

Guided Tours

Dig deeper into the story of Frederick County by taking a guided tour with a local expert. Explore Downtown Frederick's history on walking tours provided by **AARCH Society**, **Heritage Frederick**, or **the National Museum of Civil War Medicine**. Explore the spectral side of the city on **Ghost Tours of Historic Frederick**, celebrating 30 years in 2024. Head out on the water for a guided kayak or canoeing trip on the Potomac River with **River & Trail Outfitters**.

Summer Concerts

Summertime in Frederick County means live music in the fresh air. Experience **Alive @ Five** each Thursday during the summer on Carroll Creek Park and relax on a Sunday afternoon with the **Summer Concert Series** in the Baker Park Bandshell. Wander into the garden behind the Museum of Frederick County History for **Heritage Frederick's Patio Music Series**.

Sports

Shake your Keys! The **Frederick Keys** have been an institution here in Frederick since 1989 and this MLB Draft League team will be playing 40 home games in the summer of 2024. Head out to the Nymeo Field at Harry Grove Stadium, enjoy family-friendly activities, grab a hot dog and snack, and see why Frederick loves America's national pastime. For the first time in 2024, **Frederick Skyline CF** will take to the pitch with minor league soccer. Catch their matches at Hood College's Thomas Athletic Field.



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For more info and a full list of upcoming events



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EVENTS SNAPSHOT

May-September 2024





May

Through December 2024

BRUSHES WITH HISTORY: INSPIRING THE PERSONALITY OF FREDERICK

Honor the works of the most notable artists who have shaped our community, both past and present. Their talents are captured in several mediums and styles.

Museum of Frederick County History (Heritage Frederick)

May 18

SPIRITS OF MARYLAND: FREDERICK

Sip locally produced spirits and sample handmade cocktails in a newly renovated space in the heart of Historic Downtown Frederick.

Visitation Hotel Frederick

May 18-19

BEYOND THE GARDEN GATES GARDEN TOUR

Explore the elegant, whimsical, and inventive gardens nestled behind the gates of private Frederick homes each spring. *Downtown Frederick*

May 18–19

MARYLAND IRON FESTIVAL

Celebrate our region's history as an early center for iron making. Enjoy live iron-making demonstrations, music, and food trucks.

Catoctin Furnace

June

June 1

THAI WATER FESTIVAL

A cultural experience featuring street food, games, family activities, and demonstrations.

Carroll Creek Park

June 1

SOUTH ALLEY BLOCK PARTY

Catch summer vibes with live music, local craft beer and wine, food trucks, and free activities for kids. Bring your sunscreen and camping chair and relax.

New Market Main Street

June 8

BARNSTORMERS TOUR

Join in the fun and learn all about Frederick County's rich agricultural history. Sponsored by Frederick County Landmarks Foundation, this self-guided tour of "The Barns of Jefferson" will showcase local barns and area plein-air painters, and include living history demonstrations, food trucks, and live music.

Southwestern Frederick County

June 8–9

FREDERICK FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

This outdoor arts festival brings together some of the most talented regional artists for an unforgettable showcase along Carroll Creek.

Carroll Creek Park

June 15

WORLD HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Journey across continents while enjoying live music, international cuisine, artisan vendors, and performances. *Carroll Creek Park*

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June 19

JUNETEENTH: FROM ENSLAVED TO EMANCIPATED

This program will follow the journey of freedom for those who were enslaved on the farms that make up Monocacy National Battlefield with a 1.5 hour, 1-mile guided tour.

Monocacy National Battlefield

June 22

FREDERICK PRIDE

Show your Pride and support for the LGBTQ+ community at this annual festival in Downtown Frederick. This is one of the largest Pride events in the State of Maryland. *Carroll Creek Park*

June 22-23

MARYLAND LAVENDER FESTIVAL AT SPRINGFIELD MANOR

Enjoy picturesque views while listening to live music and indulging in delicious food, premium craft beverages, and educational demonstrations. Tickets must be purchased online.

Springfield Manor Winery, Distillery, Brewery

July

FREDERICK'S 4TH: AN INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

Experience the largest Independence Day celebration in Frederick County! *Baker Park*

July 6–7

BATTLE OF MONOCACY COMMEMORATION WEEKEND

Commemorate the 160th anniversary of the Battle of Monocacy with special ranger programs, along with military living history encampments. Firing demonstrations by both infantry and artillery will take place throughout the day.

Monocacy National Battlefield

July 13

NATIONAL CLUSTERED SPIRES HIGH WHEEL RACE

The race brings excitement as racers from across the globe compete for the championship title by racing through the streets of historic Downtown Frederick atop high wheel bicycles.

Downtown Frederick





August

August 24

BLACK FREDERICK FESTIVAL

Join us for a day of celebrating and educating black culture with music, food, vendors, and live performances.

Carroll Creek Park

August 25

MOUNTAIN CITY ELKS PARADE

The annual parade features local step teams, bands, and color guards. Organized by the Mountain City Elks Lodge #382.

Downtown Frederick

September

September 13-21

THE GREAT FREDERICK FAIR

Frederick County's single largest event, featuring 18,000 competitive exhibits, ranging from livestock, home arts, farm & garden to 4-H/ FFA/GFF youth. A premier showcase for agriculture, thrilling rides, and live entertainment.

Frederick Fairgrounds

September 14

IN THE STREETS

This annual festival includes four stages of live entertainment and nine blocks of themed fun, including areas highlighting children's activities, local art organizations, regional artisans, history and sports.

Downtown Frederick

September 27–28

FREDERICK'S OKTOBERFEST

Celebrate German heritage in the style of the traditional German Volksfest (Folk Festival).

Frederick Fairgrounds

September 28

MIDDLETOWN HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Entertainment, food and activities celebrating the history and heritage of Middletown. *Main Street Middletown*