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ON THE COVER:
The double-track CSX A line Bridge, designed by John E. Geier and built in 1930, spans the James River in Richmond and is still an active train line for passenger and freight traffic.

PHOTOGRAPHER: Kevin J. Kelley
COME HEAR ITS VOICES

According to our current inspiration campaign, “The Richmond Region Speaks for Itself” and you’ll find this is true in so many ways, from our passionate community members and roaring whitewater rapids to lively festivals, live music and much more. There’s an understated authenticity here that even residents find hard to define.

Every local has a unique perspective on what makes the Richmond Region a special place to live, work, play and visit, so we’re highlighting their voices within these pages. They know all the hot spots and highlights, the hidden gems and best-kept secrets. They are the passionate people who bring our destination to life in full color, at full volume.

Look for chef Mike Lindsey, the rising rockstar who has opened 10 restaurants in the region since 2020, and Megan Arsell, aka “West End Mom,” who has amassed more than 55,000 fans on Instagram by sharing her kid-friendly escapades in the area. These and other enthusiastic RVA ambassadors help us tell genuine stories every day in our cities, counties, and towns about our rich culture, compelling history, welcoming atmosphere, delicious dining scene, family fun, outdoor adventure, fine arts, street art, performing arts, and the list goes on.

Let’s not forget the long list of Richmond Region accolades that speaks for itself, too. Last year alone, we were recognized among Southern Living’s Best Cities in the South, Good Housekeeping’s Best Places to Visit in April, USA Today’s Best Urban Kayaking Destinations in the US, Travel Pulse’s Best US Cities for Summer Vacation, and Dogwood’s Most Fun Cities in America, just to name a few.

There is no one-size-fits-all formula for the ideal experience here, and we like it that way. Explore this vast and diverse destination — including the Town of Ashland, Chesterfield County, City of Colonial Heights, Hanover County, Henrico County, New Kent County and the City of Richmond — with an open mind and open ears and prepare to be surprised. That’s what you can expect during your visit — a surprising sense of wonder and delight for all the extraordinary moments you never imagined you’d find here.

Make plans to visit us soon and discover how the Richmond Region speaks to you!

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BIKE IT
RVA Bike Share (rvabikes.com) offers 25 self-service stations throughout the city with a fleet of 500 pedal assisted electric bikes. There are also several other outlets where you can rent bicycles for street or trail use. Adventures in RVA (rvabikerental.com) has a variety of styles, including kids, adult hybrid and tandem cycles. RVA on Wheels (rvawheels.com) offers Pelago electric bike rentals, including locks and helmets. Basket Bike (basketbike.com) partners with RVA on Wheels to expand their tour experiences. Kid Wheels (kidwheels.com) provides electric bike rentals, including locks and helmets. Riverside Cycling (riversidedeckfitters.com) offers road, mountain and gravel bike rentals.

BIKE LIKE A LOCAL
The bus rapid transit system, the Greater Richmond Transit Co. (GRTC) Pulse, travels a 7.6-mile route along Broad Street connecting Willow Lawn in Henrico County to Rocketts Landing in Richmond. GRTC also offers bus routes in the city, the neighboring county of Henrico and parts of Chesterfield County. Visit ridegrc.com for bus routes, schedules and updated safety measures.

SCOOT THE STREETS
The city has fleets of Lime, Bird and Spin electric scooters. They are available for rental via each company’s app. Visit lime.com, bird.co or spin.com for details.

ARRIVE IN STYLE
Academy Bus (academybuscharters.com) provides charter bus trips and service to and from Richmond International Airport. Service is also available from other area companies. See flyrichmond.com/ground-transportation for information.

BE CHAUFFEURED
Taxi service is available throughout the region from multiple providers. Ride-hailing services include Uber and Lyft. Visit uber.com and lyft.com for details.

Richmond International Airport was named “Most Efficient Airport in North America” by Air Transport Research Society in 2023.

GETTING HERE

LESS THAN A DAY’S DRIVE
RVA is within a day’s drive of half of the U.S. population courtesy of I-95 and I-64, the major corridors through the area. There are multiple vehicle rental agencies throughout the metro area, including eight at Richmond International Airport.

TAKE TO THE SKY
Richmond International Airport is just minutes from downtown. Nine major airlines — Allegiant, American Airlines, Breeze Airways, Delta, JetBlue, Southwest, Spirit, Sun Country and Unibled — offer nonstop flights to major domestic destinations and connecting options to points around the world. For more, visit flyrichmond.com.

RIDE THE RAILS
Amtrak rail service is located just minutes from I-95 and I-64 at Staples Mill Road and downtown at Main Street Station. The Main Street site has been named one of the most beautiful stations in the U.S. and was featured on a postage stamp in 2023. A third station is located in Ashland, where trains run through the middle of town. For more, visit amtrak.com/virginia.

EASILY ACCESSIBLE
Named the “Most Progressive Destination” by the blog Wonders Within Reach, Richmond, and its partnership with VisitAbil, is improving accessibility for all the area has to offer. From museums to river cruises, from wooded trails to wineries, there is much for everyone to enjoy. Spend time at the Children’s Museum of Richmond or the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. For outdoor fun, check out the Virginia Capital Trail or Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. Or try the Riverfront Canal Cruises for some time on the water. For more information, visit wonderswithinreach.com.
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Ruby Scoops owner Rabia Kamara won Food Network’s “Ben & Jerry’s: Clash of the Cones.”

“Dopesick,” “Homeland,” “Raymond & Ray,” “The Walking Dead: World Beyond,” as well as Steven Spielberg’s “Lincoln” were all filmed in the area.

Ella Fitzgerald, James Brown, Bill “Bojangles” Robinson, B.B. King, and Cab Calloway are some of the legendary greats who performed at The Hippodrome, an event venue built in 1913 as a vaudeville stage and movie theater.

Local chef Daniel Harthausen won the first season of the HBO (Max) series “The Big Brunch.”

Super Superlatives

Pocahontas State Park in Chesterfield is the largest state park in Virginia.

Kings Dominion’s Anaconda was the first looping roller coaster to feature an underwater tunnel, and Riptilian is the only Mack bobsled coaster in the United States.

NASCAR at Richmond Raceway is unique in that it is the only track with a 3/4-mile layout. NASCAR has held two race weekends a year at the track since 1958.

The Keystone Track & Tractor Museum in Colonial Heights is the largest tractor museum in the world.

The wedding site of JASON MRAZ, singer and “Dancing with the Stars” 2023 runner-up (Pole Green Church)

The final resting place of two U.S. PRESIDENTS and a vampire (Hollywood Cemetery)

NOWHERE ELSE WILL YOU FIND:

Artist Kehinde Wiley’s first monumental sculpture, RUMORS OF WAR (Virginia Museum of Fine Arts)

A SWAN-SHAPED BED and a TIFFANY DRESSING TABLE made with narwhal tusks (Maymont Mansion)

A GRAVEYARD OF SUNKEN RIVER BARGES that form an island-like habitat for native plants and animals (Dutch Gap)
From serene stretches to spectacular white water, the James River offers something for everyone. RVA Paddle Sports (rvapaddlesports.com) and Riverside Outfitters (riversideoutfitters.com) supply everything you need, whether you want to go with the flow on an inner tube float or get your adrenaline pumping on a guided rafting trip through Class III and Class IV rapids. Or grab a paddle and venture out on a kayak, canoe or stand-up paddleboard—Waterfront RVA (waterfrontrva.com) welcomes walk-ups. Need help getting your sea legs? Crosswind Paddleboarding (crosswindpaddle.com) offers lessons as well as rentals. Nobody has to miss out on the fun thanks to Beyond Boundaries (beyondboundariesrva.org), offering whitewater rafting, kayaking and fishing trips for adventure-seekers with disabilities.

Downstream, the Lilly Pad (lillypadderestaurant.com) is the perfect perch for waterfront dining and people watching. Choose your own adventure with Kingfish Boat Rentals (kingfishboattranslts.com), where pontoon boats are comfortable for a small group. Explore Dutch Gap (chesterfield.gov/dutchgap), a freshwater lagoon prime for fishing and birdwatching. If you prefer your own captain, Discover the James (discoverthejames.com) provides narrated tours where you’re likely to spot a bald eagle. Nearby, the Pamunkey and Chickahominy rivers (dwr.virginia.gov/rivers) offer more opportunities for boating, fishing and soaking in the scenery.

Downtown, book one of the Riverfront Canal Cruises (venturerichmond.com) which travels the Canal Walk offering a historical overview of Richmond, from slavery to emancipation and from old tobacco warehouses to dazzling modern art. If a booze cruise is more your speed, head over to Rocketts Landing. Party while you paddle with Paddle Club RVA or hop aboard Tiki Club RVA’s floating bar (seasuitecruises.com) and watch the sunset over the city skyline.

The James River, with its smorgasbord of interests and activities, makes Richmond, according to OUTSIDE Magazine, “the greatest river town in America.”

One of the top urban kayaking spots in the U.S. — USA Today
YEAR-ROUND FUN
FOR EVERYONE

FROM HIKING TO PICKLEBALL, THE REGION HAS SO MANY WAYS TO PLAY

The Richmond Region’s rolling hills, lush landscapes and four seasons beckon outdoor enthusiasts year-round. Keep up your fitness routine or golf game on a variety of trails and courses, or try something new, like rock climbing or pickleball — the world’s fastest-growing sport.

GARDENS AND FARMS
Time for a healthy dose of nature? Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden (lewisginter.org) is a year-round pageantry of blooms. This piece of paradise offers 50 acres of themed gardens, including a children’s garden, and an 11,000-square-foot domed conservatory with an amazing orchid and exotic plant collection. For a beautiful step back in time, Agecroft Hall’s (agecrofthall.org) gardens were inspired by Henry VIII’s Hampton Court Palace. Maymont’s (maymont.org) spectacular Italian Garden, Japanese Garden and Arboretum offer a glimpse into the Gilded Age and 100 acres of magnificent landscapes. For a full dose of bloom, don’t miss Historic Garden Week (vagardenweek.org) in April when some of the most beautiful homes in Richmond are on tour.

Want to put the kids to work for healthy treats? Stop by Chesterfield Berry Farm (chesterfieldberryfarm.com) for their spring “u-pick” strawberry patch or their summer sweet corn. While fruits and vegetables are available year-round, it’s in the fall when Ashland Berry Farm (ashlandberryfarm.com) hosts their pumpkin patch, Fort Pumpkin and a 3-D Boo House. Don’t forget to pick up some of their fresh doughnuts.
ROCK CLIMBING
You don’t have to go far for challenging climbs right within the city limits. Take things up a notch on the Manchester Climbing Wall with dozens of routes equipped with bolts and shuttles, or go bouldering on the Buttermilk Trail (jamesriverpark.org). Peak Experiences (peakexperiences.com) and Triangle Rock Club (triplerockclub.com) are impressive indoor climbing facilities for all ages.

GOLF
One of the oldest courses open to the public, Belmont Golf Course (playbelmontrv.org) is the only course in Virginia to have hosted a major, the 1949 PGA Championship. Reminiscent of Irish landscapes, Royal New Kent Golf Club (royalnewkent.com) by Mark Strantz is rugged and challenging. Nearby, The Club at Vinita (vinitarragolf.com) features a Rees Jones-designed course adjacent to a winery. Independence Golf Club (independencegolfclub.com) is another premier public course in the western part of the region.

HIKING & BIKING
Spanning nearly 8,000 acres, Pocahontas State Park (dor virginia.gov) was recently named one of Virginia’s top camping spots by Traveling Lifestyle, with cabins, yurts and tent sites. Explore 90+ miles of trails for hiking and biking, including hand-cycle friendly trails, plus horseback riding paths (bring your own horse). Then cool off in the Olympic-size pool or go fishing in the two lakes at the park. Encompassing 600 acres in the heart of Richmond, the James River Park System (jamesriverpark.org) features 22 miles of trails. Accessible by footbridge, a highlight is Belle Isle, where you can conquer the BMX track, hike along the riverfront or wade in rock pools. A destination for road cyclists, the Virginia Capital Trail (virginiacapitaltrail.org) is a dedicated paved pedestrian and cycling path connecting Richmond to Williamsburg, with historic sites and quick bites along the 52-mile route. A popular spot for families, Deep Run Park (henrico.us/rec) features a pump track and tree-lined footpaths. Just north of town, stroll the Trolley Line Trail (ashlandva.gov) in Ashland or spend an afternoon on the playground, walking trails and sand volleyball court at Poor Farm Park (hanovercounty.gov).

PICKLEBALL
Invented by a couple of dads to entertain their kids, pickleball is fun for all ages. To play around town, check out Pouncey Tract Park (henrico.us/rec), Broad Rock Sports Complex (rva.gov/parks-recreation) and Pine Fork Park (co.new-kent.va.us). New in 2024, Performance Pickleball RVA (ppbrva.com) is the commonwealth’s largest indoor facility dedicated to the sport.
Richmond is known for its street art, with more than 150 murals adorning buildings in the region. From international artists to local muralists, around every corner is an interesting piece to discover. World-class museums also dot the landscape.

An artful itinerary’s first stop should be Richmond’s streets. It’s definitely worth spending a day or two exploring the dozens of towering artworks. Polish artists Sainer and Bezt, known as Etam Cru, created the renowned piece “Moonshine” more than a decade ago and the blue-haired beauty in a jar of strawberry moonshine remains one of Richmond’s most popular murals. It can be spotted at 1011 W. Grace St. in the Manchester neighborhood at 1100 Hull St., “Her Flowers,” painted by Richmond-based artists S. Ross Browne and Amy Smith, depicts a Black girl holding up a clenched fist in social revolution and female empowerment. A visit to the Canal Walk pairs a kaleidoscope of colorful artworks with river views. The site of 2022’s RVA Street Art Festival (rvastreetart.com), pieces from some of the area’s renowned artists are found here, including works by Chris Visions, Christine Wing Chow (known as Wing-chow) and Nils Westergard.

