

# QUANTUM WEEK ALL AROUND ALBUQUERQUE



## Welcome to Albuquerque for IEEE Quantum Week!

During your free time, you are encouraged to explore our city and experience our authentic cuisine, rich culture and exciting attractions. Visit Albuquerque has curated a list of events and activities to help you enjoy your time here, and many of these events are designed exclusively for IEEE attendees or offer special discounts for conference registrants. For events where alcohol will be served, don't forget to bring your I.D. Check out the schedule below and get ready for a great time!

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 DISCOVER ALBUQUERQUE

### Harvest Wine & Music Festival

12 noon to 6 p.m.

BALLOON FIESTA PARK

The Harvest Wine & Music Festival brings together award-winning vineyards, boutique wineries and some of New Mexico's best musicians for an unforgettable experience. Sip your way through wine tastings, enjoy live music, sample gourmet food and browse artisan vendors as you take in the laid-back atmosphere. **Conference attendees receive a 50% discount on admission.** Enter the code **QUANTUM** when you buy tickets at **NMWINE.COM**.

### Movie Night on the Plaza

7:30 p.m.

CIVIC PLAZA

Enjoy an open-air showing of "Top Gun: Maverick" on Civic Plaza, directly across from the Albuquerque Convention Center and between The Clyde and DoubleTree hotels. Concessions are available for purchase, and show your conference badge for a free bag of popcorn.

### New Mexico United vs. Sacramento Republic

7 p.m.

ISOTOPES PARK

Get ready for a night of high-energy soccer as New Mexico United takes on Sacramento Republic during Indigenous Peoples Night at Isotopes Park. United, a proud USL Championship team, will bring the heat on the pitch. Purchase tickets at **NEWMEXICOUTD.COM/TICKETS**.

### New Mexico Philharmonic: Music Under the Stars

7 p.m.

ABQ BIOPARK BOTANIC GARDEN

The New Mexico Philharmonic presents Music Under the Stars, a magical evening at the Albuquerque Botanical Garden. The program mixes classical favorites, cinematic gems and spirited marches — including Rossini's William Tell Overture, Gershwin's Cuban Overture and Strauss's Blue Danube — plus beloved themes from "E.T." and "Jurassic Park." Enjoy a night of music under the stars. For tickets (\$25 per person), go to **NMPHIL.ORG**.



## SUNDAY, AUGUST 31 EXPLORE ROUTE 66

### Brews and Cruise

Starting at 4:30 p.m.

DOWNTOWN

Explore Albuquerque's exciting craft beer scene! A free shuttle will travel in a continuous loop to eight Downtown breweries, many of which also offer food on site or have nearby food trucks. Catch the shuttle on 3rd Street in front of the Albuquerque Convention Center. Shuttles will run until closing time at each brewery, which ranges from 8 to 10 p.m.

### Sunday Lowrider Cruise

4 to 8 p.m.

CENTRAL AVENUE BETWEEN 4TH AND 8TH STREETS

DOWNTOWN

Watch custom lowriders cruise Central Avenue (Route 66) as owners show off their cars' elaborate paint jobs, chrome trim and hydraulics. The patios of the DWNTR Cocktail Bar & Lounge at ARRIVE Hotel, Ex Novo Brewing Company or 505 Central Food Hall are great viewing spots and excellent choices for dinner and drinks. All are within walking distance of the Albuquerque Convention Center.

### Self-Guided Mural Tour

ROUTE 66 AND DOWNTOWN ALBUQUERQUE

Hundreds of colorful murals can be found in Downtown Albuquerque, many along Central Avenue (Route 66) and its feeder streets. Plan your own walking tour using maps available at **MUROSABQ.COM**.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 ENJOY A LABOR DAY PICNIC

### Get Your Kicks on Route 66: Picnic on the Plaza

6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.

CIVIC PLAZA

What would Labor Day be without a cookout? Head to Civic Plaza, directly across from the Convention Center, for a variety of food trucks, beer tasting, a mini-mercado, entertainment and special photo ops, including a hot air balloon display. Show your IEEE badge to receive a free beer can koozie!

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

### ROOT FOR THE ALBUQUERQUE ISOTOPES

#### Quantum Night at the Ball Game

First Pitch at 6:35 p.m.

#### ISOTOPES PARK

Join us for a night of baseball as the Albuquerque Isotopes face the Round Rock Express. Enjoy all the fun of a minor league game — lively crowd, between-inning antics, and plenty of ballpark snacks. Catch a van to the ballpark in front of the Convention Center on 3rd Street. **Discounted tickets are only \$13.50 each.** Purchase in advance at [HTTPS://AM.TICKETMASTER.COM/ISOTOPES/PROMOTIONAL-PAGE?ID=MZA5](https://am.ticketmaster.com/isotopes/promotional-page?id=mza5).

