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Facts about the autumnal equinox

Crisp autumn air will soon be rolling in and the leaves on trees will be trading their vivid green hues for shades of orange, red and purple. Fall begins on the autumnal equinox. Although people may see it as the official kickoff to bonfires and flannels, that's not the only interesting part of this remarkable day.

- It's a moment and not a day. Despite what many people think, the autumnal equinox is not an entire day. In fact, the equinox is a precise astronomical event. It occurs at the exact moment the sun crosses the celestial equator, an imaginary line in the sky directly above the Earth's equator.

- It's not "equal night." Although the word equinox comes from the Latin word "aequus" (equal) and "nox" (night), we do not get exactly 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of darkness on the equinox. This is because of

how the Earth's atmosphere refracts sunlight. The sun appears above the horizon even after it has technically set, according to the National Weather Service.

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- Northern lights can be seen. Those hoping to catch a glimpse of the aurora borealis will find the weeks surrounding the autumnal equinox are the prime window to do so, according to NASA. Geomagnetic storms that trigger these stunning light displays occur twice as frequently around the fall and spring equinoxes compared to the summer and winter solstices.

- It's not always on the same day. The autumnal equinox does not fall on the same day each year. It usually lands on September 22 or 23, but it can occasionally occur on September 21 or 24 (in the northern hemisphere), indicates the U.S. Naval Observatory.

The autumnal equinox is a unique and often enjoyable day on the calendar.

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Hathaway Farm & Corn Maze

741 Prospect Hill Road, Rutland, 802-775-2624

www.hathawayfarm.com

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2919 Mountain Rd, Stowe, (802) 777-9343

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305 South Street, Williston

www.whitcombslandofpumpkins.com

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Arts, markets, festivals & fairs

Sept. 10-14 — Orleans County Fair Barton
Sept. 17-20 — The Tunbridge World's Fair Tundbridge
Sept. 19 — Vermont Wine & Harvest Festival West Dover
Sept. 19 — Norwich Antiques Show & Sale Norwich
Sept. 19-20 — Chester Festival on the Green Chester
Sept. 26 — Bristol Harvest Festival Bristol
Sept. 26 — Cabot Cheese and Culture Festival Cabot
Sept. 26 — Killington Brewfest Killington
Sept. 26 — Fall Fest Montpelier
Sept. 26 — Rocktoberfest Morrisville
Sept. 27 — Marshfield Harvest Festival Marshfield
Oct. 3 — 42nd Annual Ludlow P.T.G. Harvest Fair Ludlow
Oct. 3 — Dog Mountain Fall Dog Party St. Johnsbury
Oct. 3 & 4 — 38th Annual Vermont Sheep & Wool Festival Tundbridge
Oct. 3 & 4 — Harvest Celebration Woodstock

Oct. 3 & 10 — 27th Annual Mount Snow Oktoberfest West Dover
Oct. 4 — Autumn on the Green Danville
Oct. 10 — HarvestFest at Stratton Mountain Bondville
Oct. 10 — Harvest Faire Killington
Oct. 10 — 40th Annual Vermont Apple Festival & Craft Show .. Springfield
Oct. 10 & 11 — Newfane Heritage Festival Newfane
Oct. 10 & 11 — Chaffee Art Center's Annual Art in the Park Rutland
Oct. 11 — Middlebury Car Show & Fall Festival Middlebury
Oct. 16 & 17 — Enchanted Forest at Hubbard Park Montpelier
Oct. 16-18 — 25th Annual Brattleboro Literary Festival Brattleboro
Oct. 16-18 — Champlain Valley Craft Show and Antique Expo... Essex Jct.
Oct. 17 — 17th Annual Bean & Brew Festival Jay Peak
Oct. 24 — 17th Annual Bean & Brew Festival Jay Peak
Oct. TBD — Annual Gilfeather Turnip Festival Wordsboro
Nov. 14 — Chelsea Holiday Market Chelsea

Cultural spotlights

American Fly Fishing Museum

4070 Main St., Manchester

www.amff.org

The American Museum of Fly Fishing is the steward of the history, traditions, and practices of the sport of fly fishing and promotes the conservation of its waters. The Museum collects, preserves, exhibits, studies, and interprets the artifacts, art, and literature of the sport and, through a variety of outreach platforms, uses these resources to engage, educate, and benefit all.

Billings Farm

69 Old River Rd., Woodstock

www.billingsfarm.org

Billings Farm & Museum is dedicated to growing a culture of care and connection to land, food, and community through immersive experiences and shared stories at our working Vermont dairy farm.

Ben & Jerry's Factory Tour

1281 Waterbury-Stowe Rd. Route 100, Waterbury

www.benjerry.com

Our Waterbury site is the only Ben & Jerry's factory open to the public. Our very first factory, built in 1985, continues to manufacture upwards of 350,000 pints per day while offering our fans a sneak peek at our humble beginnings. Our small Scoop shop, retail area and tour route have remained fairly unchanged over the years. Advanced online ticket purchase recommended.

The Boardwalk at Barnes Camp

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Barnes-Camp-at-Smugglers-Notch/100064733113386>

The five-foot-wide Boardwalk is approximately an eighth of

a mile long and is a universally accessible portion of the Long Trail. The Boardwalk is built on spiral piers over a wetland and offers stunning, and previously unavailable, views of Smuggler's Notch.

Cabot Creamery

323 VT-15, Hardwick

2657 Waterbury-Stowe Rd., Waterbury Center

<https://cabotcreamery.com>

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Chaffee Art Center

16 S. Main St, Rutland

www.chaffeeartcenter.org

The Chaffee Art Center, Your Center for Creativity, believes in the arts. Our mission is to feature artistic talent and foster creativity in an 1890s historic mansion, offering diverse educational programming and a unique rental venue.

The Chazy Fossil Reef National Natural Landmark Spans over 1500 acres across Lake Champlain

The site is recognized as the oldest known diverse fossil reef in the world, and contains fossils that demonstrate faunal succession.

The Coolidge Homestead

2743 VT Route 22A, West Haven

<https://coolidgefoundation.org>

The President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site in Plymouth Notch preserves the birthplace and childhood home of Calvin Coolidge, the 30th President of the United States. The

site is now home to the President Calvin Coolidge Museum and Education Center.

The historic site comprises over 200 bucolic acres including the hillside cemetery in which President Coolidge is now buried with the members of his family, the Union Christian Church (c. 1840), the Florence Cilley General Store, a one-room schoolhouse, the Aldrich House, the Wilder Barns, the Wilder House, and the cheese factory. The village is complete with the original artifacts so vital to the portrayal of its history.

ECHO, Leahy Center for Lake Champlain

1 College St., Burlington

www.echovermont.org

ECHO, Leahy Center for Lake Champlain is a 501(c) non-profit organization. ECHO's mission is to inspire and engage families in the joy of scientific discovery, wonder of nature, and care of Lake Champlain.

Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium

1302 Main St., St. Johnsbury

www.fairbanksmuseum.org

Housed in a stunning 1891 Victorian building, the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium allows visitors to explore the cosmos in Vermont's only public planetarium, view extensive natural history collections, and engage with hands-on exhibits that inspire wonder. Open daily from 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Hall Art Foundation

544 VT-106, Reading

www.hallartfoundation.org

The Hall Art Foundation was founded in 2007 and makes available postwar and contemporary art works from its own collection and that of Andrew and Christine Hall for the enjoyment and education of the public. Open seasonally, May through November on weekends.

Haskell Free Library & Opera House

93 Caswell Ave., Derby Line

www.haskelloperahouse.org

Founded in 1901, the Haskell Free Library & Opera House supports the cultural needs of the community on both sides of the Canada-U.S. border, in both English and French, through access to information, reading material, a broad range of library services, and programming, as well as the visual and performing arts.

Hildene

1005 Hildene Road, Manchester

<https://hildene.org>

Founded in 1978, Hildene, The Lincoln Family Home educates and inspires all generations by bringing the legacy of the Lincoln family to life through immersive experiences, innovative educational programs, and dynamic exhibits. The 412-acre historic estate, featuring its Georgian Revival mansion, formal garden, observatory, Welcome Center, and The Museum Store in the historic carriage barn, as well as a 1903 Pullman car, Sunbeam, and Hildene Farm, is one of Vermont's leading cultural heritage sites.

Hope Cemetery

VT Route 14, Barre

www.vermonthhistory.org/hope-cemetery

Opened in 1899, Hope Cemetery in Barre, VT reflects the artistry and materials of the local granite industry with unique and beautiful stonework which represents the unique personalities and history of the people buried there.

Lord's Prayer Rock

Route 17, Bristol

In 1891, Joseph Greene paid a carver to engrave the Lord's Prayer on a big slab of rock that he would frequently stop at along Route 17 when travelling from West Starksboro to deliver logs to the Bristol sawmill.

Montshire Museum of Science

1 Montshire Road, Norwich, VT

<https://montshire.org>

Enjoy a truly unique experience, with over 150 exciting hands-on science exhibits, both indoors and out, a 100-acre destination located along the Connecticut River, spectacular views, and amazing opportunities for discovery.

The Museum of Everyday Life

3482 Dry Pond Rd., Glover

www.museumofeverydaylife.org

An ongoing revolutionary museum experiment. Its mission is a heroic, slow-motion cataloguing of the quotidian — a detailed, theatrical expression of gratitude and love for the minuscule and unglamorous experience of daily life in all its forms.

Newbury School of Weaving

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www.newburyschoolofweaving.org

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Old Stone House Museum and Historic Village

109 Old Stone House Rd., Brownington

www.oldstonehousemuseum.org

The museum first opened to the public in 1925 thanks to the efforts of neighbors who raised the funds necessary to save the building from demolition. For over 100 years the Orleans County Historical Society has been dedicated to caring for the museum's collections and Brownington's Historic District, and bringing the history of Orleans County to life in ways that invite exploration, spark connection, and building meaning.

Park-McCullough Historic House

1 Park Street, North Bennington

<https://www.parkmccullough.org>

Park-McCullough is one of New England's finest, most significant, and best-preserved Victorian mansions. It is an example of a country house in the French Second Empire Style and incorporates architectural features of the popular Romantic Revival style. To a great extent, the estate retains the integrity and impact of its original design.

Robert Frost Interpretive Trail

From Middlebury, travel south on Route 7 to where it intersects with Route 125. Travel east on Route 125 for 5.8 miles. The parking area is on the right.

This path loops through the forest and over the Middlebury River just off VT 125 while highlighting the works of Robert Frost along the way. Frost visited the area for over 40 years and was a staple at the Middlebury College Breadloaf campus in nearby Ripton.

Rokeby Museum

4334 US-7, Ferrisburgh

www.rokeby.org

Rokeby Museum presents a nationally significant Underground Railroad story tucked inside a quintessential Vermont experience. Visitors will explore the history of four generations of the Robinson family, who called this site home from 1793 to 1961. Explore the Museum's exhibitions, including an ongoing exhibition, Seeking Freedom: The Underground Railroad and the Legacy of an Abolitionist Family, and immerse yourself in the family's history as abolitionists, artists, and farmers. The site includes trails, nine historic buildings to explore, and rotating exhibitions.

Shelburne Farms

1611 Harbor Road Shelburne

www.shelburnefarms.org

Shelburne Farms is an education nonprofit on a mission to inspire and cultivate learning for a sustainable future. We believe that transformative learning experiences sow the seeds for a thriving and more just world. Our work seeks to create the space, spark the conversations, and share the stories to inspire educators, students, and learners of all ages to build a better future for everyone.

Smugglers' Notch Scenic Highway

Vermont Route 108 through Smugglers' Notch

A dramatic, winding 3.5-to-8-mile mountain pass connecting Stowe and Jeffersonville, featuring 1,000-foot cliffs and a 16% grade. This scenic highway lies within the Smugglers' Notch State Park and Mt. Mansfield State Forest. It is the first officially designated "Scenic Highway" in the State of Vermont. Closes late October early November; opens mid May.

State House Tours

115 State St., Montpelier

www.friendsvtstatehouse.org/visitors/tours

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The Stone Trust at Scott Farm Orchard

130 Austine Drive, Brattleboro

www.thestonetrust.org

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Sugar Shack and Norman Rockwell Exhibition

29 Sugar Shack Ln., Arlington

www.sugarshackvt.com

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The Vermont Ski and Snowboard Museum

1 South Main St., Stowe

www.vtssm.org

Since 1988, the Vermont Ski and Snowboard Museum, a Vermont 501(c)(3) non-profit, has been dedicated to collecting, preserving and celebrating the rich history of skiing and riding in Vermont. Open Thursday to Sunday, from 12-5 pm. Closed for mud season, April 17-May 25. \$5 suggested donation.

VINS Nature Center

149 Nature's Way, Quechee

Nature center offering exhibits on birds and dinosaurs, a canopy walk, nature trails, and educational programs.

Whales Tail Trails

South Burlington

Discover this 1.4-mile out-and-back trail near South Burlington, Vermont. Generally considered an easy route, it takes an average of 26 minutes to complete. This trail is great for birding, hiking, and trail running, and it's unlikely you'll encounter many other people while exploring. The trail is open year-round and is beautiful to visit anytime.

Wonderfeet Kids' Museum

GMP Energy Innovation Center, 66 Merchants Row, Rutland

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Visual arts

Adamant

Frank Suchomel Memorial Arts Center: Liz Le Serviget, through Sept. 12, paintings explore memory, place, imagination, and the natural world; local sculptors (outdoors), ongoing, and other works collected by the late Frank Suchomel, Meditation Garden and concert hall, 1231 Haggett Road, Adamant, www.fsmac-quarryworks.org

Barre

Espresso Bueno: "The Artwork of Kathrena Ravenhorst-Adams," through Sept. 29, watercolors, oils, and pastels of the natural world, 248 N. Main St., Barre, 802-479-0896, espressobueno.com

ARTE at 159 North Main: "Happy to be Here," through Oct. 3, Graffiti-inspired abstract paintings by Zach Shaw, 159 North Main St., Barre, www.studioplacearts.com

Morse Block: Anne Davis, through Sept. 12, "Lap Love," 13 acrylic paintings of our feline and canine friends, 260 N. Main St., Barre, www.studioplacearts.com

Studio Place Arts: Rock Solid XIV, Sept. 9-Oct. 24, showcases stone sculptures and assemblages by area artists, Main Floor Gallery; "Is That a Table Saw?" exploration of woodworking tools in watercolors by Mackenzie Kovaka, Second Floor Gallery; "Incidental Objects," Mark Loara explores our physical connection with the ordinary, Third Floor Gallery, SPA, 201 N. Main St., Barre, 802-479-7069, www.studioplacearts.com Art Social, 4:30 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19.

