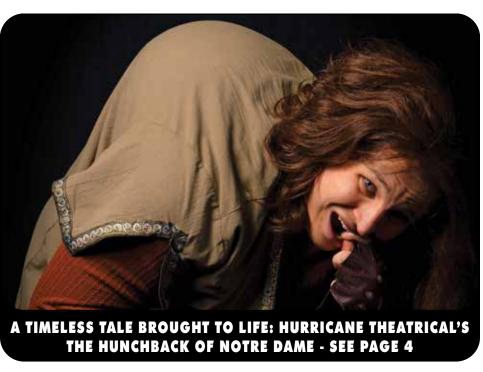
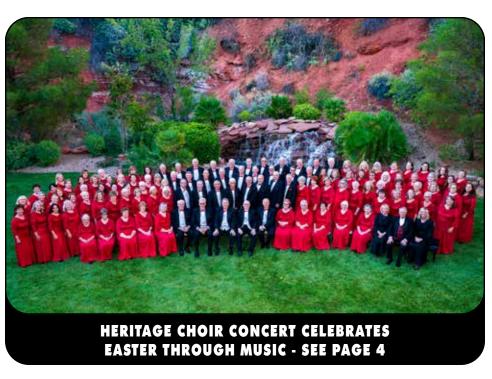


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UNWIND AND SLIP ON YOUR BOOTS: THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR IS HERE!

April 11–19, 2025 - Washington County Legacy Park - Hurricane, UT

Entertainment, Tradition, and Community Take Center Stage at the 2025 Washington County Fair.

Southern Utah's most anticipated springtime event is back—the Washington County Fair returns to Legacy Park from April 11 to 19, bringing a full week of celebration, entertainment, and community pride. With its perfect mix of thrilling attractions, hometown spirit, and family-friendly fun, this year's fair promises to be one for the books.

Concerts That Will Have You Slipping On Your Boots! Music lovers are in for a treat with two major headline concerts plus a variety of live performances throughout the week. First up, Lonestar—the award-winning country band behind hits like "Amazed," "No News," and "I'm Already There"—will take the stage on Monday, April 14. Then on Wednesday, April 16, Lee Greenwood delivers a powerful performance anchored by his timeless patriotic anthem, "God Bless the USA."

The main stage will also host local artists and regional bands, ensuring there's never a dull moment. Whether





you're into high-energy country, heartfelt ballads, or foot-tapping Americana, there's something for everyone at this year's fair.

Rodeo Nights & Derby Mayhem Highlights! The fair's roots run deep in Western culture, and two nights of rodeo on April 11 and 12 keep that tradition alive. Held in the large outdoor arena and presented by the Rocky Mountain Professional Rodeo Association, spectators will be treated to heart-pounding events including bull riding, barrel racing, and roping competitions. Gates open at 5:30 PM, and the action kicks off at 7 PM.

Then it's time to trade horses for horsepower at the ever-popular Demolition Derby, set for Saturday, April 19. Expect crumpled metal, roaring engines, and roaring crowds. Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$35 at the gate, not including the standard \$3 fair admission.

A Parade For Celebration: Wave your flags and cheer on your neighbors at the Annual Fair Parade, stepping off at 9 AM on Saturday, April 12, in downtown St. George. This year's theme, "Celebrating Our Nation," promises floats, music, and performances honoring American pride. Participant check-in begins at 7:30 AM on Tabernacle Street.

Carnival & Family Fun

No fair is complete without a classic carnival, and this year's is better than ever. Open select hours throughout the week (see full schedule below), it features everything from gentle kiddie rides to adrenaline-pumping thrill rides. Don't miss Family Nights on April 15–16, when all rides are just \$2!

Other attractions include the Animal Education Center & Petting Zoo, delicious food trucks, artisan booths, the Beer

Garden, and various interactive exhibits that celebrate local agriculture, crafts, and culture.

The fair also features fun community contests for all ages starting with the Baby Contest – April 20 at 10:30 AM | Kids Cookie Contest – April 20 at 11 AM | Fresh Salsa Contest – April 20 at 2:30 PM

Also on display are literary show-cases, youth talent exhibitions, pageants, and more—giving community members a chance to shine.

End Each Night with a Bang! Don't leave early—fireworks displays will light up the sky on April 12, 13, and 19 at 10 PM, delivering the perfect grand finale to your day at the fair.

General Admission is just \$3 (ages 13+), \$2 (ages 3-12) & parking is free.

From thrilling events to quiet moments of hometown pride, the 2025 Washington County Fair blends heritage, community, and entertainment in one unforgettable week. Mark your calendar and bring the whole family—you won't want to miss it!

See washcofair.net for Fair hours and additional information.



SPEND THE WEEKEND AT THE ST. GEORGE ART FESTIVAL

April 18-19, 2025 - St. George, UT

With warmer weather here at last, it's the ideal time to get outside and connect with the community. And there's no better way to do so than by celebrating the arts at the 2025 St. George Art Festival. Slated for Easter Weekend, April 18-19, this year's Festival will feature a record number of artists displaying words in multiple mediums. Add in live music and entertainment – including two free evening concerts – food trucks and booths, a film festival, 5K race, dedicated children's area and more, and the annual event is the perfect way to welcome Spring.

This year, nearly 200 artists from across the U.S. were accepted into the show, which was juried by a panel of artistic professionals. Awards will be presented to artists in multiple categories on April 18. Visitors can look forward to seeing (and purchasing) paintings, ceramics, sculptures, textiles, glassworks, photography, fine jewelry and more, all carefully curated from hundreds of submissions.

"The excitement is building, and the City staff has been working tirelessly to make this year's Art Festival the best ever," said Peyton Lee, Community Arts Manager for the City of St. George. "There's nothing more beautiful than Spring in St. George, so we hope everyone will want to be a part of this treasured tradition."

On April 18, the festival will run from 11 AM to 7 PM. Then Tabernacle Street will get mellow with a performance by "Yachty By Nature," whose take on '70s and '80s "yacht rock" favorites showcases hits from such artists as Michael McDonald, Hall and Oates, Boz Scaggs, Steely Dan, Toto, Christopher Cross, and many others. The Southern California ensemble features vocals by Scotty McYachty and Julie McCoy, guitar work by Captain Carl, Wes Coast and



Big Wave Dave, plus Pacific Rim on sax and flute.

The festival continues on April 19 at 9 AM with the Art Attack 1-mile and 5K race, with original paintings by members of the Southern Utah Art Guild to be presented as awards. Artwork will be on display again at 10 AM, concluding at 6 PM. Then another free concert will be presented on Tabernacle Street featuring 'Overland Park," Kansasbased indie rockers "The Greeting Committee," veterans of Lollapalooza and the South by Southwest conference and festival. The band first came to national attention with its 2015 hit, "Hands Down." Their most recent hit, "Everyone's Gone and I Know I'm the Cause," was included on their 2024 album of the same name, which also featured the top-rated "Where'd All My Friends Go?"

Other Festival activities on tap include: Live entertainment on three stages scattered throughout Town Square. A creation station for the young, and the young at heart, offering 15 diverse crafts that bring artistic visions to life. Food trucks and vendors preparing an array of international food and refreshments, situated by the west and Greater Zion Main stages.

Visit sgartfestival.com for more information.

TAKE A TOUR TO SOME OF THE MOST SCENIC LOCATIONS IN SOUTHERN UTAH...IN SYTLE!



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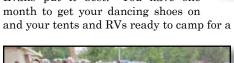
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April '25 · Page 4 **EVENT SPOTLIGHTS**

GET READY TO ROCK: THE 18TH ANNUAL **BEAVER DAM JAM RETURNS**

May 2-4, 2025 – Beaver Dam, AZ Get ready for a toe-tapping, guitar-slinging good time as the 18th Annual Beaver Dam Jam rolls into Beaver Dam, Arizona, from May 2 to May 4, 2025. Hosted at the beloved Beaver Dam Station & Bar, this free three-day music festival brings together an eclectic mix of live bands, local vendors, and small-town charm that makes it a regional favorite year after year. Event Coordinator Bill Evans put it best: "You have one month to get your dancing shoes on





3-day weekend with music! Street vendors! and food. All ages welcome."

Music kicks off Friday afternoon with The Wheezin Geezers at 2 PM, followed by The Mixx at 4:15 PM, Time Machine at 6 PM, and Crossroads at 8:15 PM. Copious Notes closes out the night with a set from 10 PM to midnight. Saturday's lineup starts at 1 PM with Black Mountain Band, then Rick Wall the Outlaw at 3:30 PM, Dealt-A-Straight at 6 PM, and Rolling Joe & The Tumbleweeds at 8 PM. Fast



Eddie wraps up Saturday from 10:15 PM until midnight. Sunday brings a strong finish with Sacred Mirrors at noon, The Ed Tracey Band at 2:30 PM, and Insanity Stew from 4:15 to 6 PM.

The bands bring a variety of styles to the stage-classic rock, country, blues, and more—ensuring there's something for every music lover. Whether you're a die-hard fan of local bands or just looking to dance in the desert, this year's lineup won't disappoint.

Aside from the music, vendors will be offering handmade goods, food, and more. Booths are just \$35 per day or \$100 for the weekend. To reserve a spot, call (928) 347-5589. Festivalgoers can enjoy free parking and free camping, whether they roll in with a tent or an RV. The Beaver Dam Station also provides groceries and a full bar, keeping everyone fed, fueled, and festive.

Located at 411 North Old Highway 91 in Littlefield, AZ, the Beaver Dam Station has been the heart of the community for over four decades. The Jam celebrates that spirit-welcoming everyone to enjoy good music, good food, and good company under the desert sky. For updates, check out the Beaver Dam Jam Facebook page.

A TIMELESS TALE BROUGHT TO LIFE: **HURRICANE THEATRICAL'S** THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME

By Drew Burton

April 4-May 10, 2025 - Hurricane, UT Step into the Heart of Paris and Experience a Story of Love, Sacrifice, and Redemption From the moment you step into the lobby of Hurricane Theatrical, Southern Utah fades away, and you find yourself in the heart of the Place de Grève. The immersive experience of The Hunchback of Notre Dame begins before the curtain rises, as the atmosphere, décor, and music envelop you in the grandeur of 15thcentury Paris, right on the steps of Notre Dame Cathedral. Inside the theater, the breathtaking set

fully transports you into Victor Hugo's world—a place where love, fate, and justice collide.

Running April 4 through May 10, 2025, the production promises an unforgettable theatrical experience, with performances every Monday, Friday, and Saturday at 7 PM, plus Saturday matinees at 2 PM. A special discounted preview night is set for Thursday, April 3 at 7 PM.

A Story of Passion and Prej-

Based on Victor Hugo's novel and the beloved Disney film, The Hunchback of Notre Dame follows the outcast bell-ringer Quasimodo (Brad Serage) as he longs for a life beyond the cathedral walls. His world changes when he meets Esmeralda (Haley-Shea Benoit), a compassionate Romani woman who sees past his exterior. But their bond ignites the wrath of the powerful Archdeacon Frollo (Caleb Christensen), leading to a dramatic struggle of love, justice, and self-acceptance.



The dazzling costumes and masterful lighting design further enhance the storytelling, making each scene feel as if it's been lifted from a medieval tapes-

A Must-See Production

The set is not only intricately designed to capture the majesty of Notre Dame Cathedral

but is also built by the talented cast. Every towering weathered stone and stained glass window reflects their dedication, immersing audiences in the mystery and grandeur of medieval

With a stellar cast bringing these iconic characters to life, audiences can expect powerhouse performances and deeply moving moments. Reflecting on the challenge of his role, Serage shared, "Portraying him physically-his stature and tickswas something I envisioned from the start, but actually embodying it

has been incredibly exhausting, and something I hope brings the audience closer to the story."

Don't miss one of the most powerful musicals ever written. Tickets are available at www. hurricanetheatrical.com or by calling 435-668-9753. Secure your seats now for an unforgettable night at the theater!

HERITAGE CHOIR CONCERT CELEBRATES EASTER THROUGH MUSIC

April 18-19, 2025 - St. George, UT

Spring and the Easter season are upon us. It is a time of renewal, rebirth, restoration and a reminder of Jesus Christ's resurrection and His victory over death and sin. Join the Southern Utah Heritage Choir as they celebrate this glorious time of year and the promise of Life Everlasting through music.

Join us at our historic St. George Tabernacle on Friday, April 18, at 6 PM with a repeat performance on Saturday, April 19, at 2 PM. Admission is free.

Under the masterful direction of Dr. Ken Peterson, the choir will present a thoughtfully created program with each piece a testament to themes of love and sacrifice by our Savior Jesus Christ.

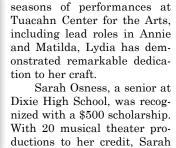
The choir and their gifted accompanists Karen Kennedy on the organ and pianist Jennifer Redfearn will provide dynamic and passionate interpretations of an amazing repertoire of musical pieces of devotion.

Highlights of the evening will also include performances by four gifted young vocalists and recent scholarship award

Melanie Peterson, a senior at Utah Arts Academy and Miss Ivans 2024 is awarded a \$1,000 scholarship. A talented performer with a 3.9 GPA, Melanie draws inspiration from her Mexican heritage and has earned multiple accolades in national competi-

Lydia Ricks, who also received a \$1,000 scholarship, is a senior at Crimson





has achieved national recogni-

tion, including placing second

Cliffs High School. With four

in the high school musical theater division of a competition in Washington, D.C. Lily Butler, a senior at Desert Hills High School, has received a \$500 scholarship. With perfect scores in both regional and state solo and ensemble competitions, Lily has showcased her exceptional vocal talent. She has performed in musical theater

workshops in New York City and competed in Los Angeles, where her team took first place.



Visit heritagechoir.org for more information about upcoming programs, opportunities to join the 180-voice Southern Utah Heritage Choir, and the choir's scholarship program.





CELEBRATE CULTURE AND COMMUNITY AT THE SPRING FIESTA

May 2, 2025 - Historic Downtown

Cedar City, UT Get ready for an evening of dancing,

food, live entertainment, games, local vendors, and more on Friday, May 2, 2025, from 5 to 10 PM at the Spring Fiesta and Neighborhood Slow Roll in Historic Downtown Cedar City brought to you by Cedar City Events!



ballet folklórico dancers Herencia Hispana. Experience other family-friendly activities, including face painting, a neighborhood slow roll bike ride, or win prizes at the Johnson Center with a traditional Mexican game of Lotería, like bingo. Cedar

Active Transportation Committee partners with the Spring Fiesta each year to kick off National Bike Month and bring awareness to its mission of promoting safe and active transporta-

through local neighbort i o n hood bike rides, known as "Slow Rolls." Bring your non-motorized set of wheels like bicycles, skateboards, scooters, strollers, and, of course, your friends and family to participate in the Slow Roll from 5 to 8 PM. Don't forget to bring your helmet if you plan to use the bike route and take advantage of the complimentary bike valet.