North of Richmond in Ashland, the town’s railroad-centered history is depicted in a string locomotive mural created by artist Ed Trask. (See page 16.) The expansive piece can be seen on the side of The Caboose Market & Cafe and is touted as the longest railroad mural in the country.

Trask was also enlisted to create the large murals dotting Short Pump’s GreenGate shopping center. A mural of Richmonder Sister Rosetta Tharpe, who was a gospel superstar dubbed “the godmother of rock ‘n’ roll,” can be viewed there.
“The public art here in our city has meaning beyond its beautiful aesthetics; it represents the voice of this ever-changing and thriving community.”

Artist Hamilton Glass founded the Mending Walls project in 2020 to create community-engaged art that inspires conversations about race and justice.

**AT THE MUSEUM**

No artful itinerary would be complete without a stop at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts (vmfa.museum), one of the largest comprehensive art museums in the country with a permanent collection of nearly 60,000 works spanning 5,000 years of history. The only art museum in the country that is open year-round with free general admission, it’s continuing to grow, currently designing and planning a new 170,000-square-foot wing. For a completely modern take, the Institute for Contemporary Art at Virginia Commonwealth University (ica.vcu.org) is a non-collecting institution offering free admission. The museum recently celebrated its fifth anniversary of bringing thought-provoking exhibitions to the area along with a rotating roster of performances, films and additional programming. The award-winning Steven Holl Architects-designed structure is worth a visit in itself. The nearly 41,000-square-foot building features performance and exhibition space, a sculpture garden, auditorium, shop and cafe.

**VIEW AND CREATE**

Capping off your art journey, there are more than 60 galleries in the area to explore, most with free admission. While in Henrico County, check out Crossroads Art Center (crossroadsartcenter.com) offering 25,000 square feet featuring more than 270 local artists. And if you’re catching the artist bug, Chesterfield County’s Perkinson Center for the Arts & Education (perkinsoncenter.org) offers a packed roster of classes. If you’d rather be an observer than a participant, the Baxter and Elaine Perkinson Jr. Art Gallery (perkinsoncenter.org) showcases rotating exhibitions from regional artists in multiple mediums from fiber arts to modern expressionism.
STEP BACK IN TIME
A JOURNEY THROUGH 400 YEARS OF AMERICAN HISTORY BRINGS THE PAST TO LIFE

1611
Sir Thomas Dale founded the City of Henricus in Chesterfield County on “seven English acres of ground.” It was the second successful English settlement in the New World. It was here that John Rolfe meets Pocahontas, daughter of the Powhatan chief. They married several years later and had a child. Commemorating more than 400 years of history, Henricus Historical Park (henricus.org), a living history museum, re-creates everyday 17th-century life on a bluff overlooking the James River. Open Tuesday-Sunday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

1703
St. Peter’s Church (stpetersonewkent.org) in New Kent was completed. Known as the First Church of the First First-Lady, the church was attended by Martha Dandridge, who married George Washington, our nation’s first president. The parish was established in 1679, making it the oldest parish church in the Diocese of Virginia and third oldest in the commonwealth.

PRE-1607
Before the arrival of the English, Native Americans lived in what is now Virginia for over 12,000 years. By the early 17th century, Chief Powhatan was the leader of 4-6 tribes in the area with a base at the Fall Line of the James River in Richmond.

1663
Henry Randolph I built Swift Creek Mill, widely believed to be one of the first grist mills in the United States. Since 1965, Swift Creek Mill (swiftcreekmill.com) has served as a playhouse and restaurant, delighting audiences with professional theatrical productions.

1709
The Mid-Lothian Mines in Chesterfield, known as the first place in the country to produce commercially mined coal, was opened and began the U.S. Industrial Revolution. During the Revolutionary War, Chesterfield’s coal pits supplied fuel used in making shot and shells for the Continental Army. Now a 44-acre preserve, Mid-Lothian Mines Park (midlominnes.org) features the cut-stone ruins of mines surrounded by woodlands.
1718

Sitting atop a hill in Colonial Heights next to the historic Violet Bank Museum (colonialheightsva.gov), the largest and oldest Cucumber Tree (Magnolia acuminata) in the country has grown and thrived for at least 300 years. It was there that the Marquis de Lafayette fought the Battle of Peters burg during the American Revolution. Gen. Robert E. Lee held church services under it during the Civil War. This unique tree is 57 feet tall with a 276-inch circumference.

1780

For nearly three centuries, Hanover Tavern (hanover tavern.org) has been at the core of the Hanover community. An inn, a tavern, and now an events center and restaurant, the inn houses the 150-seat theater for the Virginia Repertory Theatre. Hanover Tavern in 1953 became the site of one of Virginia's earliest dinner theaters, the Barksdale Theater.

1785

Construction on the Kanawha Canal began in Richmond, originally intended to connect the eastward-flowing James River and the westward-flowing Kanawha River (a tributary to the Ohio River). Seasonal riverfront canal cruises now offer an up-close experience, and the adjacent Canal Walk is a 1.25-mile bikeable, walkable path with historical markers and exhibits along the way.

1775

On March 23, 1775, Patrick Henry declared "Give me liberty, or give me death!" to an illegal gathering of the Second Virginia Convention at St. John's Church (historic stjohnschurch.org), emphasizing the need for Virginia to defend against encroachments by the British military. St. John's remains an active church, and tours and reenactments are regularly featured.

1788

Under Governor Thomas Jefferson, the Virginia capital moved to Richmond from Williamsburg in 1780 to make it more secure from British attack. The Virginia State Capitol (virginia capitol.gov), designed by Jefferson, opened in 1788 and was the first public building in the New World to be constructed in the form of a classical Roman temple. It is still in use by lawmakers today, and is open for tours and to the public.
1847
Established in 1847, Hollywood Cemetery (hollywoodcemetery.org) is one of the most historic and beautiful cemeteries in the United States with 135 acres of rolling hills overlooking the James River. It is the final resting place for U.S. Presidents, the Confederate States President, 28 Confederate generals, and other notables who influenced American history. In 1968, James Monroe’s Gothic Revival cast iron canopy, known as “the Birdcage” was registered as a National Historic Landmark by the National Park Service. The cemetery continues to operate.

1865
Confederate troops evacuated Richmond on April 3, deliberately setting fire to the city. The former Capital of the Confederate States of America fell and many of its people fled. President Abraham Lincoln visited the next day. The story of these three fateful days is told through an installation along the T. Tyler Potterfield Bridge (jamesriverpark.org/t-tyler-potterfield-memorial-bridge), which spans the James River from Richmond to Brown’s Island. The wheelchair-friendly expanse offers spectacular views of the city.

1895
The Jefferson Hotel (jeffersonhotel.com) has been greeting guests, including 13 presidents, with luxurious accommodations and fine dining for more than 125 years. When the Jefferson Hotel was selected for the National Register of Historical Places, it was considered to be among the finest examples of Beaux Arts style in existence.

1903
Maggie L. Walker, a Black entrepreneur and community leader, became the first woman to charter and become president of a bank in the United States when she opened Saint Luke Penny Savings Bank in Richmond’s Jackson Ward neighborhood.

1908
Virginia Randolph, a pioneer educator from Henrico County, worked to upgrade vocational training throughout the South. A museum honoring her is open by appointment at the Virginia Randolph Training Center, which she founded (henrico.us/rec/places/virginia-randolph-museum).

1935
The first can of beer made its debut on Jan. 24, when the Gottfried Krueger Brewing Company packaged and sold 2,000 cans to Richmond drinkers.

1922
The Poe Museum (poemuseum.org) opened in the Old Stone House, the oldest original residential building in Richmond dating to 1740. The museum is dedicated to the writer and poet Edgar Allan Poe, famous for his tales of mystery and the macabre, and houses the largest collection of his original manuscripts, letters and personal belongings.

1900
The Town of Ashland, located in Hanover County, was developed by the railroad as a mineral springs resort. The origin of the town dates to the late 1840s. It consisted of one square mile when it was originally incorporated in 1858. Today, Ashland has grown through several annexations to the size of 7.02 square miles, one of the larger towns in land area in Virginia.
Richmond museums highlight local, national and international history through compelling stories and fascinating exhibits.

**AMERICAN CIVIL WAR MUSEUM**
The ACWM at Tredegar is one of three connected historic sites, along with the White House of the Confederacy and the ACWM at Appomattox. acwm.org

**BLACK HISTORY MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER OF VIRGINIA**
Learn from a history timeline and hear about inspiring Black Richmonders. blackhistorymuseum.org

**VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF HISTORY & CULTURE**
The museum has completed a $30 million renovation with more than ever to do and see. Learn about 16,000 years of Virginia history through a collection of 500 artifacts, use the new research library and get lunch at their new cafe. virginiahistory.org

**THE VALENTINE**
With a focus on Richmond's history and culture, The Valentine does an excellent job of illuminating facets of the city through artifacts and stories about cultural trends. thevalentine.org

**VIRGINIA HOLOCAUST MUSEUM**
Beyond the important facts and figures of the Holocaust, this museum shines a powerful light on personal stories of victims. vahoocaust.org

1975
Kings Dominion opened.
FAMILY FUN
FROM FEEDING GIRAFFES TO RIDING ROLLER COASTERS, FUN IS FOR FAMILIES

The Richmond Region offers a wealth of activities for family members of all ages. With amusement park rides, technological wonders, and abundant natural beauty, there is plenty to delight the whole crowd.

MAYMONT
This 100-acre historic estate includes an original Gilded Age mansion, Virginia wildlife habitats, farm animals, and a Japanese Garden complete with a 40-foot waterfall and a bamboo forest. The Robins Nature Center showcases fish and other animals native to the James River and Chesapeake Bay. maymont.org

METRO RICHMOND ZOO
Beyond admiring the zoo’s 2,000 animals, visitors can feed giraffes, budgies (budgerigar parakeets) and camels; get up close — behind a glass wall — with a Bengal tiger; and marvel at prairie dogs popping in and out of their hilly home. Ride high above the rhinos on the Treetop ZooFari (treetopzooFari.com), a zip line experience with offerings for ages 4 and up. metrorichmondzoo.com

KINGS DOMINION
Start your visit to this amusement park complex with a ride to the top of its iconic Eiffel Tower, one-third the size of its Paris namesake, and take in the view. Nearing its 50th anniversary, the theme park offers thrill rides for all ages including 13 roller coasters and the Planet Snoopy kids’ area. Cool down at Soak City, Kings Dominion’s 20-acre water park featuring more than two dozen slides, included with admission. kingsdominion.com

Kings Dominion was named the 2023 Coaster101 Park Mania Champion out of 70+ parks from across North America.
CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF RICHMOND
The OG of kids' fun, the Children's Museum fosters learning through play. Exhibitions designed for toddlers and children up to age 8 include virtual floor projection in Eye Play, a multi-level Living Tree House and replicas of a farm, service station and hospital. For a movement break, head to the carousel for a spin. The museum has locations in Richmond and Midlothian. childrensmuseumofrichmond.org

SCIENCE MUSEUM OF VIRGINIA
Budding scientists will flock to interactive exhibits, educator-led demonstrations throughout the day, and the opportunity to build a sundial or downhill racer in The Forge, the museum’s makerspace. Those too young to say “science” have an area, too: LightPlace, targeted to those under age 5, is all about exploration and discovery. Set aside some time to watch a game of Rat Basketball! smv.org

KEYSTONE TRUCK & TRACTOR MUSEUM
This essential stop for motor enthusiasts has hearts racing and engines revving for its massive collection of fully restored antique tractors, trucks, cars and motorcycles plus collections of vintage gas pumps, collectibles and more. The indoor museum covers 125,000 square feet — that’s nearly three acres — and includes a gift shop and restaurant. keystonestractorworks.com

HENRICO SPORTS & EVENTS CENTER
Brand new and ready for action, the Henrico Sports & Events Center (henricosee.com) is a state-of-the-art championship complex with space for a myriad of sporting and community events. This multipurpose events center will host the Atlantic 10 Women’s Basketball Championship, as well as all the Special Olympics of Virginia tournaments and events from across the commonwealth. The center can be set up for 12 basketball courts or 24 volleyball courts. One side converts into a 3,500-seat arena.

Richmond has so many fun places for families and so much to do! Maymont has animals, gardens and trails. Families can hike, bike, and fish. There’s something for all ages and interests.”

Megan Arian shares her family-friendly adventures on Instagram as @thewestendmom where her following has reached over 60K.
DISTINCTIVE DINING
MASTERFUL CHEFS BRING A MYRIAD OF FLAVORS TO THE CUISINE SCENE

With a nationally recognized dining scene, the Richmond Region has solidified itself as a culinary destination for voracious visitors.

In the heart of downtown, ML Steak Modern Chophouse (mlsteakrv.com) is a contemporary chophouse in the Lindsey Food Group portfolio, one of 10 offerings by the husband-and-wife duo Mike Lindsey and Kimberly Love-Lindsey, which also includes Lillie Pearl (lilliepearlrv.com).

Marrying French cuisine with Southern flair, L’Opossum (lopossum.com) is proprietor David Shannon’s eccentric and elegant Oregon Hill neighborhood charmer. Escargot ham biscuits and the lobster mac and cheese Swank Bank are must-orders. Another nearby Southern-infused restaurant is The Roosevelt (rooseveltrva.com), helmed by executive chef Leah Branch, who has catapulted the neighborhood mainstay, open since 2011, into a new era. Menu favorites include house-made cornbread and Deb’s Nana’s collards. A Richmond institution for over 40 years, Stella’s (stellarichmond.com) has been serving rustic Greek food inspired by Stella Dikos’ childhood in Greece. The beloved restaurant is a perfect backdrop for date night or a special occasion.

At Short Pump Town Center, Lehja (lehja.com) blends warm hospitality with modern Indian cuisine and an award-winning wine selection. A James Beard Award semifinalist, chef-owner Sunny Baweja is known for his chaat.

