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Towns of Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough

Weekly Calendar of Events

February 10 – February 16, 2020

An annotated list of interesting events happening in **Orange County** over the next week, prepared by Chapel Hill/Orange County Visitors Bureau.

MONDAY Feb 10

ORANGE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SUMMIT

8 AM TO 2 PM

Cedar Grove Community Center / 5800 N.C. Hwy 86 N. Hillsborough (919) 245-2660

As world leaders address the challenge of feeding the earth's growing population, Orange County is providing entrepreneurs with both the inspiration and the resources to find solutions with a one-day seminar bringing together farmers and suppliers, government officials, and other specialists to explore the state of farming in Orange County and contiguous counties.

TUESDAY Feb 11

ALVIN AILEY AMERICAN DANCE THEATER

7:30 PM

Memorial Hall / 114 East Cameron Ave Chapel Hill (919) 843-3333

Admission: From \$47

With a history spanning more than six decades, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater has changed the landscape of arts in America and beyond. Hewing to Alvin Ailey's original mission, the company presents important works of the past while continuing to innovate. A valued longtime artistic partner to Carolina Performing Arts, the company has performed on the Memorial hall stage more than 20 times. Now, AAADT returns to perform a program featuring the work of women choreographers, created especially for CPA. Continues on February 12. www.carolinaperformingarts.org/

WEDNESDAY Feb 12

DARWIN DAY LECTURE

7 PM TO 8:30 PM

North Carolina Botanical Garden / 100 Old Mason Farm Road Chapel Hill (919) 962-0522

Darwin Day Lecture: The Botanical Adventures of Charles Darwin with Jim Costa, Executive Director, Highlands Biological Station; Charles Darwin is well known for such landmark works as On the Origin of Species and The Descent of Man. Far fewer appreciate that he wrote some 17 books in all, and half a dozen were botanical in nature: from orchids and carnivorous plants to flower structure, cross-pollination, and movement in plants. ncbg.unc.edu/

EVENT AT CAT'S CRADLE

8 PM

Cat's Cradle / 300 East Main Street Carrboro (919) 967-9053

Admission: \$35

Ross Mathews – Name Drop Tour, this is a seated show. catscradle.com/

THURSDAY Feb 13

SWEETHEART AFTERNOON TEA

2 PM TO 4:30 PM

Carolina Inn / 211 Pittsboro St Chapel Hill (919) 918-2777

Join us for our sweetheart afternoon tea, a well-loved indulgence! Choose from a variety of loose-leaf teas and sumptuous selection of house-made scones, delicate finger sandwiches, and a mouth-watering variety of sweet treats. Every guest will also receive a beautiful gift to take home. Enjoy our lovely afternoon tea with your sweetie or in the company of friends or family as well – it's the perfect way to celebrate the special day! www.carolinainn.com/

CHOCOLATEWORKS @ KIDZU

3:30 PM TO 5 PM

Kidzu Children's Museum / 201 S. Estes Dr. Chapel Hill (919) 933-1455

Join us for an afternoon full of taste testing, gift making, and chocolate! We'll make frozen hot chocolate and chocolate dip, decorate strawberries, and whip up more chocolatey surprises in this event you won't want to miss! \$15 per child + \$5 drop off available, Ages 3-9, *Drop off must be potty independent; pre-registration is required. www.kidzuchildrensmuseum.org

FRIDAY Feb 14

FROZEN THEMED VALENTINE CELEBRATION @ MAPLE VIEW

4 PM TO 7 PM

Maple View Ice Cream Country Store / 6900 Rock Ridge Road Hillsborough (919) 960-5535

Join us as Elsa and Anna visit Maple View Farm Ice Cream for Valentine's Day! Enjoy your favorite FROZEN dessert with the characters! Take pictures, enjoy the meet and greet and indulge with delicious farm fresh ice cream! We will have a special frozen themed menu! mapleviewfarm.com/

2ND FRIDAY AT THE ACKLAND: OPEN THE SHAPE CALLED LOVE!