Bellows Falls

Canal Street Gallery: New artwork, through Oct. 11, from Nancy Fitz-Rapalje, Kim Grall and Edward Kingsbury III; Form and Function Shop, through Oct. 11, new static space hosting rotating shows, now featuring artwork from Chris Archer, Whitney Barrett, Robert Burch, Robert DuGrenier, Nicholas Kekic, Almut Yakovleff and Andy Snyder, 23 Canal St., Bellows Falls, 802-289-0104, canalstreetartgallery.com

Bennington

Bennington Museum: "The Battle of Bennington," through Dec. 31, Lobby Gallery, 75 Main St., Bennington, 802-447-1571, www.benningtonmuseum.org

Berlin

Central Vermont Medical Center: "Portraits of a Community," through Sept. 19, paintings by Northeast Kingdom artist Andrea Poe, 130 Fisher Road, Berlin, 802-371-4100, www.cvmc.org/cvmc-art-gallery

Brandon

Aleshire Gallery: "Scriptive," through Sept. 20, illuminations and calligraphic works by Candace Jensen and Sarah La Puerta, 29 Union St., Brandon, 802-353-6169, www.aleshiregallery.com

Brandon Artists Guild: Four Newest Members, through Oct. 30, Aiden Rose Palmer, Lisa Steckler, Margaret-Desiree Mug and Susan Wacker-Donle, 7 Center St., Brandon, 802-247-4956, brandonartistsguild.org

Brattleboro

Brattleboro Museum & Art Center: "Migration/ Home," through Nov. 1; Orlando Estrada & Jacob Reyes: "Magos de la Tierra (Magicians of the Land)," through Nov. 1; Juanita Lanzo: "Formas Feroces y Tiernas (Fierce and Tender Forms)," through Nov. 1; Linda Sok: "Warped Archive," through Nov. 1; Richard Haynes: "Learning to See," through Nov. 1; "Into Light Project," through Nov. 1; "Drug Addiction: Real People, Real Stories," through Nov. 1, graphite portraits and narratives; Madeline Fan: "Yankee Doodle Dandy," through Sept. 7; Peter Dellert: "Big Choices," through Sept. 7, BMAC, Union Station, Main Street (Route 5) and Routes 119 and 142, Brattleboro, 802-257-0124, www.brattleboromuseum.org

Mitchell-Giddings: Catherine Kernan, through Oct. 4, "Intention and Surprise," 183 Main St., Brattleboro, 802-251-8290, www.mitchellgiddingsfinearts.com

Burlington

UVM Fleming Museum: Closed until Sept. 7; "Catalyst: Art as Inquiry," Sept. 15-Dec. 2, work by UVM studio art faculty; "Wolf Kahn: Conversations in Color," Sept. 8-May 22, part of the Wolf Kahn 100 initiative; "Art for Everyone: Curated Works from Our Collection," University of Vermont, 61 Colchester Ave., 802-656-0750, www.uvm.edu/fleming Fall 2026 Kickoff Party, 5 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 16.

Calais

Art at the Kent: "Throughlines," Sept. 11-Oct. 11, work of 20 contemporary Vermont artists, Kents' Corner State Historic Site, 7 Old West Church Road, Calais, www.kentscorner.org Opening celebration, 3 to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12; Closing Celebration, 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11.

Corinth

Towle Hill Studio Tom Leytham's Watercolors, Sept. 12-13, Pop-up show — two days only, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., 28 Center Road, Corinth, www.tomleythamwatercolors.com

Glens Falls, N.Y.

The Hyde Collection: "Form and Function: The Beauty of Shaker Design," through Jan. 10; "Tan-ya Marcuse: Book of Miracles," through Jan. 10; "Wings & Wilderness: Birds and Landscapes of the Northeast," through Oct. 11; Hyde House and the Permanent Collection, ongoing, 161 Warren St., Glens Falls, N.Y., 518-792-1761, hydecollection.org

Glover

Bread & Puppet Museum, through Nov. 1, fantastic collection of puppets of all sizes, from hand puppets to gigantic puppets used in parades and circuses, that fill renovated 1860s barn, 753 Heights Road, Glover, 802-525-3031, breadandpuppet.org

Greensboro

Highland Center: "Vermont Barns," through Sept. 26, oil paintings by Rett Sturman, Highland Center for the Arts, 2875 Hardwick St., Greensboro, 802-533-3000, highlandartsvt.org

Hanover, N.H.

Hood Museum of Art: "On Shared Ground: Asian American Art in Conversation," through Nov. 28; "Inhabiting Historical Time: American Pop," through Nov. 7; "From Mastodon to Mosaic: Building an Academic Art Collection in America," through Feb. 27, 2027; "Always Already: Abstraction in the United States," through March 20, 2027, Dartmouth College, 4 E. Wheelock St., Hanover, N.H., 603-646-1110, hoodmuseum.dartmouth.edu

Huntington

Birds of Vermont Museum: "Wings-Waters-Ways," through October, juried exhibition of 56 Vermont artists and poets, 900 Sherman Hollow Road, Huntington, 802-434-2167, www.birdsofvermont.org

Johnson

Vermont State University: "The George Floyd Quilts," through Sept. 25, Susan Calza Black Box Gallery, Visual Arts Center; "10,000 Seeds and the Phantom Air," through Oct. 2, installation by faculty member Sean Clute, Julian Scott Memorial Gallery, Dibden Center, Johnson, (802) 635-1469, www.vermontstate.edu

Lebanon, N.H.

AVA Gallery: "Converse with the Crossroads of the Wind," through Sept. 12, Six artists exploring resilience, transformation, and the natural world: Cheryl Betz, Thia Daniels, Marisa Green, Patty Hudak, Carla Kimball and Anna Prikazchikova; Steve Arcone and Talia Roberts, through Sept. 12, a dual exhibition; "World Repair," through Aug. 15, recent paintings by John Stomberg, 11 Bank St., Lebanon, N.H., 603-448-3117, www.avagallery.org

Lyndonville

The Satellite Gallery: "Scrappy & Happy," through Oct. 31, immersive installation by Alison Berman, Depot Street, Lyndonville, thesatellitegalleryvt.weebly.com Artist's reception, 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13.

Manchester

Southern Vermont Arts Center: "Trouble-shooting: Making Photographs with Dona Ann

McAdams," through Jan. 3, 2027; "For the Love of Vermont: The Lyman Orton Collection," through May 16, 2027; "Active Objects: Art, Craft, and Design," through Sept. 27; "Active Objects," through Oct. 4, SVAC Artist Members Exhibition, 930 SVAC Drive, Manchester, 802-362-1405, www.svac.org

Middlebury

Edgewater Gallery at the Falls: "Near Enough to Dream," through Sept. 6, Victoria Brewer's hand-colored photographs and Dietlind Vander Schaaf's emotional landscapes, 1 Mill St., Middlebury, 802-458-0098, edgewatergallery.co

Edgewater Gallery on the Green: "Between," through Oct. 4, Bonnie Baird and Kathryn Milillo, 6 Merchants Row, Middlebury, 802-989-7419, edgewatergallery.co

Middlebury College Museum of Art: Michelangelo Lovelace: "Art Saved My Life," through Jan. 10; Permanent Collection Galleries, ongoing, Mahaney Center for the Arts, South Street (Route 30), Middlebury, 802-443-5007, museum.middlebury.edu

Montpelier

The Front Gallery: Rob Hitzig, through Sept. 27, "Mind Machines," solo show by Montpelier artist, 6 Barre St., Montpelier, 802-552-0877, www.the-frontvt.com Artist talk, 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19.

Hexum Gallery: "Wallflower," through Sept. 25, group exhibition looks to flower itself as well as the social idea, 16 State St. Suite 1, Montpelier, email hexumgallery@gmail.com.

North Branch Nature Center: "The Summer Fish Tour: An Art Exhibit," through Sept. 25, work by 28 artists in various media, 713 Elm St., Montpelier, 802-229-6206, northbranchnaturecenter.org

Vermont Supreme Court: "Animal, Mineral," through Sept. 25, paintings by Heidi Broner, 111 State St., Montpelier, 802-828-0749, curator.vermont.gov

T.W. Wood Museum: "Their Own Vision," through Sept. 23, prints by Vermont artist Charlet Davenport; Printmaking Invitational 2026, through Sept. 23, fifth annual; "Art of Thomas Waterman Wood," ongoing; "Works Progress Administration Artwork," ongoing, Center for Arts and Learning, 46 Barre St., Montpelier, 802-262-6035, www.twwoodgallery.org

Putney

NXT Gallery: "METALSUM," through Nov. 8, inventive sculptures and metal quilts by Putney artist Jane Kolias, Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, 802-387-0102, nextstagearts.org

Quechee

B.F. Southgate & Company: Arthur Zorn, ongoing, new colorful abstract paintings by Barre artist, 163 Waterman Hill Road, Quechee, 802-478-7748, www.bfsouthgate.co

Randolph

Chandler Gallery: Phillip Godenschwager, through Sept. 6, "Bringing it All Together," a retrospective, Chandler Center for the Arts, 73 Main St., Randolph, 802-728-9878, www.chandler-arts.org

Rochester

The BigTown Gallery: "Hugh Townley: Grand Finale," through Oct. 25, brings together the breadth of Townley's work while honoring the relationships and shared commitments that defined the gallery's history, 99 N. Main St. (Route 100), Rochester, 802-767-9670, bigtownvermont.com/bigtown-gallery

Rutland

Chaffee Art Center: "In the Golden Hour," Sept. 11-Oct. 30, featuring Vermont Watercolor Society's Fall Awards Show, plus work by Chaffee Artist members, 16 S. Main St., Rutland, 802-775-0356, www.chaffee-artcenter.org Opening reception, Friday, Sept. 11.

The Hub: "NNEMoCA at The Hub," ongoing, exhibition from the Collection of Northern New England Museum of Contemporary Art (NNEMoCA), which has the largest holdings of contemporary visual art in New England, second floor, 67 Merchants Row, Rutland.

VSTSU Castleton Bank Gallery: Charlotte Reider-Smith, through Sept. 12, "Wet Wings," three large-scale paintings by Goshen artist, 104 Merchants Row, Rutland, (802) 282-1966, cmm02180@vermontstate.edu.

St. Johnsbury

Catamount Arts: "We Who Are Not Dead Yet: Isenheim Studies," through Nov. 1, 64 Masonite prints carved in 1962 by Peter Schumann, co-founder of Bread & Puppet Theater, Fried Family Gallery, 115 Eastern Ave., St. Johnsbury, 802-748-2600, www.catamountarts.org

St. Johnsbury Athenaeum: "The Bellows Brothers," through September, photographs by Robert C. Jenks and James A. Kipfer, 1171 Main St., 802-748-8291, www.stjathenaeum.org

Shelburne

Shelburne Museum: Norman Rockwell, through Oct.

25, at home in Vermont; "Big River," through Oct. 25, Ogden Pleissner on Wyoming; "On Point," through Oct. 25, needlework from the Garthwaite Family Collection; "Carl D'Alvia: (mono)LITHS," through Oct. 25; "Varied and Alive," through Oct. 25, from the collection, 6000 Shelburne Road (Route 7), 802-985-3346, shelburnemuseum.org

Springfield

The Vault: "An illusion of proximity," through Sept. 22, wildlife photography by Steve Costello, Gallery at the Vault, 68 Main St., Springfield, 802-885-7111, www.galleryvault.org

Stowe

Front Four Gallery: "Remembering the Artwork of Ray Brown," through Sept. 21, Northern New England Museum of Contemporary Art (NNEMOCA) presents an exhibit focusing on the late abstract work of the Montpelier artist (1940-2020), 394 Mountain Road, Stowe, frontfourgallery.com Opening reception, 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 5.

The Current: Miles Greenberg, through Oct. 17, New York sculptor making his Vermont debut; Exposed 2026, through Oct. 17, 35th annual outdoor sculpture exhibition, 90 Pond Street, Stowe, 802-253-8358, www.thecurrentnow.org

Tunbridge

Tunbridge General Store: Maggie Neale, through Sept. 7, "Expressions in Color Musings," 304 Vt. Route 110, 802-889-3525, www.thetunbridgegeneralstore.com

Waitsfield

The Red Barn Galleries: 37th Green Mountain Photo Show, Sept. 11-Oct. 11, Lareau Farm and Forest, Route 100, Waitsfield, 802-496-6682, www.madrivervalleyarts.org Opening reception, 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11; Soft opening, 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10. Drop-off dates: 1 to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8; large work by appointment, Wednesday, Sept. 7.

Mad River Valley Arts: "Unplowed Realities," Sept. 10-Nov. 19, Farms. Land. Animals. One living system, The Gallery at Mad River Valley Arts, 5031 Main St., Waitsfield, 802-496-6682, www.madrivervalleyarts.org



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Family-friendly activities for fall

Fall is a welcome season for many people. The cooler temperatures and still-ample sunlight mean there is plenty of time to enjoy the great outdoors even if summer has ended. Fall activities dot the calendar, with several different options for individuals and families to get involved.

According to Acenda Integrated Health, incorporating family time into a schedule is crucial for a child's development. It's also key to have time to get a break from busy schedules. Fall is a great time to do just that with these activities.

Apple-picking

Few things are more refreshing than taking a bite out of an apple fresh off the tree. Orchards are bursting with apples this time of year, and an afternoon spent picking apples is a great way to spend time together.

Leaf treasure hunt

Everyone can head outdoors with a bag or basket to gather leaves. Look for the brightest color or the crunchiest leaf that can be found. The leaves can be pressed between wax paper to save them.

Fall festivals

Outdoor festivals are ideal for families because they tend

to feature crafts, food, music, and activities.

Fall baking

Turn those plucked apples into pies or muffins, or use pumpkin and cinnamon to fill a home with delicious seasonal smells. Kids can help stir, pour and sprinkle ingredients.

Corn maze

Corn mazes may be set up adjacent to pumpkin patches, so the family can pick out the perfect pumpkin to carve and then try to navigate the maze.