A fellow James Beard Award semifinalist with a focus on sustainability, chef-owner Lee Gregory steers the waters at Alewife (alewiferva.com) a Mid-Atlantic seafood shrine deemed one of Esquire magazine’s “Best New Restaurants in America” in 2019. Bonus: Creative cocktails and brunch service.

A suburban standout is Midlothian Chef’s Kitchen (midlothianchefskitchen.com), led by
David Dunlap, formerly of The Inn at Little Washington, and his wife, Brittany. Merging classical French training with a love of Virginia ingredients, the result is a hyper-seasonal menu. If a railroad view is more your style, The Caboose Market & Cafe (cabooseashland.com) rests along the tracks in Ashland, offering casual bites with a local touch. A long-standing jewel in downtown Ashland, the restaurant’s attached market has been open since 1997. And in Midlothian, a former culinary instructor, Ann Butler, has introduced an intimate bistro dubbed 21 Spoons (21spoonsmidlo.com). In 2023, it was named “Best Locally Owned Restaurant in Virginia” by Southern Living.

Opened in 2022, Richmond’s first food hall, Hatch Local (hatchlocalfoodhall.com), offers a choose-your-own edible adventure complete with a cafe and cocktail bar.

“Richmond is such a great city where locals truly support, and visitors love to eat, local. The Richmond Region community has been beyond incredible in supporting us.”

Mike Lindsey and his wife, Kimberly Love-Lindsey, are the force behind several ventures including Lillie Pearl, Jubilee, Buttermilk & Honey, ML Steak Modern Chophouse and more.
FROM HAM TO HEROES, CREATIVE SAMMIES HIT THE HANKERING

UKROP’S MARKET HALL
Chicken salad on white house rolls
Locals swear by the legendary Ukrop’s brand for prepared foods and exceptional customer service. Grab some rainbow cookies for dessert. 7250 Patterson Ave. ukrops.homestylefoods.com

CHARLOTTE’S SOUTHERN DELI
Pastrami
This Black-owned eatery was a 2023 recipient of the Heinz Black Kitchen Initiative to celebrate, uplift, and preserve the legacy of Black food. 200 S. 10th St.

SECRET SANDWICH SOCIETY
Fillmore with breaded, fried eggplant
This bustling downtown mainstay is known for playful, history-themed sammie riffs. 501 E. Grace St. secretsandwichsociety.com

BASICALLY HALAL
Falafel shawarma
The fast-casual shawarma spot in North Chesterfield is the cooperative effort of two high school friends with Middle Eastern and Southeast Asian roots. 316 N. Arch Rd. basicallyhalal.com
SALLY BELL’S KITCHEN
Pimento cheese
Around since 1928, this James Beard Award-nominated, lunch-only institution in Richmond serves boxed lunches complete with a deviled egg, cheese biscuit and upside down cupcake. 2337 W. Broad St.
sallybellskitchen.com

MORE THAN GREEK
Lamb gyro
The authentic family-owned grill in Mechanicsville has graced Yelp’s list of Top 100 Places to Eat.
ordermorethangreekhanover.com

HOMEMADES BY SUZANNE
Hanover Club
This Ashland gem transports to a simpler time — be sure to snag a deep dish Hanover tomato pie during summer months. 102 N. Railroad Ave.
homemadesbysuzanne.com

COPPOLA’S DELI
Italian Hero
The classic corner deli in Carytown has been around for over 30 years. 2900 W. Cary St.
coppolasdeli.com
BUBBLING, BEERS & BARS

RAISING THE BAR
Pony up at The Park (thepark.com), featuring a 60-foot bar, the longest in Virginia. This mega entertainment complex features mini golf, duckpin bowling, virtual golf bays, a karaoke room, a comedy club, and a food hall. For a classic lager and family-friendly arcade, it’s hard to beat Bingo Beer Co. (bingobeerco.com), or head to Uptown Alley (uptownalleyrichmond.com) in Midlothian for high tech bowling, live music and margarita towers.

WINE DOWN
Virginia is the birthplace of America’s wine industry, and Thomas Jefferson spent a literal fortune on wine. Sip some of those grape descendants at Ashton Creek Winery (ashtoncreekvineyard.com). A great spot for summer sampling is the landscaped patio and beautiful terrace at James River Cellars (jamesrivercellars.com). Cooler days are just right for a glass of Jolene Family Winery’s Cabernet Franc (jolenefamilywinery.com), while you cozy up in a private lakefront tent.

SPIRIT FREE
All the taste of a great cocktail but none of the hangover? That’s Point 5’s (point5va.com) mission and it’s yielding delicious results. The Carytown bottle shop offers more than 100 brands of alcohol-free possibilities. The beverages feel, taste, and smell just like your favorite alcoholic beverages yet contain less than 0.5% alcohol. Some beverages are actually good for you. And you won’t regret it in the morning.
IN GOOD SPIRITS
Richmond’s own rum and gin distillery Virago Spirits (viragospirits.com) combines time-honored traditions with modern techniques. Sip and sample in the stylish tasting room or order a specialty cocktail, like the classic Aviation with Virago Modern Gin, crème de violette and maraschino liqueur and lemon. Award-winning vodka cocktails, handcrafted by Cirrus Vodka (cirrusvodka.com), are offered at their tasting room near Scott’s Addition. Civil War soldiers on Belle Isle made their own moonshine with a surplus of corn rations. Belle Isle Moonshine (belleislecraftspirits.com) continues the tradition with a new generation of spirits and infused flavors, including Honey Habanero and Blood Orange.

HAPPY TRAILS TO YOU
Whether it’s an IPA or a Beermosa, the trail of two bubbly winds delightful routes through Richmond’s beer and brunch scenes. Find your way to some sipping hot spots. Richmond’s burgeoning beer scene has made headlines in USA Today, Forbes and CNN. Visit more than 30 spots on the Richmond Beer Trail (richmondbeertrail.com), get your map stamped and earn some swag along the way. Nearly a dozen breweries are within walking distance in Scott’s Addition, an industrial district turned hipster hotspot. The Vell (thevellbrewing.com) serves hop-forward beers, fruited gose and aged stouts in a modern space with Asian fare. Stroll over to Ardent (ardentcraftales.com) for an award-winning pilsner in the laid-back beer garden. Nearby, the King of Clouds IPA at Three Notch’d (threenotchdbrewing.com) is a fan favorite. At Hardywood Park Craft Brewery (hardywood.com), the Richmond Lager pairs perfectly with gourmet pizza. Just up Broad Street, The Answer Brewpub (theanswerbrewpub.com) features 56 taps and two bars.

The weekend has arrived, brunch beckons. Just one problem: who has the best mimosas? After all, it’s not just about the orange juice. The Richmond Region Mimosa Trail (richmondmimosatrial.com) can help you discover all the great and creative mimosas to be had. This self-guided tour will take you on a bubbly journey to find mimosa flights, crazy flavors, even a Beermosa. For a great view, try sipping at Kabana Rooftop (kabana屋顶top.com) with sweeping views of the James River.

Richmond is a great place for drinks because of the bartenders. They show their passion and dedication behind their cocktails that are showcased throughout the city.”

Katie Stuart is a popular local bartender and a TikTok sensation known as @bardaddy_with 224K followers.
From its powerful past to lively modern-day celebrations, the Richmond Region offers countless opportunities to immerse yourself in its rich Black heritage and thriving culture.

A visit to Jackson Ward, once known as the “Harlem of the South,” is a must for every Itinerary. Explore the Black History Museum & Cultural Center of Virginia (blackhistorymuseum.org) for a comprehensive perspective on the historical struggles and triumphs of the Black community in Virginia, and tour the Maggie L. Walker National Historical Site (nps.gov/mawa), the preserved home of the first woman to charter a bank in the U.S. Taste delicious soul food from award-winning Mama J’s Kitchen (mamajskitchen.com) and plan to attend the annual 2nd Street Festival (venture richmond.com), a neighborhood celebration in October.

Other standout events in the region include Juneteenth, the Down Home Family Reunion,
Its history in the importation of enslaved Africans, and the birth of Black Capitalism, make Richmond, Virginia ‘Ground Zero’ of the American Empire, and thus, a ‘must visit’ destination!”

Gary Flowers leads captivating in-depth walking tours of Historic Jackson Ward, his hometown neighborhood in downtown Richmond.

and the Capital City Kwanzaa Festival, all hosted by the Elegba Folklore Society (efslnc.org), an organization dedicated to preserving and promoting African and African American culture. Their Cultural Center includes a gallery of fine art and imports, and they offer an impactful tour, “Along the Trail of Enslaved Africans.”

To further explore the region’s Black history, follow the Richmond Slave Trail for insights into the city’s central role in the trade of enslaved people. Along the way, don’t miss the dramatic Emancipation and Freedom Monument, commemorating the end of slavery and honoring African American contributions in Virginia. For a faster pace, the annual Run Richmond 16.19 (runrichmond16.19.org) race takes you on a meaningful journey through 400 years of Black history.

When it comes to food, Croaker’s Spot (croakersspot.com), Lillie Pearl (lilliepearlva.com), Ronnie’s BBQ (theoriginalronnies.com) and Ruby Scoops (rubysoops.com) are a few of the many Black-owned restaurants that offer delectable cuisine, from soul food to seafood to sweets. Quench your thirst with a coffee from Urban Hang Suite (urbanhangsuiterva.com) or a glass of organic wine from Penny’s Wine Shop (pennysrva.com).

Local Black-owned wellness resources provide plentiful ways to relax and rejuvenate during your visit. Enjoy a yoga session at the Well Collective (thewellcollective.space), take a spin class at Hour Cycle Studio (hourcycletva.com), and shop for all-natural body care products at Adiva Naturals (adivanauals.com).

More essential shopping spots include Pop of Confetti (popofconfetti.com) and Little Nomad (littlenomadshop.com), plus the Richmond Night Market (richmondnightmarketva.com), a seasonal monthly event with an artisan village and live music.

To learn more and plan your visit, check out visitblkrva.com.
HUB OF MANY CULTURES

FESTIVALS CELEBRATE GLOBAL DIVERSITY WITH FOODS, DANCE AND TRADITION

The region’s rich cultural heritage takes center stage during vibrant and lively events throughout the year, showcasing the global traditions and flavors that are interwoven into the fabric of this diverse community.

ARmenian food festival

Hosted by St. James Armenian Church, the region’s oldest food festival takes place annually on a Friday and Saturday in September. Traditional dancing is featured, and group dancing is open to all. Visitors know to come hungry for the signature Hye burger – a combination of ground sirloin and lamb – and other traditional Armenian fare, including chicken kebabs and Kotayk beer. 834 Pepper Ave. 804-282-3818. armenianfoodfestival.com.

Richmond embraces you, and you, yes you! Multicultural events in the city, like the Que Pasa Festival, welcome diversity and culture, and offer a cross-cultural link to our Richmond population.”

Elsa Eslava Smith, who immigrated from Peru in 1970, founded the Virginia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.
**¿QUÉ PASA? FESTIVAL**

This outdoor festival sponsored by the Virginia Hispanic Chamber is held in early May and showcases Latino and Hispanic heritage. An artisan market and artist demonstrations highlight traditional art forms. Musicians and dancers from across the Latino diaspora will get your toes tapping. Children have a designated space with arts, crafts, and educational activities. Food trucks and booths provide full meals and sweet treats. Brown's Island, 500 Tidewater St. 804-378-4099. quepassafestival.com.

**RICHMOND FOLK FESTIVAL**

A celebration of traditional sounds and culture, the Richmond Folk Festival, one of Virginia's largest events, draws some 200,000 people. The October festival offers six stages featuring more than 30 performing groups from around the country and around the world. Cultural traditions are celebrated through music, dance, crafts, storytelling and food. Downtown Richmond's riverfront. richmondfolkfestival.org.

**LEBANESE FOOD FESTIVAL**

Situated on the grounds of Saint Anthony Church, this May Friday-Sunday festival features traditional Mediterranean fare: hummus, fatayer, stuffed grape leaves, roasted lamb, beef and shrimp kabobs, falafel and shawarma, plus Lebanese beer and wine. For those who can't decide, sampler boxes provide a taste of several classic items. And for those who want more, bulk sales are an option. 4611 Sadler Road, Glen Allen. 804-277-9566. lebanesefoodfestival.com.

**RICHMOND GREEK FESTIVAL**

One of the most popular annual events in the region, the Greek Festival occupies the grounds and gym of Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral. Held the weekend after Memorial Day, it attracts eager eaters to indulge in authentic cuisine, enjoy live music and dancing, and shop the Agora Marketplace. For streamlined food service, try the drive-through, 30 Malvern Ave. 804-358-5996. greekfestival.com.

**RICHMOND JEWISH FOOD FESTIVAL**

Held the Sunday and Monday of the MLK weekend in January, this festival takes over the Weinstein JCC with food, entertainment, and vendors. Enjoy classic briyat, corned beef, potato latkes, matzah ball soup, kugel, and knish, as well as Israeli delicacies of falafel and shawarma. Plus: dill pickle on a stick. Live music and entertainment complete the event. 5403 Monument Ave. 804-288-7953. richmondjewishfoodfestival.com.
Ranked among the most LGBTQ-friendly destinations in the U.S., the Richmond Region embraces diversity and offers a wide range of inclusive venues and events for a lively and welcoming visit.

If you’re into unique boutiques and trendy local eateries, Carytown is the perfect outing. This “Mile of Style,” features an array of shops, restaurants, and attractions. Be sure to stop by Mongrel (mongrelrva.com), a fun and funky LGBTQ-owned gift store. Then find time to unwind at Babe's of Carytown (facebook.com/babesofcarytown), a laid-back lesbian bar with theme nights, pool tables, and a sand volleyball court.

To find local makers markets, check out Trans Jam Events (instagram.com/transjamrva), an event resource run by trans-advocate Andy Waller who also founded the popular local business Dayum This Is My Jam.

