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Discover Summer Fun in North Carolina's Brunswick Islands

SHALLOTTE, NC (May 18, 2018) Warmer weather is just around the corner, leaving vacationers yearning for white sands and picturesque unspoiled beaches. North Carolina's Brunswick Islands 45 miles of serene and uncrowned beaches welcome guests to experience paradise without leaving North Carolina.

With an array of outdoor activities including kayaking, fishing, boating, paddle boarding and golf, the Brunswick Islands boasts incredible offerings that take vacationers on adventures beyond the beach.

Warm weather, secluded beaches and a variety of exciting events that cater to members of the entire family are sure to make your summer vacation unforgettable.

Below are the upcoming events taking place this summer in [North Carolina's Brunswick Islands](#).

## Summer 2018 Events

### Beach Music in NC's Brunswick Islands - Summer Concerts

Starting Memorial through Labor Day, each of the Brunswick Islands beach communities and Southport feature live music. These concerts are free to enjoy and fun for all ages, so bring your family and friends and enjoy the soothing sounds of local artists. More information on a sampling of the upcoming community summer concerts in the Brunswick Islands can be found below. Performing artists change every week. For a complete schedule of upcoming performers and concert dates please visit our [calendar of events](#).

#### Southport Summer Concerts – Thursdays in the Park

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-southport-nc-may-31-2018>

When: Every Thursday 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. beginning Memorial Day – Labor Day 2018

Where: Franklin Square Park, Southport NC

Contact: 910-457-7945

Summertime is the perfect season to enjoy a free concert outdoors! Starting this Memorial Day week, every Thursday from 6:00-8:00 p.m. visitors can head to Franklin Square Park, bring a blanket or chair and cozy up under the majestic live oak trees while enjoying the sounds of Blues, Country, Jazz, Motown, Pop, R&B, Soul, Rock, Reggae and more! Featured artists change every week, so be sure to the check out the weekly lineup online.

#### Oak Island Summer Concerts

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-oak-island-nc-may-25-2018>

When: Every Friday 6:30-8:30 p.m. beginning May 25-August 30, 2018

Where: Middleton Park; SE 46<sup>th</sup> Street, Oak Island, NC

Contact: (910) 278-5518, (910) 253-2301

Enjoy free Friday concerts at the Middleton Park Soccer Field from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. with live entertainment. This event is free to attend and fun for the entire family!

### **Holden Beach Concerts**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-holden-beach-nc-may-27-2018>

When: Every Sunday Night at 6:30 p.m. beginning May 27- September 2

Where: Holden Beach Pavilion; Jordan Blvd, Holden Beach, NC

Contact: (910) 842-6488, (910) 253-2031

Each Sunday night at 6:30 p.m., families gather at the Holden Beach pavilion for free Summer concerts. Put on your dancing shoes and bring your beach chair. The Pavilion is located at the end of Jordan Boulevard in Holden Beach.

### **Sunset Beach Concerts**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-sunset-beach-nc-may-30-2018>

When: Every Wednesday 7:00-9:00 p.m. beginning May 30, 2018 - September 5, 2018

Where: Village Park; Sunset Blvd N & Park Rd N, Sunset Beach, NC 28468

Contact: (910) 367-6396, (910) 253-2031

The Sunset Beach Concerts are held every Wednesday at the Gazebo in the Village Park on Queen Street from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. It is recommended that guests arrive around 6:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair and refreshments, or better yet, enjoy a variety of food and snacks from nearby locations. There will be plenty of free parking.

### **Shallotte SummerFest Concert**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-outdoor-concert-shallotte-nc-may-31-2018>

When: Every Thursday evening at 7:00 beginning May 24, 2018 - August 9, 2018

Where: Mulberry Park; 123 Mulberry St., Shallotte, NC

Contact: (910) 754-4032, (910) 253-2031

SummerFest concerts are every Thursday evening May 24 - August 9. The concerts start at 7:00 p.m. in the new Mulberry Park.