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

### IMMERSE YOURSELF IN ART

#### Albuquerque Artwalk

6 to 9 p.m.

#### DOWNTOWN ALBUQUERQUE

Downtown comes alive during Artwalk as galleries stay open late and local artists animate the neighborhood. Pop-up markets, DJs, food trucks and more create a lively, walkable showcase of creativity and community. Find the latest information at [ABQARTWALK.COM](http://ABQARTWALK.COM).

## ALL WEEK LONG

#### Breakfast Pavilion on the Plaza

Jump start your day with coffee, pastries, breakfast burritos and other goodies from food trucks that will line up along 3rd Street, outside the Albuquerque Convention Center, from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. Sunday through Friday. Tables and chairs will be set up on Civic Plaza so you can dine al fresco and enjoy a relaxing Albuquerque morning before starting your busy day.

#### Find Visitor Information at the Convention Welcome Center

Stop by Visit Albuquerque's Convention Welcome Center for a free souvenir, maps, visitor information and friendly conversation! Located at the corner of 3rd and Tijeras, just across from the Albuquerque Convention Center, the Welcome Center will be open 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Aug. 30 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day from Aug. 31 to Sept. 5.

#### Pose for a Souvenir Photo

Strike a pose in the life-size Visit Albuquerque frame for a memento of your trip. You'll find the frame inside the 3rd Street entrance of the Albuquerque Convention Center.

#### Take a Virtual Hot Air Balloon Ride

Float in a hot air balloon without ever leaving the ground! Strap on a virtual reality headset for a 360-degree view of Albuquerque's famous Balloon Fiesta, the Sandia Mountains, the Rio Grande valley and beyond — all from the vantage point of a balloon gondola. Virtual rides will be available in the Albuquerque Convention Center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Aug. 31 through Sept. 5; just follow signs in the Center to the location.

#### Immerse Yourself In High-Tech Games at Electric Playhouse

Step into an interactive playground where you control the games with your body movements — no headsets required! Explore more than a dozen rooms and compete against yourself or others as you race to solve puzzles or rack up a top score. Purchase tickets online at [ElectricPlayhouse.com](http://ElectricPlayhouse.com).

#### Stroll Through Historic Old Town and the Sawmill District

Albuquerque's first neighborhood, Old Town is home to more than 150 shops, galleries and restaurants that surround a central plaza and the San Felipe de Neri Church. Many of Old Town's historic adobe buildings date to the late 1700s. Steps away is Sawmill Market, an artisanal food hall that offers selections ranging from burgers and craft brews to tapas and cocktails. Complimentary shuttle service to and from the Sawmill Market will be provided each evening from Aug. 30 to Sept. 5, except for Thursday, Sept. 4. Show your conference badge and look for the Elegance Limousine shuttles outside The Clyde Hotel. On Aug. 30 and Sept. 5, shuttles will run from 4:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.; on Aug. 31, service will run from 4:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.; and from Sept. 1 through Sept. 3, shuttles will run from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Shuttles will depart every 30 minutes from The Clyde Hotel, with the final return shuttle leaving Sawmill Market at the time service ends each night.

#### Shop and Dine in Uptown or Nob Hill

The Uptown and Nob Hill neighborhoods are filled with diverse dining and retail options. Find everything from ramen and tacos to fine dining, and browse unique local stores as well as national retailers. Complimentary shuttle service to and from these neighborhoods will be provided from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Aug. 30 and Sept. 5, and from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sept. 1 through Sept. 3, with multiple stops in Nob Hill and Uptown. No shuttle service will be provided on Aug. 31 and Sept. 4.

#### Soar Above Albuquerque in a Hot Air Balloon

Discover the scenic beauty of Albuquerque from the sky! Rainbow Ryders Hot Air Balloon Ride Co. is offering Quantum Week attendees a special discounted rate of \$169 per person. Use the code IEEE when you book your flight at [RainbowRyders.com](http://RainbowRyders.com).

#### Tour Science and Technology Exhibits at Explora

With over 250 hands-on exhibits on science, technology, engineering, art and math, there is something for everyone and for all ages at Explora. Present your conference badge for FREE general admission during Quantum Week. The museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day.

Find more things to do, restaurant suggestions, a full calendar of events and more at [VISITABQ.ORG/IEEE-QUANTUM-WEEK-2025!](http://VISITABQ.ORG/IEEE-QUANTUM-WEEK-2025!)

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