For a fabulous brunch and a feast for the eyes, Godfrey’s (gofreysrva.com) is the place to go. With its dazzling drag shows and high energy vibe, this restaurant and dance club offers unforgettable experiences.

The annual Pridefest (diversityrichmond.org/virginia-pride) celebration, hosted by Virginia Pride, is another showcase of Richmond’s LGBTQ community in all its glory featuring live entertainment and vendors. Other Virginia Pride events throughout the year include skate nights, Drag Bingo, and the Endless Summer of Pride.

Catch a captivating performance by the Richmond Triangle Players (rttriangle.org) while you’re in town, too. This long-running LGBTQ theater company has received international acclaim and is known for pushing boundaries through its thought-provoking plays and musicals.

Looking for fresh air and exercise? Take a walk along the scenic James River and explore the lush parks and gardens in the region. Or attend an open gym session at Body Arc (bodyarcrva.com), the area’s first queer-owned fitness center.

Richmond’s LGBTQ scene is a testament to the region’s spirit of inclusivity and acceptance. Come see for yourself!

To learn more and plan your visit, check out outrva.com.

Richmond Scored a Perfect 100 on the Human Rights Campaign’s annual Municipal Equality Index Scorecard in 2023.
ROOT FOR THE HOME TEAMS YEAR-ROUND

A fan of a cheer and a beer? Richmond has a plethora of sports to enjoy. From baseball, soccer, and football to NASCAR and horse racing, competitions are in session year-round.

Richmond’s baseball team, the Flying Squirrels (squirrelsbaseball.com), is one of the best attended teams in the league. Their family-friendly entertainment includes theme nights, merchandise giveaways and spectacular fireworks displays throughout the season. Plus, fan-favorite mascots Nutzy and Natasha keep the crowd energized. The 2024 season home opener is on April 9. For even more ballpark fun, head over to the historic Shepherd Stadium in Colonial Heights to cheer on the hottest team in the collegiate Coastal Plain League, the Tri-City Chili Peppers (chilipeppersbaseball.com).

Across town at City Stadium, the Richmond Kickers (richmondkickers.com) have played professional soccer since 1993 and were the 2022 regular-season champions. The Kickers’ USL W League Richmond team debuts this season, bringing pre-professional women’s soccer to the region. If football is more your style, the Richmond Black Widows (richmondblackwidows.com) of the Women’s Football Alliance, billed as “Richmond’s first women’s tackle football team,” play April through June.

At Richmond Raceway (richmondraceway.com), engines roar two weekends each year as NASCAR visits for spring and summer night races and at least one race for all three major series. The Xfinity and NASCAR Cup races compete during the spring, while the Craftsman Truck Series and a second Cup Series return each summer. The Raceway Complex is also home to exhibition events like USDrift, concerts, expos and more. Experience the thunder of hooves every Thursday, Friday and Saturday in New Kent during the summer race season as world-class thoroughbreds compete for large purses and bragging rights at Colonial Downs (rosiesgaming.com/racing). The racetrack’s Secretariat Turf Course boasts the widest grass surface of any track in North America, and the dirt track is the country’s second largest.
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Quirk Richmond is the intersection of art and the boutique hotel experience. Peruse the Quirk Gallery, stop by the Q Rooftop Bar or simply enjoy your room, made one-of-a-kind by local artwork. quirkhotels.com

The Jefferson Hotel is one of the most luxurious experiences in downtown Richmond. The hotel prides itself on the “residential feel” of its guest suites. Enjoy shopping on-site, fine dining, Sunday brunch and its signature afternoon tea. jeffersonhotel.com

The Henry Clay Inn has been a part of historic Ashland for over 100 years. Enjoy a cozy brunch, lunch or dinner on the front porch and watch the trains go by — an essential Ashland experience. henryclayinn.com

MOXY RICHMOND DOWNTOWN
Since November 2022, Moxy Richmond Downtown has been a trendy, unique hotel experience with the quality of the Marriott Bonvoy chain. Every stay starts off strong with a complimentary “Get Moxy” cocktail with your room key. General Manager Jasmine Feliciano describes the rooms as “small but smart,” admissible on account of the lively communal spaces, featuring retro gaming cabinets, music and a bar. “We don’t take ourselves too seriously, but we’re seriously into showing you a good time,” Feliciano says. marriott.com

Just a 10-minute walk from Short Pump Town Center and a 20-minute drive from Downtown, the Hilton Richmond Hotel & Spa is as rejuvenating as it is conveniently located. Take advantage of the indoor pool and spa offering massages, manicures and more. hilton.com

Linden Row Inn, a 70-room boutique hotel, is an historic landmark on the National Register of Historic Places and is considered the nation’s best surviving example of Greek Revival architecture. The inn was restored in 1988 to a full-service hotel with updated amenities. Edgar Allan Poe courted his first love in the inn’s courtyard garden. lindernrowinn.com

Virginia Crossings Hotel & Conference Center is a 20-acre resort with Colonial architecture and manicured gardens for a stay away from the city lights. hilton.com
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*24 dorm beds, private rooms/semi-private rooms
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Pop-up gallery and showroom in historic Shockoe Bottom featuring local and visiting artist exhibitions. Houses fine art consultancy Glave Kocen Consulting. 111 N. 18th St. 804-305-5718 or glavekocenconsulting.com

INSTITUTE FOR CONTEMPORARY ART (ICA) AT VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY
A non-collecting institution that showcases changing exhibitions and programs, the ICA serves as a forum for dialogue, collaboration and new ideas. Four galleries showcase diverse perspectives through multiple mediums. 501 W. Broad St. 804-828-2623 or icavcu.org

IRDAN GALLERY
Features LGBTQ+ artists and art that relates to their experiences. 1407 Sherwood Ave. 804-622-4668 or diversity.vcu.edu

LAUREL GALLERY
Opened in 1989, this 9,996-square-foot craft gallery features art glass, pottery, jewelry, yard art and other gifts. 2005 Hungary Road. 804-462-6808 or lauriegalleryva.com

PINE CAMP CULTURAL ARTS AND COMMUNITY CENTER
Year-round rotating exhibits feature local artists in the Spotlight Gallery. 401 Old Brook Road. 804-646-3674 or pinecampculturalartscenter.com

QUICK GALLERY
Exhibits work by established and emerging artists and includes a shop with local and handmade gifts, jewelry and stationery. 207 W. Broad St. 804-348-6036 or quickgallery.com

REYNOLDS GALLERY
Two gallery locations exhibit regional and national artists' works in a range of styles. 1514 W. Main St. 804-335-6553; 401 Libbie Ave. No. 3, 804-322-7290 or reynoldsgallery.com

RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY
Four galleries with changing monthly exhibitions featuring paintings, photography, mixed media, pottery and sculpture. 101 E. Franklin St. 804-466-7225 or rpllibrary.org

SARA D. NOVEMBER GALLERY
Varied exhibitions focusing on Jewish and general art themes, located within the Weinstein JCC. 5401 Monument Ave. 804-545-8644 or weinsteinjcc.org

SHOCKOE ARTSPACE
Nonprofit gallery exhibiting local, regional and national visual artists and diverse programming. 12 N. 18th St. 804-740-4095 or shockoartspace.com

SHOCKOE BOTTOM CLAY
A makers gallery with 10 studios and the ceramic art of more than 30 local and regional artists. 1714 E. Main St. shockoebottomclay.com

STUDIO TWO THREE
Nonprofit art studio and printmaking workshop with a mission to empower artists to make art and make change. 109 W. 15th St. 804-252-7302 or sudottwosthree.org

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY ARTS

THE ANDERSON
Exhibition and program space for VCUArts students, alumni, and faculty, as well as professional artists showcasing contemporary works. 107 W. Franklin St. 804-828-7720 or ars.vcu.edu/community/the-anderson

FLIPPO GALLERY
Flippo Gallery is a contemporary fine art gallery exhibiting work by emerging and established artists. Pace-Arnstädt Hall, 211 N. Center St., Randolph-Macon College. rmc.edu/departments/arts/flippo-gallery

MODLIN CENTER FOR THE ARTS
Brings a full season of world-class artists to the University of Richmond. Also hosts mainstage productions by the Department of Theatre and Dance and the Department of Music's annual free concert series. 435 Westhampton Way at the University of Richmond. 804-289-8980 or modlin.richmond.edu

THE MUSEUM GALLERIES AT VIRGINIA UNION UNIVERSITY
Located in the L. Douglas Wilder Library at Virginia Union University, the galleries include collections of masks, sculptures and paintings from Africa and the South Pacific, as well as African American folk art. Appointments are required for campus visitors. 1500 N. Lombardy St. 804-257-5660 or vuu.edu

UNIVERSITY DANCE AND MUSIC DEPARTMENTS
UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND (theatre & dance) 804-289-8592 theatraudance.richmond.edu, (music) music.richmond.edu

VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY (dance), arts.vcu.edu/dance-or-arts.vcu.edu/campus/the-anderson

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UNIVERSITY OF RICHMOND MUSEUMS
Includes Joel and Lila Harnett Museum of Art, the Joel and Lila Harnett Print Study Center, and the Lora Robins Gallery of Design From Nature. 453 Westhampton Way. 804-289-8276 or museums.richmond.edu

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BOLLING HAXALL HOUSE
Home to the Woman's Club since 1900, this Italianate-style mansion was built in 1858 for Bolling Walker Haxall, heir to a flour milling fortune. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday (closed Mondays, October-April); tours by appointment. 211 E. Franklin St. 804-649-2847 or twichmond.org

CHURCH QUARTER
This is the best-preserved antebellum neighborhood in the city. Tours by appointment. 12432 Old Ridge Road (old Route 738). 804-643-6252 or 804-516-3218. Free with donation accepted.

CLARK-PALMORE HOUSE MUSEUM
The museum interprets the story of the Palmore family, who lived on this farm during the Great Depression. Tours by appointment. 904 McColl St. 804-652-3406 or henrico.us/ces/places/clark-palmore

HANOVER TAVERN
Frequently visited by Revolutionary armies and Civil War troops, Hanover Tavern was also home to Patrick Henry for a time. The tavern has a self-guided audio tour and a Civil War exhibit, as well as a restaurant and pub. 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 13818 Hanover Courthouse Road. 804-537-5050 or hanovervta.com $

JOHN MARSHALL HOUSE
Home of the "Great Chief Justice" and his family from 1790 to 1835, this national and Virginia historic site is where Marshall formed his influential ideas of a strong national government and principles of the American judiciary. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. March-December: 804 E. Main St. 804-649-7998 or preservationvirginia.org $

MAGNOLIA GRANGE
This Federal-style home was built in 1832 by William Winfree and interprets 19th-century country mansion life. Includes the Chesterfield Historical Society gift shop. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. 80020 Iron Bridge Road. 804-745-1498 or chesterfield.gov $

MEADOW FARM MUSEUM AT CRUMP PARK
This 1860s living-history farm and museum features a farmhouse, crops, farm animals and costumed interpreters. Grounds open sunrise-sunset daily. See website for museum and Parsons Community Center hours. 804-652-1855 or henrico.us/ces/places/meadow-farm

WALKERTON TAVERN
Built by John Walker in 1825, this one-story frame house with Greek Revival interior detail is on the National Register of Historic Places. The house is privately owned but can be seen at 151 Carroll Ave. in Colonial Heights. colonialsheights.gov

PATRICK HENRY'S SCOTCHTOWN
Built in the 18th century, Scotchtown was home to Patrick Henry, who rode from here to St. John's Church to deliver his famous "Liberty or Death" speech. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March-December; tickets must be purchased online. Guided cell phone tour of grounds available. 1612 Chiswell Lane, 804-227-3500 or preservationvirginia.org $

SYCAMORE TAVERN
Built circa 1732 as a stagecoach stop, the tavern now houses the Florence L. Page Library of Local History and Genealogy. 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday and Friday; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. 17193 Mountain Road. 804-683-5355.