You won't want to miss exploring Historic Downtown Cedar City on Friday, May 2, 2025, filled with rich history, local restaurants, boutique shops, and an evening of celebrating our vibrant community.

For more information, including the slow roll bike route and information on participating as a vendor or volunteer, visit www.cedarcityut.gov/springfiesta and follow Cedar City Events on Facebook and Instagram.

PM on the corner of Center Street and 100 West in Historic Downtown Cedar City, where guests will stroll through an aroma-filled avenue of local food vendors and artisans lining the streets. Don't forget to stop by the beer garden in the Bristlecone Coffee parking lot sponsored by Warehouse Bar

+ Kitchen Enjoy live entertainment throughout the event on the main stage, including local





THE VINEYARD AT WATER CANYON: YOUR PERFECT EVENT DESTINATION

Hildale, UT

Located in the heart of southern Utah, The Vineyard at Water Canyon offers a breathtaking venue where elegance meets nature. With stunning views of towering red rock cliffs and lush vineyards, this newly renovated space blends modern sophistication with rustic charm, creating the ideal backdrop for weddings, parties, corporate gatherings, and more.

Whether you're hosting an intimate gathering or a lively celebration, the venue



comfortably accommodates up to 100 guests. Its all-inclusive package ensures convenience and comfort with tables and chairs, a full kitchen, and even an Airstream for nightly stays. Guests are welcome to bring their own decorations, allowing them to

truly personalize the space and bring their dream event to life.

The Vineyard at Water Canyon takes pride in offering exceptional culinary and drink service. Guests can indulge in gourmet food prepared by The Winery's Café, featuring fresh, high-quality ingredients. Complemented by all natural wines by Water Canyon Winery and your choice of cocktails and beer, every detail is thoughtfully curated to enhance the dining and sipping

Planning your event is made easy with on-site coordination. From setting up to managing vendors and keeping everything on track, the team ensures every detail is executed perfectly, so you can relax and enjoy the celebration.

With competitive pricing and exceptional service, The Vineyard at Water Canyon stands as the ideal venue for couples, families, or organizations seeking a memorable event experience. Don't miss out on the opportunity to host your special occasion in this breathtaking location. Visit watercanyonwinery.com to book your event today and create lasting memories in a truly

stunning setting. Please contact our Event Coordinator Emma Tooke to learn more. 435-862-1810 or watercanyonevent@gmail. com.



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SPRING INTO LAUGHTER WITH OTC COMEDY!

Friday Nights - Cedar City, UT

As the flowers bloom and the days grow longer, there's no better time to shake off the winter blues with a night of fresh, fast-paced fun at OTC Comedy! Every Friday at 8 PM, join us at the OTC Comedy Theater (913 S. Main Street) for an evening of improv where no two shows are ever the same. Audiences are guaranteed to be delightfully surprised as our talented performers take their suggestions and turn them into side-splitting scenes, all in the moment. Tickets are just \$10 and can be purchased at otcomedy. com.

April 24, Improv Lab

For those craving something even more unpredictable, the last Thursday of every month has just the thing to



meet your needs! Don't miss The Improv Lab on Thursday, April 24th, at 7 PM. This experimental comedy showcase brings together OTC members and occasional special guests to test out bold new ideas in improv. This 18+ show is a playground for fresh formats, unexpected twists, and unfiltered creativity. Tickets are only \$5, making it a perfect choice for comedy lovers looking for something outside the box

Whether you're enjoying the guaranteed laughs of our all-ages Friday shows or diving into the spontaneous world of The Improv Lab, OTC Comedy has something for everyone this spring. Visit occomedy.com for tickets and event details. Shake off the cold, step into the sunshine, and let the laughter bloom!

KILT UP FOR AUTHENTIC SCOTTISH FUN AT THE REDSTONE HIGHLAND GAMES & FESTIVAL

April 11-12, 2025 - St. George, UT Southern Utah will soon play host to all things Scottish as the RedStone Highland

Games & Festival invades Sandtown Park, located at 600 N. Bluff St. in St. George. The event will take place April 11-12, and

admission is free. The community is invited to come out and enjoy pure Scottish fun for the whole family!

The happenings will include competitive events featuring the brawny men and women of the Utah Heavy Athletics. Strongman and Highland Games competitions will include the stone put, caber



toss, Scottish hammer, weight for distance, weight over bar, and the sheaf toss. Strongman competitions will take place Friday evening, and the Highland Games will happen Saturday from about 9 AM to 5 PM. Last year's games broke the state record for the most athletes participating in a UHA competition. This year is gearing up to be just as exciting.

Other components of the event will include live music, with performances by the award-winning Salt Lake Scots Bagpipe Band, as well as the music of Swagger, and the stylings of local Celtic bands Wooden Tantrum and Thistle & Knot. The

RedStone Storytellers will share entertaining Scottish lore, and heritage demonstrations will include weapon-making with Wasatch Forge. Attendees can also discover their roots among the Scottish clans and enjoy the "Gathering of the Clans" event.

Peruse unique wares, including handcrafted goods, in the authentic Celtic Marketplace, and enjoy scrumptious goodies from the lineup of food trucks. For the wee ones in the audience, there will be a Children's Glen with face painting, giant inflatables, magician performances, and appearances by her majesty, Mary, Queen of Scots.

There is still time for vendors, clans, and athletes to sign up for the RedStone Highland Games & Festival. Those interested can fill out a form online.

For more information about the RedStone Highland Games & Festival, visit the event website or Facebook page, or contact Utah Heavy Athletics by calling (801) 889-5013 or emailing utahheavies@gmail.com.



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3RD ANNUAL ZION CHALK & EARTH FEST RETURNS

A Celebration of Art and Nature April 26-27, 2025 - Zion Canyon Village

Art and nature unite once again as the 3rd Annual Zion Chalk and Earth Fest returns to Zion Canyon Village. This highly anticipated event promises a spectacular weekend filled with creativity, music, and community spirit against the breathtaking backdrop of Zion Canyon.

The Zion Chalk & Earth Fest is a vibrant annual event that brings together artists, environmentalists, and community members to celebrate creativity and sustain-



ability. Through captivating chalk art, live performances, and interactive education, the festival fosters a deeper appreciation for the natural world and artistic expression.

From 10 AM to 8 PM each day, visitors will witness incredible chalk art come to life as talented artists from across the country transform the streets into vibrant masterpieces. This year's theme, inspired by Earth Day, will highlight the beauty and importance of the natural world, creating stunning visual storytelling through colorful chalk creations.

But the festivities do not stop with art! The Zion Chalk & Earth Fest. will also feature live music performances, Wild & Scenic Film Festival short film screenings, interactive educational booths, and craft activities for attendees of all ages. Food lovers can indulge in a variety of delicious bites and refreshing craft beer options, ensuring a weekend full of enjoyment for all.

Whether you are an art enthusiast, a nature lover, or simply looking for a memo-

rable weekend adventure, the 3rd Annual Zion Chalk & Earth Fest. has something for everyone! Join us as we celebrate creativity, environmental stewardship, and community spirit in a one-of-a-kind festival experience.

Do not miss out on this unforgettable event! Mark your calendars for April 26-27, 2025, and experience the magic of the Zion Chalk & Earth Fest. firsthand.

For more information, visit https://springdaletown.com/297/Zion-Chalk-Earth-Fest or follow us on Facebook @ ZionChalkandEarth.

Volunteer for the 3rd Annual Zion Chalk & Earth Fest!

We are currently seeking volunteers to assist at the Info/Community Chalk Booth in 2-hour shifts on both Saturday, April 26th, and Sunday, April 27th, 2025. Volunteers will help distribute chalk to community members, provide event information, monitor event bike parking, and receive an exclusive 2025 Zion Chalk & Earth Fest. Volunteer Shirt!

Interested in volunteering? Sign up here: https://bit.ly/VOLUNTEERZCEF or contact Robyn Sanders at rsanders@springdale.utah.gov.



ART ATTACK! SOUTHERN UTAH ART GUILD INVITES YOU TO JOIN THE FUN

The Southern Utah Art Guild would like to invite you to several events in April and one event at Arrowhead Gallery. All events are free for the public.

Art Guild Events: April 9 from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM is the Guild's Meet and Mingle with a demonstration by painter and stained-glass artist, Joyce Casey. The location is at Arrowhead Gallery, Lower Level.

Photography Club: Meets in the Lower Level of the St. George Library, 88

W 100 S. To join or express interest, email photography@SouthernUtahArtGuild.com.

Colored Pencil Club: Email Chris Hale at: colored.pencils@ SouthernUtahArtGuild.com

Procreate Club: Email Kari Frymier procreate@SouthernUtahArtGuild.com.

Location for Color Pencil and Procreate clubs is Gentry Music + Arts, 14 N 70 E in St George (corner of Tabernacle + University).

Visit the Guild's booth i36 in the Tabernacle parking lot during the St.



George Art Festival and support the Art Guild artists who have their work on display. Hours are Friday,10 AM to 7 PM and Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM.

April 19, 9-11 AM, Art Attack Race - 1K and 5K run sponsored by the City of St. George and the Southern Utah Art Guild. Stop by and watch the race. Winners receive artwork donated from the Guild as prizes.

Arrowhead Gallery: The featured artist for April is Beth Lingwall. Beth's favorite subject is nature and loves experimenting with all mediums but oil is her favorite and enjoys pallet knife painting on all types of surfaces. Gallery hours are from Tuesday through Thursday 11 AM to 6 PM and Friday and Saturday 11 AM to 8 PM, 68 E. Tabernacle in St. George.

Red Cliff Gallery: Starting in May, enjoy the works of local artists presenting over 175 new works of art at our "Portals and Pathways" art show, 220 N 200 E. The show starts on May 9 and there is an artist's reception from 6 PM to 8 PM. The

show runs through June 19 and all artwork is for sale.

Gallery hours are M-F, 9 AM to 5 PM and Sat 12 noon to 4 PM. The paintings of Noelle Kershaw will be the featured artist during the show.

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SO U COMEDY THEATER INVITES YOU TO LAUGHTER

1st & 3rd Saturday Each Month - St. George, UT

In the 1990's Whose Line Is It Anyway? introduced improvised comedy to the mainstream media and quickly became a household staple. If you want to experience those deep-belly laughs again, you're in luck! St. George has its own short-form improv troupe ready to entertain you! The So U Comedy Theater proudly presents improv with a cast of performers who have spent the last nine years honing their skills.

"Short-form" improv refers to short scenes that usually have a game within the scene, all made up on the spot based on suggestions from the audience. This ensures that no game, or performance, will ever be the same. Each show is unique and unscripted. The So U Comedy Theater recently celebrated its ninth anniversary in March. The audience was welcomed to a spectacular show and joined in the celebration with cake, balloons, and beloved cast members spanning the years, both past and present.

Games performed by the cast are longtime favorites: *Late For Work* - a sidesplitting exhibition in pantomime, the pun-



heavy Interrogation - where the details of the crime are unknown to the culprit, keeping the audience hanging on every word until a final confession pronounces the guesser "GUILTY!", and the uproariously entertaining (and sometimes taboo) Texts - in which players speech is bound to the actual text messages read from an audience members phone.

The focus of the So U Comedy Theater is to entertain, educate, and inspire through the art of improv performance. Through their diligence over the years, they have fostered an improv community and hope to grow even more. A recent addition to the cast. Alex Greenbaum, comes with experience in improv, including managing a community service organization that used improv to teach children essential life skills like teamwork and active listening. "It was much to my delight when I learned that St. George had an improv troupe. I attended my first community practice and found everyone to be nice and supportive. It wasn't long until I was able to audition and be accepted into the cast. Being a part of So U, attending practice, and performing in shows is the highlight of my week. I highly recommend checking out So U!"

This talented group performs the 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month upstairs at the Electric Theater Center. See the family-friendly show at 7 PM and stick around for the (Uncensored) 9 PM show, anything goes, so leave the little ones at home. Improv has something for everyone, from Dad Jokes to deep cuts, so grab your crew and see So U Comedy. Tickets can be purchased online at soucomedy.com or at the door. Discounts available

RIDE THE WIND TO THE ESCALANTE CANYONS ART FESTIVAL

September 19-28, 2025, Escalante, UT
Rustle the leaves of the cottonwood trees
or breeze through the canyons as you ponder
which site to use for your plein air painting.
The beauty is as diverse as it is endless.



Artists from around the world have attended in the past benefitting from a variety of offerings. If you are interested in the competitions, you can register in six categories: plein air, studio work, junior, miniature, abstract, and nocturne, with nearly \$10,000 in award money. Registration opens in April at escalantecanyonsartfestival.org.

For the nocturne paint out, artists will stamp in on Friday 26th with judging the following morning at 11 AM, giving less than 24 hours to complete a night scene. The first-place winner will get a half page ad in Plein Air Magazine and \$300.

This year's fundraiser is an Abstract Challenge judged by Sue Martin, who is well-known for her abstracts. She will teach an abstract workshop during the festival. The abstract winners will receive a total of \$600 in

awards. All proceeds from abstract sales will go to the Escalante Care n Share food pantry.

More competitions and activities will be posted on the Escalante Canyons Arts Festival website later this spring.

Artists in a variety of mediums collaborate and inspire one another here. If you are new to the festival or a seasoned attendee, you will find fellow artists to network with. Daily excursions into the stunning public lands of the Escalante Grand Staircase National Monument will provide opportunities to paint together or solo.

Whether you ride the wind or drive a car, plan on attending the Escalante Canyons Art Festival for memorable days of plein air and studio competitions, inspiring workshops, an arts and crafts fair, live entertainment, art exhibits, and on-site sales. We look forward to hosting you September 19-28, 2025.



KANAB ARTS BOARD EXHIBITION CELEBRATES LOCAL TALENT

April 17 to June 26, 2025 - Kanab, UT
The Kanab Arts Board invites all art
lovers to the Second Quarter Exhibition
Opening on April 17 at 5:30 PM, held at

Opening on April 17 at 5:30 PM, held at the Kane County Hospital lobby. This event showcases the vibrant creativity of four local artists and the inspiring works of students from the USU Extension Kane County 4-H program.

We're also thrilled to announce our 2024 award recipients: Linda McCowan as Artist of the Year and Ria Hoyt as Art Supporter of the Year. These honors will be presented during the opening reception in recognition of their impactful contributions to the local arts community.