Spooky walk

Halloween lands right in the heart of fall. Enjoy a walk through the neighborhood checking out peoples' Halloween decorations. A night walk with flashlights to listen to the sounds of animals can be "scary" in its own right. Another idea is to go to a haunted house or walk sponsored by a school or amusement park.

Football

Enjoy a pick-up game of flag or touch football. It's a great way to enjoy time outdoors and expend some physical activity. Fall is a perfect time to enjoy family-friendly activities.

Apple orchards and more

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<https://adamsfarmmarket.com>

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Picked | Cider

604 RT 7 South, Bennington

802-447-7780

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150 Chapin Rd., Essex Junction

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Cobble Knoll Orchard

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Rd, Waterbury Center

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802-254-0254

www.duttonberryfarm.com

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511 Miller Rd, East Dummerston
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Farm at 84

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84 Sawmill Rd., Jericho
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www.thefarmat84.com

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130 W Hill Rd., Putney
802-387-5851
www.greenmountainorchards.com

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Hackett's Orchards

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86 South St., South Hero
802-372-4848
www.hackettsorchard.com

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www.happyvalleyorchard.com

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PYO
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802-579-2533
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www.paulmazzas.com

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Propagation Piece Orchard

PYO

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<https://www.facebook.com/p/Propagation-Piece-Orchard-100085615512908>

At Propagation Piece Orchard, we're proud to offer the freshest local apples, cider, homemade donuts, and pies. Visit us for all your seasonal favorites and support our community with every bite!

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Monkton
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PYO

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Whitman Brook Orchard

500 Wheelock Rd, Quechee
802-296-6902
www.whitmanbrook.com

Explore over 100 varieties of heirloom apples. The 2018 picking season opens on Saturday, September 8 and continues every weekend through early November.



Apple picking pointers

Visiting a local apple orchard and picking one's fill of apples is a quintessential fall activity. Apple picking is an ideal way to spend time outdoors when the weather tends to be cool and pleasant. Gathering fresh-from-the-tree fruit to turn into favorite fall desserts like cobblers and pies is irresistible.

According to the Economic Research Service, Washington state is the leading apple producer in the United States. It is followed very distantly by New York and Michigan. Apples were first cultivated in Canada by early French settlers, with the first trees planted in Nova Scotia's Annapolis Valley around 1633. Today, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, and British Columbia have become strong players in the apple business. While other areas may not be apple meccas, those looking to pick their own have plenty of options across North America to enjoy this pastime.

Prior to an apple picking adventure, people can do a little preparation to ensure the afternoon is fun and fruitful.

- Do some research. Before individuals head out, they should do research into the available orchards and which apple varieties they specialize in. Ripening seasons vary, so certain varieties may not be available at all times. Call ahead to learn which apples are ripe and when.

- Visit early. The best apples are often available early in the season before the trees have been heavily picked over. It's also a good idea to visit the orchard early in the day, which means cooler temperatures and smaller crowds.

- Dress appropriately. Orchards can be dusty, muddy and buggy. The ground also may be uneven. Individuals can wear comfortable clothes and closed-toed shoes that can get dirty. Also, they should dress in layers, as it can be chilly early in the day and then warmer later on.

- Pick correctly. Instead of yanking on the apples, which can damage the tree and apples, people should gently roll or twist the apple upwards from the branch. If the apple is ripe it will detach easily with stem intact.

- Avoid bruising. It's wise to inspect the apples to make sure they are firm and brightly colored. Those with bruising or insect damage should be left behind.

- Don't overload. Only pick what you need. Apples are delicate, and overloading the apples into bags can crush or bruise the ones on the bottom. Plus, over-picking means that the apples may spoil before they can be eaten.

After a day at the orchard, apples can be stored unwashed in a cool, dark place, which will help them stay fresher, longer.

Farmers markets

**As seasons change, dates and times will vary.*

Sunday

Dorset Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Glover Farmers Market — 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Ludlow Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Putney Farmers Market — 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
Royalton Farmers Market — 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Stowe Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Westford Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Winooski Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Monday

Bristol Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-7 p.m.
Westmore Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Tuesday

Milton Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-8 p.m.
Northfield Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Old North End Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
West Hartford Library Farmers Market — 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Addison County Farmers Market — 2 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
Barre Farmers Market — 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Champlain Islands Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Danville Farmers Market — 3:30-7 p.m.
Essex Parks & Rec Farmers Market — 3:30 p.m.-6 p.m.
Jeffersonville Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Market on the Green-Woodstock — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Newport Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
St. Johnsbury Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.

Thursday

Jericho Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Manchester Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Vergennes Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Friday

Arlington Village Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Brandon Farmers Market — 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Chelsea Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
East Dover Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Hardwick Farmers Market — 3-6 p.m.
Hartland Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Lyndon Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Plainfield Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-7 p.m.
Richmond Farmers Market — 3 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
South Burlington Farmers Market — 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Townshend Farmers Market — 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Bellows Falls Farmers Market — 4 p.m.-7 p.m.

Saturday

Bennington Community Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Brattleboro Area Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Burlington Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Capital City Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Champlain Islands Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Craftsbury Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Marshfield Farmers Market — 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Middlebury Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Montgomery Farmers Market — 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
Morrisville Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Mount Tom Farmers Market — 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Newport Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Northwest Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Norwich Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Peacham Farmers Market — irregular
Randolph Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Rutland County Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Shelburne Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-200 p.m.
St. Johnsbury Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Vermont Farmers Market: Rutland — 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Waitsfield Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
West River Farmers Market — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Vermont craft beverages

1st Republic Brewing Co. — 39 River Rd., Suite 6, Essex Junction, 802-857-5318, www.1stpublicbrewingco.com

14th Star Brewery — 133 North Main St., St. Albans, 802-528-5988, www.14thstarbrewing.com

The Alchemist - Stowe Brewery and Visitors Center — 100 Cottage Club Rd., Stowe, 802-244-7744, alchemistbeer.com

American Flatbread Burlington Hearth & Mothership Brewery — 115 Saint Paul Street, Burlington, 802-861-2999, www.burlington.americanflatbread.com

Barr Hill by Caledonia Spirits — 116 Gin Ln., Montpelier, 802-472-8000, www.barrhill.com

Bent Hill Brewery — 1972 Bent Hill Rd., Braintree, 802-565-5103, www.benthillbrewery.com

Beer Naked Brewery — 7678 VT-Rte 9, Marlboro, 802-464-7702, www.beernakedbrewery.com

Black Flannel Brewing Company — 21 Essex Way # 201, Essex Junction, 802-857-5629, www.blackflannel.com

Boyden Valley Winery and Spirits — 64 VT Route 104, Cambridge, 802-644-8151, www.boydenvalley.com

Brocklebank Craft Brewing — 357 Dickerman Hill Rd., Tunbridge, 802-685-4838, www.brocklebankvt.com

Burlington Beer Company — 180 Flynn Ave., Burlington, 802-863-2337, www.burlingtonbeercompany.com

Champlain Orchards — 3597 Rte. 74W, Shoreham, 802-897-2777, www.champlainorchards.com

Copper At Dorset — 100 Dorset St., South Burlington, www.copperatdorset.com

Devil Takes a Holiday — 111 Saint Paul Street, Burlington, 802-555-5555, www.deviltakesaholiday.com

Drop-In Brewing Company — 610 Route 7, Middlebury, 802-989-7414, dropinbrewing.com

Eden Specialty Ciders — 150 Main St., Newport, 802-334-4231, www.edenciders.com

Ellison Estate Vineyard — 69 East Shore N., Grand Isle, 802-760-9111, www.ellisonestatevineyard.com

EO Randall General Store — 161 County Rd., West Glover, 508-596-4209, www.echodalefarm.com

Fable Farm and Fermentory — 1525 Royalton Tpk., Barnard, 802-234-5288, www.fablefarmfermentory.com

Fiddlehead Brewing Company — 6305 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne, 802-399-2994, www.fiddleheadbrewing.com

Foam Brewers — 112 Lake Street, Burlington, 802-399-2511, www.foambrewers.com

Foley Brothers Brewing — 79 Stone Mill Dam Road, Brandon, 802-247-8002, www.foleybrothersbrewing.com

Four Quarters Brewing — 70 Main St., Winooski, 802-391-9120, www.4qbc.com

Frost Beer Works — 171 Commerce St., Hinesburg, www.frostbeerworks.com

Golden Rule Brewing — 8 Elm St., Middlebury, www.goldenrulebrew.com

Good Measure Brewing Co. — 17 East St., Northfield, 802-485-4600, www.goodmeasurebrewing.com

Harpoon Brewery — 336 Ruth Carney Dr., Windsor, 802-674-5491, www.harpoonbrewery.com/windsor-brewery

Hermit Thrush Brewery — 29 High Street, Ste. 101C, Brattleboro, 802-257-2337, www.hermitthrushbrewery.com

Hill Farmstead Brewery — 403 Hill Rd., Greensboro, 802-533-7450, www.hillfarmstead.com

Hogback Mountain Brewing — 372 Rockydale Rd., Bristol, 802-643-2304, www.hogbackbrew.com

Kingdom Brewing — 353 Coburn Hill Rd., Newport, 802-334-7096, www.kingdombrewingvt.com

Lawson's Finest Liquids — 155 Carroll Rd., Waitsfield, 802-496-4677, www.lawsonsfine.com

Lincoln Peak Vineyard — 142 River Rd., New Haven, 802-388-7368, www.lincolnpeakvineyard.com

Long Trail Brewing Company — 5520 Route 4, Bridgewater Corners, 802-672-5011, www.longtrail.com

Lost Nation Brewing — 87 Old Creamery Rd., Morrisville, 802-851-8041, www.lostnationbrewing.com

Lot Six Brewing Company — 4087 Vermont 108 South, Jeffersonville, 802-335-2092, www.lotsixbrewing.com

Mad River Distillers — 89 Mad River Green, Waitsfield, 802-489-5501, www.madriverdistillers.com

Mad River Distillers Burlington Tasting Room — 137 St. Paul St., Burlington, 802-489-5501, www.madriverdistillers.com

Madison Brewing Company — 428 Main St., Bennington, 802-442-7397, www.madisonbrewingco.com

Mill River Brewing — 10 Beaugard Dr., St., Albans City, 802-582-4182, www.millriverbrewing.com

Montview Vineyard — 102 Flanders Ln., Corinth, 802-439-6160, www.montviewvineyard.com

Neshobe River Winery — 79 Stone Mill Dam Rd., Brandon, 802-247-8002, www.neshoberiverwinery.com

Otter Creek Brewing Company — 793 Exchange St., Middlebury, 802-388-0727, www.ottercreekbrewing.com

Outer Limits Brewing — 60 Village Green, Proctorsville, 802-287-6100, www.outerlimitsbrewing.com/home

Putney Mountain Winery — 8 Bellows Falls Road, Putney, 802-387-5925, www.putneymountainwinery.com

Queen City Brewery — 703B Pine St., Burlington, 802-540-0280, www.queencitybrewery.com

Red Barn Brewing — 2211 US-2, Danville, 802-227-3031, www.redbarbrewingvt.com

Red Clover Ale Company — 43 Center St., Brandon, 802-465-8412, www.redcloverale.com

River Roost Brewery — White River Junction, 802-698-8715, www.riverroostbrewery.com

Rock Art Brewery — 632 Laporte Rd./Rt. 100, Morrisville, 802-888-9400 www.rockartbrewery.com

Rutland Beer Works — 136 Granger St., Rutland, 802-665-7794, www.rutlandbeerworks.com

Saxtons River Distillery — 155 Chickering Dr., Brattleboro, 802-246-1128, www.saxtonsdistillery.com

Seedy Fruit Wine Company — 7 Sanderson Rd., Milton, 802-893-3212

SILO Distillery — 3 Artisans Way, Windsor, 802-674-4220, www.silodistillery.com

Simple Roots Brewing — 1127 North Avenue, Suite 8, Burlington, 802-399-2658, www.simplerootsbrewing.com

Smugglers' Notch Distillery — 5087 Vermont RT 15, Jeffersonville, 802-309-3077, smugglersnotchdistillery.com

Snow Farm Vineyard & Distillery — 190 West Shore Rd., South Hero, 802-372-9463, www.snowfarm.com

Snow Republic Brewery — 33 Route 100, West Dover, 802-222-0932, www.snowrepublicbrewery.com

Soulmate Brewing Company — 74 Portland St., Morrisville, 802-851-8569, www.soulmatebrewing.com

Stone Corral Brewery — 83 Huntington Rd., Richmond, 802-434-5787, www.stonecorral.com

Sunrise Orchards — 1333 North Bingham St., Cornwall, www.sunriseorchards.com

Switchback Brewing Co. — 160 Flynn Ave., Burlington, 802-651-4114, www.switchbackvt.com

Ten Bends Beer — 590 East Main Street, Hyde Park, 802-521-7139, www.tenbendsbeer.com

Two Heroes Brewery & Public House — 252 US Rte. 2, South Hero, www.twoheroesbrewery.com

Upper Pass Beer Company — 228 Chelsea Street, South Royalton, 802-763-0010, www.upperpassbeer.com

Vermont Beer Makers — 100 River St., Springfield, 802-885-6613, www.vermontbeermakers.com

Vermont Cider Lab — 25 Essex Way, Suite

214, Essex, www.vtciderlab.com

Vermont Distillers — 7755 VT Route 9, Marlboro, 802-464-2003, www.vermontdistillers.com

Vermont Distillers & Smugglers' Notch Distillery Tasting Room — 28 Church Street, Burlington, 802-861-2071, www.vermontdistillers.com/church-street-burlington-store

Vermont Pub & Brewery — 144 College St., Burlington, 802-598-3184, www.vermontbrewery.com

Vermont Spirits Distilling Co. — 5575 Woodstock Rd., Quechee, 802-281-6398, www.vermontspirits.com

Village Garage Distillery — 107 Depot St., Bennington, www.villagegarage.com

von Trapp Brewing — 1333 Luce Hill Road, Stowe, 802-253-5750, www.vontrappbrewing.com

von Trapp Brewing Bierhall — 1333 Luce Hill Road, Stowe, 802-253-5750, www.vontrappbrewing.com/bierhall.htm

Whaleback Vineyard — 202 Old Lake Rd., Poultney, 802-287-2256, www.whalebackvineyard.com

Whetstone Beer Co. — 36 Bridge St., Brattleboro, 802-490-2354, www.whetstonebeer.com

WhistlePig Pavilion — 7416 Mountain Rd., Stowe, 802-760-4730, www.sprucepeak.com/dine/whistlepig-pavilion

Woodchuck Cider House — 1321 Exchange St., Middlebury, 802-398-2090, www.woodchuck.com

Zero Gravity Pine Street Brewery — 716 Pine Street, Burlington, 802-497-0054, www.zerogravitybeer.com

Safety tips for outdoor enthusiasts

The beauty of nature is undeniable. That beauty draws millions of people outside every day. From hiking to kayaking to surfing, there's no shortage of ways to spend a day in the great outdoors.