### **Ocean Isle Beach Concert**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-ocean-isle-beach-nc-june-01-2018>

When: Every Friday 6:30- 8:30 p.m. beginning May 25-Sept 7

Where: 21 E Second St., Ocean Isle Beach, NC

Contact: (910) 579-5163, (910) 253-2031

Ocean Isle Beach Concerts on the Coast has a free Friday concert at 6:30 p.m. Come and listen to a variety of music near the Museum of Coastal Carolina Parking Lot on East Second Street.

### **Leland Concerts in the Park**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-leland-nc-may-24-2018>

When: Thursdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. beginning May 24

Where: Leland Municipal Park; 102 Town Hall Drive, Leland, NC

Contact: (910) 408-3092

Enjoy free outdoor concerts at Leland Municipal Park featuring live beach music by favorite local musicians. Live performers and food trucks will be on site. Coolers are permitted. Smoking and e-cigarettes are not allowed. This event is free and will take place from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

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### **Calabash Concert Series**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-concerts-calabash-nc-june-05-2018>

When: Most Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning June 5, 2018 -August 7, 2018

Where: Calabash Town Park; 868 Persimmon Road, Calabash, NC

Contact: (910) 253-2031

The Calabash Concert Series will be held Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. starting on June 5 and ending on August 7. Come enjoy live music from talented performers. Grab your friends and family and enjoy free concerts at the Calabash Town Park. Check out the Calabash town website for the concert schedule.

### **Made in the Brunswick Islands- Summer Farmer's Markets**

Starting in May, many of the Brunswick Islands coastal communities feature summer waterfront/farmer's markets showcasing fine artisanal goods, locally grown produce and handcrafted items. More information on some of the upcoming community farmer's markets in the Brunswick Islands can be found below. For a complete schedule of the upcoming farmer's markets and offerings please visit our [calendar of events](#).

#### **Sunset Beach Summer Market**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-market-sunset-beach-nc-may-24-2018>

When: Every Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. from May 3,2018 - October 11, 2018

Where: Sunset Beach Park; 206 Sunset Blvd., Sunset Beach, NC

Contact: (910) 370-1373

The Sunset Beach Summer Market includes beautiful jewelry, pottery, woodcraft and much more. The Market will be located at the Sunset Beach Town Park, 206 Sunset Blvd. The 2018 season is scheduled weekly on Thursdays from May 3 thru October 11. Hours will be 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

#### **Shallotte Farmers Market**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-market-shallotte-nc-may-26-2018>

When: Every Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. beginning May 5, 2018 - July 28, 2018

Where: Mulberry Park, Shallotte; 123 Mulberry St. Shallotte, NC

Contact: (910) 754-4032

The Shallotte Farmers Market is held each Saturday (weather permitting) from May 5 until July 28 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Here you will find fresh local produce, arts & crafts, and more. Enjoy shopping in the open air filled with music by local musicians.

#### **Oak Island Farmers and Artisans Market**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/farmers-and-artisans-market-oak-island-nc-may-28-2018>

When: Every Monday from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. beginning May 28, 2018

Where: Middleton Park; E Dolphin Dr. and 49<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Oak Island, NC

Contact: (910) 278-5518

The Oak Island Farmers and Artisans' Market is held Mondays during the season from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. on the soccer fields behind Town Hall. Vendors offer local fresh produce, homemade jams, cakes, and a variety of homemade goods including jewelry, furniture, rugs and potholders and many more items.

There is plenty of parking in the cabana parking lot, directly across the street from the market. Come on out and shop!

### **Ocean Isle Beach Summer Market**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/summer-market-ocean-isle-beach-nc-may-29-2018>

When: Every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. beginning May 29, 2018 - September 11, 2018

Where: 11 E Second Street, Ocean Isle Beach, NC

Contact: (910) 370-1373

The Ocean Isle Beach Summer Market is held every Tuesday from May to September. You can find all kinds of delicious baked goods, fresh produce and a broad range of quality handcrafted items. Check out this wonderful market for fun, food and unique products. The OIB Market will be at 11 E. Second Street from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. each Tuesday starting May 29 and ending on September 11.