The exhibition opens with colorful works from emerging 4-H artists, ages 9–12, from Kanab Elementary School. Through hands-on STEAM-based learning, these young artists explored art's intersection

with science and technology—especially during a recent papier-mâché workshop. Under the guidance of Elizabeth Davis, Angie Reidhead, and Megan Brewer, students created imaginative, self-directed pieces now proudly on display. Featured student artists include Hunter Bauer, Ashlynne Beazer,



Carter Berrie, Emmalyn Brewer, Graysen Davis, Tanzi Henderson, Vayla Henke, Ceci Huntington/Kallie Church, Bryson Palmer, Lander Porter, Elsie Stott, Beckham Walker, and Lexi Walker.

Joining them is Tally Willard, a contemporary realist painter whose work has been exhibited nationwide. A former graphic designer, Tally now paints full-time, capturing organic subjects with drama and emotion through rich texture and color.

Eileen Gilbert Bell, Kanab resident and former Kanab Arts Board president, brings her desert-inspired pieces to the show. Named 2022 Artist of the Year, Eileen continues creating despite vision challenges. She embraces new artistic perspectives while honoring the landscape and community she loves.

Natalie Wade, a Kanab-raised macrame artist, recently returned after years away.

Passionate about up-cycling, she transforms thrifted and antique finds into beautiful plant hangers and wall décor through intricate macrame techniques.

At the Kanab City Library, visitors will also find work by Jana Stone, a wood burning and mosaic artist. Originally trained in graphic design, Jana found her true passion in hands-on woodworking, often incorporating Southwestern themes and scrap wood mosaics into her unique creations.

The exhibition runs from April 17 to June 26 at both the Kane County Hospital and Kanab City Library. The Kanab Arts Board remains committed to promoting local art and creativity through its quarterly exhibitions. For details, email KanabArts@gmail.com, or follow @KanabArtsBoard on Facebook and Instagram.





ORDERVILLE 3RD ANNUAL SOUP TOWN DAYS

April 19, 2025, Orderville, UT

Orderville was established at the direction of LDS Church president Brigham Young in 1875 specifically to live the United Order, a voluntary form of communalism defined by Joseph Smith. The settlers grew their own crops and had some small farms surrounding the settlement. They also used local materials to make their own soap, brooms, buckets, furniture, etc. Orderville had blacksmiths, clerks, artists, musicians, and other professions. One of the most talked about items of the United Order history is the communal dining hall where every man woman and child ate their meals. A lot of the time with so many mouths to feed, soup was the easy meal to make. Hence the nickname of Soup Town. This experiment in communal living was the longest-lasting "Order" with a decade of success. In 1885, the enforcement of the Edmunds Anti-Polygamy Act of 1882 effectively ended the Order by jailing many of the Order's leaders. Nearly a century and a half after the final vestiges of the LDS Orderville United Order disappeared, the town remains a tight-knit conglomerate of pioneer stock, and what better way to celebrate a lasting heritage than to eat soup!

• 9 AM: Wiffleball Tournament Valley Elementary lawn

• 10 AM: Easter Egg Hunt Town of Orderville offices lawn



 \bullet 10:30 AM: Soup entries need to be at the NEC

• 12-7 PM: Soup, displays, Lawn Mower Races, and food at North Events Center & Carroll Arena

At Soup Town Days this year, there will be a United Order display, essays and dioramas from the Valley High School kids, a Wiffleball Tournament, Lawn Mower races, and, of course, Soup!

This year, the soup is FREE, 12-2 pm, and you will be tasting the many cook-off entries.

The Lawn Mower races will be held a little later this year at 5 pm and we will have the concession stand open serving Hamburgers and Hot Dogs.

The Daughters of Utah Pioneer Museum still preserves the unique history of Orderville and is open by appointment during the winter months and during summer months Fridays and Saturdays 12-5 PM. The DUP will be open 12-5 PM on Saturday the 19th. See you there!





SET SAIL FOR A LITERARY VOYAGE IN ST. GEORGE

 $At\ The\ Book\ Bungalow$

Southern Utah may be miles from the nearest coastline, but this April, the ocean breeze will be blowing through St. George—at least in spirit. Book lovers, adventure seekers, and literary enthusiasts have two must-attend events lined up at The Book Bungalow that promise to transport them to different worlds, from the salty seas of New England to the gripping pages of dramatic fiction.



First up, on Saturday, April 19, at 7 PM, travel writer Daniel Seddiqui drops anchor in town to share his latest immersive adventure, Gettin' Nautical in New England. Seddiqui, known as "the Most Traveled Person in America," has visited every state more than 20 times, collecting stories and experiences along the way. His newest book dives deep-literallyinto New England's seafaring culture, with hands-on encounters like fishing, ship repair, and even cooking up a mean lobster roll. From the bustling docks of Boston to the sandy shores of Nantucket, Seddiqui captures the essence of maritime life with the same curiosity and energy that have made him a favorite among travel readers.





Then, the following Saturday, April 26, at 7 PM, the spotlight shifts from the high seas to high drama as Christine Dixon and M.C. Topham (Mykalee Mendenhall) bring their captivating fiction to Local Authors Night. Dixon's novel Tender Was the Lie plunges into the life of a country music star grappling with love, loss, and the relentless media spotlight. Meanwhile, Topham's Ice in the Heart is a suspenseful journey of secrets, identity, and unexpected connections. Both authors draw from rich life experiences—Dixon as a former talent agent discovering stars like Mario Lopez and Topham as a dedicated storyteller since her teenage years—to craft narratives that pull readers in and refuse to let go.



These back-to-back literary events will take place at The Book Bungalow, 94 West Tabernacle Street, St. George, UT, offering a chance to meet the authors, hear their inspirations, and pick up a signed copy of their books. Both events are free to attend, and more details can be found at www.the-bookbungalow.com. Whether you're drawn to the call of the sea or the intrigue of a well-spun tale, these author visits are sure to inspire.

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KANAB, UTAH - THE ULTIMATE GATEWAY TO ADVENTURE

Kanab, Utah, is the perfect gateway to the Southwest's most breathtaking landscapes. Centrally located, it provides easy access to Zion National Park, the Grand Canyon, and Bryce Canyon, allowing visitors to experience multiple world-famous destinations without constant travel. Beyond its prime location, Kanab boasts a laid-back desert charm, friendly locals, and a surprisingly great dining scene. Whether you're craving Western barbecue, Southwestern flavors, or a classic burger after a day of adventure, Kanab has plenty of delicious options. It's the ideal mix of thrilling outdoor experiences and relaxed small-town comfort.



Surrounded by an incredible variety of natural wonders, Kanab offers numerous must-see sights. The Wave, one of the world's most sought-after hikes, features stunning swirling sandstone formations in Vermilion Cliffs National Monument. Due to its limited-permit system, advance planning is essential, but those who secure a spot are rewarded with a surreal landscape. For a similar experience without the permit hassle, White Pocket showcases incredible red, white, and pink sandstone formations. Though it requires a high-clearance 4WD vehicle, its otherworldly beauty makes the journey worthwhile.

Peek-A-Boo Slot Canyon, just outside Kanab, is a hidden gem offering a less crowded alternative to the famous Antelope Canyon. With its towering red rock walls and winding passageways, it's a spectacular spot for photography and exploration. Another unique sight is the Toadstool Hoodoos, an easy hike leading to bizarre rock formations resembling giant mush-



rooms, sculpted by thousands of years of erosion

For a change of pace, Best Friends Animal Sanctuary, the nation's largest no-kill shelter, offers a heartwarming experience. Nestled in Angel Canyon's stunning red rock scenery, it provides a safe haven for rescued animals, including dogs, cats, horses, and birds. Visitors can take tours, volunteer, or simply enjoy the peaceful setting while learning about its inspiring mission.

Adventure seekers will find endless opportunities in Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, a vast landscape of slot canyons, waterfalls, and ancient petroglyphs. Popular spots like Willis Creek Slot Canyon, The Nautilus, and Escalante Natural Bridge showcase the monument's rugged beauty, making it a paradise for hiking and exploration.

Kanab isn't just a stop—it's the ultimate basecamp for discovering the Southwest. With stunning natural sights in every direction, delicious dining, and a welcoming small-town atmosphere, it offers the perfect blend of adventure and relaxation. Whether you're hiking through red rock canyons, marveling at unique geological formations, or soaking in a desert sunset, Kanab provides an unforgettable experience at the heart of the American Southwest.

EXPERIENCE CONNECTION, JOY, AND TRANSFORMATION AT ZION YOGA & WELLNESS FESTIVAL

May 1-4, 2025 - Springdale, UT

Nestled against the breathtaking cliffs of Zion National Park, Zion Yoga & Wellness Festival returns May 1-4, 2025, offering an unforgettable weekend of movement, mindfulness, and connection. With just a few weeks to go, excitement is building for this one-of-a-kind gathering—and so is the demand for tickets.



Whether you're seeking deep healing, soulful connection, or simply a fun and uplifting experience, Zion Yoga & Wellness Festival is your chance to experience it all.

The festival offers a variety of experiences, including:

- Yoga classes for all levels—from gentle flows to invigorating power sessions.
- Wellness Experiences in breathwork, sound baths, meditation, and more.
- Outdoor Immersion enjoy the views and soak in the magic of Zion's natural beauty.
- Live music, ecstatic dance, and creative expression under the desert stars.
- Vendor Market with wellness products, food trucks, and handmade artisan goods- market is open to the public, you do not need a festival pass to visit the market.

"This isn't just a yoga festival, it's an experience that reconnects you with yourself, with others, and with nature," says Camille Zolman, Founder of Zion Yoga &

Wellness Festival. "We created this event to give people a space to breathe and rediscover what it means to be alive."

A Weekend of Connection and Community - One of the festival's most cherished qualities is its focus on community and belonging. Here, strangers become friends and friends become family. Whether you're flowing through sun salutations at sunrise or sharing stories while sitting in a sauna, you'll feel genuinely seen and supported. "The energy at Zion Yoga Fest is unlike anything else," shares attendee, Amy Davis "I came for the yoga, but I left with a whole new perspective and a heart full of joy."

More Than a Festival, It's a Transformation - Beyond the classes and workshops, this festival is about stepping into something bigger, most connected, joyful self. Whether you're dancing under the stars, breathing in the crisp desert air, or sharing a meal with new friends, you'll leave Zion Yoga Fest with more than memories—you'll leave with a piece of yourself you may have forgotten.



Visit zionyogafest.com - Tickets Are Selling Fast! Reserve Your Spot Now! With the festival just weeks away, don't miss your chance to experience this transformational weekend. Use code "INDEPENDENT" to get \$25 off your festival pass.

DIXIE HIGH SCHOOL ADVANCED THEATRE PRESENTS THE SATIRICAL COMEDY ANTI-SOCIAL BY DON ZOLIDIS

April 30 to May2, 2025 - St. George, UT
The Dixie High School Theatre is excited to announce their upcoming production of Anti-Social, a captivating and timely play written by Don Zolidis. The show will run from April 30th to May 2nd, 2025, with performances at 7 PM each evening with limited seating on the Dixie High School Auditorium stage.

Anti-Social is a satire pokes fun at the "social" in social media in a collection of seven short plays that explores the many facets and platforms of social media. From Instagram to Facebook, and even a #throwback to the days when MySpace was cool.

Directed by Joshua Scott, this production showcases the immense talent of Dixie High School's Advance Theatre student performers, designers, and crew. The cast brings to life a range of relatable characters, each grappling with the challenges of individuals in a hyper-connected

society.

"I'm incredibly proud of the hard work and dedication our students have put into this production," said Mr. Scott. "Don Zolidis has written a play that provides a satirical commentary on just how "social" and often ridiculous our social networks have become."

Tickets for *Anti-Social* will be available for purchase at the door or online at dixieflyers.com for \$8 for general seating and \$12 for limited premiere seating with small appetizers and drinks served.

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to see an hilarious play that speaks to the heart of social media culture. We invite our community friends and family to join us for a night of entertainment.

About Dixie High School Theatre: The Dixie High School Theatre program is dedicated to providing students with opportunities to explore the arts through performance, design, and technical production. The program fosters creativity, teamwork, and self-expression while offering a platform for students to develop a passion for the performing arts.

Dixie High School Auditorium - 350 E 700 S. St. George, UT



KANAB 10K RETURNS ON MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND 2025!

May 10, 2025 - Kanab, UT

Mark your calendars! The Kanab 10K is back on Saturday, May 10th, 2025! This scenic 6.2-mile race begins at 7 AM at the historic Moqui Cave, winding alongside Kanab Creek and the stunning vermillion cliffs on Highway 89. Due to positive feedback, the Kanab Center will once again serve as the finish line, no more uphill climb at the end! Walkers and runners must complete the first five miles within two hours, and strollers are welcome on the course.



Registration is now open at RunnerCard.com. The entry fee is \$35 for adults and \$25 for participants 17 & under, which includes a race t-shirt, swag bag, and custom bib. Packet pickup will be available

on Friday, May 9th, from 12 PM to 6 PM at the Kanab City Offices (26 N 100 E). Late registration will also be available during this time. On race morning, packets can be picked up at the Kanab Center starting at 6 AM. All participants must be at the Kanab Center's front entrance parking lot by 6:30 AM to take the shuttle to the starting line.

Custom Western Hills trophies will be awarded to the overall male and female winners, as well as the top finishers in each age division. After crossing the finish

> line, participants can enjoy a complimentary breakfast provided by Kanab City.

Please note that to accommodate the race, Highway 89 will be restricted to one-way traffic from 300 N. to Moqui Cave on May 7th, between 6:30 and 9 AM. Expect delays, and be aware that the south entrance to Best Friends will be closed from 7 to 8 AM, so plan accordingly.

The Kanab 10K is more than just a race—it's a celebration of community,

bringing together local businesses, volunteers, and participants. Whether you run, walk, volunteer, or cheer, we invite everyone to be part of this special event. We can't wait to see you there!

WILLOW CANYON'S NEXT ADVENTURE: NEW OWNERS, SAME BELOVED SPIRIT

For nearly 30 years, Willow Canyon Outdoor in Kanab has been more than just a bookstore, coffee shop, and gear shop—it's been a gathering place, a launchpad for adventure, and a cornerstone of the local community. Now, as longtime owners Charlie Neumann and Susan Hand pass the torch, Willow Canyon enters a new chapter with fresh but familiar faces: Kieran Corrigan and Melanie Rader.

Originally founded in 1994, Willow Canyon became an institution in Kanab, offering "Killer Coffee," an eclectic book selection, and high-quality outdoor gear. Charlie and Susan, who stumbled into Kanab and never left, cultivated a space that reflected the spirit of the high desert. Now, Kieran and Melanie—longtime outdoor guides—are taking on the responsibility of continuing that legacy.