Though there's plenty of reasons to get outside, it's important that safety is prioritized when spending time in the great outdoors. The following safety tips merit consideration for any nature enthusiast, including novices and seasoned outdoorsmen.

Let others know your plans

Nature is unpredictable, and conditions can change in the blink of an eye. So it's important to share your itinerary with loved ones back home before entering the great outdoors. That's particularly vital for those who intend to visit remote spots to hike, fish or engage in another activity. Provide your precise location, the hours you plan to be outside and your intended return time so people know when

to alert authorities if you haven't returned in time.

Get to know your destination

The global environmental nonprofit organization The Nature Conservancy urges outdoor enthusiasts to research their destinations so they can assess the conditions and identify any challenges and amenities prior to their arrival. Such homework can help people sufficiently prepare for their time in nature, providing insight about what to bring, the appropriate attire (including footwear), the precise location of where they will be, and additional details that might be exclusive to a given destination.

Leave wildlife alone

Encounters with wildlife are not uncommon at many outdoor destinations. While wildlife can be awe-inspiring, outdoor enthusiasts should never confront wildlife or infringe upon animal's space. Keep a safe distance between yourself and wild-

life. That's vital year-round, but particularly important in spring, when The Nature Conservancy reports many species of wildlife give birth to young, and parents may prove especially protective of their babies during this time of year.

Protect your body

It's important to protect your body when spending time in the great outdoors. Apply sunscreen with a minimum sun protection factor (SPF) of 30 prior to going outdoors, and liberally reapply sunscreen if you're sweating a lot or spending several hours outside. It's important to apply sunscreen even on cloudy days. It's also important to bring along water and healthy snacks. Dehydration can set in quickly and make it hard to keep moving, while snacks can provide energy and help to account for calories expended during physical activity.

Safety strategies can ensure a day spent in the great outdoors is enjoyable and memorable for all the right reasons.

Skiing and mountain adventures

Ascutney

449 Ski Tow Road, West Windsor
www.ascutneyoutdoors.org

8 trails, 26 acres of skiable terrain for all ability levels. Alpine skiers have been thrilled about Ascutney's varied terrain and friendly appeal for over 60 years.

Bolton Valley

4302 Bolton Valley Access Rd., Bolton Valley
802-434-3444
boltonvalley.com

Bolton Valley sits high in the Green Mountains, surrounded by over 5,000 acres of terrain and averaging 312 inches of snow each season. The mountain offers 71 trails and glades for alpine skiing and riding, plus 100 kilometers of Nordic and backcountry trails, making it one of the most versatile ski areas in Vermont.

The trail network covers all ability levels, from groomed Nordic tracks through the woods to backcountry routes accessing the high peaks.

Brattleboro Ski Hill

24 Living Memorial Park Drive, Brattleboro
802-254-2998
www.brattski.org

The Brattleboro Ski Hill is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to keeping affordable, community-based skiing and riding alive in southern Vermont. The 1-trail hill is maintained and operated entirely by local volunteers, who handle everything from snowmaking and grooming to staffing the lift.

Bromley

124 Bromley Lodge Rd., Peru
802-824-5522
https://bromley.com

As one of New England's only south-facing ski areas, Bromley has earned the name Vermont's Sun Mountain. With 47 trails and 9 lifts, the mountain is a winter playground for skiers and snowboarders of all skill levels. The variety of terrain offers something for everyone, from

gentle, confidence-building greens and rolling blue cruisers to feature-filled terrain parks, adventurous glades, and the challenging black diamonds of the East Side Steeps.

Burke Mountain

838 Dashney Rd., East Burke
802-626-7300
www.skiburke.com

Skiing and riding is the bread and butter of Burke Mountain. They've been at it since 1956. Always independent and straightforward. For those seeking a relaxed, crowd-light skiing and riding experience on 55 trails with awesome fall lines, welcome to Burke. Beginners have their own haven in the lower mountain area, complete with two lifts and a Magic Carpet. More experienced skiers and riders love their glade runs and wide groomers served by two speedy detachable lifts.

Burke Dashney Nordic Center

838 Dashney Rd., East Burke
802-626-0737
www.skiburke.com

Dashney Nordic Center offers groomed Nordic ski trails winding through forgotten Vermont country roads, rolling farmland, and forested lanes in the Northeast Kingdom. Trails are groomed for both classic and skate skiing, with loops and terrain covering beginner through advanced ability levels. Snowshoeing is welcome on all trails, and dogs are allowed throughout the network.

Camel's Hump Nordic Ski Area

1085 Bert White Rd, Huntington
https://camelshumpskiers.org

Camel's Hump Nordic offers upland skiing across more than 35 miles of wooded and open trails spanning over 1,500 acres in the shadow of Camel's Hump. The terrain covers groomed trails, backcountry touring, and access to deep powder runs on the upper mountain, with direct connections to the Honey Hollow Trail, Catamount Trail, and the Camel's Hump Challenge Trail from the groomed network.

Cochran's Ski Area

592 Governor Chittenden Rd., Williston
802-879-6001
https://cochranskiarea.com

Catamount Outdoor Family Center has been welcoming skiers and outdoor enthusiasts to its 500-acre property in Williston since 1978, when it opened as a cross-country ski center. Since then, the trail network has grown to roughly 25 miles of terrain supporting Nordic skiing, snowshoeing, fat biking, mountain biking, and trail running across all four seasons.

Craftsbury Outdoor Center

535 Lost Nation Rd., Craftsbury Common
802-586-7767
https://www.craftsbury.com

Craftsbury Outdoor Center has been a destination for serious outdoor athletes and recreational enthusiasts alike since Russell Spring and his family founded it in 1976 on the former Cutler Academy campus in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom. What began as a Nordic ski center quickly expanded to include sculling, running, and biathlon, and the Center has operated as a nonprofit since 2008 under the ownership of Dick Dreissigacker and Judy Geer.

Grafton Trails & Outdoor Center

783 Townshend Road
Grafton, VT 05146
802-843-2400
www.graftoninnvermont.com/southern-vt-trails-outdoors

Outdoor Center sits in the village of Grafton in southern Vermont, offering a year-round trail network for cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, fat biking, mountain biking, hiking, and sleigh rides. Summer trail use is free for all visitors. Winter trail passes apply for the general public, with complimentary access for guests of the Grafton Inn, who also receive included equipment rentals covering cross-country skis, snowshoes, and mountain bikes.

The Hermitage Club

183 Gatehouse Trail, Wilmington
Private Club Limited info, members only
www.hermitageclub.com

Located on Haystack Mountain in Southern Vermont, The Hermitage Club is housed in a spectacular 90,000 square foot Austin Design post-and-beam lodge. The mountain offers easy driving access to 1400 vertical feet of skiing and snowboarding, on 45 trails, with 4 lifts including a heated high speed six-pack bubble chair-lift, magic carpet in our novice area and lift-access for lunch hour at the neighboring famous Hermitage Inn.

Hardack Mountain

Greg Brown Lodge at Hard'ack Recreation Area, 264 Hardack Drive, St. Albans
802-524-1971

<https://stalbansvt.myrec.com/info>

The St. Albans Recreation Commission is dedicated to developing quality recreational programs for all groups in our community. The mission of our youth sports program is to establish fundamental skills while promoting fun, fitness and good sportsmanship through individual and team activities. Our primary goal is to build good people of strong character through participation.

Jay Peak

830 Jay Peak Rd., Jay
1-800-451-4449

<https://jaypeakresort.com>

The most snow in eastern North America and a liberal in-bounds policy that ensures you can enjoy it. 81 trails, slopes, and glades all wait for you, but the nooks and crannies are what really set Jay Peak apart.

An indoor waterpark, ice arena, recreation center, championship golf course, and a live music amphitheater. Lodging, dining, and activities are all on-site, making it a practical choice for families, groups, and corporate retreats alike.

Jay Peak's Nordic Center offers 12 miles of groomed trails for classic and skate skiing, Nordic skiers at Jay have access to the full range of resort amenities on-site, including lodging, dining, and an indoor waterpark.

Killington

4763 Killington Rd., Killington
800-621-MTNS
<https://killington.com>

Killington Resort has earned its moniker "The Beast of the East" with four seasons of adventure spread across six peaks. With the most expansive snow-making and lift system in Eastern North America, Killington offers more than 150 trails and 70 miles of diverse snow sports terrain, including a world-class terrain park network and the longest season in the East. With elevated on-mountain dining, a plethora of après options and a commitment to investment, quality, and the environment, Killington is a can't-miss destination for the whole family.

Killington always hosts a jam-packed schedule of bands, festivals, and competitions such as the Audi FIS Ski World Cup, Subaru WinterFest, and the Fox US Open of Mountain Biking. There's plenty to do besides skiing & riding, including scenic gondola rides, tubing, spa treatments, and shopping, plus more than 100 restaurants and bars in the region.

Kingdom Trails

78 VT Rte 114, East Burke
802-626-0737

XC Reservations: 802-626-0737

Kingdom Trails operates out of Darling Hill in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom, described by many as the prettiest mile in Vermont, where the trails wind through fields and forest past historic barns, quaint inns, and Victorian farmhouses with long views of the surrounding mountain ranges. The trail network runs year-round, with something on offer in every season.

In winter, Kingdom Trails grooms 16-plus kilometers of classic and skate ski trails on Darling Hill, ranging from beginner to advanced intermediate terrain. The network also serves as home training grounds for Lyndon Institute and St. Johnsbury Academy Nordic teams. Snowshoeing is welcome on groomed fat bike trails, ungroomed trails, and Nordic ski trails when conditions allow. Fat bikers will find 15-plus miles of groomed singletrack, though conditions change quickly and checking trail reports before heading out is always a good idea.

Mad River Glen

57 Schuss Pass Road
PO Box 1089, Waitsfield
802.496.3551
www.madriverglen.com

Mad River Glen is skier-owned and unapologetically itself. The 60 trail mountain has operated as a cooperative since 1995, and that ownership structure shapes everything about the experience: low skier density, natural snow prioritized over snowmaking, and a non-commercial atmosphere that feels genuinely different from most ski areas in New England.

Magic Mountain

495 Magic Mountain
Access Rd, Londonderry
802-824-5645
www.magicmtn.com

Magic Mountain has been drawing skiers and riders to southern Vermont since the 1960s, and the terrain is still the main reason to make the trip. The expert trails and off-piste glades are legitimately challenging, cut in the original style with real steeps, natural obstacles, and no smoothing over of what the mountain actually is. Trails cover all ability levels, but Magic has a particular pull for skiers and riders who want to work for their runs.

Middlebury Snow Bowl

6886 VT Rte. 125, Hancock
802-443-7669
<https://middleburysnowbowl.com>

The Middlebury Snowbowl sits on Route 125 in the Green Mountains, roughly halfway between Routes 7 and 100, and covers enough terrain to keep skiers and riders of all ability levels busy. The mountain offers 25 trails and 10 glades, with off-trail skiing permitted within the ski area's boundaries. Snowmaking covers approximately 45% of the terrain, and four lifts, including a quad chairlift and two triple chairs, keep things moving.

Night skiing is available on select evenings during the season, with lit trails and a beginner area accessible via a free surface lift that requires no lift ticket. Check the Snowbowl's website for current night skiing days and hours.

Mount Snow

39 Mount Snow Rd., West Dover
800-245-SNOW
www.mountsnow.com

Mount Snow has been one of the most accessible major ski resorts in the East since Walter Schoenkecht founded it in 1954, and its location in southern Vermont still makes it the shortest drive from New York, Boston, and most of the Northeast's metro areas to real big-mountain skiing and riding. It's one of three Vermont ski areas on the Epic Pass, alongside Okemo and Stowe.

Lyndon Outing Club

1580 Lily Pond Rd., Lyndonville
802-626-8465
www.skilyndon.com

The Lyndon Outing Club (LOC) has been getting Northeast Kingdom families on snow since 1937, when a group of local skiers founded it with a straightforward goal: quality outdoor recreation, close to home. In its early years, the LOC hosted a competition ski jump and served as training grounds for Olympic-level athletes, along with sled dog races, snow sculpture contests, and slalom events that drew the community together around the hill.

Northeast Slopes

10397 Route 25, East Corinth
802-439-5789
https://northeastslopes.org

Today, Northeast Slopes is one of the oldest continuously operating rope tow ski areas in the country. It runs on volunteer labor, community support, and the straightforward idea that affordable, family-friendly skiing is worth preserving.

Okemo

77 Okemo Ridge Road
Ludlow, VT 05149
802-228-1600
www.okemo.com

Okemo Mountain Resort rises above the village of Ludlow in south-central Vermont, and has built a reputation over decades as one of the most consistently well-run family resorts in the East. The mountain regularly earns recognition for grooming, terrain parks, family pro-

gramming, and guest service. It's one of three Vermont ski areas on the Epic Pass, alongside Mount Snow and Stowe.

The mountain's Jackson Gore area serves as the hub for year-round activity, with the Spring House offering a fitness center, sauna, hot tub, and family pools.

Pico

73 Alpine Drive., Killington
866-667-PICO
https://picomountain.com

Families and skiing traditionalists now enjoy 58 trails and a terrain park serviced by six lifts, including two high-speed detachable quads. Gentle learning terrain, smooth cruisers, and classically narrow New England steeps can all be found at Pico. With more vertical drop than 80% of New England ski areas, Pico Mountain is your home for family mountain fun with big mountain terrain and small mountain charm. All trails lead to a central base area, making Pico Mountain ideal for the whole family.

Saskadena Six

247 Stage Rd., South Pomfret
802-457-6661
www.saskadenasix.com

Saskadena Six operates as part of the Woodstock Inn & Resort, with 28 trails, 2 lifts, and 60% snowmaking coverage. The mountain invested in a full snowmaking infrastructure upgrade in 2018, adding automated TechnoAlpin snow producers with real-time weather monitoring across multiple elevations, significantly improving snow quality and production efficiency.