BLACK HISTORY MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER OF VIRGINIA
Houses exhibitions commemorating the accomplishments of Black Virginians. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday. 122 W. Leigh St. 804-780-9893 or blackhistorymuseum.org $

THE CHESTERFIELD COUNTY MUSEUM AND 1892 Jail
This replica of the county's 1879 courthouse has exhibits that trace the county's history. See website for hours and dates of operation. 6013 Minniss Loop. 804-768-7314 or chesterfieldhistory.com $

MUSEUMS & ATTRACTIONS

ASHLAND TRAIN STATION
In the visitor center at Ashland's 1920s train depot, visitors can view KFH&PR Railroad memorabilia. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily (subject to change). 112 N. Railroad Ave. 804-752-6766 or ashlandva.gov

BETH HABAH MUSEUM AND ARCHIVES
Richmond's museum of Jewish history and culture. 1109 W. Franklin St. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, closed Fridays and Saturdays. Suggested donation. 804-353-2668 or bethhabah.org/bmaha

THE ASHLAND MUSEUM
The history of Ashland is presented through exhibits, artifacts, photos and community events. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March-December; tickets must be purchased online. Guided cell phone tour of grounds available. 1612 Chiswell Lane, 804-227-3500 or preservationvirginia.org $

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HANOVER MUSEUM OF HISTORY & CULTURE
Learn about this more-than-300-year-old county through engaging and thought-provoking exhibitions. Hours vary, visit the website for updates. 7496 County Complex Road. 804-365-3200 or hanovercounty.gov

HENRICUS HISTORICAL PARK
At the second successful English settlement in the New World, learn Colonial history and explore the culture of the Powhatan Indians in the Arboretack Village at this outdoor living history museum. Self-guided tours. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday (last ticket sold at 4 p.m.). 251 Henricus Park Road, Chester. 804-749-1611 or henricus.org

HOLLYWOOD CEMETERY
Established in 1847, it's the final resting place of two U.S. presidents. Guided tours through RVA on Wheels ( RVAonWheels.com), 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (8 a.m. to 6 p.m. during daylight savings time). 414 S. Cherry St. Grounds are free; fees for tours. 804-648-8501 or hollywoodcemetery.org

THE LIBRARY OF VIRGINIA
Explore the story of Virginia as told through 126 million books, documents, photographs, maps, works of art, newspapers, recordings, films and official records. Exhibitions open to the public; see website for hours and dates of operation. 800 E. Broad St. 804-692-3500 or lib.virginia.gov

MID-LOTHIAN MINES PARK
One of the first major industrial sites in the United States is now a 62-acre preserve. Sunrise-sunset daily. 13390 N. Woolridge Road, Midlothian. midlothianparks.org

MUSEUM OF VIRGINIA CATHOLIC HISTORY
Exhibits include diaries, journals, photographs, and artifacts that tell the history of the Roman Catholic Church in Virginia. Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, 118 S. Laurel St. Guided tours offered by appointment only. 804-349-5611 or richmondhostes.org

THE POE MUSEUM
Collection of manuscripts, first editions and artifacts belonging to Edgar Allan Poe. 1914 E. Main St. Admission for vars. 804-649-5523 or poemuseum.org

RICHMOND RAILROAD MUSEUM
A 1915 Southern Railway passenger station houses artifacts of the lines that contributed to Richmond's rail history. Largest model railroad layout in Richmond. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday. 102 Hull St. 804-231-4524 or richmondrailroadmuseum.org

THE VALENTINE
Established in 1892, The Valentine helps visitors experience Richmond's diverse stories through various tours, events, collections and exhibitions. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 101 E. Clay St. 804-649-0711 or thevalentine.org

THE VALENTINE FIRST FREEDOM CENTER
Located on the corner of the General Assembly building, it's dedicated to the history of freedom in Virginia. 14 S. 14th St. Free. 804-649-0711 or thevalentine.org

VIRGINIA HOLOCAUST MUSEUM
Learn about the lives of Holocaust survivors through their stories of the events of World War II. 350 S. 9th St. Free. 804-785-5643 or va Holocaust.org

VIRGINIA STATE CAPITOL
On the National Register of Historic Places, the Capitol is the center of state government in Richmond. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday. 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday. Entrance on Bank Street near 10th Street. 804-786-1700 or virginiacapitol.state.va.us

VIRGINIA WAR MEMORIAL
The Memorial Shrine of Memory honors the service and sacrifice of the state’s fallen heroes and all veterans. The Gallant Education Center features military history exhibits and award-winning films. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. 102 N. High St. 804-786-1890 or virginiawarmemorial.org

VIRGINIA MUSEUM OF HISTORY & CULTURE
Connects visitors to America's past through art, photography, and historic collections of the Shenandoah Valley. 301 S. 12th St. Free. 804-786-2700 or vamuseum.org

WOLF CREEK CHEROKEE MUSEUM & TRIBAL CENTER
Learn about the past and present of Cherokeeland through exhibits and artifacts. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Wednesdays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. 5900 Wolf Creek Parkway. 804-242-3600 or cherokee.org

HISTORIC CHURCHES

HEBREW CEMETARY
One of the oldest Jewish cemeteries in the South. 500 South Church Street. Closed Sundays. 804-358-1075 or bethabraham.org

HISTORIC POOLEGREEN CHURCH
First meeting house established during the Great Awakening and the site of the first licensed non-Anglican preacher in Virginia, the Rev. Samuel Davies. 6411 Heathwood Drive. 804-730-3837 or historicpoolegreenchurch.org

MONUMENTAL CHURCH
Robert Mills designed this circa 1812 church. Tours by appointment. 1221 E. Broad St. Free. 804-643-7907 or historicrichmond.com

PRO-CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER
Founded in 1834, the first Catholic Church to open in Richmond and the second oldest in the area. It's an example of neo-classical architecture. 800 E. Grace St. 804-663-6451 or stpeterchurch1834.org

SLASH CHURCH
Built circa 1729, Slash Church serves as the oldest and best-preserved frame church in Virginia. Tours by appointment. 11533 Mount Herman Road. 804-778-4520 or slashcc.org

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
The site of Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty or give me death" speech, the Episcopal church still holds services today. See website for information on guided tours and weekend events. 2401 E. Broad St. 804-668-5015 or historicrichmondchurchofstjohns.org

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Aedicated in 1757, it's the oldest standing church building in Richmond. A neoclassical building featuring Tiffany windows, 815 E. Grace St. 804-643-3589 or stpauls.org

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
The three-centuries-old Episcopal church where the Bible was first printed in the English language. Tours by appointment. 9400 St. Peter's Lane, New Kent. To schedule a tour, call 804-993-8966 or stpetersnewkent.org

CIVIL WAR SITES

CIVIL WAR TRAILS
The Virginia Civil War Trails program is a self-guided tour that links more than 400 sites. The tour allows guests to explore the Civil War in Virginia through a series of well-marked trails that tell the story of the war in the Commonwealth. To explore the Civil War Trails, visitvirginia.org/civilwartrails
CIVIL WAR GATEWAY VISITOR CENTER AT HISTORIC TREDEGAR
The official launching point to experience the region's Civil War and Emancipation history. Together, the American Civil War Museum and The National Park Service help orient visitors to the full range of battlefields, museums and historic sites in the region and beyond. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Saturday: 500 Tredegar St.

AMERICAN CIVIL WAR MUSEUM
The museum is housed in a 28,500-square-foot building presenting its renowned collections of artifacts that tell the stories of the Civil War and its legacies from multiple perspectives. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, 480 Tredegar St. 804-649-1861 or acwm.org.

BERMUDA HUNDRED CAMPAIGN
Visit the historic sites that played an important role in the Bermuda Hundred Campaign. chesterfieldhistory.com

CHIMBORAZO MEDICAL MUSEUM
Site of the largest military hospital in the world from 1861 to 1865, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 3218 E. Broad St. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

DREXEL'S BLUFF
A trail leads visitors to a well-preserved Confederate fort. Sunrise-sunset daily. 7600 Fort Darling Road. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

FORT CLIFTON
A Confederate stronghold pivotal in defending Richmond and Petersburg in 1864 and 1865. 7 a.m. to dusk daily. 100 Brookdale Lane. 804-520-9350 or colonialsight.org

FORT HARRISON VISITOR CENTER
A self-guided walking trail takes visitors through the fort, which was captured by 3,000 Union soldiers on July 29, 1864. Trail open sunrise-sunset daily. Visit website for updated visitor center hours. 8621 Fort Harrison Road. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

FORT STEVENS
Constructed in 1862 after the Seven Days Campaign. Sunrise-sunset daily. 8900 Parke Ave., North Chesterfield, 804-751-4946 or chesterfieldhistory.com

GAINES MILL BATTLEFIELD
Artillery exhibits, the historic Watt House and a 1.5-mile walking trail. Sunrise-sunset daily. 2900 Grove Ave. 804-290-1170

GLENDALE NATIONAL CEMETERY/MAVERN HILL BATTLEFIELDS
The cemetery holds approximately 1,200 graves, many of them Union soldiers, and a nearby 2-mile walking trail traverses battlefields. Sunrise-sunset daily. 9175 Wallis Church Road. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

NEWPORT COURT HOUSE
A self-guided walking trail takes visitors through the fort, which was captured by 3,000 Union soldiers on Sept. 29, 1864. Trail open sunrise-sunset daily. Visit website for updated visitor center hours. 8621 Fort Harrison Road. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

HOWELLS LINE VAN TOUR
Learn about Civil War sites that were part of a Confederate line of defenses known as the Howlett Line. This tour includes stops at Battery Dauntless, Parker’s Battery, Ware Bottom Church Battlefield, Howlett Line Park and Fort Weed. See website for tour updates. chesterfieldhistory.com

PARKER’S BATTERY A walking trail winds through fortifications. A monument commemorates Parker’s “Boy Company.” Sunrise-sunset daily. 1801 Ware Bottom Spring Road. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

POINT OF ROCKS
This 176-acre plot is where America Red Cross founder Clara Barton served in a Union hospital during the Bermuda Hundred Campaign. chesterfieldhistory.com

RICHMOND NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD PARK CIVIL WAR VISITOR CENTER Maps, audiovisual displays and exhibits introduce the story of Richmond during the Civil War. Visit website for updated hours. 4700 Tredegar St. 804-771-2145 or nps.gov/rich. Free.

TROTTOPOMY CREEK BATTLEFIELD AT RURAL PLAINS
A walking trail traverses terrain where Union and Confederate armies clashed in 1864. The Shelton House, built around 1725, survived the onslaught of cannon fire. Grounds open sunrise-sunset daily. The Shelton House is open weekends. 7273 Studley Road. 804-226-1861 or nps.gov/rich

WHITE HOUSE OF THE CONFEDERACY
The one-time home of Confederate President Jefferson Davis. Guided tours offered; tickets available online. 1000 E. Clay St. 804-649-1861 or nps.gov/rich

LANDMARKS AND MONUMENTS

CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT CROSS Erected in 1907, it commemorates English Capt. Christopher Newport. South 12th Street and East Byrd Street. christophernewportcross.com

EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION AND FREEDOM MONUMENT In fall 2021, in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the abolition of slavery, two bronze statues representing newly freed slaves were unveiled on Brown’s Island. midnightcommission.dla.virginia.gov

MAGGIE WALKER MONUMENT Bronze statue commemorating entrepreneur Maggie Walker, the first African American woman in the United States to found a bank. Broad and Adams streets.

MANTLE VIRGINIA INDIAN TRIBUTE This monument honors the Commonwealth’s Native American heritage. Located on Capitol Square at the Virginia Capitol, 1000 Bank St. virginiacapitol.gov

THE NATIONAL DONOR MEMORIAL Honors Americans who have made contributions to the state and the nation. Capitol Square at the Virginia State Capitol, 1000 Bank St. virginiacapitol.gov

RICHMOND SLAVERY RECONCILIATION STATUE This bronze sculpture is one of three, completing the triangle of Richmond, the city of Liverpool, England; and the Republic of Berlin, each of which played prominent role in the slave trade. 15th and East Main streets.

RIVERFRONT CANAL WALK Stretching 1.25 miles along the James River and the Kanawha and Tatul canals, the Canal Walk presents four centuries of Richmond’s history interpreted through medallions, monuments, exhibits and narrated canal cruise tours (available April-November). Free; fee for boat rides. Multiple access points between 15th and 17th streets; handicapped-accessible entrances at 20th, 12th, 14th and 16th streets. riverfrontrichmond.com/ explore-downtown
BLACK CULTURE

AFRICAN AMERICAN TOURS OF RICHMOND
Tour sites that share the stories of untold African American achievements. 804-683-6630 or africannamericanourtours.com $

AFRIKAAN INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL
Spotlights cinematic works by filmmakers from throughout the African diaspora. afrikanfilmfestival.com $

THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR MUSEUM
Offers presentations that tell the stories of the Civil War and its legacies from multiple perspectives, including enslaved people. 480 Tredegar St. 804-649-1861 or awm.org $

ARTHUR ASHE JR. MONUMENT
Statue of tennis champion Arthur Ashe, who was born in Richmond. Intersection of Roseneath Road and Monument Avenue.

MENDING WALLS MURAL TOURS
Artist Hamilton Glass' public art project pairs diverse creators to create street art that inspires conversations about race and justice. The tour explores the murals and the communities where they reside. mendingwallrtva.com

BILL "BOJANGLES" ROBINSON MONUMENT
Aluminum statue facing the intersection where the entertainer Bill "Bojangles" Robinson paid to have a stoplight placed. Triangle Park at Leigh Street and Chamberlayne Parkway.

BLACK HISTORY MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER OF VIRGINIA
Houses exhibitions commemorating the accomplishments of Black Virginians. 122 W. Leigh St. Open Wed.-Sat. 804-700-0935. blackhistorymuseum.org $

EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION AND FREEDOM MONUMENT
In commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the abolition of slavery in 2021, two bronze statues representing newly freed slaves were unveiled on Brown's Island. rvaemancipation.richmondva.gov

L. DOUGLAS WILDER LIBRARY
This Virginia Union University library contains a rare book collection as well as a collection of papers, photos, and recordings pertaining to the nation's first elected African American governor. Public admittance by appointment. 1500 N. Lombardy St. 804-257-5822 or vuu.edu

DEVILS HALF ACRE
Robert Lompton opened a slave jail at this site in 1844. A proposed Shockoe Area Memorial Park would include green space and a ceremony center. Shockoe Bottom near the intersection of East Broad Street and I-95.

ELEAGA FOLKLORE SOCIETY
The society's Cultural Center displays art and material from around the African diaspora. Check to be informed about annual cultural festivals, tours, and performances. 101 E. Broad St. 804-644-3900 or ajfan.org

HISTORIC JACKSON WARD
A National Historic Landmark, this neighborhood became a cultural hub for the African American community by the early 1900s. Jackson Ward was roughly bounded by Fourth, Marshall, and Smith streets and I-95. virginia.gov

MAGGIE L. WALKER NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
Commemorates the life of Maggie L. Walker, a civil rights activist, maternal leader, and entrepreneur — the first African American woman in the United States to found a bank. 600 N. Second St. 804-777-2107 or npo.gov/maws

MUSEUM GALLERIES AT VIRGINIA UNION
Art from West and Central Africa and the South Pacific, plus African American folk art. 1500 N. Lombardy St. (inside L. Douglas Wilder Library). 804-257-5660 or vuu.edu

NEW KENT HISTORICAL COURTHOUSE
A marker tells the story of James Lafayette, who was born into slavery near the site around 1748 and later became a political activist by the Marquis de Lafayette in 1781. He took Lafayette's name and was freed in 1787. 12007 Courthouse Circle. newkenthistorical.com

PARSONS COMMUNITY CENTER
A permanent exhibition honors three generations of the Parsons family, enslaved people who were associated with the neighboring town of St. Stephen's, established in 1800. Open Wednesdays through Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. or richmondva.gov

RICHMOND AFRICAN BURIAL GROUND
Burial ground of both enslaved and free Black people, a proposed Shockoe Area Monument Park would include green space and a ceremony center. Shockoe Bottom near the intersection of East Broad Street and I-95.