New Owners, Same Passion for Adventure - Kieran and Melanie met while guiding in the Grand Staircase and formed a bond over coffee on Willow Canyon's back porch. "We wanted a deeper connection



to the people and community we live in," Kieran shares. "Willow has always been our favorite place, and when the opportunity came up, we jumped at the chance to keep it going."

Melanie, an ultra-endurance runner and Grand Canyon aficionado, has completed and blazed numerous trails in the region. Her real-world experience makes her the perfect fit for curating the store's outdoor gear and apparel selection. "We're not just selling products," she says. "We're helping people prepare for real adventure."

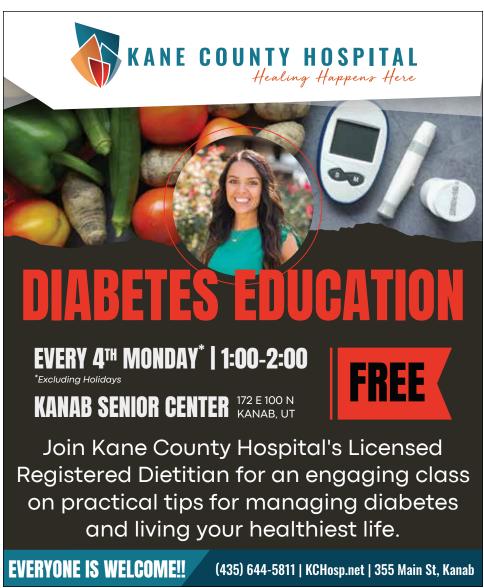
Kieran, a former geology student at Fort Lewis College and an experienced climbing, canyoneering, and rafting guide, brings his deep appreciation for the land to the mix. Having explored the Southwest extensively, he understands what outdoor enthusiasts need.

Keeping the Willow Spirit Alive - Though ownership has changed, the heart of Willow Canyon remains the same. The store will continue to offer top-tier out-door gear, thoughtfully selected books, and expertly crafted coffee while prioritizing sustainability and locally sourced products.

"Our goal is to maintain what Charlie and Susan built while bringing in fresh energy," Kieran says. "At Willow Canyon, coffee brings people together, books inspire exploration, and our gear helps people take their story onto the trail."

Whether you're a longtime local or just passing through, Willow Canyon remains the perfect spot to fuel up, stock up, and connect with the outdoors.

Find Willow Canyon at 263 S 100 E, Kanab, Utah, and visit **willowcanyon. com** for more details.





SPRINGDALE'S BIT & SPUR KICKS OFF WEEKLY MUSIC & MARKET SERIES

April 14, 2025 - Springdale, UT

Springdale's iconic Bit & Spur Restaurant and Saloon is turning up the volume (and the local flavor) once again with the return of its beloved Monday night live music series and farmers market. Starting April 14, the west lawn of The Bit becomes a vibrant outdoor gathering place for locals and visitors alike, with all-ages live music from 5 to 8 PM and a bustling market running from 5 to 9 PM.

Kicking things off on April 14 is Bila Gaana, setting the tone for a season full of diverse talent and community vibes. Each week brings a fresh act, from returning favorites like YESOUISI (April 21 and July 7) and Last Light (May 12 and July 21), to exciting newcomers like Runaway Fire (May 5) and Jeremiah Tall (July 14). Other standouts include Electric Witness (May 19), the blues-rock powerhouse; Juniper City (May 26), bringing their signature folk-modern blend; and Scotty Dub from Las Vegas on June 30.



Colombian groove masters Shangalu (Full Band), known for fusing Caribbean rhythms, funk, and cumbia, return for two nights of danceable magic on June 16 and July 28. And don't miss Tom Bennett's soulful storytelling (June 2), or the high-energy jamsters Circus Mutt (June 9).

"The Farmers Market has been a wonderful addition for The Bit and Spur," says co-owner Alex Pelton, who has been a key figure in elevating the venue since 1994. "We really enjoy hosting an event with a festival-like atmosphere where we can showcase local live musicians, artists, and farmers. Gathering the community together is always something that we strive to accomplish."

This series has become more than just weekly entertainment—it's a cornerstone of the Springdale summer rhythm. Nestled beneath the towering cliffs of Zion National Park, The Bit & Spur transforms Monday nights into a celebration of music, community, food, and art. The Farmers

Market features everything from locally grown produce to handcrafted goods and tasty fare from the Bit's renowned kitchen.

The Bit & Spur's 2025 Music Series & Farmers Market kicks off April 14 and continues into the fall. Live music takes place from 5 to 8 PM, with the Farmers Market open from 5 to 9 PM. All shows are all ages and held outdoors on the west lawn of The Bit & Spur in Springdale, Utah. For more details, visit bitandspur.com or check out their Facebook page.

REDISCOVER THE MAGIC OF YOUR LIBRARY: CELEBRATE NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK!

April 6-12, 2025

What draws people to the library? Maybe it's the endless shelves of books, the quiet study spaces, or the friendly librarians who seem to have a recommendation for everything. Perhaps it's the free Wi-Fi, creative workshops, or the sheer thrill of discovering something new. Whatever it is, libraries have long been the heartbeat of thriving communities, and there's no better time to celebrate than during National Library Week, April 6–12, 2025!

This year's theme, "Drawn to the Library," highlights the many ways people are inspired, engaged, and connected through their local library. Since 1958, National Library Week has been a time to recognize the vital role libraries play



in sparking creativity, fostering lifelong learning, and bringing communities together. The Washington County Library System is rolling out the welcome mat and inviting everyone—whether you're



a longtime bookworm or haven't stepped inside a library in years—to rediscover all that the library has to offer.

With eight branches across the county, the library is more than just books (though we have plenty of those, too!). Need help launching a business or changing careers? We've got resources for that. Want a fun, educational space for your kids? Check out our makerspaces, story times, and family programs. Looking for your next great read, whether in print, eBook, or audiobook? We've got you covered. Libraries draw people in with endless possibilities—places where creativity sparks, lifelong learning thrives, and community connections grow.

So why not stop by during National Library Week and see what's new? Whether you're here to explore, learn, or just enjoy a quiet corner with a good book, your library is here for you. Visit www.librarywashco. utah.gov to learn more about the resources waiting for you—because no matter where life takes you, you'll always be drawn to the library!

WINE MAKING REFINED IN SOUTHERN UTAH

Leeds, UT

Zion Vineyards in April is time to release new wines! We will have at least three new varietals to Taste and purchase, our Sangiovese Reserve, Cabernet Reserve and Teroldego Reserve.

Sangiovese Reserve, this wine is aged in a New French Oak Barrel, it is mediumbodied, rich and dry with a bright acidity. Fruit driven in character with flavors of cherry and plum, red currants and blackberry. Savory notes of saddle-leather, tobacco, sage and roasted pepper. A perfect food wine paired with full-flavored meats, Osso Bucco, Lasagna, Chicken Cacciatore and Classic Red sauce pasta dishes.

Our Cabernet Reserve This Reserve is aged for a year in a brand-new French Oak barrel.

A full-bodied wine with intense dark fruit flavors of black currants, plum and

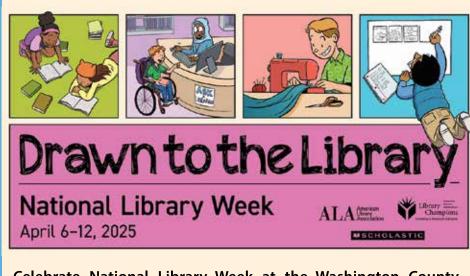


blueberry, with the woodsy scent of tobacco. Aging in a new French Oak barrel imparts a subtle spice to the wine, with notes of vanilla, clove and caramel with a lingering, velvety smooth finish. Pairs with Steak, Lamb, Wild Game. Hard cheeses, mushrooms, truffles and Dark Chocolate.

Our new Teroldego Reserve, known as a Super Tuscan Red. In Italy this wine is well sought for as a single varietal and as a blending grape in big, bold, well-structured wines. This wine, aged in French Oak is medium-bodied, and well-balanced, with subtle hints of vanilla. Deeply layered dark fruit flavors of blackberry, pomegranate, blueberry and cherry. A smokey aroma, and notes of earth, baking spice and anise. With subtle tannins and smooth finish. A perfect food wine paired with duck, beef steaks, lamb or braised meats and Classic Tomato based Italian dishes.

The Tempranillo Reserve is back. This wine aged in American Oak is full-bodied, with bold notes of vanilla and intense dark fruit. A beautiful balance of earth and fruit. Flavors of cherry, plum, blueberry, tobacco and cedar notes, dill and clove. A smooth rounded mouthfeel and velvety tannins. A perfect food wine paired with Lasagna, Classic tomato-based sauces, BBQ, Grilled meats, tacos, burritos and Chile relleno.

Please come on out and join us for a fun time and taste some of our award-winning wines. Visit us at 5 Hidden Valley Road in Leeds. We are just 12 miles north of St George and just off the I-15 in beautiful Leeds Utah. Reservations are not needed We are Open Seven Days a Week, noon till 6 PM. On-line at www.zionvines.com or call 435-216-1340.



Celebrate National Library Week at the Washington County Library System! What draws people to the library? Everything! From books and digital resources to job assistance and creative programming, libraries are essential to thriving communities.

National Library Week is a time to celebrate the many ways libraries bring people together, spark imagination, and support lifelong learning. Visit your local branch and discover everything the library has to offer! The Library System offers you a wide array of programs, classes and resources, including Virtual Reality, WiFi, digital collections, 3D printers, laser cutters, Audio Video labs, sewing machines, sergers, and of course, books!

Log on at <u>www.library.washco.utah.gov</u> to find out more about what your library has to offer.





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BUCKSKIN TAVERN GETS NEW MENU AND MUCH MORE

The Buckskin Tavern, just over the state line from Kanab in Fredonia AZ, is under new ownership and management. Taylor and Stephanie, the new owners, invite you to enjoy their hospitality. Taylor and Stephanie have visited southern Utah their whole lives and now live in Fredonia. With backgrounds in hospitality, they are adding a full menu of house made tavern food to complement the Buckskin's beverage service and historic atmosphere. Hours of operation are expanding in April to seven days a week from noon till closing and the kitchen will be open for all those hours. Come join them for lunch!

The new menu includes a house smoked pulled pork sandwich with homemade coleslaw and Carolina mustard sauce, the famous Buck Burger, award winning firefighter's chili, French fries, nachos and a host of other tavern fair. They also feature amazing vegetarian and vegan choices.

The Buckskin Tavern was first built on the Utah/Arizona border in 1934. Milt Cram was catering to cowboys and local ranch folk. Considering how notoriously difficult it was to get a drink in Utah then, the tavern was a welcome addition to the area. The Buckskin, being right across the border, made it a popular watering hole for many locals, travelers, visitors and movie makers that were visiting Kanab and Fredonia. After closing during covid in



2020, the Buckskin reopened its doors in early 2023 with a huge effort to spruce up the place while keeping the charm from the days gone by.

Taylor and Stephanie are now adding their award-winning tavern food to the array of activities the Buckskin has become known for, with live music most weekends and other events like Karaoke, Trivia, Wine Tastings, Pool Tournaments and Game Nights. Enjoy the 3 pool tables, foosball, corn hole, and 7 TVs to relax and watch sports. They have an outdoor Beer Garden with an incredible view looking west over the vermillion cliffs, to which they are adding a stage for live bands.

Come enjoy their food together with 12 beers on tap and a great selection of wine, cocktails, nonalcoholic choices AND package liquor to go. They are within an hour of Zion The Grand Canvon North Rim Bryce

DISCOVER IVINS: SPRING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Ivins City is stepping into spring with a trifecta of fun-filled community events from treasure hunting at a giant yard sale to a high-energy 5K and a relaxed fitness celebration complete with live music. Whether you're in the mood to shop, jog, or just jam out, there's something for every-



Community Yard Sale Saturday, April 12th, 9 AM-12 PM The 4th Annual Ivins Community Yard Sale returns to the West Parking Lot of City Hall (85 N Main St). It's free to browse and shop, or just \$5 to reserve a seller's space if your spring cleaning needs a serious outlet. "This event has become a fun springtime tradition," says Ivins City Recreation

of everything - and maybe that one thing vou didn't know vou needed.

Easter Egg Scramble & Hog-N-Jog 5K - Saturday, April 19th Start your Saturday with a sprint (or stroll) in the Hog-N-Jog 5K at 8 AM at UNITY Park (400 S 200 W). Immediately after, the Easter Egg Scramble invites kids aged 3

and under to 12 to collect colorful goodies. Bring your own basket - and your early morning energy!

Concert in the Park Slothathalon Finale - Friday, May 2nd Wind down the spring season with Ivins' unique Slothathalon celebration at Heritage Park (100 N 100 W), beginning at 6 PM. After a month-long fitness challenge, participants will be awarded medals and prizes — no speed required. At 7 PM, the park transforms into a concert venue, with live music and food trucks to cap off the evening. It's free to attend, so bring your picnic blankets and good vibes.

Quick Nod Founded by determined homesteaders in the early 20th century, Ivins has grown from adobe homes and irrigation canals into a thriving city with a strong community spirit — one that's clearly alive and well today.

Details and seller registration avail-

Coordinator Sarah Nash. Expect a little bit and Lake Powell. able at https://ivinsutah.gov. HALVERSEEN CONCERT SPOTLIGHTS FIVE OUTSTANDING SOLOISTS

April 17, 2025 - Cedar City, UT

Five outstanding soloists will perform with the Orchestra of Southern Utah (OSU) on Thursday, April 17, at 7:30 PM in the Heritage Theatre in Cedar City. Tickets are available at myosu.org. In addition to the solo pieces, OSU will perform the Easter Overture by Rimsky-Korsakov, which features several soloists within the orchestra.

This Young Artist Concert honors the memory of Roy L. Halversen, who was instrumental in expanding orchestral music in Cedar City as a college professor. Some of his students still play with OSU.

Leah Kim Keyes, flutist, will perform Gordeli Concertino for Flute and Orch, Op. 8. A junior at Woods Cross High School in Bountiful, she was a Salute to Youth soloist with the Utah Symphony in fall 2024. Leah is a fourtime first-place winner of the State MTNA solo division and the State UMTA Concerto competition. In 2024, she won the Grand Prize of the Southwest Symphony Young Artist Competition.

Hannah Bradshaw will perform Andante and Rondo Ungarese featuring the viola, a piece with Hungarian and gypsy influences. From Cedar City, she has performed for 18 years with music degrees from SUU and the University of Colorado-Boulder. She has served as principal violist for several orchestras and has played with prominent musicians like Marie Osmond and David Archuleta.