Ski Quechee

3268 Quechee Main St., Quechee
802-295-9356
https://quecheeclub.com/skiquechee

Saskadena Six operates as part of the Woodstock Inn & Resort, with 28 trails, 2 lifts, and 60% snowmaking coverage. The mountain invested in a full snowmaking infrastructure upgrade in 2018, adding automated TechnoAlpin snow producers with real-time weather monitoring across multiple elevations, significantly improving snow quality and production efficiency.

Smugglers' Notch

4323 Vermont Route 108
South, Jeffersonville
855-814-7325
www.smuggs.com

The mountain offers 78 trails, 8 lifts, 1,000 acres of terrain, and the highest vertical drop in northern Vermont at 2,610 feet. Natural snowfall averages more than 300 inches annually, and multiple terrain parks give skiers and riders of all ability levels something to work with.

Smugglers' Notch Resort's Nordic Ski and Snowshoe Adventure Center offers 30 kilometers of cross-country ski trails for all ability levels, from beginner-friendly terrain to more challenging expert routes. Dedicated snowshoe trails wind through snow-covered forest, and ice skating rounds out the winter options. Gear rentals and trail advice are available at the center, which also serves as a warm-up spot with hot chocolate and a fire on cold days.

As part of a full-service family resort, Nordic skiers and snowshoers have access to the same lodging, dining, pools, and family programming that make Smugglers' Notch one of the top-rated family destinations in the East.

Stowe

5781 Mountain Rd., Stowe
800-253-4754
www.stowe.com

Stowe Mountain Resort is widely credited as the birthplace of alpine skiing in Vermont, and the mountain has built on that history to become one of the most recognized ski destinations in the East.

The resort spans two mountains: Mount Mansfield, Vermont's highest peak, and Spruce Peak. Mount Mansfield holds the 128-trail terrain Stowe is known for, including some of the most challenging and storied runs in New England. Spruce Peak complements it with beginner and intermediate terrain, slopeside accommodations, retail and dining, and a performing arts center. A six-person Sunrise lift provides access to Mount Mansfield's upper mountain.

Stowe Mountain Resort's Cross

Country Center sits off Route 108, about a mile from the alpine slopes, and operates as its own distinct destination. The trail network covers 45 kilometers of groomed trails and 30 kilometers of backcountry terrain, with the easiest and most scenic routes following the West Branch of the Little River up into the Ranch Camp valley, where some of the earliest backcountry trails in the area were cut by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s. Several of those original trails, including The Steeple and The Bruce, remain popular with backcountry skiers today.

Stratton

5 Village Lodge Rd., Stratton Mountain
802-297-4000

www.stratton.com

Stratton Mountain sits atop southern Vermont's highest peak at 2,003 feet of vertical, and backs its skiing and riding with a great snow guarantee. The mountain offers 99 trails, 160-plus

acres of glades, and more than 670 acres of total terrain, with top-ranked terrain parks and what the resort bills as the fastest lift fleet in the East.

The slopeside village keeps everything close: lodging, dining, shopping, a spa, and a training and fitness center are all on-site. Stratton has earned eight National Ski Areas Association Safety Awards, including recognition for its terrain park Safety Education Session.

The mountain runs year-round, with summer and fall activities including mountain biking, golf, hiking, and a full events calendar that draws visitors well beyond ski season.

Sugarbush

1840 Sugarbush Access Rd., Warren
802-583-6300

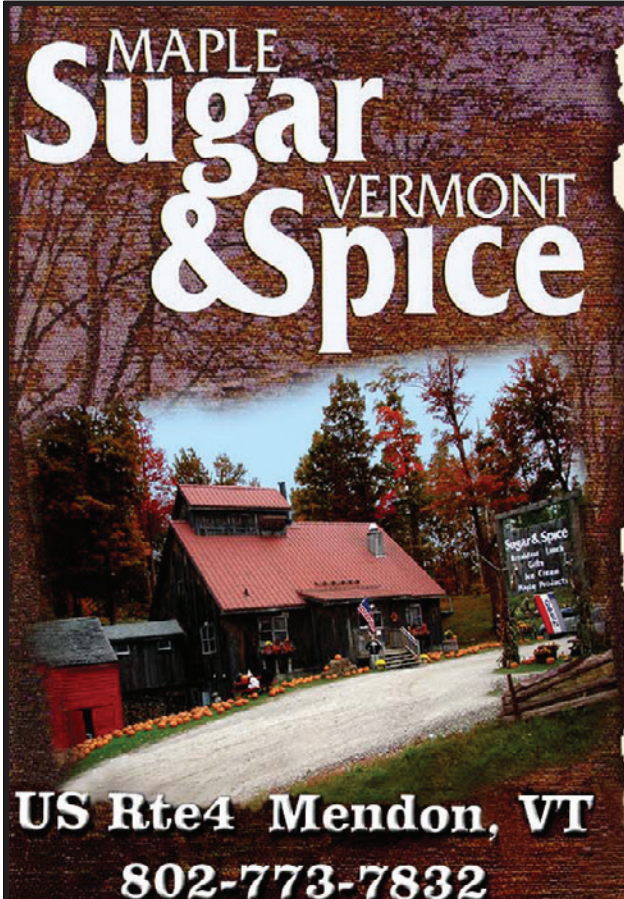
www.sugarbush.com

Sugarbush spreads across two mountains in the Mad River Valley, Lincoln Peak and Mt. Ellen, connect-

ed by the Slide Brook Express chairlift and a shuttle. Together they offer 111 trails covering all ability levels, with 28 marked tree skiing areas and the 2,000-acre Slide Brook Basin tucked between the two peaks for those looking to venture further.

Lincoln Peak is the main hub, with a village offering lodging, dining, the Ski and Ride School, and rentals and repair. The legendary Castlerock Peak, accessed from Lincoln Peak, delivers the kind of narrow, steep, winding terrain that serious experts seek out. On the other end of the spectrum, Lincoln Peak also has some of the most accessible beginner terrain in the valley.

Mt. Ellen, the third-highest peak in Vermont, brings wide-open cruisers, steep pitches, and solid intermediate terrain. The base area is low-key, anchored by the Green Mountain Lounge, and home to the Riemergasse Terrain Park with rails, tables, and jumps across all ability levels.



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General information for Vermont

Big Game Hunting

SPECIES	SEASON	NOTES	DATES
Deer	Archery	Expanded Archery In designated areas	Sept. 15 – 30; Oct. 1 – Dec. 15
	Youth & Novice Deer Weekend		Nov. 7 – 8
	Oct. Muzzleloader Antlerless Deer Season	By permit only, if available. Check website.	Oct. 29 – Nov. 1
	16 Day Regular Season		Nov. 14 – 29
	Dec. Muzzleloader		Nov. 30 – Dec. 13
Black Bear	Early Season		Sept. 1 – Nov. 13
	Late Season		Nov. 14 – 22
Turkey	Youth & Novice Turkey Weekend		April 25 – 26
	Spring Season		May 1 – 31
	Fall Seasons	Archery only In all WMUs statewide	Oct. 1 – Nov. 13
		Shotgun or Archery WMUs B, D, G, H, I, J, L, M, O, P, and Q	Oct. 24 – Nov. 1
		WMUs F, K, and N	Oct. 24 – Nov. 8
Moose			Check website

Furbearer Hunting

SPECIES	DATES
Bobcat	Jan. 10 – Feb. 7
Red & Gray Fox	Oct. 25, 2025 – Feb. 8, 2026 & Oct. 24, 2026 – Feb. 14, 2027
Raccoon	Oct. 10 – Dec. 31
Muskrat	March 20 – April 19
Skunk, Weasel, and Opossum	Open Year Round
Coyote	Check website for updates
Marten, Lynx, Wolf, Eastern Mountain Lion, Mink, Otter, Beaver, Fisher	No open season

Small Game Hunting

SPECIES	DATES
Hare, Rabbit	Sept. 27, 2025 – March 8, 2026 & Sept. 26, 2026 – March 14, 2027 WMUs D and E remain open through March 31
Gray Squirrel	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31
Ruffed Grouse (Partridge)	Sept. 26 – Dec. 31
Woodcock, Waterfowl	To Be Announced
Crow	Jan. 16 – April 10 & Aug. 21 – Dec. 18 Friday – Monday only, closed Tues – Thurs

Furbearer Trapping

SPECIES	DATES
Mink, Skunk, Red & Gray Fox, Raccoon, Coyote, Opossum, Weasel	Oct. 24 – Dec. 31
Otter, Muskrat, Beaver	Oct. 25, 2025 – March 31, 2026 & Oct. 24, 2026 – March 31, 2027
Fisher	Dec. 1 – 31
Bobcat	Dec. 1 – 16
Marten, Lynx, Wolf, Eastern, Mountain Lion	No open season

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New rules for deer, moose and turkey hunting

Vermont Fish and Wildlife periodically updates hunting regulations as new issues arise, conditions change, or new opportunities become available. Several changes take effect in 2026. They are intended to provide additional hunting opportunity and allow for more effective management.

Turkey

The fall archery season for turkey has been extended. It now begins on October 1 (same day as deer archery) and runs until the Friday before the regular deer season in November.

Moose

The regular moose season has been extended from 6 days to 9 days and now includes two weekends. The harvest is still controlled by adjusting the number of permits available, but this change provides more flexibility for hunters. Success rates will be more consistent and less affected by poor weather.

Deer

The youth and novice weekend has been moved back to the original youth weekend timing on the weekend before the regular season. The earlier timing since 2020 had resulted in reduced participation due to conflicts with other fall activities.

The antler point restriction has been reinstated in WMU-D1. After removal of the antler restriction in 2020, too many young bucks were being harvested in this WMU, which resulted in a decline in mature bucks. All other WMUs have been able to meet buck age structure objectives under existing regulations.

The archery season is no longer closed during the regular season and now runs continuously from October 1 to December 15. This simplifies regulations and provides additional opportunity for some hunters.

Expanded archery zones have been established in eight areas around the state. These are primarily developed areas around major cities and towns where deer cannot effectively be managed with firearms. Within these areas, the archery season will begin September 15 and will be for antlerless deer only until the regular archery season begins on October 1.

Antlerless permits may now be used during the regular season. Hunters with an antlerless permit may use it during the muzzleloader seasons, as in previous years, or during the regular season. This change was necessary to achieve antlerless harvest objectives in some parts of Vermont. It also provides a new antlerless deer harvest opportunity for a large segment of Vermont's deer hunters.

Hunters may now hold two antlerless permits at one time, provided the permits are for different WMUs. Only one permit may be acquired through the lottery. If unallocated permits are available, a second permit, for a different WMU, may be purchased before filling the first permit.

Hunters may take a second buck if they meet the following conditions.

1. They purchase a second buck tag,
2. Their first buck has 3 or more points on one antler, and
3. They harvest an antlerless deer.

The order of the conditions does not matter, as long as they are all met. Only one buck may be taken per season.

Five days have been added to the December muzzleloader season. It now begins on the Monday immediately after the regular season and extends for 14 days. This provides additional opportunity and flexibility for muzzleloader hunters.

License Information

Licenses are Required

Any person engaged in fishing, hunting, trapping or taking any wild animals must be properly licensed, except as listed below under exceptions. Wild animals are defined by law as ALL animals, including birds, amphibians, and reptiles, other than domestic animals.

Exceptions to License Requirements

A resident owner of land in Vermont, his or her spouse, and minor children may hunt within the boundary of that land and take fish from a private pond within the boundary of that land without a license within season (except if their right to obtain a license is under suspension, or for seasons requiring a special tag such as moose,

Antlerless muzzleloader, and waterfowl seasons). A nonresident owner of land has equal privilege if his or her land is NOT posted (except if their right to obtain a license is under suspension). "Posted" means any signage that would lead a reasonable person to believe that hunting is prohibited on the land, except for "Safety Zone" signs.

Military Personnel

Any resident of Vermont who is serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or is performing, or is under orders to perform, a homeland defense or state-side contingency operation for a period of 120 or more consecutive days may obtain at no cost a hunting or fishing license or combination hunting and fishing license.

A person who obtains a license under this provision may keep the license until it expires, whether or not the person continues to serve in the armed forces.

If requesting a hunting or combination license, you also need to submit a copy of your hunter education certification, a previous hunting license, or complete an affidavit stating you have held a hunting license.

A nonresident member of the armed forces of the United States who is on active duty and stationed at a military, air or naval post, station or base within Vermont may buy a license to hunt or fish at the resident fee.

These licenses are available from Vermont Fish & Wildlife offices, license agents and our website.

Any questions on eligibility for military licenses should be directed to 802-828-1190 or fwlicensing@vermont.gov or sent to:

Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department
Attn: Licensing
1 National Life Drive, Dewey Building
Montpelier, VT 05620-3208

Haunted houses and spooky tours

Emmons Island Haunted Trail

Island Meadows Lane, Grand Isle
802-372-4113

www.facebook.com/ihtrail.org

October 10, 2026, main event
6:30-10pm, kids walk 4:30-6pm.

Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium Haunted Museum

1302 Main St., St. Johnsbury
<https://fairbanksmuseum.org>

What secrets lurk deep in the shadows? This Halloween, prepare to be terrified by tales of the supernatural and chart your path through the ghost-filled Victorian basement of the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium. 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Montpelier Ghost Tours and Haunted Pub Crawls

115 State St., Montpelier, 802-232-2781

<https://usghostadventures.com/montpelier-ghost-tour>

Join our Montpelier ghost tour and explore the city's most haunted and historic locations by night. Discover the chilling and tragic history that lingers in Montpelier's shadows.

Nightmare Vermont

105, Pearl St., Essex Junction
<https://nightmarevermont.org>

Indoor, interactive, theatrical haunted house.

Pittsford Haunted House

426 Plains Road, Pittsford, VT
www.facebook.com/people/Pittsford-Haunted-House/100079915793403

One of Vermont's most historic and popular Halloween attractions, held annually, and run by the Pittsford Volunteer Fire Department.

Queen City Ghostwalk

149, Church St., Downtown, Burlington
<https://queencityghostwalk.com>

Burlington, Vermont's original ghost tour. Many walk sell out. Be sure to plan ahead.

Vengeance in the Valley

6343, Coolidge Highway, Guilford
<https://hauntedgainesfarm.com>

The Halloween double-thriller that everyone is talking about – the haunted attractions on the Gaines Farm.

Wilson Castle

2970 W. Proctor Rd.,
Proctor, 802-773-3284
www.wilsoncastle.com

This 19th-century European-style building offers guided tours & special events.

