FESTIVALS & EVENTS

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$500,000
raised for nonprofits at Taste of Bloomington over the event’s 36-year history

84,000
hot dogs sold at IU Athletics events every year

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ANNUAL EVENTS AND FESTIVALS

11
galleries participate in Gallery Walk the first Friday of every month

40,000
people attend 4th Street Festival of the Arts and Crafts every year

The Bloomington Community Farmers’ Market is the largest farmers’ market in Indiana
FEbruary

PrIdE FilM FestIval
Bloomington's cinematic celebration of LGBTQ+ arts and culture. February 1–2; Buskirk-Chumley Theater; bloomingtonpride.org

bloomington music exPoy
A celebration of music anchored by Bloomington's only public vinyl show. February 9; Monroe Convention Center; bloomingtonmusicexpo.com

March

InDIAnA HeRITAGE Quilt shouw
200+ quilts on display, special exhibits, vendors and a competition quilt exhibition. March 7–9; Monroe Convention Center; ihqs.org

APrIL

hoosier Half maratOn and 5k
Half marathon and 5k with amazing views of campus, downtown, and countless spring blooms. April 6; DeVault Alumni Center (check-in); hoosierhalf.com

lIttle 500 weekEnd
"The World's Greatest College Weekend," Little 500 is the largest collegiate bike race in the United States. April 12–13; IU Armstrong Stadium; iusf.indiana.edu

May

GrAnFaLloO
Multi-day Vonnegut-inspired celebration to kick off the summer arts season in Bloomington. May 9–11; multiple venues in downtown Bloomington; artsandhumanities.indiana.edu/council-programs/Granfalloon

harrOdSBuRG HerITage dAyS
Great food, an arts and crafts show, a big parade and more. May 17–18; Harrodsburg Community Center, Harrodsburg; harrodsburgheritagedays.org

JUNE

lItmeStone moNth
Special events include architectural walking tours, limestone quarry tours, exhibitions and more. The month of June; multiple venues in Monroe and Lawrence counties; limestonemonth.com

InDIAnA lItmeStone symposium
Limestone sculpting courses led by expert instructors. Beginners welcome! June 2-22; Bybee Stone, Ellettsville; limestonesymposium.org

Arts faIr oN thE square
Juried art show featuring 100+ regional and national artists and craftspeople. June 22; downtown square; artsfair.org

taste oF bloomington
Over 40 restaurants to sample, plus live music and kids’ activities. June 22; Showers Common; tasteofbloomington.com

Jule

uSA inTeRnatIoNaL Harp compeTition
World renowned performance event where the world’s best harpists compete for a coveted Gold Medal. July 3–19; IU Jacobs School of Music; usaihc.org

Fourth oF JuLy paRade
Enjoy this classic parade of floats, trucks, and characters. July 4; downtown square; downtownbloomington.com

sePtember

souTh CeNTral IndIana KiwanIs bAlloon festIval
Hot air balloons, pyrotechnic skydivers, giant kites, and more! September 6–8; Monroe County Fairgrounds; indianaballoonfest.com

monRoE couNty FaLL festIval
A 50+ year tradition! Craft booths, live music, food vendors, and more. September 19–21; Marci Jane Lewis Park, Ellettsville; monroecountyfallfestival.org

stInesvIlle stone quarry FEstIVal
Craft vendors, pie competition, tractor show, parade, and street dance. September 26–28; Stinesville

AuGust

bloomington blues & Boogie wOogie piano festIVal
Featuring acclaimed piano players with free and ticketed performances. August 10–12; Ivy Tech John Waldron Arts Center; bloomingtonboogies.com

prIDe fest
Free all-ages festival celebrating our sparkling LGBTQ+ community. August 24; Kirkwood Ave.; bloomingtonpride.org

4th street festIval oF thE artS & crafts
Two-day showcase of 120+ nationally and regionally recognized artists. August 31–September 1; 4th & Grant Streets; 4thstreet.org

bloomington garlic fest & community art faIr
Two-day fest featuring food, local artists, live music, kid zone and more. August 31–September 1; Waldron, Hill and Buskirk Park; bloomingtongarlicfestival.com

bubblEfesT
Immerse yourself in the world of hands-on bubble science! August 31–September 2; Wonderlab Museum of Science, Health & Technology; wonderlab.org
LOTUS WORLD MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL
Four-day festival of diverse global music and performing arts. September 26–29; multiple downtown venues; lotusfest.org

MIDWAY MUSIC FESTIVAL
Women-featured artists at a daytime outdoor festival and evening club fest. October 5; multiple downtown venues; midwaymusicfestival.org

HOOSIER HYSTERIA
The official tip-off to IU Hoosiers basketball season. Free admission with canned good donation. Early October; Simon Skjodt Assembly Hall; iuhoosiers.com

INDIANA TOY AND COMIC EXPO
Celebrating pop culture new and old. Panels, cosplay contest, and the only custom figure contest in Indiana. October 6; Monroe Convention Center; indiatoyandcomicexpo.com

IU HOMECOMING
Relive your favorite college traditions and celebrate the ultimate IU weekend. October 10–12; Virgil T. DeVault Alumni Center (headquarters); alumni.indiana.edu

GALLERY WALK
Gallery Walks are festive evenings of new fine arts exhibits open to the public. First Friday of every month; downtown art galleries (see Arts & Culture section for locations); gallerywalkbloomington.com

ARTISAN GUILDS OF BLOOMINGTON HOLIDAY SHOW
Bloomington’s largest annual holiday show and sale features handcrafted work by local artists. November 1–2; Monroe Convention Center; facebook.com/artisanguilds

BLOOMINGTON HANDMADE MARKET
Juried arts and crafts show featuring a variety of contemporary artisans. November 8 (Summer Edition June 1); Monroe Convention Center; bloomingtonhandmademarket.com

CANOPY OF LIGHTS
Celebrate the season as Santa turns on the twinkle lights! November 29; Courthouse square; downtownbloomington.com

HOLIDAY MARKET
Local farm products, artwork by local artists, reindeer, and live music. November 30; City Hall; bloomington.in.gov/holidaymarket

KRAMPUS NIGHT
A festive, winter celebration featuring Alpine folklore beasts, parade, and bazaar. Early December; Showers Common; krampus-night.com

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SCIENCE FEST
From physics to paleontology, participate in 150+ hands-on science activities, demonstrations, and talks. October 26; multiple campus locations; sciencefest.indiana.edu

BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY FARMERS’ MARKET
Fresh, locally grown farm products and locally prepared foods. Every Saturday, 8am–1pm, April–November; Showers Common; Winter Market: Every Saturday, 9am–12pm, December–March; Harmony School; bloomington.in.gov/farmersmarket

BLOOMINGTON FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY
April–October from 11am–9pm 1900 S. Walnut St.; facebook.com/foodtruckfriday

SMITHVILLE FARMERS’ MARKET
Produce and products sold directly by local growers and producers. Every Saturday morning, 8am–12pm, May–September; Smithville Park Shelter House, Smithville

ELLETTSVILLE FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAYS
April–October from 11am–8pm 200 N. Sale St., Ellettsville; facebook.com/ellettsvillefoodtruckwednesdays
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