5 PM TO 9 PM

Ackland Art Museum / 101 South Columbia Street Chapel Hill (919) 966-5736

See Yayoi Kusama: Open the Shape Called Love during our 2nd Friday evening hours! Throughout the night, experience Kusama-inspired modern dance performances choreographed by Killian Manning and screenings of Kusama's 1967 experimental film Self Obliteration (23 mins). Free ackland.org/

VALENTINE'S DAY AT ANTONIA'S

5 PM & 7:30 PM

Antonia's / 101 North Churton Street Hillsborough (919) 643-7722

Admission: \$75 per person

It is my pleasure to invite all of you to the annual Valentine's Day Dinner to be held at Antonia's, we will have two seatings for this dinner; the first will be between 5pm & 5:30pm, and the second will be between 7:30pm & 8pm. You will dine on three luxurious courses and sip prosecco while celebrating that special person in your life! www.antoniashillsborough.com/

VALENTINE'S WITH KIPOS

5 PM TO 10:30 PM

Kipos Greek Taverna / 431 West Franklin St Chapel Hill (919) 425-0760

Greek culture has always placed importance on passion and love. The Greek language actually has 6 different words for the feeling, so come let the experts pamper you and your sweetheart! We'll be offering our a la carte menu as well as exclusive specials. To set the mood for your special evening, Chronis will serenade you with the beautiful notes of the bouzouki. Reserve your seat online or by calling (919) 425-0760! www.kiposchapelhill.com/event/valentines-dinner/

BE OURS: VALENTINE'S AT CITY KITCHEN**5 PM**

City Kitchen / 201 South Estes Drive Chapel Hill (919) 928-8200

Ready to pamper your special someone this Valentine's Day? City Kitchen is here to help you spoil them in style! We have an amazing selection of dishes, cocktails, and specials that will make your sweetheart swoon! Tables are filling up fast, so reserve your seat today by calling (919)928-8200 or online.

citykitchenchapelhill.com/valentines-menu/

VALENTINE'S DAY AT IL PALIO**5:30 PM TO 10 PM**

Il Palio / 1505 East Franklin Street Chapel Hill (919) 918-2545

Admission: \$87

Join Il Palio for our special 4-course Valentine's Day menu. Il Palio is preparing a beautiful romantic setting for the perfect night out. For reservations please call (919) 918-2545 www.ilpalio.com/

ELAINE'S ON FRANKLIN FOR VALENTINE'S**5:30 PM TO 10 PM**

Elaine's on Franklin / 454 West Franklin Street Chapel Hill (919) 960-2770

Elaine's will be offering a 3 course menu for \$65 and wine pairings for \$99. Call for reservations.

elainesonfranklin.com

VALENTINE'S DAY AT THE LANTERN**5:30 PM TO 10 PM**

Lantern / 423 West Franklin Street Chapel Hill (919) 969-8846

We are accepting reservations for Valentine's Day 2020! In place of our regular menu, we'll be serving a special three-course, fixed price menu for \$75 per person plus tax, beverage and gratuity. Please call (919) 969-8846. lanternrestaurant.com/

VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER AT THE CROSSROADS**5:30 PM**

Crossroads Chapel Hill / 211 Pittsboro Street Chapel Hill (919) 918-2777

Admission: \$80 per person

This Valentine's Day, wine and dine your loved one with a three-course dinner at Crossroads Chapel Hill. Reservations are available from 5:30-10pm and can be made on OpenTable. For more information, email crossroads@carolinainn.com or call (919) 918-2777. \$80 per person dinner includes a glass of sparkling wine and rose for the table. Have your dinner paired with wine for an additional \$40 per person. www.carolinainn.com/dining/valentines-day-menu

VALENTINE'S DAY AT THE CHOCOLATE LOUNGE**6 PM TO 11 PM**

Special Treats / 1129 Weaver Dairy Rd Unit R Chapel Hill (919) 883-2151

Admission: \$10

Save the date, for the best Valentine's party in the Triangle. This will be our 3rd Valentine's Day party, and they're always great. For a small cover charge, enjoy unique gourmet chocolate truffles made just for the occasion, and a glass of Champagne. Live music and a classy, romantic vibe. We'll be open late so you can stop by after dinner. We plan to make tickets available at the door, unless the event is sold out.

www.specialtreatsnc.com/

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

6 PM TO 9 PM

Kidzu Children's Museum / 201 S. Estes Dr Chapel Hill (919) 933-1455

Admission: \$25 for the first child and \$15 each additional child in the same household.