**Check websites for updated information for 2026 season.*

Turn your home into a haunted house

People celebrate Halloween with the same zeal as Thanksgiving and Christmas. Decorating for Halloween has evolved over the years, and many homeowners now go to great lengths to turn their humble abodes into horrific haunts. Achieving a haunted house vibe is easier than one might think with some creative ideas.

Dim the lights

Turning down the lights immediately increases the spooky factor for Halloween. The mind may jump to its own conclusions about what is nestled in a shadowy corner or just around the bend. Turning off lights and relying on flickering candles or battery-operated lanterns will also hide any imperfections in your decor.

Direct light upwards

Outdoors, position low-angle spotlights or floodlights pointing up at walls or trees to cast long, harsh shadows that seem scary.

Board up the windows

Tape lightweight painted cardboard strips across windows to mimic the look of an abandoned home. Scary shapes cut from cardboard or black paper can be taped inside of windows and backlit by dim lights to create an eerie atmosphere.

Utilize fog machines

If available, a fog machine near an entrance or in a hallway can provide a dense, disorienting haze. Again, it will reduce visibility, which can make a haunted house seem more frightening.

Tactile scares

Hang loose, dark pieces of string, tattered scrap fabric or faux spider webs from ceilings so that they will lightly brush against passers-by in dark areas. A hidden fan can be positioned to blow a sudden, chilly draft across a doorway to mimic a passing spirit.

Haunted portraits

Inexpensive thrift store frames can dress up eerie vintage photos or lenticular shifting images purchased online. For a real fright, have someone pose behind a frame and actually move or reach out as visitors go by.

Obscured paths

Create blind corners and obscured paths so visitors cannot anticipate what is waiting ahead. Use dark sheets or black painter canvas taped securely to the ceiling. Position crotches along the way to achieve jump scares.

Scary sounds

Place Bluetooth speakers throughout the haunted house to play a loop of screams, squeaky hinge noises or footsteps to keep guests off-kilter.

A haunted house is expected for Halloween thrills, and it's easy to create a spooky atmosphere with a little effort.

Calendar of Events

SEPT. 19

Vermont at the Midterm Moment: A Conversation with State Leaders — 10:30 a.m.-noon on the historic Rothrock Main Stage, Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

By Candlelight: An Evening of Séance — In the historic vaulted hall beneath the National Bank of Middlebury Duclos Building. 6:30 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Young Masters Series Featuring Ben & Romy Munkres — in the Anderson Studio. 7 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Puppets in the Green Mountains: Lunch with Sonia — A dance-puppet piece exploring Death with Dignity, life, love, and loss. 7:30 p.m. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, Putney. www.nextstagearts.org 802-387-0102.

Mandala “rock” Painting — All Ages. Free. Please bring your own washed rock. Must RSVP. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Used Bike and Sewing Machine Collection — Peace Corps volunteers collect used bikes and sewing machines for developing countries. 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saint Michael's College, 1 Winooski Park, Colchester. 802-793-0888.

Hidden Lives of Black Vermonters — Explore the history of African Americans in post-Revolutionary and 19th-century Vermont. 10:30 a.m.-Noon. Vermont Genealogy Library, 57 River Road, Essex Junction. 802-871-5647.

Bridgewater Grange #284 Craft/Yard/Bake Sale — Reserve a spot to sell or stop by to buy. Call Alice for more info. \$10 for 1 day, \$15 for 2 days. 802-672-3790, 9-3 p.m., 129 VT-100A, Bridgewater. 802-672-3790.

Adult Watercolor — Intermediate. Must RSVP. Bring your own supplies. 10 a.m.-noon. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Vermont Farmers Market — Outdoor market with local vendors with various goodies to offer on Saturdays. Depot Park, Downtown Rutland. vtfarmersmarket.org.

Tunbridge World's Fair — One of Vermont's oldest fairs, offering livestock shows, crafts, and family activities. www.tunbridgeworldsfair.com

Vermont Wine & Harvest Festival — The 16th Annual Vermont Wine & Harvest Festival is set to savor and enjoy Vermont

vintners, small specialty food producers, chefs, painters, publishers, cheese makers, potters, jewelers, photographers, and farmers. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Mount Snow Resort, West Dover.

Norwich Antiques Show & Sale — Dealers from throughout New England will be selling furniture, rugs, and collectibles. Informal appraisal by Andrew Katz from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Music and great food. 277 Main Street, Norwich, 802-649-0124, info@norwichhistory.org

Healing Together: A Lullaby Project Celebration — Umbrella's Healing Together Project, Northwoods Music Collaborative, and Writers for Recovery present Healing Together, a program of beautiful and heartwarming songs and artwork created by parents, caretakers, children, families, survivors, and partners. 4-5:30 p.m. Highland Center for the Arts, 2875 Hardwick St., Greensboro. 802-279-0003.

Used Bike and Sewing Machine Collection — 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saint Michael's College, One Winooski Park, Colchester. 802-793-0888.

Green Mountain Pug Rescue turns 24 — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Branbury State Park in Salisbury. 3570 Lake Dunmore Road, Salisbury. 802-735-5517.

SEPT. 20

Twenty Years of the Met in Cinemas: An Anniversary Celebration — The MET: Live in HD in the Anderson Studio. 1 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Lurette Saul & Matthew Odell in concert — a song recital featuring the music of beloved French composer Maurice Ravel for voice and piano and for solo piano. 3 p.m., Artistree Community Arts Center, 2095 Pomfret Road, Pomfret. 802-457-3500.

Twilight Music — Liam Purcell & Cane Mill Road and Diane Zeigler with Geoff Sather and special guests Bruce and Barry Stockwell. 7 p.m. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, Putney. www.nextstagearts.org 802-387-0102.

Tunbridge World's Fair — One of Vermont's oldest fairs, offering livestock shows, crafts, and family activities. www.tunbridgeworldsfair.com

Gouache Painting — \$40 includes all supplies. Instructor: Shy Carter. Must pre-register. 6-8 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Fall Equinox Celebration & Potluck — Join us in celebrating the Fall Equinox at Smokey House Center with a community potluck and live music from Rutland

musician Phil Henry. 4-6 p.m., 426 Danby Mountain Road, Danby. 802-293-2300.

SEPT. 21

Barstow Unified Union School Board Meeting — Board documents and link to participate virtually can be found at www.rnesu.org. 6-8:30 p.m. Barstow Memorial School, 223 Chittenden Road, Chittenden. 802-247-5757.

SEPT. 22

Five For Fighting with String Quartet — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Otter Valley Unified Union School Board — Special Meeting: Act 170 Working Groups. Board documents and details for virtual participation can be found at www.rnesu.org. 5-9 p.m., OVUHS Library, 2997 Franklin St., Brandon. 802-247-5757.

SEPT. 23

“The Librarians” movie — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Shostakovich Against Stalin: The War Symphonies — On the historic Rothrock Main Stage. 6:30 Festival Opening Reception. 7:30 p.m. Film. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Women and Our Woods Book Discussion — A casual conversation with three Vermont landowners celebrating the publication of “Women and the Woods We Love.” 6-7:30 p.m. Chittenden Public Library, 223 Chittenden Road, Chittenden. 802-773-3531.

Rutland Northeast Supervisory Union Board Meeting — Board documents and details for virtual participation can be found at www.rnesu.org. 5:30-7 p.m. OVUHS Library, 2997 Franklin St., Brandon. 802-247-5757.

Gouache Painting — Fee: \$40 includes all supplies. Instructor: Shy Carter. Must pre-register. 6-8 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

Square Dance Series — First 2 sessions free. Modern square dance series. 6:30-8 p.m. Lothrop Elementary School, 3447 U.S. 7, Pittsford.

SEPT. 24

OCM Festival String Quartet — with mezzo-soprano Claire McCahan & baritone Adam Richardson on the historic

Rothrock Main Stage. 6:30 p.m. Pre-talk with Dr. Danielle Simon. 7:30 p.m. concert. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Adult Pour Painting — Instructor: Lorrie Amerio Manieri. \$40 per person includes all supplies. Must pre-register. 6-8 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

Equinox Closing Festival with Sonido Mal Maiz — Celebrate the great season of Feast & Field with a closing festival featuring Sonido Mal Maiz and including special family activities and a spirited bonfire. BarnArts, 128 King Farm Road, Woodstock, barnarts.org, 802-234-1645.

SEPT. 25

Stop Making Sense: A Film by Jonathan Demme and Talking Heads — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

The Loop: The Conversations Trio — A Jazz & Poetry Improvisation. 5 p.m. cocktail hour, 6 p.m. start. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Vermont Comedy All-Stars Live Stand-up Comedy Showcase — 7:30 p.m. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, Putney. www.nextstagearts.org 802-387-0102.

Fall Contra Dance — Live music, all dances called, all ages and abilities welcome! Free. 6-8 p.m. 117 West St., Rutland. 802-775-0850.

Music and Motion/Cello and Dance — 7-8:30 p.m. Bennington Theater, 331 Main St., Bennington. 802-353-6502.

VFW Post 648 Rutland, Burger Night & Queen of Hearts Drawing — Open to the public. 5-7 p.m., 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

What an Owl Knows: Jennifer Ackerman — The Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium welcomes acclaimed science writer Jennifer Ackerman for the William Eddy Lecture series to explore the biology, behavior, and hidden lives of owls. 6 p.m. St. Johnsbury School.

SEPT. 26

VOYAGE: Celebrating the Music of Journey — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

DNA Motorsports Fall Bash Demo Derby — 2 p.m. Presented at the Diamonds and More Grandstand at Vermont State Fairgrounds, Rutland. <https://paramount-vt.org>

Calendar of Events

The Addison String Quartet — A Benefit Concert for MCMC's Community String Ensembles. 11 a.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Bandwagon Summer Series: Kotoko Brass — 3 p.m. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, Putney. www.nextstagearts.org 802-387-0102.

Youth Pour Painting — Instructor: Jen DeRosia Becker. \$30 per person includes all supplies. Ages 6-18. 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Are you already a Canadian Citizen — 10:30 a.m.-Noon. Vermont Genealogy Library, 57 River Road, Essex Junction. 802-871-5647.

TEEN CreARTive Studio — Free. 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month. Ages 13-18. RSVP at chaffeeartcenter.square.site. 1-3 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Norwich Antiques Show — Dealers from around the region offering antiques for sale ranging from furniture to rugs to small collectibles. The show is held rain or shine on the lawn under individual dealer tents. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Norwich Historical Society, 277 Main St., Norwich. 802-649-0124.

Bristol Harvest Festival — Bristol Harvest Festival, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Bristol Town Green, Bristol. 802-388-7951.

Vermont Farmers Market — Outdoor market with local vendors with various goodies to offer on Saturdays. Depot Park, downtown Rutland. vtfarmersmarket.org.

Killington Brewfest — The 30th anniversary of Brewfest! Enjoy dozens of the finest craft beers & ciders in the region, local food and vendors. This year will include more family-friendly elements. Guests ages 15 & under enter for free with a valid ticket. Pico Mountain, 79 Alpine Dr, Killington, 802-422-6965

Bristol Harvest Festival — The 27th annual Bristol Harvest Festival presented by the Addison County Chamber of Commerce, with support by the Bristol Recreation Department. The town green will come alive with vendors, delicious food, live music, children's activities, and more. Bristol Town Green, West Street and North Street, Bristol, 802-388-7951.

Fall Fest — A classic fall festival in Montpelier bringing together friends and families to enjoy a day of music, roving entertainment, food, and fun activities. Free to attend, and people of all ages are welcome. Vermont Statehouse Lawn, 115 State Street, Montpelier, 802-498-0620.

Bob & Sarah Amos Band — The acclaimed father-daughter duo Bob & Sarah Amos are on a roll, with a recent #1 song on the Folk Alliance International chart, and a supporting band that has been called a Vermont "super group". 7 p.m. Highland Center for the Arts, 2875 Hardwick St., Greensboro. 802-279-0003.

Vermont Walk to Defeat ALS — 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oakledge Park, 11 Flynn Avenue, Burlington. 617-207-6742.

Mosaic — Vermont Symphonic Winds presents its annual fall concert. 7-8:30 p.m. Elley-Long Music Center, Saint Michael's College, 223 Ethan Allen Avenue, Colchester.

Rocktoberfest — Live music, food, vendors, family activities, and the Adirondack Chair Auction in downtown Morrisville. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Portland Street, Morris-town. 802-888-6375.

The Cabot Cheese and Culture Festival — Celebrates cheesemakers and producers of fermented foods and beverages. Noon-5 p.m. The Cabot Village Common, 3148 Main St., Cabot. 802-793-3016.

SEPT. 27

Bach's Goldberg Variations — Nick Van Bloss performs J.S. Bach's Goldberg Variations at Trinity Episcopal Church. 3 p.m., 85 West St., Rutland. 802-775-4368.

Trinity Church Dinner after the Show — Baked Ziti with meat sauce, salad, garlic bread, and a brownie. Meals will be prepared to-go (limited dine-in seating available) at the conclusion of the 3 p.m. Nick Van Bloss Trinity Presents concert on Sunday, September 27. \$15 pre-order per meal; \$20 per meal on the day of, until sold out. Pre-order online at <https://forms.gle/yycLqoMNRJXz3LNR9>. Trinity Episcopal Church, Rutland. 802-775-4368.

Music and Social Power — How Has Music Shaped American Culture? How Does American Culture Shape Music? By Dr. William Nash on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. 2 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Issue 21. Release Party — Celebrate Addison County writers and artists with an afternoon of art, poetry, prose, cocktails, & laughter. Read Local. Write Local. In The Anderson Studio at 4 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Visit Abandoned High-Altitude Mt. Tabor sites — History tour. 1-5 p.m. S.L. Griffith Memorial Library, 74 S. Main St., Danby. 802-772-7322.

Breakfast Buffet — \$13 adults, \$5 children; under 5 free. Public welcome. VFW Post 648. 8-11 a.m. 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Lynne Hanson — an Ottawa-based Americana songwriter known for her high-energy, roots-guitar-driven live performances. \$20 suggested donation. 4 p.m. Plainfield Town Hall Opera House. 18 High St., Plainfield. 802-456-1983.

Marshfield Harvest Festival — 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Jaquith Public Library, 122 St. Street, Marshfield. 802-426-3581.