THE HIPPODROME THEATER
An active performance space today, it played host to Duke Ellington and Louis Armstrong in the early 20th century. The historic space hosts a variety of events. 528 N. Second St. 804-308-2913 or hippodromerichmond.com $
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Dates from 1866, when a group of African American members of Eomanus Baptist Church, restricted to balcony seating, banded together to form a new independent church. 810 George W Watkins Road, Quinton. 804-932-3245 or secondlibertybaptistchurch.com

SIXTH MOUNT ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Organized in 1867 by the Rev. John Jasper, who was born enslaved on July 4, 1812. 14 W. Duval St. 804-648-7511 or smzch.org

SPRING PARK HISTORIC SITE
Park commemorating Gabriel, an enslaved person known for Gabriel’s Rebellion in 1800. 2000 Park St. For a map of other sites related to the rebellion, visit henrico.us

ASHLAND BERRY FARM
Family-owned working farm offering hayrides and seasonal events. 12067 Old Ridge Road, Beavercreek. 804-227-3601 or ashlandberryfarm.com

BOWLERO
Enjoy 56 lanes of bowling at Bowlero Mechanicsville (7317 Bell Creek Road, 804-559-2600), 50 lanes at Bowlero West End (8037 Shadrack Road, 804-747-9620) and 32 lanes at Bowlero Richmond (6540 W. Broad St. 804-282-0537). bowlero.com

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Gather strawberries (April-June), sunflowers (July-August) and pumpkins (September-October). Hours vary. 2602 Pear Orchard Road, Moseley. 804-441-1094 or chesterfieldberryfarm.com

CHILDREN’S MUSEUM OF RICHMOND
With opportunities for the whole family to play and learn together, both of the Children’s Museum locations offer interactive hands-on programming. For families with children ages 0-8. Downtown offers 44,000 square feet of learning through fun, from the Amtrak Train exhibit to the living tree house. 2626 W. Broad St. The Chesterfield location has hands-on exhibits including an art studio, the “Transportation Station” with a full-size firetruck and GRTC bus to explore; and an 18-foot tire climber, 6620 Lake Harbour Drive. Open: Tuesday-Sunday, 804-474-7000 or childrensmuseumofrichmond.org

COBBLESTONES PARK
Splash Zone water park, 5 acres of sandy beach and one of the largest concrete swimming pools in Virginia. Open Memorial Day-Labor Day. 13131 Overhill Lake Lane. 804-796-8819 or cobblestonespark.com

DRAFTCADE
Offers nearly 80 classic arcade games, 10 pinball machines, the Shoe Rail lanes and four arcade hoops. 1180 W. Broad St., Suite 1000 (Stomp Pump Town Center). Hours vary. 804-769-2010 or draftcade.com

ESCAPE ROOMS BREAKOUT GAMES
9101 Midlothian Turnpike, 804-480-1211 or breakoutgames.richmond ESCAPE ROOM RVA
7025 Three Chopt Road, 804-477-6369 or escaperoomrva.com

Gnome & Raven
9200 Stony Point Parkway (at Stony Point Fashion Park), 804-769-1415 or gnomearavenrva.com

Metalheads
1404 N. Parham Road (inside Regency Mall), 804-698-9698 or metalheadsrvrva.com

FAMILY FUN

RIVER CITY ESCAPE ROOM, 8047 W. Broad St. in West End Shopping Center, 804-325-3250 or rivercityescapekc.com

GALLMEYER FARMS
Gather strawberries (April-June) and pumpkins (September-October). Hours vary. 3622 Darbytown Court. 804-796-9579 or gallmeyparks.com

HOTEL GREENE
A 13-hole indoor mini-golf course set against the splendor of a grand hotel. 508 E. Franklin St. Hours vary; age 21 and up after 5 p.m. hotellgreenecom

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METRO RICHMOND ZOO
This 100-acre attraction features a historic estate and mansion, gardens, farm animals, rescued native wildlife and a James River exhibit in the Robinson Nature Center. Visit 2301 Shields Lake Drive, 1700 Hampton St. and 1001 Spotswood Road. Donations requested for activities: 804-525-9000 or metrorichmondzoo.org

RICHMOND RAILROAD MUSEUM
Restored 1815 Southern Railway passenger station with model railroad layouts, caboose and Porter-style steam engine, as well as Richmond’s rail history exhibits. 102 Hull St. Open weekends. 804-231-4324 or richmondrailroadmuseum.com

RIVER CITY ROLL
Enjoy 20 lanes of bowling with a New American kitchen serving seasonal dishes. 939 Myers St., age 21 and up after 7 p.m. 804-331-0416 or rivercityroll.com

ROCKWOOD PARK NATURE CENTER
Exhibits include a honey bee hive, native amphibians and reptiles. Rockwood Park, 2301 Courthouse Road, Chesterfield. Hours vary. 804-768-7448 or chesterfield.gov.

SCIENCE MUSEUM OF VIRGINIA
Through experience exhibits, animals, planetarium shows, make-spaces, demos and more, the museum sparks curiosity, encourages and generates ideas in science, technology, engineering and math. 2500 W. Broad St. 804-864-1600 or smv.org

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1832 Airpark Road, Ashland. 804-786-5298 or americamps.com

**ED ALLEN'S CAMPING AND COTTAGES**
Open April-October. 13501 Campground Road, Lancer. 804-966-2350 or edalencamps.com

**KINGS DOMINION CAMP WILDERNESS**
KOA Campground (1066 Kings Dominion Blvd., Doswell. 804-562-4386 or kiosk.kingsdominion.com)

**RIVERSIDE CAMP AND MARINA**
715 Riverside Drive, Hanover. 804-562-1570 or rivercampmarina.com

**DUNCROFT/CASTLE POINT PARK**
(DG) 4010 Franchtown Road, Henrico. 804-375-0500 or playbelmontvra.org

**BELMONT GOLF COURSE**
(DR) 1600 Hilliard Road, Henrico. 804-424-3249 or playbelmontvra.org

**HUNTING HAWK GOLF CLUB**
(DRG) 13201 Ashland. Henrico. 804-748-4000 or huntinghawkgolf.com

**IRONBRIDGE SPORTS PARK**
(DRG) 1400 Ironbridge Road, Chester. 804-748-7770 or ironbridgepark.com

**THE PARK RVA**
(MG) 1407 Cannons Drive, Henrico. 804-533-2966 or theparkrva.com

**PATTERSON GOLF PARK**
(DR & MG) 12856 Patterson Ave, Henrico. 804-748-4544 or pattersongolfpark.com

**PUTT-PUTT FUN CENTER**
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**BRYAN PARK**
(DG) 4301 Hermitage Road, Henrico. 804-265-7500 or henrico.va.gov

**THE CROSSINGS GOLF CLUB**
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**PROVIDENCE GOLF CLUB**
Eighteen-hole course, par 71, reservations required. 1160 S. Providence Road, Henrico. 804-276-1865 or providencegolfclub.com

**ROYAL NEW KENT GOLF CLUB**
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**BASKETBALL**
The Virginia Commonwealth University basketball team plays at the Siegel Center. 804-827-1000 or vcuathletics.com

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The Virginia Commonwealth University football team plays at The Bowl at The Old Dominion University. 804-623-3340 or thebowl.com

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Local produce and handmade goods every Saturday, May-September. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 17720 Hull Street Road, Moseley. 804-316-9739 or dorreyfarmersmarket.com

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May-October. 1420 N. Parham Road.
804-740-1318 or southofthejamesmarket.com

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Road. 804-740-1518 or regencycomplex.com

WESTCHESTER FARMERS MARKET
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westchesternrcs.com

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1300 N. Gayton Road. West End Farmers
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JAN. 16
JESUS FOOD FESTIVAL
Savor classics such as beef brisket, stuffed cabbage, and latkes during this annual food festival organized by Kenneth Beth Israel, Weinstein JCC. 804-288-7953 or jessupjewishtown.com

JAN. 19-20
FREEDOM CLASSIC FESTIVAL
Enjoy a variety of events leading up to Saturday, when basketball rivals Virginia Union University and Virginia State University hit the court. Virginia State University. 804-644-8515 or freedomclassicfestival.com

JAN. 25-27
PICTURING THE BLACK RACIAL IMAGINARY
Keynote address and symposium at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. 804-340-1400 or vmfa.museum

FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY DECEMBER CREATED EQUAL FILM SERIES
A series of documentary films exploring diversity and equity-based themes including race, housing, environment, immigration, and more. The Created Equal Film Series was established in 2015 by the Virginia Museum of History & Culture to honor the Rev. Grady Powell, a museum trustee and Virginia civil rights leader. 804-256-1850 or virginiamuseum.org

FEB. 1-10
THE BLACK BOOK EXPO: A CONSCIOUS LITERARY FESTIVAL
A hybrid event throughout the month of February, the expo will showcase a vast display of literature featuring topics related to black history, social justice, science, health, African Diasporic culture, African spirituality, personal development, novels and children’s books. Spon- sored by the Eubie Blake Cultural Society. 804-644-3900 or efinc.org

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FEB. 13
**BEYOND THE INFORMATION AGE**
Part of the Controversy History program at the Valentine. Visit the Freedom Center that explores the evolution of America's founding ideas. (other dates TBD), 804-649-0711 or the valentine.org

FEB. 14–MARCH 9
**TORCH SONG TRILOGY**
The acclaimed Harvey Fierstein play is staged at Richmond Triangle Players. 804-266-6133 or rtriangle.org

FEB. 22–24
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JAN–FEB. 29
**DAWODU BEY: ELEGY**
Contemporary African artist Dawodu Bey captures the harrowing journey and human realities of the Virginia slave trail in 42 photographs and two film installations. The mesmerizing exhibit was commissioned by the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. 804-340-1400 or vmfa.museum

FEB. 27–MARCH 3
**‘TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD’**
Broadway in Richmond production at the Altria Theater. 804-514-3849 or altria.org

FEB. 28–MARCH 10
**‘FIRES IN THE MIRROR’**
A one-person play by playwright Anna Devere Smith. 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 28, March 2, 7, 9, and at 2 p.m. on March 3 and 10. Recommended for ages 12 and older. Weinstein ICC. 804-285-6300 or weinsteinicc.org

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This three-day matchup of exhibitors, dealers, and home-themed TV stars helps guide attendees through the pitfalls of remodeling a home. Richmond Raceway Complex. richmondhomes.com
MARCH 1-APRIL 17
SATURDAY AT THE WALDORF

MARCH 3-10
RICHMOND BLACK RESTAURANT EXPERIENCE
A 365-day celebration of Black-owned restaurants in the Richmond Region culminates with this week of dining deals encouraging patronage and support of the establishments. rbn365.com.

MARCH 7-9
BANFF CENTRE MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL WORLD TOUR
Wild, exotic locales are celebrated in selected films. There are virtual and live programs available. James River High School. 804-748-1623, chesterfield.gov or banffcentre.ca.

MARCH 9
VIRGINIA CREDIT UNION RIVER CITY HALF & 5K
The inaugural kickoff to Virginia’s newest half marathon, which runs along the scenic James River. 804-285-9495 or sportbuckers.org.

MARCH 15-17
GALAXYCON RICHMOND
This three-day festival of fandom brings celebrities, artists and writers to the Richmond region. Enjoy panels on a variety of topics, arts and crafts vendors, a costume contest and meet your favorite actors. Greater Richmond Convention Center. 919-907-0124 or galaxycon.com/pages/richmond.

MARCH 18-SEPT. 2
JULIA CHILD: A RECIPE FOR LIFE
An exhibition that explores the ingredients that led to Julia Child’s personal evolution and American culinary revolution. At the Virginia Museum of History & Culture. 804-340-1800 or virginiahistory.org.

MARCH 22-24
VIRGINIA DAFFODIL SOCIETY SHOW
Features hundreds of delightful prize-worthy daffodils and expert growers at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. 804-262-8857 or lewisingter.org.

MARCH 23-24
THE IRISH FESTIVAL
Enjoy bands and local craft beer at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church. 804-356-1093 or churchofthelittlefestival.com.

MARCH 20
DOMINION ENERGY FAMILY EASTER
Celebrate spring at the 100-acre estate with a day packed with fun, games, crafts and live entertainment. Pose for pictures with the Easter Bunny and enjoy a picnic on the grounds. 804-525-9000 or maymont.org.

MARCH 30-31
NASCAR
Experience NASCAR Cup and Xfinity Series races at Richmond Raceway. America’s Premier Short Track. 804-455-7223 or richmondraceway.com.

MARCH 31
EASTER ON PARADE
The annual “People’s Parade” features more than 25,000 people and dogs as they converge on Monument Avenue on Easter Sunday. visitrichmondva.com.

MARCH 28-29
RVA ENVIRONMENTAL FILM FESTIVAL
This festival showcases films that bring awareness of environmental issues facing our city, region, and our planet. Thanks to the support of local nonprofits and businesses, this festival is free. Multiple locations. raveff.org.

