

KEY MOMENTS

1:15 PM Live Wedding

4:15 PM The Kishkas

5:00 PM Pierogi Contest

5:15 PM Miss Dyngus Day

Gordon Square Venues (Festival Footprint)

Happy Dog

Street Stage home, DJ Kishka's HQ

Flight Cleveland

Ultimate oasis, main stage views, food & drink specials

XYZ Tavern

Opens 9 AM. Rudy's paczki. HARMONIA 10–12:30

Ninja City

Food specials all day

Toast

Open 11 AM – 3 PM, specials

Around Town Venues

Great Lakes Brewing Co.

Ohio City | 11 AM – 9 PM | Dyngus Day Honey Ale | Frank Moravcik Band 11–3 | Pierogi contest 1 PM | Resy recommended

Forest City Brewery

2135 Columbus Rd | Frank Moravcik Band 4–7 PM | Polish food & beer

Polish Veterans Alliance (PVA)

2234 Professor Ave, Tremont | 10 AM – 8 PM | Food, drinks, polka, dancing

Gunselman's Tavern

Full Dyngus Day menu incl. The Pierogi Lady

Prosperity Social Club

Three seated shows: 12:30, 3:00, 5:45 PM

OFFICIAL FOOD PARTNERS: Frank's Bratwurst | The Pierogi Lady | Rudy's Strudel



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Getting There

- PARKING** Large lot between Happy Dog & Angel Printing. Street parking on side streets (arrive early!). RTA Park-N-Ride lots: ~8,800 free spaces at Rapid stations.
- RTA BUS** Route 26 (Detroit) runs directly through Gordon Square. W. 65th–Lorain Rapid Station is nearest Red Line stop (~15 min walk).
- BETWEEN VENUES** Gordon Square to Ohio City is a 10-min walk. Tremont is a short Uber/Lyft. No organized shuttle — plan your route or use rideshare between neighborhoods.
- RIDESHARE** Uber/Lyft \$10–\$20 within Cleveland. Drop-off near W. 54th–58th on Detroit Ave.

What to Eat

- Pierogi** The star — cheese, potato, sauerkraut fillings
- Kielbasa** Grilled Polish sausage from Frank's Bratwurst
- Paczki** Filled Polish donuts — Rudy's at XYZ Tavern
- Golabki** Stuffed cabbage rolls — hearty & traditional

Opening Mass — 10 AM

Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus, 3649 E. 65th St. (Slavic Village). Separate from Gordon Square — plan accordingly.

First-Timer Survival Tips

- Wear **RED & WHITE** — Polish flag colors, babushkas, polka pants
- Bring a **SQUIRT GUN** — water-squirting IS the tradition
- **WATERPROOF LAYERS** — you WILL get wet. Rain jacket minimum.
- Learn to say "**Na Zdrowie!**" (nah ZDRO-vyeh) — Cheers!
- Arrive **EARLY** — XYZ opens at 9 AM for paczki (they sell out)
- Leave valuables that can't get wet at home or in a sealed bag
- Great Lakes Brewing is worth the trip for **Dyngus Day Honey Ale**
- The **PVA in Tremont** is the most authentic Polish experience
- Squirt guns: yes. Fire hoses: please no.

NEXT DAY: GUARDIANS DYNGUS DAY

April 7 | Guardians vs. Royals | 6:10 PM

Red & white scarf giveaway | Polish menu | DJ Kishka

Quick Polish Phrases

- Na Zdrowie!** nah ZDRO-vyeh — Cheers!
- Sto Lat!** stoh laht — 100 years! (birthday song)
- Smacznego!** smatch-NEH-go — Bon appétit!
- Dzień dobry** jen DOH-bri — Good day
- Dziękuję** jen-KOO-yeh — Thank you

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