Kloie Humes presents the Bassoon Concerto in F by Weber. The Kannaraville musician is an SUU graduate working towards a performance master's degree. Her teachers have included Dr. Virginia Stitt, Dr. Emily Grady, and Dr. Ben Bradshaw.

By Sara Penny

Trevyn Karkula will perform the third movement of the Piano Concerto in F by Gershwin. The 14-year-old from St. George has been playing piano for six years and has studied with Brandon Lee, Mark Gubler, and Nancy Allred.

Sophie Wilkes shares Gypsy Airs for Violin, also known as Zigeunerweisen by Sarasate. She started violin at age



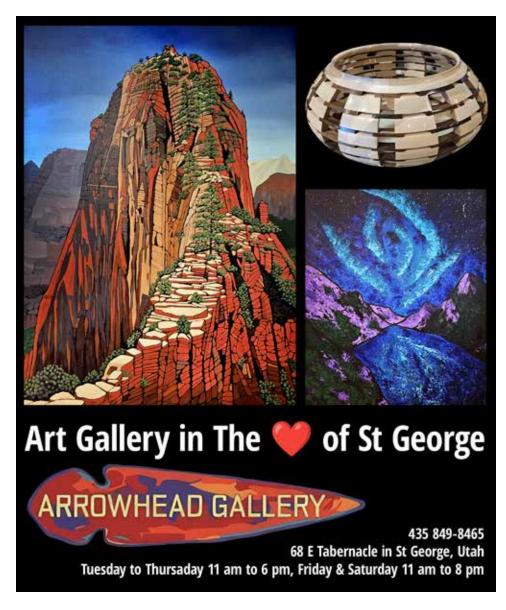
five with Kristen Candland in St. George and also works with Jenny Oaks Baker on violin and Jason Bonham on viola. The 13-year-old played in the Salute to Youth concert in 2023 with the Utah Symphony and is involved in ensembles and orchestras at the local and state level.

"We had an incredible showing of talent at the auditions for this concert," said Carylee Zwang, OSU Music Director. Alternates were Amanda Drake, Calli Price, and Elaina McEntee.

Assistant Conductor David Jordan will conduct the soloist pieces, with Zwang conducting the Easter Overture. This Romantic era piece transforms music from the Orthodox liturgy into a memorable masterpiece. Rimsky-Korsakov described it as celebrating both "the legendary and heathen side of the holiday, the transition from the gloomy and mysterious evening of Passion Saturday to the unbridled pagan-religious merrymaking on Easter Sunday morning."

Lobby music starts at 6:45 PM and features the Utah Peaks Players from Salt Lake and Utah counties, led by Lauri Driggs, Nicole Macias, and Terry Fulwider. The group originated in 2022.

Student tickets are \$5, and adult tickets are \$15. Tickets are available at myosu.org. Children over six are welcome with supervision; no babies, please, as the concert will be recorded.





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May 10, 2025 - Kanab, UT

Imagine this: sweeping views of red Navajo sandstone cliffs glowing in afternoon light, chamber music from the likes of Bach, Mozart, and Laurence Lowe filling the air, and western-themed artwork gracing the gallery walls. This unforgettable experience awaits you on Saturday, May 10, from 4 to 6 PM, at the Bingham Gallery of Fine Art in Mt. Carmel. Utah.

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part Kanab's 19th Annual Amazing Earthfest, this intimate live concert will feature acclaimed musicians Alex and Aubrey Woods. Rex Woods, and Laurence Lowe

in a stirring performance of classical and original music. The program includes timeless works by Bach and Mozart and features the world premiere of three new compositions for two violins and piano from Lowe's upcoming album, *On Contemplating Loss*. Light refreshments will be served to round out the elegant setting.

Visit amazingearthfest.org/events/ earthfest-chamber-music-concert for tickets and full details on all of the amazing events. Meet the Artists

Alexander Woods is an internationally recognized violinist lauded by The New York Times for his "deft, sensitive and beautiful tone." He has performed with groups such as the Utah Symphony, NYBI, and the Orchestra of St. Luke's, and regularly collaborates with his wife, Aubrey Woods, and his father, Rex Woods. Alex is the founder of the BYU Baroque

Aubrey Woods is the concertmaster for Ballet West and performs frequently with the Utah Symphony. She's a sought-after studio musician for film and TV and enjoys life at home with her husband Alex and their five children. Her musical presence in Salt Lake City's premier venues—like the Capitol, Eccles, and Rose Wagner theaters—demonstrates her continued artistic leadership.

Rex Woods has enjoyed a distinguished 50-year career as a soloist, accompanist, and chamber musician, performing across the U.S., Europe, and Asia. He holds multiple degrees in music and law and taught for decades at the University of Arizona, where he also served as an administrator.

Laurence Lowe is a celebrated horn soloist, composer, and educator with degrees from Eastman and the San Francisco Conservatory. His global performance career spans five continents, including appearances at Carnegie Hall and the Blossom Festival. His new album On Contemplating Loss is now

streaming worldwide.
Lowe recently retired from Brigham Young University after 28 years of teaching and continues to perform with Ballet West and the Utah Symphony.

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ST. GEORGE GETS WILD, WEIRD AND UNHINGED

April 21, 2025 - St. George, UT

Red Rock Film Festival's Award Night - Starting as a film series in 2004, Southern Utah's Red Rock Film Festival is back, diving into the unexpected. On April 21, St. George's Electric Theater hosts the winners from last year's Festival, including Best Animation, Best Fiction and Best Documentary along with clips from the Best Features selected from hundreds of films.

"For Eric", by German filmmakers Christopher Schlierf and Ben Blaskovic, follows a man confronting his past in the Utah desert. As part-time St. George residents, the directors bring a personal touch to the Utah landscapes, making a deeply emotional story.

Winner of Best Cinematography in a Documentary Short, Joseph Adam LeBaron's The Whales of the High Desert blurs the lines between legend and reality, exploring the 19th-century myth of whales in the Great Salt Lake!

Arjan Brentjes' "The Grand Book" is a 1920s-inspired dystopian animation blending silent-era aesthetics with German expressionism in a world of omnipresent surveillance of film cameras, where dreams become an escape from reality. Red Rock Grand Jury member and executive pro-



ducer of Oscar® nominated animated short "Ninety-Five Senses" praised its "Beautiful production design with an interesting use of 3D graphics." Similarly, "Le Charade", a stop-motion comedy by Erika Totoro, explores identity through the perspective of a mime struggling with loneliness in a 1950s diner.

"Space Coast", directed by Justin Barber, captures the anticipation surrounding the Artemis-1 launch while highlighting the skepticism of a Space Shuttle Program veteran. News & Documentary Emmy nominee and Grand Jury member Brad Barber (no relation) said,

"The imagery was startling, and the stakes felt high. The filmmakers effectively capture multiple, complicated aspects of this latest launch."

"Strangers Under My Skin" takes an artistic approach to mortality, portraying an aging, blind painter who regains his



vision in his final moments, allowing him to create one last masterpiece.

In Zoe Zheng's "What She Didn't Know" a colorblind girl experiences color through playing the piano. Hand-drawn animation emphasizes the emotional depth, creativity and perception. Frédérique Buck's "You

Kai" blends animation and live-action to depict a refugee's imagined escape from displacement, reflecting on survival and hope. Grand Jury member and Oscar® nominee Tom Van Avermaet said, "I loved how the filmmakers created an inventive world to show the harsh reality of refugees in Calais through the eyes of one lost girl."

Playing right after Easter, these films promise themes of transformation, resilience, and self-discovery. Whether through the rediscovery of a lost past, the power of dreams, or the reinvention of identity, the Red Rock Film Festival's

Awards Night remains a must-see event.

For these "fresh perspectives and groundbreaking cinema" come to the Electric Theater on 68 E Tabernacle St, Saint George on Monday, April 21 at 7 pm. General Admission is Free at the door or get reserved seating for just \$5 in advance at redrockfilmfestival.eventive.org/passes/buy.

Filmmakers wanting to enter the next season may submit films at filmfreeway. com/redrockfilmfestival – The Late Deadline is April 23, 2025.

CELEBRATE APRIL AT ADRIA'S: LIVE MUSIC, BIG GIVEAWAYS, AND CLASSIC COMFORT FOOD

Adria's Restaurant in Kanab is ready to party this April with a full plate of fun—from karaoke and cash prizes to an anniversary celebration featuring live music and delicious eats. As the weather warms up, so does the energy at this beloved local hotspot.



Karaoke Every Friday

Friday nights at Adria's are all about good food and great fun. Karaoke kicks off weekly with a welcoming vibe for singers of all stripes—whether you're a pro performer or just feeling brave after dessert. Pair your moment in the spotlight with fan-favorite menu items like the Cowboy Cheese Steak, gourmet mac and cheese, or a juicy Western Bacon Cheeseburger.

Adria's Anniversary Party - April 5, 6 PM

Save the date because Adria's is celebrating another fantastic year in Kanab with a party that pulls out all the stops. The night includes live music from Monsoon Fever (think psychedelic funk rock that gets people dancing), door prizes, cash give-aways, and mouth-watering food specials. Whether you're a longtime regular or a first-timer, this is the perfect night to stop by and see what the buzz is all about.

A Little About Adria's Since opening in 2021, Adria's has grown from a new neighborhood diner into a cherished community gathering place. With seating for over 200 and a menu that hits every craving—from hearty breakfasts to vegan, vegetarian, and gluten-free options—it's a place where locals meet, travelers return, and memories are made. The team takes pride in their home-style cooking, friendly service, and welcoming atmosphere.

Looking Ahead - Runaway Fire on May 17. If you're already filling out your May calendar, circle the 17th. That's when Adria's hosts one of the best bands in the region—Runaway Fire—for a high-energy, live music night that's sure to pack the bouse



Adria's Restaurant is located at 86 S 200 W in Kanab. Open Sunday to Thursday from 8 AM to 9 PM (closed Wednesdays), and Friday and Saturday from 8 AM to 10 PM. Get the latest scoop by following "Adria's Restaurant Kanab" on Facebook, @adriasrestaurant on Instagram, or call (435) 644-2419. Whether you're in it for the tunes, the food, or the prizes, April's the perfect time to stop by Adria's.

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RIDE IN STYLE THROUGH UTAH'S MOST STUNNING BACKCOUNTRY WITH ADVENTURE TOURS OF KANAB

If you're looking for jaw-dropping red rock views, winding slot canyons, and a true insider's experience of Southern Utah's most breathtaking terrain, look no further than Adventure Tours of Kanab. Owned and operated by longtime local Bruce Speer, this small but mighty tour company delivers unforgettable backcountry adventures—with safety, comfort, and style leading the way.



Bruce's journey to Kanab began in 2007, when he and his wife Jacquie moved from Seattle. After decades of handling search and rescue dogs, they hoped to retire and give back by volunteering at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary. Bruce spent three years building their home, and by 2014, launched Adventure Tours of Kanab, combining his passion for the outdoors with the safety-first mindset he honed in rescue work since 1974.

"I am truly blessed to be able to share

this gorgeous and unique landscape with all my guests," Bruce says—and it shows. Whether guests are climbing into the rugged H2 Hummer or the sleek Tesla Cybertruck, they can count on Bruce to guide them safely through the stunning terrain of places like Vermilion Cliffs National Monument.

Adventure Tours of Kanab offers guided trips to some of the region's most iconic and remote destinations. These include

White Pocket, a swirling dreamscape of coral and white rock; South Coyote Buttes, Bruce's personal favorite; and North Coyote Buttes, home to the world-famous Wave. Want to visit the Wave? Bruce and his team will enter the daily permit lottery for you. If you're not selected, they'll take you on a full-day alternative tour—no extra charge.

Also available is the family-friendly Peekaboo Slot Canyon, a 3–4-hour tour that's easy, accessible, and beautiful. Tours are pet-friendly (just let them know in advance) and customizable—tip your guide if you'd like to go longer.

Tours depart from Kanab with hotel or vacation rental pickup, or meet at the Kane County Tourism Center. Page, Arizona guests meet at the BLM Paria Contact Station. Prices start at \$75 per person for half-day tours, with full-day options beginning at \$225. Group discounts are available for parties up to 10.

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HIKING: SOUTHERN UTAH BONE WASH TRAIL IN THE RED CLIFFS DESERT RESERVE By Tom Garrison

Location: Red Cliffs Desert Reserve, Utah. Difficulty: A moderately strenuous hike due to slogging through about two miles of loose sand. Average Hiking Time: About 2 ½ hours at a leisurely pace with many photo stops for this 4.2-mile out-and-back hike. Elevations: 3,077 feet trailhead elevation with an approximately 225 feet elevation gain from the trailhead to the highest point. Family Friendly: Other than walking through a lot of loose sand, there are no obstacles preventing young children from doing this hike. We saw several kids and dogs on the hike.

Finding the Trailhead: Drive north on Main Street in Washington City and cross under Interstate 15. Immediately after crossing under the Interstate is a four way stop with Buena Vista Boulevard being the cross street. Continue north on Main Street and at 1/2 mile from the intersection is another intersection with Washington Parkway. Turn left (west) onto the Parkway and very quickly, within about 100 yards, turn right (north) onto a major dirt road marked with a large sign reading "Alternative Trail Access Mill Creek & Dino Cliffs." Stay on the main track (heading north), alongside a string of power poles in a north-south orientation, for .8 mile on this mostly good dirt road. the first section is rocky with some large dips, to the Mill Creek Trailhead which is also the Bone Wash Trailhead. The trailhead is designated by a fence with a stepover and a closed gate. The Mill Creek Trail sign is just beyond the gate. There is ample parking for several cars, a good thing since there were already five cars parked when we arrived at 9:30 am. And double that number when we returned to the trailhead 2 ½ hours later.



The great Utah southwest desert is the source of many wonders—amazing red rock formations, slot canyons, arches, side canyons, and tough flora and fauna. The latest adventure for me and my wife Deb is exploring Bone Wash Trail in the Red Cliffs Desert Reserve. It contains several of the natural wonders we love.

The Red Cliffs Desert Reserve was established in 1996 to protect a large and diverse habitat capable of sustaining wild-life populations threatened by development and habitat loss. It comprises 62,000 acres and has more than 130 miles of shared use trails for hiking, horseback riding, and mountain biking. Three ecosystems—the



Mojave Desert, the Great Basin Desert, and the Colorado Plateau—merge in southwestern Utah and the Reserve reflects the biological diversity of this unique region.



The Mill Creek Trailhead has an elevation of 3,077 feet. The hike is about 4.2 miles round trip with a 225 feet elevation change that took us about 2 ½ hours at a leisurely pace. The temperature was in the low-50s with a hazy overcast sky for our early spring (late March) hike. We followed Mill Creek Trail north about .3 mile to the signed Bone Wash Trail junction and took the trail (actually a fairly wide dirt road) to the right (northeast).