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APRIL

APRIL-OCTOBER
UNHAPPY HOUR
Get miserable at the Poe Museum and other locales every last Thursday of the month. This monthly social meetup features libations, live music, games, costumes and pub-style poetry. 804-648-5523 or poemuseum.org

APRIL 1-JUNE 1
A MILLION BLOOMS
A spring celebration featuring flower shows, plant sales and more. Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. 804-262-9887 or lhginter.org

APRIL 5-7
AFRICAN VIOLET SHOW AND SALE
Interesting and unusual African violet varieties are on display for purchase at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden. 804-262-9887 or lginter.org

APRIL 10 - MAY 4
‘AIRSWIMMING’
A play by Charlotte Jones at Richmond Triangle Players. 804-346-6113 or rttriangle.org

APRIL 12-14
BIZARRE BAZAAR’S SPRING MARKET
Nationally known craftspeople and artists present innovative gifts, antiques and garden accessories. Richmond Raceway Complex. 804-673-7015 or thebizarrebazar.com

APRIL 20-AUG 4
SAMURAI
At the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, armor from the collection of Ann and Gabriel Barbier-Mueller. 804-340-1900 or vmfa.museum

APRIL 20-27
HISTORIC GARDEN WEEK IN VIRGINIA
The nation’s only statewide house and garden tour features dozens of distinct visits, and more than 250 private homes and gardens. 804-644-7776 or vgardenweek.org

APRIL 20
UKROP’S MONUMENT AVENUE 10K
More than a race, it’s a block party, with costumed runners, bands, spirit groups and family-friendly activities. 804-285-9495 or sportbackers.org

APRIL 22-28
RICHMOND RESTAURANT WEEK
More than 40 of the area’s hottest restaurants offer gourmet, three-course, prix-fixe menus for $35.24 (50 of each menu is donated to Feed More). rrwk.com

APRIL 26
ARTRAGEOUS
Using myriad artistic methods, an artist creates a masterpiece in mere moments in a one-of-a-kind performance at the Cultural Arts Center in Glen Allen. 2880 Mountain Road. 804-261-2787 or artrageous.com

APRIL 26-27
RAGNAR TRAIL RICHMOND
This overnight trail relay in Pocahontas State Park combines camping and running. 804-285-9495 or ragnar.com

APRIL 27
HERBS GALORE
At Maymont, pick up gardening accessories and hundreds of native and specialty plants from over 75 vendors. Enjoy music, food trucks and a stroll through Maymont’s gardens. 804-520-9000. maymont.org

APRIL 27
ASHLAND TRAIN DAY
Ashland’s annual celebration of all things train attracts massive crowds to Center Street, offering music, games, model trains, food and more. Free. 804-412-7288 or ashlandtrainday.com

APRIL-TBD
THE JAMES RIVER FILM FESTIVAL
Richmond’s longest-running film festival is held at the Byrd Theater, Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, VCU’s Grace Street
MAY 2
‘MARCEL MARCEAU, A SILENT HERO’
Performance by the Latin Ballet of Virginia in commemoration of International Holocaust Remembrance Day. 7 pm. Weinstein ICC. 804-285-6500 or weinsteinicc.org

MAY 3-28
SPRING PLANT SALE
At Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, you’ll find more than 40 vendors selling plants ranging from familiar favorites to rare exotics and other garden-related items. 804-262-9087 or lewistrigonet.org

MAY 3-JUNE 28
FRIDAY CHEERS
This weekly series showcases some of the nation’s hottest touring bands and regional favorites. Brown’s Island. 804-788-6868 or visitrichmondva.com

MAY 4
¿QUE PASA? AND CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL OF VIRGINIA
An annual celebration of Hispanic culture. Brown’s Island. 804-378-6099 or whcc.com

MAY 4-5
ARTS IN THE PARK
The 52nd annual edition of this regional arts and crafts showcase, where works by more than 450 artists are displayed and available for sale. Byrd Park, Free. 804-358-2711 or richmondartsinthepark.com

MAY 8-26
‘ROMAN Â CLEÆ’
A world premiere play by Chandler Hubbard, directed by Sharon Ott at Firehouse Theatre with dramaturgy by Noyan Mogun. 804-355-2001 or firehousetheatre.org

MAY 9
BRIGHT DARKNESS
Art by Israeli-American artist Anne Schlachter Dagan, on exhibit through June 28. Weinstein ICC. 804-285-6500 or weinsteinicc.org

MAY 10 – 11
SINCERELY, SONDHEIM
Cabaret performance by Nicholas Rodriguez at Richmond Triangle Players. 804-346-8113 or rtriangle.org

MAY 10-11
FORT CLIFTON FESTIVAL
The 6th annual festival includes arts and crafts vendors offering everything from paintings to clothing, plus live entertainment, a kid’s area, and food and beer vendors. Fort Clifton, Colonial Heights. 804-529-9390 or colonialheights.gov/S12/fort-clifton-festival

MAY 11-12
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MAY 17-19
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MAY 17-19
LEBANESE FOOD FESTIVAL
Enjoy roasted lamb, falafel and baklavas, plus music and dancing. Saint Anthony Maronite Church. Free. 804-270-7234 or lebanesefoodfestival.com

MAY 25
PHOTOGRAPHS AND STORIES BY ANDREW FEILER
This exhibition at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture tells the story of Julius Rosenwald and Booker T. Washington, who forged one of the earliest collaborations between Jews and African Americans to create schools throughout the nation for Black children who had no access to publicly funded education. 804-340-1800, virginiahistory.org

MAY 30-JUNE 2
RICHMOND GREEK FESTIVAL
Fill up on moussaka, pastitsio, souvlaki and baklavas while watching traditional Greek dances. Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral. Free. 804-358-5996 or greekfestival.com

MAY-OCTOBER
POCAHONTAS PREMIERES
Outdoor concert series on select days in the Heritage Amphitheater, Pocahontas State Park. 804-796-4255 or virginiaspilletspark.org

MAY-TEDD
ASIAN AMERICAN CELEBRATION
Performances, music, arts and authentic Asian cuisine. Greater Richmond Convention Center. Free. asianrug.org

JUNE

JUNE 1
ASHLAND STRAWBERRY FAIRE
This festival fills the town with strawberry treats and booths featuring food, music and crafts. Don your best strawberry-themed outfit and get the Faire started. On the streets of Randolph-Macon College. Free. ashlandstrawberryfaire.com

JUNE 2-SEPT. 1
‘GIVE ME LIBERTY’ RE-ENACTMENT
Sit among the founding fathers as "Patrick Henry" delivers his "Give me liberty or give me death" speech. Every Sunday between Memorial Day and Labor Day, and on the Fourth of July. 804-648-5015 or historicjohancollege.org

JUNE 5-JULY 13
‘XANADU’
With book by Douglas Carter Beane and music and lyrics by Jeff Lynne and John Farrar, this fantasy musical is based on the 1980 movie. At Richmond Triangle Players. 804-346-8113 or rtriangle.org
JUNE 6
D + 80D: VIRGINIANS IN THE NORMANDY INVASION
A hands-on exploration of Virginians who fought during the Normandy Invasion in World War II. Virginia War Memorial. 804-786-2860 or www.vawm.museum.

JUNE 21-22
5 O’CLOCK THE MUSICAL
With music and lyrics by Dolly Parton, and book by Patricia Resnick, this workplace musical is based on the 1990 film. Virginia Rep at November Theatre, 804-282-2620 or varep.org.

JUNE 22-23
JUNETEENTH, A FREEDOM CELEBRATION
This event observes Juneteenth, National Freedom Day, the oldest emancipation commemoration. Presented by the Eleba Folklore Society, Richmond's Juneteenth features The Freedom Market, children's activities, a symposium, and a torchlight night walk on the Trail of Enslaved Africans. 804-644-3900 or efsonc.org.

JUNE/AUGUST
DOGDOWD DELL FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS
This longtime series features performances including music, concerts and more in a picturesque setting in Byrd Park. Free. 804-646-1437 or rva.gov.

JULY 9-21
THE CAROL PIERSEL LEGACY PROJECT
As part of its year-long celebration of Firehouse Theatre founded the late Carol Pierisel, the theatre will honor her legacy with a new production of a landmark Firehouse project. 804-355-2001 or firehousetheatre.org.

JULY 4
CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY
Celebrate America by welcoming new citizens at the annual citizenship ceremony held at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture. 804-349-1800 or virginiahistory.org.

JULY 4
FIREWORKS

JULY 18-24
BLACK PRIDE RVA
A celebration of the Black LGBTQ+ community of Greater Richmond, with panels, parties and other events. Multiple locations. 804-801-9620 or blackpriderva.com

JULY TBD
HANOVER TOMATO FESTIVAL
This popular Hanover tradition features craft vendors, music, kid's activities and more. Free. hanover.tomatofestival.com

JULY TBD
HEART & SOUL FESTIVAL
This family- and pet-friendly event highlights soul and African cuisine, urban art, hip-hop and soul music, and the local craft beer community. City Stadium. heartandsoulfestival.com

AUGUST
AUG 3
BREWHAHA BEER FESTIVAL
Celebrate Virginia Craft Beer Month with the Virginia Museum of History & Culture as it hosts the seventh annual BrewHaHa craft beer festival. This event will feature beverages from around the Commonwealth, music, food trucks, and access to all museum exhibitions. 804-340-1800 or virginiahistory.org

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AUG. 11
CARYTOWN WATER-MELON FESTIVAL
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AUG. 17
33RD DOWN HOME FAMILY REUNION
A downtown celebration of African American Folklore featuring world music and dance and a Heritage Market. Reggae Folklore Society hosts this event that includes interactive site demonstrations, food, children’s activities and more. 804-644-3900 or efrcinc.org

AUGUST TBD
RICHMOND JAZZ AND MUSIC FESTIVAL
Experience a joyful display of jazz, funk, soul, and R&B on multiple stages at one of the East Coast’s largest music festivals, which draws nationally and internationally known artists. Maymont and other city venues.
richmondjazzandmusicfestival.com

AUGUST TBD
RVA SOUL HOUSE MUSIC FEST
Presented by Masters of Sound DJs, this annual event features the eclectic sounds of top local DJs. Location TBD.
Noon to 8 p.m. Free.
rvasoulhouse.com/rva/733

AUGUST TBD
ASHLAND HALF MARATHON
Sports Backers and the Richmond Road Runners Club stage this competition in Ashland. Enjoy an escape to small-town Virginia and run 13.1 miles along rolling hills, picturesque fields, and maybe even a train or two.
804-285-9495 or sportsbackers.org

AUGUST TBD
HAPPILY NATURAL DAY
This summer festival combines holistic health, cultural awareness and social change. It’s an African-centered business expo featuring a farmers market, craft vendors, performances, and lectures and workshops.
happilynaturalday.com

SEPTEMBER

SEP. 15
VIRGINIA DISTILLED
Enjoy a night out at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture filled with music, food trucks, and samples of spirits from Virginia distilleries. 804-340-3800 or virginiadistillery.org

SEP. 19-22
AFRIKANA INDEPENDENT FILM FESTIVAL
This ongoing series spotlights independent films by and about people of color. Multiple locations.
afrikanafilmfestival.org

SEP. 20-21
FALL PLANT SALE
Lewis Ginter features vendors selling plants ranging from well-known favorites to rare exotics and other garden-related items. 804-282-8837 or lewgrinter.org

SEP. 24-SEP. 29
RICHMOND INTERNATIONAL FILM AND MUSIC FESTIVAL
Screenings of more than 150 films from across the globe. Plus, music concerts, industry panels and other media presentations. Locations vary. rvffilmfestival.com

SEP. 27-29
RICHMOND FOLK FESTIVAL
Locals know this is the place to be in the Fall. An eclectic mix of musicians, artisans, dancers, and more from all over the world bring their unique cultural traditions to Richmond. A hearty food selection rounds out the experience. Admission is
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OCT. 18
MID-LOTHIAN MINES DAY
Immersing attendees in Midlothian’s history of coal mining and railroads, this event features period displays, craft exhibits, coal mine walking tours, music and children’s activities. Midlothian Mines Park, 804-751-4966 or midlomines.org

OCT. 21-27
RICHMOND RESTAURANT WEEK
More than 40 of the area’s hottest restaurants offer a gourmet, three-course, prix-fixe menu for $35.24 ($5 of each menu is donated to Feed More), rrwweek.com

OCT. 26
HARVESTFEST
Seasonal event at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden with entertainment, crafts, activities, and an abundance of fall displays. 804-262-9867 or lgbg.org

OCT. 26
VIRGINIA VINES
Celebrate Virginia Wine Month with the Virginia Museum of History & Culture’s Fourth Annual Virginia Vines wine festival, featuring selections from some of Virginia’s best wineries and vineyards, jazz, food trucks, and after-hours access to museum galleries. 804-340-1800 or virginiawinehistory.org

OCT. 31
ASHLAND HALLOWEEN
Enjoy events and promotions from businesses in Ashland’s historic district in the days leading to Halloween. Enjoy spooky movies at the Ashland Theatre, haunted history tours and trick-or-treating. ashlandva.com

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER
HALLOWEEN HAUNT AT KINGS DOMINION
This theme park goes to the ghouls on selected weekend nights for this Halloween event as more than 400 monsters roam the grounds. Check out thrilling rides, attractions, shows and haunted houses. Kings Dominion, 804-577-3400 or kingsdominion.com

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER
TASTE OF ASHLAND
Celebrates Downtown Ashland’s culinary culture with a farm-to-table chef showcase at The Depot. Proceeds benefit Downtown Ashland Association’s free community events. ashlandva.com

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER
AROMATIC BIER GARDEN TO OPEN
Enjoy beer and German foods at Maymont’s Bier Garden, a two-night, Bavarian-style festival of food, music and many varieties of beer. Kids will enjoy the Kinderzone. 804-525-9000 or maymont.org

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SEPTEMBER-10
ARTober 2024
Curated by Alex Nyegez, director of Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, this exhibit focuses on the legacy of Hungarian-American photographers of the 20th century. 804-340-1800 or vmfa.museum

SEPTEMBER-SEPTEMBER
BIER GARDEN
Toast the fall with family and friends at Maymont’s Bier Garden, a two-night, Bavarian-style festival of food, music and many varieties of beer. Kids will enjoy the Kinderzone. 804-525-9000 or maymont.org

SEPTEMBER-16
RUN RICHMOND 16.19
Experience 400 years of Black history on a unique running course of 16.19K in Richmond. runrichmond1619.org

SEPTEMBER 5-1 JAN 29, 2025
AMERICAN, BORN HUNGARY
Curated by Alex Nyegez, director of Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, this exhibit focuses on the legacy of Hungarian-American photographers of the 20th century. 804-340-1800 or vmfa.museum

OCT. 15-20
DOMINION ENERGY CHARITY CLASSIC
Part of the PGA TOUR Champions (players age 50 and older), this tournament returns as some of golf’s greatest players compete in the opening event of the FedExCup Playoffs. The Country Club of Virginia, James River Course. 804-234-8140 or dominionenergycharity.com
OCTOBER-TBD
RICHMOND HIGHLAND GAMES
Research your family’s heritage or check out the U.S. Celtic Scottish Athletic Competition. Location TBD, 804-355-1093 or scottishculturalcenter.com.