### **Southport Waterfront Market**

Website: [www.ncbrunswick.com/event/waterfront-market-southport-nc-june-23-2018](http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/waterfront-market-southport-nc-june-23-2018)

When: Every Wednesday 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. from May 23, 2018 – August 29, 2018

Where: Fort Johnston Garrison Lawn, Southport NC

Contact: 910-279-4616

The Southport Waterfront Market is held every Wednesday morning (weather permitting) from May - August. Browse the bountiful local produce, baked goods and handcrafted items spread under ancient live oak trees. Enjoy the breeze off the river and music in the air as entertainment is always available.

## **Additional Summer Events & Celebrations**

### **Memorial Day Service and Parade**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/memorial-day-parade-ceremony-southport-nc>

When: May 28, 2018 10:30 a.m. Parade, 2:00 p.m. Ceremony

Where: West 10<sup>th</sup> Street, to John N. Smith Cemetery on East Leonard Street, Southport, NC

Contact: 910-457-1904

The parade will begin at West 10th Street and proceed down Howe Street to the John N. Smith Cemetery on East Leonard Street, where a Memorial Ceremony will take place at 11:00 a.m. Southport's Annual Memorial Day Observance, "Days of Remembrance," will take place in the afternoon at the Southport Community Building, 223 E Bay Street. The remembrance ceremony will honor those who served in the United States armed forces and conclude with the firing of the Historical Society's cannon "Thor." A home-made apple pie and ice-cream social will be held afterwards.

### **Jolly Mon King Classic**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/jolly-mon-king-classic-ocean-isle-beach-nc>

When: June 13, 2018 – June 17, 2018

Where: Ocean Isle Fishing Center, Ocean Isle Beach, NC

Contact: 910-253-3474

The Jolly Mon King Classic brings fishermen and their families together for great food, fun and fishing. The Jolly Mon recognizes the importance of the family and fishing and offers a complimentary dinner for everyone and medallions for all Junior anglers participating in the event. The Junior Jolly Mon will be held on June 15, 2018. The Jolly Mon is run in an orderly, clean-cut manner, offering a variety of prizes from gift cards to top cash prizes.

### **NC 4th of July Festival Beach Day**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/nc-4th-of-july-festival-beach-day-oak-island-nc>

When: June 30, 2018, 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Where: Middleton Park, Oak Island, NC

Contact: 910-457-5578

In conjunction with Southport's NC 4th of July Festival, the annual Oak Island Beach Day offers live entertainment, dozens of family contests, inflatables, rides and games.

On the beach in front of the cabana there will also be corn hole, bocce ball, sand castle, and volleyball contests. A skate boarding contest is held at the skate park. The fun continues with a shag contest at 7 p.m. and live music by Midnight Allie from 6 - 9 p.m.

### **NC 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival and Fireworks**

Website: <http://www.ncbrunswick.com/event/nc-4th-of-july-festival-and-fireworks-southport-nc>

When: June 24, 2018 – July 4, 2018

Where: Southport, NC

Contact: 910-457-5578

For over 200 years, Southport has celebrated our nation's Independence in a big way and they invite you to join over 50,000 other guests in the celebrations! Today, the festival remembers the sacrifices made, celebrates freedom and promotes family fun through the many festival events offered to all ages.

### **About North Carolina's Brunswick Islands**

In the southernmost corner of North Carolina, stretching from the Cape Fear River to the South Carolina border, lie North Carolina's Brunswick Islands. Five barrier islands provide secluded spots on six pristine beaches for families and nature-lovers, while quaint island and mainland towns beckon with family-owned B&Bs, restaurants and shops. Forts, lighthouses, historic architecture, boating, fishing and 35 golf courses offer plenty to do and see on a trip that harkens back to a simpler time. For more information, visit [www.ncbrunswick.com](http://www.ncbrunswick.com).

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