After about .6 mile from the junction we reached a pumping station and went down a short incline into Bone Wash. The wide sandy wash is the trail for the next .5 miles. A half mile through loose sand is not much fun, but we were distracted by the views and close by red rock formations with weird erosion patterns. Approximately .5 miles along Bone Wash (about 1.4 miles from the trailhead) we reached the Elephant Arch Trail junction to the right. Unsigned Bone Wash Trail continues to the left (north) through a small 100 feet long slot.

We had been at this junction a couple of times going to Elephant Arch. This time we were going to explore new territory in upper Bone Wash.

Upper Bone Wash widens into a larger red sandstone canyon with numerous strange sandstone formations, small arches, side canyons to explore, and a large box canyon at the end. Unfortunately, most of this section of the trail continues to be soft sand. The varied red sandstone formations are alone worth the hike. About .7 mile from the Elephant Arch junction (2.1 miles from the trailhead) we reached the head of a box canyon—the end of the signed trail.

If you want more exploring, there is a user trail about 100 yards south of the end of the box canyon on the left (west) as you walk up canyon. This takes you around the box canyon and further up the wash. Be aware that this user trail requires frequent rock scrambling. This user trail goes another .8 mile one way from the box canyon. It ends for most people where the canyon narrows and large rock falls obstruct further travel.

We began our return trip upon reaching the head of the box canyon. We did not take the user trail. You might want to, but we are both in our 70s and decided against rock scrambling and another 1.6 miles round trip added to our hike.

During our hike, we saw and talked to more than 35 people. I always asked if they were going to Elephant Arch. Everyone answered "yes." Not surprisingly, we did not see another soul in upper Bone Wash. If you want a hike that isn't crowded and the latter part is spectacular, give Bone Wash Trail a try.



**** - Amazing!
*** - Good
** - Decent
** - Poor
* - Terrible

THE INDEPENDENT MOVIE REVIEW By Adam Mast

"NOVOCAINE"

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"Novocaine" ultimately squanders its high concept premise.

Not to be confused with the Steve Martin-headlined film from 2001, this "Novocaine" is a completely different animal. One in which a high concept (a man who feels no pain gets his ass kicked repeatedly) and nepotism (this movie features both the son of Dennis Quaid and the son of Jack Nicholson) battle it out for supremacy. In the end, though, despite a handful of entertaining moments and a fair share of action sequences, the real loser of this battle ends up being the audience.

In the actioneer/dark comedy that is "Novocaine," Quaid plays Nate, an unassuming, good-hearted individual whose rare affliction comes in handy when he's getting punched or taking a bullet but said affliction also comes with its downsides. Imagine not being able to tell if you're going to bleed out. This is to say nothing of the fact that the guy can't even eat ice cream because doing so might result in him biting his own tongue off. Yep. It sucks to be Nate.

The plot of "Novocaine" springs into action when a girl (played by Amber Midthunder of "Prey") that Nate takes a liking to is kidnapped. Rather than turning a blind eye to the situation, this often aloof individual opts to engage in a mission to save her but it won't be easy because the

man (played by Ray Nicholson) behind this woman's kidnapping is a real unsavory (and violent) type. Of course, what this unhinged baddie doesn't realize is that he's about to deal with a guy who can't feel anything.

As directed by Dan Berk and Robert Olsen, "Novocaine" doesn't quite live up to its said high concept premise. It's a movie that feels reminiscent of 2006's high-octane "Crank" and Sam Raimi's underappreciated "Darkman" yet it can't seem to conjure up the hyper-kinetic silliness of the former or the visual bravado of the latter. Instead, despite a fairly brisk pace, a plethora of violence, and quite a few action scenes, there's something rather lifeless about this movie.

Sadly, a big part of the problem here is that Jack Quaid doesn't quite bring it. Sure, he has moments (a bit in which he pretends to hurt when he's being tortured by one of the film's big bads is actually pretty inspired) and there's no doubt that he inherited his dad's signature grin but in the end, he hasn't quite got the charisma or the overall chops to carry an entire action movie on his shoulders. A shame, too, because despite my playful nepotism jab at the top of this review, it's not like the guy hasn't worked hard to get where he's at. Still, for my money, he simply didn't keep me invested in what was happening.

"Novocaine" isn't a straight up bad movie. It's just kind of a forgettable one. On par with the mediocrity that was the recently-released "Love Hurts," another high concept actioneer/comedy that simply reminds one of better movies (think "John Wick" and "Nobody") instead of taking on an identity of its own. Where the overall generic plots and lack of romantic chemistry at the heart of them is concerned, I don't know that either movie is necessarily better than the other but ultimately, I'd give "Love Hurts" the edge because Ke Huy Quan is simply more lovable and charming as the central protagonist than Jack Quaid is in this picture. In the end, this movie just kind of made me feel like its lead character; numb.



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THE 2025 DESERTSCAPE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL RETURNS TO THE ELECTRIC THEATER

April 16-19, 2025 - St. George, UT

The 501(c)(3) nonprofit, Film and Media Alliance of Southern Utah, proudly presents the return of the 2025 Desertscape International Film Festival. DIFF 2025 will take place in beautiful St. George, UT from Wednesday, April 16th through Saturday, April 19th with the majority of the screenings and events taking place at the historic Electric Theater. The second half of this epic 4-day cinematic event will, once again, coincide with the long-running St. George Art Festival and this will only add to the magic of the proceedings. This celebration of independent cinema will feature over 40 films--shorts and features-from all around the world. Multiple countries and genres will be represented throughout the festival and programmers promise to showcase a little something for everyone.



In 2025, DIFF will host a record-breaking 10 features. Among them, the righteously hilarious UK comedy "Time Travel is Dangerous," which will serve as the opening night film. From co-writer/director Chris Reading and screenwriters the Shakespeare Sisters comes this hilarious, high-energy laugh-fest about a pair of best friends who zip around time, gathering items to sell in their vintage thrift shop. A cheeky fusion of Christopher Guest, Taika Waititi, Edgar Wright, and just about every time travel movie you can shake a stick at, most notably "Time Bandits" and "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure"

Tanner Christensen's inspiring docu-





mentary feature "Standout: The Ben Kjar Story" traces the life of affable wrestler Ben Kjar who refused to let a craniofacial disorder keep him from achieving his goals. This is a rousing, uplifting winner that's structured like a sports underdog movie but it's so much more than that. It's also a film about perseverance, determination, and family. Kjar will be on hand for the screening and he'll also be hosting a free wrestling clinic at Pineview High School on the morning of Saturday, April 19th.

Desertscape will close out its highly-anticipated 2025 fest with a screening of the crowd-pleasing North Macedonian import, "DJ Ahmet." Fresh off of its Audience Choice win at the Sundance Film Festival this past January, this gem from writer/director Georgi M. Unkovski tells the tale of a young 15 year-old Yurok boy who looks to escape the societal pressures of his small town life through the power of electronic dance music. DIFF is thrilled to bring this movie to you, lovable screaming sheep and all.

Of course, these titles only scratch the surface! It's quite the slate of features and shorts!

The entire list of 2025 Desertscape International Film Festival official selections can be found at fmasu.com/desertscape.

In addition to amazing films, you can also expect plenty of outstanding alternative programming. Desertscape will offer industry panels with special guests, a live script read, opening and closing night after parties, networking opportunities, an awards ceremony, and more. And with the second half of the festival coinciding with the venerable St. George Art Festival, there will be no shortage of artistic sights to see. Included; A live performance by Yachty By Nature. Last but certainly not least, DIFF 2025 takes place in one of the most beautiful areas of the U.S. Come for the films...Stay for the breathtaking sights!

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Multi-Day Events

THE HUNCHBACK OF NOTRE DAME Apr. 4-May 10, 7 PM. Purchase tickets at hurricanetheatrical.com or by calling 435-668-9753. Hurricane Fine Arts Center, 92 S. 100 W. Hurricane

WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ART SHOW April 4-23, 9 AM. Enjoy art created by our Washington County School District students at Red Cliff Gallery. For more information, contact Stacie Bowden at 435-673-3553 x4097. Red Cliff Gallery, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

GIFTS OF TU'VEEP: PLANTS OF THE **SOUTHERN PAIUTE** 10 AM Explore the interconnection between people, culture, land, and plants of Southern Paiute people in the exhibit Gifts of Tu'veep: Featuring photos, displays, and physical objects such as baskets, tools, and beadwork fashioned by Indigenous artisans, the exhibit highlights Nung'wu traditions. Gerald R. Sherratt Library, Southern Utah University 500 W. 200 S., Cedar City.

ST. GEORGE PLEIN AIR FESTIVAL April 7-12. 9 AM. Whether you're a seasoned plein air painter or ready to experience painting outdoors for the first time, this is your chance to connect with the stunning landscapes of St. George. Social Hall, 212 N. Main St., St. George..

DIXIE POWER KITE FESTIVAL April 5-6, 10 AM. Qualifying students earn a high-quality kite or book for their reading efforts. Admission is free. Utah Tech University Encampment Mall. 800 E. 400 S., St. George.

ARROWHEAD GALLERY FEATURED ARTIST Beth Lingwall. Beth's favorite subject is nature. and she loves experimenting with all mediums but oil is her favorite and enjoys pallet knife painting on all types of surfaces. Arrowhead

Gallery, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

SO U COMEDY IMPROV - FAMILY FRIENDLY April 5, and 19, 7 PM. Join us for a one-of-a-kind Improv show! Your suggestions are used to inspire hilarious scenes and characters made up on the spot. Every show is unique! The Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

SO U COMEDY IMPROV - UNCENSORED, April 5, and 19, 9 PM. Join us for a one-of-a-kind Improv show! Your suggestions are used to inspire hilarious scenes and characters made up on the spot. Every show is unique! The Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

UTU D-WEEK April 7-12. Celebrating over a century of trailblazing tradition, Utah Tech University's D-Week is an opportunity for students, alumni, and the community to unite. Visit utahtech.edu/dweek for more details.

WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR April 11-19. There will be a carnival, exhibits, food and vendors, general events, ticketed events, live music, and a great time for everyone. Washington County Legacy Park, 5500 W. 700 S., Hurricane.

FIREBIRD April 11-18, 7:30 PM. A rule-breaking concert program and an extraterrestrial installation in one with an "orchestra" constructed entirely of light. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote

THE PIANO GUYS April 10-12, 8 PM. Tickets start at \$59. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

REDSTONE - HIGHLAND GAMES & FESTIVAL April 11-12, 4 PM. Get your kilt on! It's time for the exciting 6th annual RedStone - Highland Games & Festival. Scottish fun for the whole family, and free to the public! Meet the Scottish clans, enjoy a bite to eat, & let the kids play. Sandtown Park, 600 N. Bluff St., St. George.

SUU BALLROOM DANCE COMPANY SPRING SHOWCASE April 11-12, 7:30 PM. Tickets are available for pre-purchase from members of the Ballroom Dance Company for \$5, or you can purchase them at the door for \$10. SUU, 351 W. University Blvd., Cedar City.

THUNDER

JUNCTION EGGSTRAVAGANZA! April 11, 12, and 14, 6 PM. This Easter-themed event offers a variety of fun, interactive activities for kids and families. Kids can enjoy searching for hidden egg stations throughout the park and participating in various other exciting activities. Thunder Junction, St. George

FISHER FARM EASTER EVENT April 12, 18-19. 11 AM. Several hunts and different days; kids and an adult hunts! Adults will have their own hunt! Enjoy the day with your family, getting dirty, and having a good time. Fisher Family Farm, 1162 W. 3000 S., Hurricane.,

YOGA AND WINE TASTING (WOGA) AT ZION VINEYARDS April 13, and May 4 10 AM. Come & Join us for Woga. That's Wine & Yoga. Held in our tasting room. Yoga is free. Wine Tasting at 11:30 \$25. 21+. 435-849-8813 ZionVines.com. Zion Vineyards, 5 Hidden Valley Rd., Leeds.

TERRY WAYNE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA April 15, 16, and 29, 30, 6 PM. Showtimes may vary. R&B, funk, dance, oldies, and classic rock. Free admission. 21 or older. Skydome Lounge, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

STUDENT DIRECTORS FESTIVAL April 15-19, 7:30 PM. An evening of TWO one-act plays: Antigone Now by Melissa Cooper - directed by Sophie Price. The First and Last by John Galsworthy - directed by David Parry. Content Advisory: Adult Themes. Eccles Fine Arts Center, S. 700 E., St. George.











KANAB ARTS BOARD SECOND QUARTER EXHIBITION April 17-June 26. Celebrating the creativity and skill of four local artists alongside the inspiring works of our talented 4-H students. Kanab City Library & Kane County Hospital, 374 N Main St, Kanab.

ORCHESTRA OF SOUTHERN UTAH CONCERT April 17–18. Halversen Young Artist Concert at Festival Hall and Heritage Theater in Cedar City. SUU Choirs & Symphony Orchestra concert on April 18, 7:30 PM. Heritage Center Theater, 105 N. 100 E.. Cedar City.

UTAH TECH STUDENT DANCE CONCERTApril 17–18, 7:30 PM. Utah Tech Dance in Concert. Eccles Main Stage, 255 S. 700 E., St. George.

ST. GEORGE ART FESTIVAL April 18–19, 10 AM. Join us Easter Weekend for the 46th Annual St. George Art Festival, a celebration of creativity, culture, and community! St. George Town Square, 50 S. Main, St. George.

LIFE EVERLASTING EASTER CONCERT April 18, 6 PM and 19, at 2 PM. Join the Southern Utah Heritage Choir as they celebrate this glorious time of year and the promise of Life Everlasting. Admission is free. St. George Tabernacle, 18 S. Main St., St. George. WASHINGTON CITY COTTON DAYS April 21–22, 25–27, 6 PM. Veterans Park, Washington.

GREGG PETERSON BAND AT CASABLANCA April 22–23, 6 PM. Showtimes may vary. Classic Rock, Variety, and dance band. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

UTAH TRAILS CONFERENCE April 23-24. Blazing a path to Kanab for two days of outdoor exploration, engaging presentations, and networking opportunities. Kanab Center, 20 N. 100 F. Kanab

SALT CONTEMPORARY DANCE April 25-26, 7:30 PM. Contemporary dance with choreography from Rena Butler, Ching Ching Wong, Brandon Lee Alley, and Racheal Prince. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

ZION CHALK & EARTH FEST April 26-27, 10 AM. Live Music & Entertainment, Food, Beer Garden, Educational Vendors, and SPECTACULAR CHALK ART! Zion Canyon Village, 147 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

DESERTSCAPE INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL April 16–19. Visiting filmmakers and guests can enjoy a rich blend of film, culture, and local experiences. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle, St. George.