OCTOBER-TBD
HOG ON THE HILL
Listen to the Wall-O-Matics, the Hop Cats and more at this longstanding event, formerly known as the Hogs. Noon to 6 p.m. Libby Hill Park, 804-355-1093 or churchhillshipfestival.com.

OCTOBER-TBD
RICHMOND OKTOBERFEST
Enjoy bratwurst, knockwurst and other German classics plus entertainment and of course, beer, at this annual celebration. Proceeds benefit local college scholarships and German cultural programs. Richmond Raceway Complex, Old Dominion Building, 804-342-0310 or richmondoktoberfestinc.com.

NOVEMBER
NOVEMBER-DECEMBER
KINGS DOMINION’S WINTERFEST
The theme park transforms into a winter wonderland featuring millions of lights, a 300-foot tree, live shows, ice rink and festive treats. 804-676-5000 or kingsdominion.com.

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER
LIGHT UP THE TRACKS
Downtown Ashland hosts a mile-long holiday light display and six weeks of special events. ashlandva.org.

NOVEMBER-JANUARY
TACKY LIGHTS TOURS
More than 55 homes participate in this annual Richmond tradition of over-the-top holiday displays of lights and decorations. Check local bus, trolley and inno services for tour info, and find the complete lineup for self-guided tours at richmond.com.

NOV. 2
HOPS IN THE PARK
This one-of-a-kind festival offers a gathering of craft breweries in the historic setting of the 17th-century re-creation of the City of Henricus, Henricus Historical Park, Free. 804-748-1611 or hopsinthepark.com.

NOV. 18
ALLIANCE PARTNERS RICHMOND MARATHON
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NOV. 22-24
POCAHONTAS REFRAMED STORYTELLERS FILM FESTIVAL

NOV., DEC.
DOMINION ENERGY GARDENFEST OF LIGHTS
Appealing to all ages, the gardens are transformed with half a million lights and hand-crafted botanical decorations. Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, 804-262-9867 or lgbg.org.

NOVEMBER-TBD
CRAFT + DESIGN SHOW
Now in its 60th year, Craft + Design is a museum-quality show featuring artists from around the country. Held at Main Street Station, Craft + Design is the signature event of the Visual Arts Center of Richmond, a nonprofit community arts center in the Fan District. 804-353-0694 or varts.org.

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Organized by 1708 Gallery, Inlight is a free public exhibition of light-based art and multi-media. It features performances, sculpture, video, and interactive projects that illuminate pathways, walls, sidewalks, and green spaces. 804-643-1708 or 1708gallery.org/inlight

DECEMBER
DEC 2-DEC 24
LEGENDARY SANTA
Families can visit Legendary Santa, a Richmond holiday tradition since 1936, and explore holidays around the world in the museum's Holiday Village exhibit. Children's Museum of Richmond Downtown. 804-447-7000 or childrensmuseumofrichmond.org

DEC 6
BIZARRE BAZAAR'S CHRISTMAS COLLECTION
Virginia's largest gift show features artists, crafters, home decor, clothing, jewelry and much more. Richmond Raceway Complex, 804-673-7015 or thebizarrebazza.com

DEC 6
RVA ILLUMINATES
A downtown tradition since 1984, this event opens the holidays as millions of tiny lights outline the city's skyline. Kanawha Plaza. Free. rva.gov

DEC 6
SHOCKOE ILLUMINATES
"A new holiday tradition," Celebrate the illumination of the city's holiday lights at 17th Street Market in Shockoe Bottom with performances, vendors and a visit from Santa. Free. rva.gov

DEC 7
DOMINION ENERGY CHRISTMAS PARADE
The two-mile parade features floats, bands, large helium balloons, majorettes, horses and, naturally, Santa Claus. Begins at the Science Museum of Virginia, continuing downtown via Broad Street. Free. 804-788-6670 or richmondp Paranad.org

DEC 8
WINTER WANDER
The Richmond Night Market and The Valentine teamed up to create a holiday festival featuring local goods, crafts, food, music and dance. Tours of the historic Wickham House and the Court End neighborhood offered. Free shuttle from The Valentine to nearby cultural sites for open houses and special tours. Free. 804-649-0711 or thevalentine.org

DEC 14
CARMAX Tacky LIGHT RUN
Dress up in your tackiest gear for a holiday fun run through some of the region's most festive neighborhoods. 804-285-9435 or sportstaken.org

DEC 16
CAPITAL CITY Kwanzaa FESTIVAL
Billed as the largest Kwanzaa festival in Virginia, Espeja Folklore Society celebrates with ceremony, performances, a speaker, food, workshops, children's activities and the African Market. 804-644-3300 or afjcva.org

DECEMBER-TBD
70th ANNUAL COLONIAL HEIGHTS CHRISTMAS PARADE
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Amherst County

Amherst County gives you the chance to taste both. With three lakes and access to the James River, Amherst County offers visitors kayaking, canoeing, floating and fishing. The wildest explorers will be satisfied by endless hiking trails, hang-gliding, horseback riding or exploring on a roaring ATV. Answer the call of adventure at visitamherstcounty.org.

Charles City County

Discover the charm of Charles City County, where history comes alive amidst scenic landscapes. Immerse yourself in a rich tapestry of American history as you explore Berkeley, home to the first official Thanksgiving. Meander along the scenic Capital Trail, offering picturesque views of the James River. Indulge your taste buds with local delicacies at charming eateries, celebrating the region’s culinary heritage. Whether you’re drawn to historical landmarks or outdoor adventures, Charles City County offers a perfect blend. Unwind in the serene ambiance, savoring the beauty of unspoiled nature. Create timeless memories in a destination that seamlessly blends past and present, welcoming you with open arms. CharlesCityVA.us

Franklin Southampton

Beyond the familiar sights of peanuts and pine trees, discover a world of endless possibilities. Ignite your spirit with tempting adventures along the Blackwater and Nottoway rivers, explore our favorite fishing spots, or greet a friendly face. Tempt your taste buds with delectable dining experiences, feel the rhythm of our music scene, immerse yourself in the thrill of the outdoors. Experience the heart and rhythm of our area and discover Franklin Southampton. 757-562-1958 or visitfrankinsouthamptonva.com.

Grayson County

Nested deep in Southwestern Virginia’s gorgeous Appalachian region lies the untouched haven of Grayson County. From the ancient winding course of
the New River to the peaks of the highest mountains in Virginia, Grayson awaits your discovery! Turn off the interstate and make your way down the Crooked Road through God’s Country to step back in time for an immersive mountain experience. Grayson County teems with world-class outdoor adventure, whether you’re hiking the fabled Appalachian Trail, riding the pristine gravel backroads or sleeping beneath the stars alongside a herd of wild ponies. Visit Grayson County, Virginia, and leave elevated by nature. graysoncountyva.com

Onancock
Welcome to Onancock, Virginia, a vibrant oasis located on the picturesque Eastern Shore of the Chesapeake Bay. Tucked back along Onancock Creek, this charming town exudes historic elegance, natural beauty and a warm sense of community. Whether you are seeking a relaxing getaway, an outdoor adventure — perhaps on the water — or a destination imbued with rich cultural experiences, Onancock has it all. Onancock, Virginia, is the perfect place to be. onancock.com

Martinsburg-Berkeley County, West Virginia
Discover your next adventure in Martinsburg-Berkeley County, West Virginia. Breathtaking opportunities for the perfect adventure include traversing the 23,000-acre Sleepy Creek Wildlife Management Area and local hiking, camping, golfing, fishing and boating. After exploring the great outdoors, stroll through historic Martinsburg, where small-town charm meets big adventure. Immerse yourself in the authentic downtown culture and indulge in the diverse food scene. Remember to check out the unique locally owned shops while you’re there. From world-class geocaching to thriving local culture, Martinsburg-Berkeley County is the perfect place to “Live Your Adventure.” travelwv.com

Orange County
Established in 1734, Orange County’s story is authentically American. Nestled in the Piedmont region of Virginia, famed for rolling hills, horses and world-renowned wines, Orange County is rich in agricultural and intellectual gifts. From the Revolutionary War and the founding of the Constitution to today’s craft beverage scene, Orange County is a cradle of American patriotism with an extraordinary sense of place. Whether you’re strolling down the tree-lined boulevards in our picturesque downtowns, dining in our chef- and family-owned restaurants, enjoying a hike through the foothills of the Blue Ridge or revisiting America’s roots at James Madison’s Monticello, Orange County is a community where the past is abundantly present! visitorangevirginia.com

Lexington, Buena Vista and Rockbridge County
Seize the day trip! It’s not about how much time you spend, it’s about the memories you make. In Lexington, Buena Vista and Rockbridge County, you can experience 30 attractions within 30 miles. Wonder at the awe-inspiring Natural Bridge State Park, shop friendly downtown merchants or lace up your boots for outdoor adventure. Find family fun, including a float along the James River, Virginia Safari Park and Dinosaur Kingdom II. Take a spin on the Blue Ridge Parkway or meander down scenic country roads. Enjoy food and drink made with local ingredients, from hamburgers to haute cuisine. Start exploring at lexingtonvirginia.com.

Newport News
A day trip to Newport News is an easy 90-minute drive southeast of Richmond. Nestled along the Chesapeake Bay, Newport News offers a perfect blend of history, nature and relaxation. Begin your day at The Mariners’ Museum and Park, exploring maritime exhibits and the 5-mile Noland Trail. Afterward, head over to the Virginia Living Museum — part zoo, part aquarium and part traditional museum! Immerse yourself in the past at one of our historic homes or military museums. Nature lovers can unwind at the beach in Huntington Park, while the more adventurous can hike or bike the trails of Newport News Park. newport-news.org

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Spotsylvania County
Make Spotsylvania your spot! Ready for limitless possibilities? Located less than an hour’s drive north of Richmond, Spotsylvania County offers a harmonious blend of rural landscapes and outdoor adventures all in a setting as unique as its name. This one-of-a-kind destination offers water sports and fishing on Lake Anna, a multi-track raceway, award-winning wineries and breweries, a world-famous distillery, diverse dining and live music, as well as scenic walks along endless miles of trails nestled among historic Civil War battlefields. Take in museums highlighting local history, aviation, railroads and more. Spotsylvania has a SPOT for everyone...Make it YOURS!
visitspotsy.com

Waynesboro
Nestled in the Shenandoah Valley, Waynesboro offers adventure on the Shenandoah National Park’s trails as well as the beauty of the Blue Ridge Parkway. Dive into history at the Waynesboro Heritage Museum and experience an eclectic mix of entertainment at the Wayne Theatre. Enjoy fresh, local eats and unique boutiques in the charming downtown, or spend the day at the Virginia Metalcrafters Marketplace. Festivals, outdoor adventures, galleries and museums make Waynesboro a must-visit for a weekend getaway. Experience the charm and authenticity of this hidden gem where your adventure awaits!
visitwaynesboro.com

West Point and King William County
Located between the Pamunkey and Mattaponi rivers on the Middle Peninsula of the Chesapeake Bay, King William County and the town of West Point offer visitors rich, rolling landscape with beautiful river views as well as opportunities for family fun and exploration. The town of West Point, located right where the Pamunkey and the Mattaponi meet at the York River, is the first point of salt water when coming east from Richmond and central Virginia. For outdoor fun, head out to Sandy Point State Forest, which offers beautiful riverfront and designated spots for biking, horseback riding and hunting. Make it a beach day at historic Beach Park in downtown West Point on the York River; the kids can run free on the quiet, sandy beach while you soak up the sun.
visitwestpointkingwilliam.com

Yorktown
Yorktown is one of Virginia’s best-kept secrets! Travel back in time to explore 18th-century sites and then fast forward to the present for modern amenities for the whole family. Nestled between the American Revolution Museum at Yorktown and the Yorktown Battlefield sits a picturesque one-mile stretch along the York River where you will find specialty shops, museums and a variety of riverfront restaurants. Take a Segway tour; rent a paddle board, kayak or electric bike, and enjoy the sunset on the York River. Up on Main Street, you’ll find galleries with the work of local artists, several National Park Service sites and a cozy locally owned coffeehouse and cafe. Riverwalk Landing is the community hub for free outdoor concerts, Saturday farmers markets, festivals and events. The complimentary Yorktown Trolley makes stops throughout the town at various attractions. Whether it’s a day trip or a weekend, Yorktown is your destination for fun!
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HOLIDAY TRADITION
It's beginning to look a lot like ... the Virginia State Capitol. Every year, the Virginia Museum of History & Culture designs a Christmas ornament honoring the heritage of our commonwealth. Past designs have included the Capitol building (pictured here), a 1918 Kline automobile and a magnolia wreath. 428 N. Arthur Ashe Blvd. virginiachistory.org

EGGED ON
The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts has the largest public collection of Russian decorative arts in an American museum. Bring a piece of Faberge home with these miniature egg replicas that open to reveal a matching necklace. 200 N. Arthur Ashe Blvd. vmfa.museum

DISTINCTLY DECORATIVE
Looking for something that embodies the Richmond Region? Look no farther than Tweed, a local favorite for stylish and unique gifts. Their Virginia-made items include tea towels with quirky quotes about the region (pictured here), decorative hooked pillows and etched aluminum platters. 4035 Lauderdale Drive. tweedathome.com

WHISTLE STOP
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