SEPT. 29

Movie: "9 to 5" — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

SEPT. 30

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

Rappahannock County by Ricky Ian Gordon & Mark Campbell — On the historic Rothrock Main Stage. 7:30 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Exhibition Tour: "Shared Ground" and "Community and Exile" — Explore themes of migration and connection in art with a free curator-led tour. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Hood Museum of Art, 6 East Wheelock St., Hanover. 603-646-9660.

OCT. 1

Sketching with Karen — Youth Thursdays after school. Ages 6-14. Instructor: Karen Wurster. \$25 per person includes all supplies. 3:30-5 p.m. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

A Space for Dialogue Gallery Talk: "Class, Community, and Commute" — Join museum intern Javier Baluyut as he discusses his student-curated exhibition. 4-4:45 p.m. Hood Museum of Art, 6 East Wheelock St., Hanover. 603-646-9660.

OCT. 2

Rappahannock County by Ricky Ian Gordon & Mark Campbell — On the historic Rothrock Main Stage. 7:30 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Voices of Change: The Songs of Bob Dylan

— An all-star group of Addison County and Vermont musicians celebrates the songs of Bob Dylan. 5 p.m. outdoors on the Tilly Stage at the Maloney Plaza. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Local Color Exhibit Opening Reception — Our annual exhibit of Local Artists celebrating the delights of Autumn in Vermont returns to the Gallery! Landscapes, people, animals, harvest time - and most of all, the foliage that captivates visitors and locals alike are depicted in 2-D and 3-D artworks. Exhibit Dates: Oct. 2 - Nov. 7. 5:30-7:30 p.m., Artistree Community Arts Center, 2095 Pomfret Road, Pomfret. 802-457-3500.

Movie: "Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde" (1920) — 2 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Movie: "The Nightmare Before Christmas" — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

VFW Post 648 Rutland Wing Night & Queen of Hearts Drawing — Public welcome. 5-7 p.m. 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

OCT. 3

Spellbound Market — Where the ordinary meets the extraordinary in a swirl of magic and mystery. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Estabrook Field, Brandon.

ArtFest: Artistree's Community Day! — Enjoy an afternoon filled with creativity, community, and fun for all ages. More than just a fun day out, ArtFest is about bringing our community together through all forms of art. 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Grey Cats—bringing their lively blend of swing, jazz, and vintage favorites to the celebration! 11 a.m., Onion River Jazz Band—bringing the joyful sounds of traditional Dixieland jazz to ArtFest! 1:30 p.m., Artistree Community Arts Center, 2095 Pomfret Road, Pomfret. 802-457-3500.

Movie: "Beetlejuice" — 7 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Twilight Music — Singer/Songwriter Showcase featuring The Clements Brothers plus Charlie Chronopoulos, Leaf Silver & B.E. Farrow, and Talley Summerlin. 7:30 p.m. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, Putney. www.nextstagearts.org 802-387-0102.

Fall Festival at Coolidge Museum — Celebrate fall with apples, cider demonstrations, and wagon rides on the beatific grounds of the Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site. Explore the birthplace of the 30th U.S. President. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site, 3780 VT 100A, Plymouth. 802-672-1195.

Vermont Sheep & Wool Festival — The festival celebrates natural fiber producers and processors. It features vendors offering fiber products and crafting supplies, fleece sales, classes, contests, fiber animals, demos, and more. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tunbridge Fairgrounds, 1 Fairgrounds Lane, Tunbridge. 802-592-3153.

Dog Mountain Fall Dog Party — Listen to live music, eat great food, enter your dogs in a contest, and take them on a scavenger hunt, all among the season's gorgeous fall foliage. Your dogs will thank you with many tail wags and wet kisses. St. Johnsbury. www.dogmt.com/event/fall-dog-party-2

38th Annual Vermont Sheep & Wool Festival — Celebrate fiber arts, meet farm animals, and attend workshops on wool crafts. Dogs are not permitted. Tunbridge Fairgrounds. vtsheepandwoolfest.com

Harvest Celebration — Gather to celebrate the changing season with harvest activities, delicious food, and fun for the whole family. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Billings Farm & Museum, Woodstock. To learn more visit, billingsfarm.org.

Vermont Open Studio Weekend — Explore a working art studios Oct. 4 & 5. For more information visit www.vermontcrafts.com/open-studio-weekend.

OCT. 4

American Legion Post 31 Baseball breakfast — Pancakes, sausage, bacon, eggs, hash browns, and drinks. \$10 Adults, \$7 Kids 12 & under. All proceeds benefit Post 31 baseball team. 8-10 a.m. American Legion, 33 Washington St., Rutland.

Rappahannock County by Ricky Ian Gordon & Mark Campbell — On the historic Rothrock Main Stage. 2 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

"Mary Postgate" — By Rudyard Kipling and adapted by Jay Parini. 4 p.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

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Northeast Fiddlers — Noon-4 p.m. Hyde Park VFW, 129 VFW Drive, Hyde Park.

Vermont Open Studio Weekend — Explore a working art studios Oct. 4 & 5. For more information visit www.vermontcrafts.com/open-studio-weekend.

OCT. 6

An Evening with David Sedaris — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

OCT. 7

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

Wish Benefit Tour 2026 with Oteil Burbridge & LaMP — A night of jam-rooted, improvisational rock. Proceeds support Make-A-Wish, helping grant wishes for children. 7-10 p.m. Higher Ground, 1214 Williston Road, South Burlington.

Hood Highlights Tour — Explore the galleries with a docent-led tour. 12:30-1:30 p.m. Hood Museum of Art, 6 East Wheelock St., Hanover. 603-646-9660.

OCT. 8

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

The Disco Biscuits — 8 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Bluebird Improv: Legendary Comedians Come to Middlebury — 7:30 p.m., on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

OCT. 9

Vintage Market Days — an upscale vintage and vintage-inspired indoor/outdoor market featuring original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade treasures, home décor, outdoor furnishings, consumable yummys, seasonal plantings and a little more. Vermont State Fairgrounds, 175 S Main, Rutland. www.vintagemarketdays.com

Movie: "White Zombie" (1932) — 2 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Movie: "Practical Magic" — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Steel Magnolias — Oct. 9-18. Dorset Players Inc., 104 Cheney Road, Dorset. www.dorsetplayers.org

VFW Post 648 Rutland Burger Night & Queen of Hearts Drawing — Open to the public. 5-7 p.m. 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

John Pizzarelli Presents: Dear Mr. Bennett — A Tribute to Tony Bennett. 7:30 p.m. on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Many Wonders: Book Launch Reception — An evening celebrating the release of a new book by Anna Rubin and contributors, presenting the talents and inspirations that shaped the timeless collections and exhibits that make the Museum unique. Meet the author, photographer, and contributors, and bring your own stories of the Fairbanks Museum. Light refreshments will be provided. 6 p.m. Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium. 1302 Main St., St. Johnsbury.

Friends of the Rutland Free Library Nov. Book Sales — 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court Street, Rutland. 802-773-1860.

OCT. 10

65th Annual Art in the Park Fall Festival — Exhibitor applications available at www.chaffeeartcenter.org. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Main Street Park, South Main Street, Rutland. 802-775-0356.

Vintage Market Days — an upscale vintage and vintage-inspired indoor/outdoor market featuring original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade treasures, home décor, outdoor furnishings, consumable yummys, seasonal plantings and a little more. Vermont State Fairgrounds, 175 S Main, Rutland. www.vintagemarketdays.com

Harvest Faire — Enjoy fall in the mountains with food, fun, & games for the whole family. FREE children's activities all day, including pumpkin painting, tractor rides, a bouncy house, & more, plus live music and the crowd-favorite stein hoisting competition. Killington Resort, 3861 Killington Road, Killington, 802-422-6965.

Miles Donahue Quartet — Trumpet, saxophone, keys. Miles Donahue plays all three, and the afternoon goes wherever the band takes it. 2 p.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Mathis Picard Trio — 7:30 p.m. on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

String of Sheeps — Acoustic Folk/Jazz/

Classical duo. String of Sheeps presents an evening of original music accompanied by crankies and puppetry, including a suite of songs composed during a Sable Project Artist Residency. 7 p.m. Montpelier Performing Arts Hub, 35 College St., Montpelier. 802-798-6717.

Friends of the Rutland Free Library Nov. Book Sales — 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court Street, Rutland. 802-773-1860.

OCT. 11

Middlebury Car Show & Fall Festival — 75 vehicles and a family-friendly day of fun in downtown Middlebury. Food trucks, vendors, music, children's activities, and more. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Triangle Park, Main Street, Middlebury. 802-388-7951.

Vintage Market Days — an upscale vintage and vintage-inspired indoor/outdoor market featuring original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade treasures, home décor, outdoor furnishings, consumable yummys, seasonal plantings and a little more. Vermont State Fairgrounds, 175 S Main, Rutland. www.vintagemarketdays.com

Lara Cwass Band — Soulful vocals meet jazz, blues, Latin rhythms, and timeless American influences. 4 p.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Ray Vega's Afro-Caribbean Ensemble Festival Finale — Salsa, bebop, funk, and Afro-Caribbean rhythm close the festival out loud. 7:30 p.m. on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

OCT. 12

Fraggle Rock: Back to the Rock LIVE — 6 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

OCT. 13

Rutland City Board of School Commissioners Board Meeting — 6-8 p.m.

OCT. 14

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

Stories from the Heart — Honoring the Spirits of Those Who Have Left This World at 6:30 p.m. on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Calendar of Events

Lama Rod Owens — Themes of liberatory care, grieving as care work, as well as what it means to be a love-centered agent of liberation in this moment. Free childcare available. 6-8:30 p.m. O.N.E. Community Center, 20 Allen St., Burlington. 802-825-1815.

OCT. 15

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

OCT. 16

Australia's Thunder from Down Under — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Tina Friml: One-Hour Comedy Special — Live taping in her hometown. 9 p.m. on the historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Champlain Valley Craft Show and Antique Expo — Handmade treasures & timeless finds await at the Expo. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl St., Essex. 603-332-2616.

OCT. 17

Asleep at the Wheel — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

ArtOberfest — 5-7 p.m. Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill, 145 East Main Street, Poultney. <https://stonevalleyarts.org>

A Spotlight on the Arts — For one night, every corner of Town Hall Theater opens up for art, music, dance, and a few once-in-a-lifetime surprises — all to support the shows, students, and stage lighting that keep this place going. 5-9 p.m. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Mobile Healthcare Clinic Coming to Wells — Rutland County Health Partners will be coming to Wells to provide free, nonurgent healthcare services to uninsured and underinsured adults in the area. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Wells Village Library, 37 East Wells Road, Wells.

Vermont Philharmonic — Celebrating its 68th Season and composed of professional and talented amateur musicians from throughout Vermont. 4 p.m. Highland Center for the Arts, 2875 Hardwick St., Greensboro. 802-279-0003.

Champlain Valley Craft Show and Antique Expo — Handmade treasures & timeless finds await at the Expo. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Champlain Valley Exposition, 105 Pearl St., Essex. 603-332-2616.

Marsh Lights — acoustic folk-grass music with a literate edge and beautiful execution. \$20 suggested donation. 7 p.m. Plainfield Town Hall Opera House. 18 High St., Plainfield. 802-456-1983.

OCT. 18

Truck or Treat — A combination of "touch a truck" and "trunk or treat" for kids, families, and community members to visit and explore interesting vehicles, while also taking part in a safe and supervised Trick-or-Treating event. Noon-4 p.m., Merchants Row and Center Street, downtown Rutland. For more information, visit www.wonderfeetkidsmuseum.org.

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OCT. 19

Fermentation Festival at Barr Hill — A fall delight with more than 15 food & beverage vendors, including the Pearl Street Pizza oven, live music, and mini tours of the distillery! Tickets are required for sampling and distillery tours. Purchase in advance at <https://www.exploretock.com/barrhill/event/567394/fermentation-festival-2025>.

OCT. 21

Great Art Wednesday: "James McNeill Whistler" — The first major Whistler retrospective in three decades, captured on screen for everyone who couldn't make it to London. 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

OCT. 22

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

OCT. 23

Comedian Bob Marley — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Movie: "House on Haunted Hill" (1958) — 2 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

VFW Post 648 Rutland Burger Night & Queen

of Hearts Drawing — Open to the public. 5-7 p.m. 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Haunted Museum — What secrets lurk deep in the shadows? This Halloween, prepare to be terrified by tales of the supernatural and chart your path through the ghost-filled Victorian basement of the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Get tickets at fairbanksmuseum.org.

From Doing To Being: Resting As A Path To Liberation — Relax, rest, and restore while deepening your practice and understanding on your path to liberation. Adamant Music School, 1226 Haggett Rd, Adamant. 802-825-1815.

OCT. 24

Maiden Vermont Presents: Music Can Change The World — 7 p.m. on the Historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

The Runaway Pumpkin 10K & 5K Run/Walk — Fun for the whole family, the 11th annual Runaway Pumpkin is part of the New Hampshire Pumpkin Festival. Great awards, cash prizes, tech shirts, and a Kids Fun Run. 9-11:30 a.m. Opechee Park, 879 North Main Street, Laconia. 603-630-4468.

Haunted Museum — What secrets lurk deep in the shadows? This Halloween, prepare to be terrified by tales of the supernatural and chart your path through the ghost-filled Victorian basement of the Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium. 6:30-9:30 p.m. Get tickets at fairbanksmuseum.org.

OCT. 25

Mavis Staples — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Breakfast Buffet — \$13 adults, \$5 children, under 5 free. Public welcome. 8-11 a.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales Street, Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Maiden Vermont Presents: Music Can Change the World — 2 p.m. on the Historic Rothrock Main Stage. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

OCT. 26

Dr. Galit Atlas: "Come Closer: In conversation with Devon Jersild" — Psychoanalyst Dr. Galit Atlas returns with a new book on the childhood wounds that quietly shape how we love as adults. 6 pm in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

OCT. 28

The Price Is Right Live - On Stage — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Luncheon — Noon-2 p.m. VFW Post 648, 15 Wales St., Rutland. 802-353-5081.