Parents, you deserve a Valentine's night out! Leave the childcare to us! Kids will enjoy a fun-filled night including exhibit play & exploration, a movie, and dinner. This is a drop-off event is for children ages 3-9 (must be potty-independent). Kids will exercise their minds, bodies, imagination and independence.

Advanced registration is required, space is limited. www.kidzuchildrensmuseum.org/

CAROLINA SKIES: VALENTINE'S DAY EDITION – 2 SHOWS

7 PM & 8:30 PM

Morehead Planetarium & Science Center / 250 East Franklin St Chapel Hill (919) 962-1236

Join us in the GSK Fulldome Theater for a special Valentine's edition of Carolina Skies. Our most popular show gets a date night twist with ancient legends of love in the night sky. There will be strange, fantastical, romantic, and tragic tales that shaped the way we see the constellations, and might just change the way you see that special someone. Ever lay down at night to watch the stars with someone you love? That's nothing compared to a guided tour of the whole universe, from the comfort of our reclining chairs. moreheadplanetarium.org/

EVERY COLOR OF THE RAINBOW RECEPTION

7 PM TO 9 PM

140 West Franklin / 140 West Franklin St Suite 160 Chapel Hill NC 27516

Every Color of the Rainbow is a multi-media showcase expressing the many colors and variables of the queer experience from student and community artists. The exhibit will feature poetry, visual art, photography and more. Come celebrate queerness and its endless color! bit.ly/everycoloroftherainbow

VALENTINE'S DAY CONCERT: THE KENNEDYS AT UNITY CENTER OF PEACE

7:30 PM TO 9 PM

Unity Center of Peace / 8800 Seawell School Rd. Chapel Hill (919) 968-1854

Admission: \$15 advance, \$20 at the door

Grab your valentine and join us when Pete and Maura Kennedy return to Unity Center of Peace for this special, intimate evening. A selection of Valentines-inspired desserts (think chocolate!), hor d'oeuvres and champagne will also be available for purchase. thekennedysatucp.bpt.me

TRANSACTORS IMPROV PRESENTS VALENTINE'S DAY MUSICAL

8 PM TO 10 PM

ArtsCenter / 300-G East Main St Carrboro (919) 929-2787

Admission: \$15 Public, \$12 Senior, \$10 Student

Transactors Improv celebrates the ups and downs of romantic love with a Valentine's Day Musical. The performance is comprised of five stand-alone episodes, each improvised from audience suggestions and

featuring made-up-on-the-spot songs. Each episode will be introduced with an existing song by the likes of Kurt Weill, John Prine, and Lennon and McCartney. artscenterlive.org/

SATURDAY Feb 15

REVOLUTIONARY WAR LIVING HISTORY DAY

10 AM TO 4 PM

Alexander Dickson House / 150 E. King Street Hillsborough (919) 732-7741

Join the Alliance for Historic Hillsborough for the annual Revolutionary War Living History Day to commemorate Hillsborough's Revolutionary history. Reenactors and activities will be set up throughout the day at The Hillsborough Visitors Center, The Burwell School Historic Site, and Orange County Historical Museum. The event is free and open to the public. www.visithillsboroughnc.com/

VALENTINE'S DAY WITH BABY GOATS!

NOON TO 4 PM

Spring Haven Farm / 5306 Homer Ruffin Rd Chapel Hill (919) 407-1806

Admission: \$13.50

It's that time of the year again when Love is in the air! Make it different this year by celebrating VALENTINE'S DAY with Goats! Bring your favorite Valentine to Spring Haven Farm and join us and all the animals for some Valentines Fun! See baby goats and meet the two newest additions to the farm: Orville and Wilbur. They are baby Highlander cows. Also Peppa Pig, Annie the Donkey and feed the horses and the other Animals and then take a romantic Hayride! www.springhaven.farm/valentines

SUNDAY Feb 16

SEVEN MILE CREEK NATURAL AREA HIKE

2 PM

2187 Moorefields Rd Hillsborough (919) 383-1686

This 3 mile hike is an opportunity to explore ancient roads, the Mountain to Sea Trail, old graves and birds along a tributary to the Eno River. This natural area was at one time the "gap" for those heading west. Now it is a newly opened peaceful preserve with gently rolling trails to explore.

<https://www.ncparks.gov/>

You can find a complete listing of all programs and events offered by our major attractions by visiting www.visit Chapel Hill.org and viewing individual websites listed by attraction.

