

Explore Shaker

LOWER LAKE

Located just north of South Park Boulevard between Coventry Road and North Woodland Road, Lower Lake is one of two man-made lakes in Shaker Heights. It straddles the border of Shaker Heights and Cleveland Heights and its history dates back to the mid-nineteenth century. The North Union Shakers first built the dam across Doan Brook in 1829 to power a number of mills in the area, creating the 17 acre Lower Shaker Lake. The 279 acre area which included both lakes and the Upper Doan Brook Valley was donated by the Shaker Heights Land Company to the City of Cleveland in 1895 for the purpose of establishing a park. Today this area includes both Lower Lake and Horseshoe Lake Park as well as the Nature Center at Shaker Lakes. While much has changed over the last 125 years, the Shaker lakes remain a picturesque area for taking in the beauty of the natural world. Today, the perimeter of Lower Lake features a nature trail that is enjoyed by many residents.

Pictured right: Lower Lake as viewed from its banks.



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