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

Saving Walden's World — A former military engineer treks to Cuba, Kerala, and Slovenia to find out what a sustainable, women-led future actually looks like. 6 p.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

OCT. 29

Sing Along Broadway — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Borderlands Woodwind Quintet Concert — 7-8:30 p.m. Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill, 145 East Main Street, Poultney. <https://stonevalleyarts.org>

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

Wheels For Warmth — Helping Vermonters stay warm all winter long. Recycle or donate tires on Thursday and Friday. Purchase inspected tires on Saturday. Casella Construction, 1385 U.S. 7, Pittsford. 802-773-0052. www.facebook.com/WheelsforWarmth

OCT. 30

MINC — Vermont's All-Star High School Band — a dynamic eight-piece soul/pop group made up of Vermont high school students, brings an energetic, genre-blending performance to venues all around the state. 7 p.m., Artistree Community Arts Center, 2095 Pomfret Road, Pomfret. 802-457-3500.

Movie: "Night of the Living Dead" (1968) — 2 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Movie: "Hocus Pocus" — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Kimaya Diggs "Green" Album Release with Road Dogs — 7:30 p.m. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill, Putney. www.nextstagearts.org 802-387-0102.

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OCT. 31

65th Annual Rutland Halloween Parade — Parade begins at 6:30 p.m. in Downtown Rutland. For more info, visit <https://www.rutlandrec.com/halloweenparade>

Movie: "Halloween" — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

The Autumn Onion — Dash through downtown Montpelier in your best Halloween costume. 9 a.m., starting and finishing at 89 Main Street. Prizes include ORO gift cards for fastest runners in each age and gender category, plus awards for funniest, most creative, most Vermont-y, best group, and best kid's costumes. For more information, visit www.onionriver.com/pages/autumn-onion

Montpelier Halloween Trick-or-Treating — Downtown trick-or-treating in the heart of Montpelier. 4-5:30 p.m. Montpelier.

Barre Main Street Downtown Trick-or-Treat — Our downtown businesses will be ready to welcome trick-or-treaters and hand out plenty of candy. Bring the whole family and join us for one of Barre's most popular annual traditions. 4-5 p.m. Montpelier.

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NOV. 1

Vermont Circus Festival — Nov. 1-8. Celebrate the joy of circus through workshops, performances, and community events. New England Center for Circus Arts, 10 Town Crier Drive, Brattleboro. 802-254-9780.

American Legion Post 31 Baseball breakfast — Pancakes, sausage, bacon, eggs, hash browns, and drinks. \$10 Adults, \$7 Kids 12 & under. All proceeds benefit Post 31 baseball team. 8-10 a.m. American Legion, 33 Washington St., Rutland.

NOV. 3

POTUS — Nov. 3, 6-8. Dorset Players Inc., 104 Cheney Road, Dorset. www.dorset-players.org

NOV. 4

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

NOV. 5

"Tartuffe" by Molière — Directed by Melissa Lorie. Nov. 5-8 & 12-15. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

NOV. 6

Get the Led Out — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Theater in the Woods — Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill, 145 East Main Street, Poultney. <https://stonevalleyarts.org>

NOV. 7

Theater in the Woods — Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill, 145 East Main Street, Poultney. <https://stonevalleyarts.org>

No Land's Man: Featuring Guitarist Edwin O. Munera — A solo guitar performance that explores the question of belonging—how place, memory, and movement shape identity through sound. 7 p.m. Montpelier Performing Arts Hub, 35 College St., Montpelier. 802-798-6717.

The Logger and The Fiddler — Joined by remarkable fiddle, guitar, and mandolin player Patrick Ross, and guitar player Mark Burds, comedian Rusty DeWees (The Logger) brings his original comedy and storytelling style, along with original and more music by himself and Mark and Patrick. 7 p.m. Highland Center for the Arts, 2875 Hardwick St., Greensboro. 802-279-0003.

Maker Drop-In — Free. Drop into the Hood Museum of Art for an afternoon of art-making and creativity. 1-4 p.m. 6 East Wheelock Street, Hanover, New Hampshire. 603-646-2808.

NOV. 8

Lyle Brewer — a virtuoso guitarist whose unique sound blends jazz, classical, folk, and blues influences. An integral part of the Boston music scene for well over a decade, he's earned a reputation as one of today's most versatile and expressive guitarists. 3 p.m., Artistree Community Arts Center, 2095 Pomfret Road, Pomfret. 802-457-3500.

Punch Brothers — 7 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Theater in the Woods — Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill, 145 East Main Street, Poultney. <https://stonevalleyarts.org>

Northeast Fiddlers — Noon-4 p.m. American Legion, 16 Stowe St., Waterbury.

NOV. 10

Rutland City Board of School Commissioners Board Meeting — 6-8 p.m., 6 Church St., Rutland.

NOV. 11

Catamount Cornhole — Every Wednesday 6-9:30 p.m. Rutland Elks Lodge, 44 Pleasant St., Rutland. 802-345-7183.

NOV. 12

Bingo — Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Bingo runs 7-9 p.m. American Legion Post 31, 33 Washington St., Rutland. 802-345-9370.

NOV. 13

Matt Finner Trio — The trio has been exploring new pathways and setting new standards for the bluegrass trio sound all around the U.S. and Europe. 7 p.m., Artistree Community Arts Center, 2095 Pomfret Road, Pomfret. 802-457-3500.

A Drag Queen Christmas — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

TANASI — A Worldgrass Trio. 5:30 p.m. in the Anderson Studio. Town Hall Theater, 72-76 Merchants Row, Middlebury. 802-492-3675. www.townhalltheater.org

Friends of the Rutland Free Library Nov. Book Sales — 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court Street, Rutland. 802-773-1860.

NOV. 14

Judy Collins: Farewell Tour with the Vermont Symphony Orchestra — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Friends of the Rutland Free Library Nov. Book Sales — 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Rutland Free Library, 10 Court Street, Rutland. 802-773-1860.

Waitsfield Elementary Ski & Skate Sale — Back for its 47th year. This celebrated community tradition offers unbeatable prices on new and gently used ski, skate, and winter sports gear. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Waitsfield Elementary School, 3951 Main St., Waitsfield.

Chelsea Holiday Market — Over 30 local artisan and agricultural vendors with something for everyone, whether you are shopping for unique holiday gifts or looking to stock the Thanksgiving table. Wheelchair accessible. 9 a.m.-2 p.m. First Branch Middle and Preschool, 6 School St., Chelsea.

NOV. 15

VSO Jukebox: Jukebox Turns Ten — 4 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Theater in the Woods — Stone Valley Arts at Fox Hill, 145 East Main Street, Poultney. <https://stonevalleyarts.org>

NOV. 21

Golden Girls: The Laughs Continue — 7 p.m., Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

NOV. 27

Downtown Rutland Tree Lighting — 5:30-6:30 p.m. Depot Park, 15 Evelyn St., Rutland. 802-773-9380.

NOV. 28

Small Business Saturday in Downtown Rutland — 'Tis the season in Downtown Rutland, Vermont! Kick off your holiday shopping by supporting our local, small businesses. 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Rutland Downtown Historic District, 68 Merchants Row, Rutland. 802-773-9380.

DEC. 2

A Charlie Brown Christmas - Live on Stage — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

DEC. 4

VSO: Holiday Pops — 7:30 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

DEC. 6

American Legion Post 31 Baseball breakfast — Pancakes, sausage, bacon, eggs, hash browns, and drinks. \$10 Adults, \$7 Kids 12 & under. All proceeds benefit Post 31 baseball team. 8-10 a.m. American Legion, 33 Washington St., Rutland.

DEC. 11

Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka — Dec. 11-20. Dorset Players Inc., 104 Cheney Road, Dorset. www.dorsetplayers.org

DEC. 12

Holiday Stroll in Downtown Rutland — 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Rutland Downtown Historic District, 68 Merchants Row, Rutland. 802-773-9380.

DEC. 13

Northeast Fiddlers — Holiday Party & Meet at the Capital City Grange, 6612 VT-12, Berlin.

DEC. 16

Paula Poundstone — 7 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St., Rutland. <https://paramountvt.org>

Historic covered bridges

Vermont's historic covered bridges have unique height and weight restrictions to preserve their structure and ensure safety. Many of these bridges have vertical clearances between 8 and 12 feet and are posted for load capacities ranging from 3,000 to 8,000 lbs. Larger vehicles and motor homes are advised to avoid crossing covered bridges and to use alternate routes.

ARLINGTON

West Arlington | Route 313 (1852)

BARRE

Robbins Nest | Route 302 (1864)

BRANDON

Sanderson | Route 7 (1840)

BELVIDERE

Mill | Route 109 (1895) Morgan | Route 109 (1887)

BENNINGTON

Henry | Route 67A (1840)
Paper Mill | Route 67A (1889, 2000)
Silk | Route 67A (1840)

BRATTLEBORO

Creamery | Route 9 (1879, 1917)

CABOT

AM Foster | Cabot Plains (1988)

CAMBRIDGE

Gates Mill | Route 15 (1897)
Grist Mill | Route 108 (1872)
Poland | Route 15 (1887, 2001)

CHARLOTTE

Holmes Creek | Route 7 (1870)
Quinlan | North Ferrisburgh (1849, 1950)
Seguin | Roscoe Rd. (1850, 1994)

CHELSEA

Moxley | Route 110 (1883)

CLARENDON

Kingsley | Route 103 (1870, 2002)

COVENTRY

Black River | Black River (1881)

DANVILLE

Greenbanks Hollow | Route 2 (1886, 2002)

EAST MONTPELIER

Coburn | Route 2 (1851, 1970)

EAST SHOREHAM

Shoreham Railroad | Shoreham-Whiting Rd. (1897)

ENOSBURG

Hopkins | Route 118 (1872)

FAIRFAX

Maple Street | Route 104 (1865, 2002)

FAIRFIELD

East Fairfield | Route 36 (1865)

FERRISBURGH

Spade Farm | Route 7 (1850, 1958)

GRAFTON

Kidder Hill | Route 121 (1870)

GUILFORD

Green River | In Village (1870)

HARTLAND

Martins Mill | Route 5 (1881)
Willard | Route 5 (1870)
Willard's Twin | Route 5 (2001)



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A snowmobiler rides out of the Coburn covered bridge in East Montpelier this week. Most of the area's trail networks are open for riding.

IRASBURG

Lord's Creek | Black River (1881)

ISLAND POND

Island Pond Footbridge | Route 102 (2003)

JOHNSON

Power House | Route 100C (1872, 2002)
Scribner | Route 100C (unknown)

LEMINGTON

Columbia | Main St. (1912)

LUNENBURG

Mount Orne | South Lancaster Rd. (1911, 1999)

LYNDON

Chamberlin Mill | Route 5 (1881)
Miller's Run | Route 122 (1878, 1995)
Old Burrington | Route 5 (1865)
Old Schoolhouse | Route 5 (1871)

MARLBORO

Johnny Esau | Route 109 (2004)

MARSHFIELD

Orton Farm | Route 2 (1890)

MIDDLEBURY

Halpin | Route 7 (1824, 1990)
Pulp Mill | Seymour St. (1820, 2002)

MONTGOMERY

Comstock | Route 118 (1883)
Fuller | Route 118 (1890, 2000)
Hutchins | Route 118 (1883, 2009)
Longley | Route 118 (1863)
West Hill | Route 118 (1883)

MORRISTOWN

Red | Route 100 (1896)

NEWFANE

Williamsville | Dover Rd. (1870, 2001)

NORTHFIELD

Lower Cox Brook | Route 12 (1872)
Northfield Falls | Route 12 (1872)
Slaughterhouse | Route 12 (1872)
Stony Brook | Route 12 (1899)
Upper Cox Brook | Route 12 (1872, 1966)

PITTSFORD

Cooley | Proctor Rd. (1849)
Depot | Route 107 (1840, 1974)
Gorham | Proctor Rd. (1842)
Hammond | Route 7 (1843)

POMFRET

S. Pomfret | Barnard Brook (1870)

QUECHEE

Quechee Bridge | Waterman Hill Rd. (1970, 2012)

ROCKINGHAM

Bartonsville | Route 103 (1870, 2013)
Hall | Route 121 (1870, 1982)
Hitchcock-Cormier | In Village (2008)
Victorian Village | Bartonsville Rd. (1872, 1967)
Worral Bridge | Route 103 (1870)

RANDOLPH

Braley | Route 14 (1904)
Gifford | Route 14 (1904, 2001)
Kingsbury | Route 14 (1904)

RUTLAND

Twin | East Creek (1850)

SHELBURNE

Shelburne Museum | Route 7 (1845, 1850)

WESTFORD

Browns River | Route 128 (1837)

WILMINGTON

High Mowing | Farm Rd. (1949)

SHREWSBURY

Brown | Route 7 (1880)

SPRINGFIELD

Baltimore | In Village (1870, 1970)

STOWE

Gold Brook (AKA Emily's) | Route 100 (1844, 1969)

SUNDERLAND

Chiserville | Sunderland (1870)

TAFTSVILLE

Taftsville | Route 44 (1836, 2011)

THETFORD

Sayres | Route 113 (1839)
Union Village | Route 113 (1867, 1963)

TOWNSHEND

Scott | Route 30 (1870, 1980)

TUNBRIDGE

Cilley | Route 110 (1883)
Flint | Route 110 (1845)
Howe | Belknap Brook (1879)
Larkin | Route 110 (1902)
Mill | Route 110 (1883, 2000)

WAITSFIELD

Great Eddy | Route 100 (1833, 2000)
Pine Brook | Pine Brook (1872, 1974)

WARREN

Warren | Route 100 (1880, 2000)

WATERBURY

Best Western | Blush Hill Rd. (1962)

WATERVILLE

Jaynes | Route 109 (1877)
Montgomery | Route 109 (1887, 1998)
Village | Route 109 (1877, 2000)

WEATHERSFIELD

Salmond | Route 131 (1875)
Stoughton | Schoolhouse Brook (1870)
Upper Falls | Route 131 (1840, 1975)

WEST DUMMERSTON

West Dummerston | Route 30 (1872, 1998)

WEST WINDSOR

Best's | Route 44 (1889)
Bowers | Route 44 (1919)
Cornish-Windsor | Connecticut River (1866)

WOLCOTT

Fisher Railroad | Route 15 (1908)

WOODSTOCK

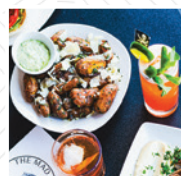
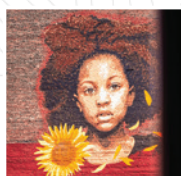
Frank Lewis | Private Farm Rd. (1982)
Lincoln | Route 4 (1877)
Middle | Route 44 (1969)

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