GLENN GALLARDE PROJECT AT CASA-BLANCA April 25, 8 PM., and 26, 6 PM. Former Star Search vocalist Glenn Gallarde and the band specialize in bringing a show of Top '40s, Dance, and all Rock Anthems of the '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s, and to the present day. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd. Mesquite.

KANAB FILM FESTIVAL May 1-3, 8 AM. Experience three unforgettable days of cutting-edge independent films, local cuisine, masterclasses, outdoor adventures, inspiring creative discussions, and exceptional hospitality. The Redstone Theater, 29 W. Center St., Kanab.

DHS ADVANCED THEATRE PRESENTS"ANTI-SOCIAL" April 30 and May 1-2, 7 PM. S8 for general seating and S12 for limited premiere seating with small appetizers and drinks served. Anti-Social is a satire that pokes fun at the "social" in social media in a collection of seven short plays that explore the many facets and platforms of social media. Dixie High School Auditorium, 350 E. 700 S. St. George.

ENCORE PRESENTS LES MISÉRABLES May 1-6, 7 PM. A powerful story of love, sacrifice, and redemption. This production brings Victor Hugo's masterpiece to life with a cast of talented young performers. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George

BEAVER DAM JAM/SWAPMEET May 1-4, 5 PM. The Bit and Spur Farmers Market and local Bazaar feature everything from jewelry by local artists, amazing local produce, local artwork, clothing booths, etc, while listening to a great band and sampling cocktails from our cantina. Dogs and kids are welcome. Both on leashes, of course. Bit & Spur, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

ZION YOGA AND WELLNESS FESTIVAL May 1-4. Four days of bliss that foster connection and teach the tools to encourage healing in your body, mind, & soul. Experience transformative classes and workshops, make new friendships, and more. 26 Lion Blyd.. Sprinadale.

GIADA VALENTI: FROM VENICE WITH LOVE May 2-3, 7:30 PM. A romantic and magical journey of interpretations of American and Italian hits. Visit https://bit.ly/4ce5K1F for tickets. Desert Hills High School, 828 E. Desert Hills Dr.. St. George.

AMAZING EARTHFEST May 8- May 11. A thought-provoking, informative, mission-driven, multi-day educational festival for all ages connecting people to nature and the stunning beauty of southern Utah and northern Arizona. Arts, culture, documentary film, live entertainment, presentations, and guided outdoor adventures. Kanah

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KAYENTA NATIVE ARTS MARKET May 2, and 5, 5 PM. Kayenta Native Arts Market, previously known as Festival of the Americas. Learn more about native cultures. Kayenta Art Village, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

CEDAR CITY DAUGHTERS OF UTAH MUSEUM 10 AM. Artifacts, Photos, and Histories of our Iron County Pioneer settlers. Tools, Clothing, Hats, Dolls, Furniture, Books, A Spinning Wheel, and the Organ are on display. Cedar City Visitors Center, 581 N. Main St., Cedar City.

Events by Day

MONDAYS

FARMERS MARKET & LIVE MUSIC AT THE BIT & SPUR 5 PM.The Bit and Spur Farmers Market and local Bazaar feature everything from jewelry by local artists, amazing local produce, local artwork, clothing booths, etc. While listening to a great band and sampling the fare from our awesome taco truck and cocktails from our cantina. Come and see your local friends and make new ones. Dogs and kids are welcome. both on leashes, of course. Weather-permitting. Bit & Spur, 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdala.

TUESDAYS

MAKE ART TUESDAYS 11 AM. Everyday is better when you make art! Join us every Tuesday from 11 to 12 p.m. to create unique projects that you can take home. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

TRAUMA & LOSS WOMEN'S GROUP 6 PM.
Trauma & Loss Group for Women. 640 E. 700 S., Ste. 101, St. George.

KARAOKE TUESDAY AT WAREHOUSE BAR + KITCHEN 8 PM. 432 N. 100 W. Cedar City. WEDNESDAYS

FREE POOL WEDNESDAY'S AT WAREHOUSE BAR + KITCHEN Warehouse Bar + Kitchen, 432 N. 100 W., Cedar City.

GAMER CLUB 3 PM. Teens and 'tweens who love anime, gaming, or both meet for book discussions, games, and great times. Santa Clara Library, 1099 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

WONDER WEDNESDAY 4 PM. Wonder Wednesdays are an after-school program for elementary aged children. Activities are held each Wednesdays during the school year. artsFUSION partners with education students to teach Wonder Wednesday once a month at the Southern Utah Museum of Art. Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

MIDVALLEY: FARMERS MARKET 4 PM. Come for live music, jump house, face painting, and more. Find some beautiful, original, and unique items for your loved one, all the crafters and artisans are local and everything is handmade by them. This is a Project of The PEACE Guild - Text: 435 704-6916. 780 Midvalley Rd., Enoch.

KANAB FARMER'S MARKET 5 PM. Front Lawn of the Kanab Center Building, 20 N. 100 E., Kanab

ROWLEY'S RED BARN WEDNESDAY MARKET 5 PM. Come hang with us at Rowleys Red Barn every Wednesday Night, for some good times and great vibes. A Perfect destination for Date night or midweek Family outing. We have live music, awesome vendors, and yummy food trucks. Rowley's Red Barn, 471 W. Telegraph St., St. George.

KARAOKE AT BEAVER DAM BAR 5:30 PM. Every Wednesday with Gayle Louise (SAME TIME as Mesquite) (435) 229-9725. 411 Co Hwy. 91, Littlefield.

KJS ICE BARN: COSMIC SKATING 7 PM. Everyone is invited to come get funky with Freddy with flashing lights, grovy music, cosmic fun, and more! KJs Ice Barn, 2550 E. Pinnacle Way Fnorh

THURSDAYS

DESERT COMMUNITY STRINGS AND NEW HORIZONS STRINGS 5:30-7:30 PM. Open to all ages and abilities. If you used to play a stringed instrument and would like to get back to the joy of music, this group is definitely for you. desertstrings.org. Basement of St. George Medical Building, 736 S. 900 F. St. George.

KARAOKE B-I-N-G-O! 6:30 PM. Karaoke B-I-N-G-O! with "Gayle Louise". Two ways to win! Not based on talent. SING-PLAY-WIN! "KORAL KAFE Might As Well Lounge" (435) 627-6262. 2400 N. Town Center Dr., Washington.

BONKERZ COMEDY NIGHT 7 PM. Comics from TV and the Movies at the CasaBlanca Showroom! Three new comedians each week! Free Admission. Must be 21 or older. CasaBlanca Showroom, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

KARAOKE WITH DJ LANCE AT MIKES TAVERN 9 PM. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

FRIDAY

CRAFTIVITY 11 AM. Join this creative activity every Friday where together, guests and volunteers work to make easy, fun, and educational crafts. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

CEDAR STREET FEST 3 PM. Local businesses, artisans, and performers come together for a weekly celebration of Cedar City's unique culture. Enjoy music, food, and fun, including live music, theatrical performances, stand-up comedy, bouncy houses, art classes, games, Artisans Fair, Farmers Market, drive-in movies, and more. Visit Cedarstreetfest.com. Cedar Fun Center, 170 E. Fiddlers Canyon Rd., Cedar City.

KARAOKE AT ADRIA'S 7 PM. Come in and have a great time with us! Adria's Restaurant, 86 S. 200 W., Kanab.

LIVE MUSIC AT HOME ON THE DESERT RANGE 7:30 PM. Join Home on the Range & Navajo Crafting Co as they welcome local duo Wes & Trekker performing for their first night of live music. Come shop, eat some homemade ice cream, sip some craft soda, and relax to the music. Home on the Desert Range, 97 W. Center St., Cedar City.

OTC COMEDY IMPROV 8 PM. Having performed for 20+ years, you can be sure that every show is unique and completely made up on the spot from suggestions that YOU (the audience!) give them! Wanna see two cavemen at a fancy party? A giraffe mafia? Sentient pillows lamenting their love lives? Any of this could happen! Every Friday. Tickets are \$10. Advanced tickets available for purchase at otccomedy.com. OTC Comedy Theater, 913 S. Main St., Cedar City.

SATURDAYS

BEST FRIENDS GENTLE YOGA 9 AM. Join us for a 45-minute gentle yoga class for all levels and ages at Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile, 30 N. 300 W., Kanab.

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET 9 AM.—1 PM. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735. IFA, 905 S. Main St.. Cedar City.

TUACAHN SATURDAY MARKET 9 AM. A fun craft festival set in a beautiful and scenic canyon. Every Saturday morning we have live entertainment, crafters, vendors, food and fun. In the event of rain, we cozy up under the cover of the Tuacahn Amphitheater plaza. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS WEEKLY MEETING 3 PM. Al-Anon Family Group is Back! Weekly meetings on Sundays. Mesquite Veterinary Clinic, 371 Riverside Rd. A, Mesquite.

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DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET 10 AM. Every event showcases over 50 vendors from all over Washington and Iron Counties bringing you the best in locally grown produce, pasture-raised meats, raw cheeses, and unique artisanal products. Enjoy local food and goods while sitting in the shade on our green grass, jamming out to local live music. This is truly an event for the whole family. Every Saturday. Vernon Worthen Park, 300 S. 400

FESTIVAL CITY FARMERS MARKET 10 AM. Every Saturday behind 1/G Winery. Free admission. Come and support local farmers by buying fresh and local year-round. Shop locally produced and grown fruit, vegetables, cheese, jam, bread, eggs, honey, farm products, and more. 45 W. University Blvd., Center St., Cedar City.

ADULT DUNGEONS & DRAGONS 2:30 PM.
Join us for the adult Dungeons & Dragons club at the Springdale
Library! Embark on epic quests, battle fearsome monsters, and
unravel mysterious plots in this immersive tabletop role-playing
game. Springdale Branch Library, 126 Lion Blvd., Springdale.

SATURDAY MOVIE MATINEE AT ST. GEORGE LIBRARY 2 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

Events by Date

Fri, April 4

STREET PAINTING FESTIVAL 10 AM. Enjoy the beautiful street painting. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct. Ivins

FIRST FRIDAYS AT KAYENTA 5 PM. Live music, food trucks, and a pop-up boutique market in the Kayenta Art Village, starting at 5 PM, with film screenings in the theater presented by DOCUTAH. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., lying

ART WALK 5 PM. From captivating art exhibits and live entertainment to talented local artists showcasing their work. Wander through the charming Downtown Art District, where every corner is filled with artistic expression. Enthusiasts, casual observers, and those seeking a unique experience are welcome. St. George Main St., St. George.

DOCUTAH PRESENTS: THE LEGENDARY DEE PALMER AND HIS FANTASTIC BAND 7:30 PM. The legendary Dee Palmer & his Fantastic Band. An autobiographical documentary told through the eyes of a man born in 1915 who has spent his whole life trying to bring joy to other people through music. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

MAJESTIC HARMONIES 7:30 PM. You'll marvel at the grace and elegance of Ewazen's masterpiece, and Tchaikovsky's powerful symphony will take you on an emotional rollercoaster from darkness to triumph. Visit https://bit.ly/4ce5K1F for tickets. Desert Hills High School, 828 E. Desert Hills Dr., St. George.

MASTERPIECES IN MOTION April 3, 4,7:30 PM Join us for an evening of art, music, and dance. Step into a world where art comes to life and movement transforms the stillness of the canvas. St. George Dance Company's Masterpieces in Motion draws inspiration from some of history's most celebrated masterpieces, seamlessly blending visual art, music, and dance into an unforgettable sensory experience. Electric Theater Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

ROCK STAR KARAOKE AT CASABLANCA 8 PM. Rockstar Karaoke allows you to live out your Rock & Roll fantasies and sing your favorite hits with a real, live rock band! Free Admission. Must be 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

RIVER HOUSE BAND AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 8 PM. Blues, ballads, and saddle boogie. 21+. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

RUNAWAY FIRE ALBUM RELEASE SHOW AT GURU'S 8:30 PM. Runaway Fire will be releasing their 2nd album Day Dream at this show! CDs available (it is not being released on streaming) and limited edition merch! S10 cover, all ages Guru's Sports Bar and Grill in St. George. Guru's Sports Bar and Grill, 1091 N. Bluff St., Suite 1400, St. George.

Sat, April 5

KAYENTA 5K COLOR FUN RUN! 8 AM. A colorful 3.1-mile run/walk/stroll through the beautiful Kayenta landscape, with powdered paint stations to turn your shirt into a colorful masterpiece! Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

BRUSHES & BRUNCH Noon. Jennifer Roberts will guide you step-by-step through recreating one of the famous master-pieces from our Spring Concert Masterpieces in Motion. All materials will be provided, including canvases, brushes, paints, and aprons. A delicious brunch will be served. (ages 12+). Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

WASHINGTON CITY ARTS COUNCIL SPRING SOCIAL 6 PM. Enjoy exclusive new paintings by renowned artist Del Parson, remarks from Mayor Kress Staheli, live music, and light refreshments while connecting with talented local artists. Free & open to the public! Washington Heritage Hall, 25 E. Telegraph St., Washington.

ADRIA'S ANNIVERSARY PARTY 6 PM. Live music from Monsoon Fever (think psychedelic funk-rock that gets people dancing), door prizes, cash giveaways, and mouth-watering food. Whether you're a regular or a first-timer, this is the perfect night to stop by and see what the buzz is all about. 86 S. 200 W.,

SILENCE OF THE LAMBS AT REDSTONE THEATER 7 PM. Grab your popcorn and enjoy the show! The Redstone Theater, 29 W. Center St., Kanab.

RUNAWAY FIRE AT THE GARAGE BAR 8 PM. (MDT) Southern Utah's original rock'n'roll band Runaway Fire on their Day Dream album release tour! No cover, 21+ The Garage Bar, 15 N. Central St., Colorado City.

Sun, April 6

TONY BENNETT TRIBUTE AT CASABLANCA

7 PM. A premiere performance with Tom Stevens, accompanied by a dynamic live jazz ensemble, channeling the energy and artistry of Tony Bennett's acclaimed 1994 period. CasaBlanca Showroom, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Tues, April 8

HIGH OCTANE AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. This versatile band plays hits from the seventies to today including Dance, Rock, Funk, R&B, Country, and more! CasaBlanca, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

JAZZCAST 7:30 PM. Brothers Jens and Uwe Kruger, alongside their musical partner Joel Landsberg, render a unique blend of bluegrass, folk, classical, and world music influences. Hear melodies and stories woven into an exceptional musical experience. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

Wed, April 9

SOUTHERN UTAH ART GUILD MEET AND MINGLE 5:30 PM. There will also be a demonstration by painter and stained-glass artist, Joyce Casey. The location is at Arrowhead Gallery, Lower Level. Electric Theater Center, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

IN JUBILO SPRING CONCERT 7 PM. Admission is FREE and open to everyone. Festival Hall and Heritage Theater, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

Thurs, April 10

THE COUNTRY CROONER AT THE BUCK-SKIN TAVERN 6 PM. Country. Must be 21 and older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

Fri, April 11

WIND SYMPHONY CONCERT 7:30 PM. The SUU Wind Symphony, under the direction of Dr. Adam Lambert presents the seventh installment of the Music Masterworks Series. 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

KATRINA BREE AT CASABLANCA 8 PM. Power-house vocalist & original artist. Blues, Soul, R&B, Rock singer. With her soulful voice and raspy tone, Katrina Bree delivers emotion and passion to her audience spanning many eras and genres of music. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

DJ X AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 8 PM. Must be 21 and older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Kanab.

