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<u>Catio Tour Seattle</u>......https://catiospaces.com/catio-tour-seattle/

Catio Tour Seattle showcases cat enclosures for protecting cats, birds and wildlife

When	Saturday, July 24 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.
What	Catio Tour Seattle (Open House showcasing several sizes, styles of catios)
Where	Two locations (Ballard and North Seattle)
Who	Co-hosted by Catio Spaces and The Humane Society of the United States
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Raffle Prizes	Yes! There will be many prizes
Cost	Free (donations to PAWS and Seattle Audubon will be accepted)
Other	Come rain or shine; please leave pets at home
Registration	Required (tour addresses will be provided the day before the event)
To register	https://catiospaces.com/catio-tour-seattle/

SEATTLE, Washington (July 12, 2021) – Some of the best feline real estate in Seattle will be showcased on Saturday, July 24 at "The Catio Solution," an open house scheduled from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. The free self-guided tour and educational event will display several styles and sizes of catios ("cat patios,") for enhancing the lives of cats (and their humans) while offering protection for birds and other wildlife.

"So many neighbors struggle with the indoor/outdoor cat dilemma, from lost or injured cats and wildlife to predation by coyotes and cats trespassing into neighbor's yards," says Cynthia Chomos, the founder of Catio Spaces. "Catios are a win/win solution that provide peace of mind for cat parents, plus a joy factor knowing cats can safely exercise, birdwatch, sunbathe, and experience the wind in their whiskers."

<u>Catio Spaces</u> is co-hosting the event with <u>The Humane Society of the United States</u>. Two other nonprofit organizations, PAWS and Seattle Audubon, are also participating. The event partners will have educational material available to participants to remind cat parents of the many dangers free-roaming cats can encounter, and how catios help protect birds and other wildlife.

"Providing cats with outdoor access in enclosures ensures we are good cat owners and good neighbors. It means being responsible for wildlife, responsible for community space and responsible for the safety of our cats," said Jennifer Hillman, vice president, wildlife protection at The Humane Society of the United States.

Catio owners will display a variety of secure outdoor cat enclosures for windows, porches, decks and gardens, and share tips for adding shelves, tunnels, enrichment, décor, and accessories. In addition to useful information, participants can enter a raffle to win valuable prizes. Prizes include a one-year supply of Naturally Fresh Cat Litter; a DIY Catio Plan (winner's choice), including an onsite consultation and a 50-foot roll of wire mesh; two tickets to the 2022 Seattle Catio Tour of eight Seattle-area homes; a hand drawn colored pencil portrait of your pet by artist Val T. Taylor, and other prizes. Raffle proceeds benefit PAWS.

After <u>registering</u>, participants will receive a tour map with addresses and other resources the day before the event. The Open House will take place rain or shine. Registrants are asked to leave their pets at home. Visit <u>Catio Tour Seattle</u> for more information.