Sat, April 12

IVINS COMMUNITY YARD SALE 9 AM. Free to come shop for treasures! Ivins City Hall, 85 N. Main St., Ivins.

CORAL PINK SAND DUNES EGG HUNT 10 AM. Coral Pink Sand Dunes State Park and Kane County are "egg"cited to host the annual Easter egg hunt! Observation area at the Coral Pink Sand Dunes State Park, Sand Dunes Rd, Kanab.

SMART SATURDAY 10 AM. SmART Saturday is a monthly art class geared towards children 6-12 years of age. Two separate sessions begin at 10-11:30 AM and 11:30 - 1 PM on the second Saturday each month. For information or to make reservations, call the St. George Art Museum at (435) 627-4525. 47 E. 200 N., St. George.

VEYO COMMUNITY EASTER CELEBRATION AND DINNER 5 PM. Join us as we revisit the events leading to the Savior Jesus Christ's Atonement. All are invited. Dinner will be provided. Veyo building, 176 E. Center St., Veyo.

UTU SYMPHONIC BAND CONCERT 7:30 PM. Eccles Concert Hall, 255 S. 700 E., St. George.

LED ZEPAGAIN AT CASABLANCA 8 PM. Led Zepagain has been acclaimed as the premier Led Zeppelin tribute band for over 35 years, earning praise from Jimmy Page himself. CasaBlanca Showroom, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite...

GUNDY & THE GURU'S AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 8 PM. A bit rock, and a bit jazz. 21 or older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

Sun, April 13

OPEN MIC NIGHT AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 6:30 PM. Must be 21 or older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredenia

Mon, April 14

BILA GAANA AT MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5 PM. This is a weather-permitting event. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

CONCERT IN THE PARK 7:30 PM. Park seating is available. Families are welcome to bring blankets, lawn chairs, and food. Free to the public. Every second Monday of each month through September. Vernon Worthen Park, 300 S. 400 E., St. George.

Tues, April 15

HAM RADIO CLUB 6 PM. "The Virgin Valley Amateur Radio Club holds meetings on the third Tuesday of each month at the airport fire station 3 from 6–7 PM. All hams interested in joining our group and all visitors are welcome. For further information, phone Jonny Rauzi 801-643-4952. Airport Fire Station #2, Mesquite.

ELECTRIC FILM SERIES Join us every third Tuesday of each month for a free screening of a noteworthy film. Each movie will include an intro and post-screening discussion with a special guest. Optional food items and various surprises can be expected too! Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

Wed, April 16

RUNAWAY FIRE 4 PM. On their Day Dream album release tour. All ages! Free with event entry. Washington County Fairgrounds, 5500 S. 700 W., Hurricane.

LEE GREENWOOD 7 PM. Lee Greenwood is an ICON in country music, with more than 30 albums to his credit. Washington County Fair Info, 1325 S. 700 W., Hurricane.

WINE DOWN WEDNESDAY AT BUCK-SKIN TAVERN 6 PM. Must be 21 or older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

Thurs, April 17

MARJI MOZART AT GEORGE'S CORNER 7:30 PM. Enjoy Marji's Original Contemporary Music. George's Corner George's Corner Restaurant and Pub, 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

TRIVIA AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 6:30 PM. Must be 21 or older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

OSU - ROY L. HALVERSON YOUNG ARTISTS CONCERT 7:30 PM. Tickets \$15 for adults and just \$5 for students, available at myosu.org. Children over six are welcome with supervision; no babies, please, as the concert will be recorded. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

Fri, April 18

RUNAWAY FIRE AT ADRIA'S RESTAURANT
7 PM Southern Utah's original rock'n'roll band Runaway Fire performs at Adria's Restaurant in Kanab on their Day Dream album release tour! All ages, no cover. Adria's Restaurant, 86 S 200 W,

UTAH TECH JAZZ ENSEMBLE 7:30 PM. Eccles Fine Arts Center, S. 700 E., St. George.

THE PARTY AT CASABLANCA 8 PM. Enjoy every single hit song from the 70s, 80s, & 90s, with many songs from today. 21 and older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

DJ X AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 8 PM. Must be 21 and older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Kanab.

Sat, April 19

SOUPTOWN DAYS Featuring a Soup Contest, Pioneer Booths, Wiffle Ball Tournament, Easter Egg Hunt, Lawnmower Races...and more! North Event Center, 475 N. State Street, Orderville.

EASTER CAR SHOW 9 AM. Hurricane Community Center, 63 S. 100 W., Hurricane.

IVINS EASTER EGG SCRAMBLE 9 AM. After the Hog & Jog 5K at UNITY Park on large field. All participants must provide their own "basket" for the egg hunt. Unity Park, 200 W. 400 S Ivins

HURRICANE EASTER EGG HUNT & SCAV-ENGER HUNT 9 AM. (Sharp!) There will be a Scavenger Hunt for teens ages 13-17, so don't forget to bring them along!!! Free admission. *Baskets NOT provided. Three Falls Park, (Soccer fields at the back of the school), 663 W. 900 S., Hurricane.

CEDAR CITY EASTER EGG HUNT 9 AM. Be sure to come early so you don't mi ss anything! Admission is FREE and everyone is invited to join. The There will be approximately 25,000 eggs, 120 prizes baskets, and 8 bicycles among numerous other prizes available to the wonderful children of Iron County. Main Street Park. 200 N. Main. St., Cedar City.

ART ATTACK RACE 1K AND 5K 9 AM. Stop by and watch the race. Winners receive artwork donated from the Guild as prizes. For information visit https://sgcityutah.gov/activity. Town Square, 50 S. Main St., St. George.

LIVE BOOK LAUNCH WITH DANIEL SED-DIQU 7 PM. In Gettin' Nautical in New England, the latest edition of his Immersive Travel Guide series, Daniel Seddiqui explores how the waters of the Atlantic Ocean have indelibly marked New England. The Book Bungalow, 94 W. Tabernacle St., St. George.

SOIRÉE MUSICALE: MOZART & MEN-DELSSOHN 7:30 PM. Eight talented string musicians, under the expert direction of Jason Bonham, will bring Mendelssohn's exciting string octet and works by Mozart to life. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

RUNAWAY FIRE AT BLUES KATZ ROCK N ROLL GRILL 8 PM. 21+, \$10 cover Blues Katz Rock N Roll Grill, 307 N. Bluff St., \$1. George.

YELLOW BRICK ROAD AT CASABLANCA 8
PM. Since 1997, Yellow Brick Road has been reshaping the Las Vegas
entertainment culture with its "lounge scene vibe". 21 or older. 950
W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

KARAOKE AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 7 PM. Must be 21 or older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

Mon, April 21

YESOUISI - MUSIC & MARKET MONDAYS AT THE BIT & SPUR 5 PM. (Pronounced "yes we see") Rock Duo, Kate Godfrey & Durrantula unite their uncanny songwriting genius to form the powerhouse of sultry, sexy, and dynamic music. Weather-permitting. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

AWARD WINNERS OF THE 18TH RED ROCK FILM FESTIVAL 7 PM. See the award-winning shorts from the 18th Red Rock Film Festival and clips from the winning features and nominated films. Free Admission. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

Wed, April 23

UTU SPRING CHORAL CONCERT 7:30 PM. Eccles Concert Hall, 255 S. 700 E., St. George.

Thurs, April 24

RED CLIFFS BIRD FEST April 24-26, 7 AM. Spend 3 days exploring the varied birding habitats throughout Southwest Utah! After a day enjoying our field trips, you can stop by the Hilton Garden Inn for evenings filled with guest speakers, door prizes, complimentary hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar. Hilton Garden Inn, 1797 S. Convention Center Dr., St. George.

OTC COMEDY IMPROVE LAB 7 PM. This experimental comedy showcase brings together OTC members and occasional guests to test out bold new ideas in improv. This 18+show is a playground for fresh formats, unexpected twists, and unfiltered creativity. Tickets are only S5. OTC Comedy Theater, 913 S. Main St., Cedar City.

THE COUNTRY CROONER AT THE BUCK-SKIN TAVERN 6 PM. Country. Must be 21 and older. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

J.EZRA 6 PM. J.Ezra is a Psych Folk singer/songwriter from San Diego, California Silver Reef Brewing Company: Craft & Kitchen, 4391 Enterprise Dr., St. George.

Fri, April 25

ELECTRIC COMEDY NIGHT 7 PM. Brightest Stars in Stand Up. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

Sat. April 26

ST. GEORGE ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION 9
AM. Celebrate Arbor Day with the Parks Division and the Tonaquint
Nature Center! Potted plants for all attendees, along with various
crafts and activities to honor trees and their vital role in our lives.

20TH ANNUAL KITE FLIGHT & COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR 10 AM. Admission is FREE. Cedar Middle School, 2215 W. Royal Hunte Dr., Cedar City.

Bloomington Hills North Park, 2275 S. Vermillion Ave., St. George.

FRONTIER HOMESTEAD OPEN MIC NIGHT 7 PM. Come cheer on community members or show off your talents. Share your music, poetry, comedy, magic, or soliloquy. Free admission. Every 4th Saturday. Call (435) 586-9290. Frontier Homestead State Park Museum, 635 N. Main, Cedar City.

DMYTRO CHONI WITH THE UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA 7:30 PM. 255 S. 700 E., St. George.

LOCAL AUTHORS NIGHT: CHRISTINE DIXON 7 PM. In Christine Dixon's debut book, Tender Was the
Lie, a famous country singer, forty-two-year-old Marnie Fraser, is living a life most people can only dream about. The Book Bungalow,
94 West Tabernacle St. St. George.

Mon, April 28

NATE ROBINSON TRIO AT THE BIT & SPUR LIVE MUSIC AND FARMERS MARKET 5 PM. The Nate Robinson Trio is a dynamic group delivering a mix of jazz and funk with tight grooves and lively improvisation. 1212 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale.

Tues, April 29

STORIES FROM THE ATOMIC AGE 7:30 PM. This year's Voyager Lecture Series follows "The History of This Land," from the deep time studied in geology through modern concerns. Social Hour begins at 6:30! Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

Fri, May 2

SPRING FIESTA AND SLOW ROLL An inclusive way to get out and exercise while reconnecting with neighbors and celebrating cultural diversity with a Cinco de Mayo Spring Fiesta! Event parking is available in the SUU parking lot at Center Street/300 West and the public parking structure on Main Street by the Lin's shopping center. Cedar City.

ART WALK 5 PM. Wander through the charming streets of the Downtown Art District, where every corner is filled with inspiration and artistic expression. Whether you're an art enthusiast, a casual observer, or simply looking for a unique experience. St. George Main St. St. George





Safety Tips For Zion

Emergencies

For 24-hour emergency response, call 911 or (435) 772-3322. The Zion Canyon Medical Clinic is located in Springdale near the south entrance to the park. For hours, please call (435) 772-3226. Other medical clinics are located in Hurricane. The nearest hospitals are in St. George, Cedar City, and Kanab.



It is easy to get dehydrated while hiking and walking in the desert, so pack along extra water, and be sure to take rest and water breaks on long hikes. There are a number of places to refill your water bottles in Zion National Park

including the visitors' center and Zion Lodge as well as a new hydration station at the Springdale bus stop in front of The Bumbleberry Inn and Zion Canyon Brew Pub.

Be cautious near steep cliffs

Falls from cliffs on trails can result in death. Loose sand or pebbles on stone are very slippery. Be careful of edges when using cameras or binoculars. Never throw or roll rocks because there may be hikers below you. Stay on the trail. Stay back from cliff edges. Observe posted warnings. Please watch children.

Watch for flash floods

All narrow canyons are potentially hazardous. Flash floods, often caused by storms miles away, are a real danger and can be life threatening. You are assuming a risk when entering a narrow canyon. Your safety is your responsibility.

Tips To Minimize Your Impact

Pack it in, pack it out & use recycling bins

Each month, Zion National Park pays many thousands of dollars to haul away waste collected from garbage cans and recycling bins. Your experience and that of everyone who visits Zion Canyon can be improved by never littering and making sure you pick up any trash you see along the way. Recycling bins are placed strategically throughout Zion Park, and it is highly encouraged for everyone to use them.



Please stay on the marked trails

Hiking off trails can lead to loss of vegetation, soil compaction, erosion, and unsightly scars on the landscape. Remember, if you bring it in, please pack it out.

Go before you go

It is always a good idea to use the restroom before you begin a hike since facilities are limited to select locations. If you do need to take care of your business, please pack it back out.

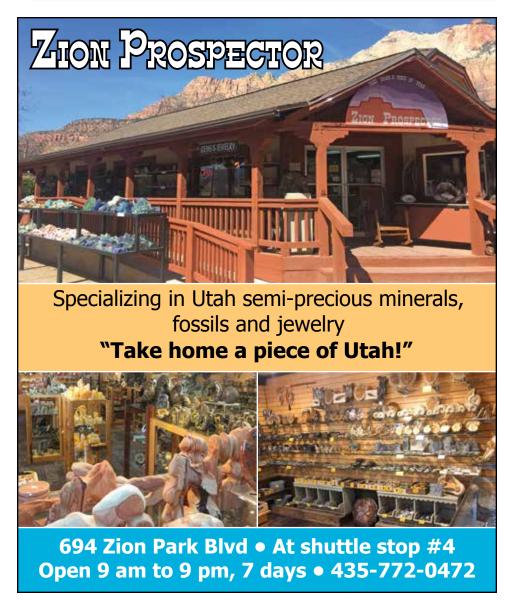
Be respectful to the wildlife

Feeding, harming, or capturing wild animals is illegal and can cause injury or death to the animal. Animals can become aggressive beggars when fed.

Please leave it how you found it

It is illegal to remove anything from Zion National Park, including flowers, rocks, or anything else that you might find. Do not write or carve on natural surfaces.





Top Things To Do In Zion

Get some great hiking in

Zion National Park is known for its scenic landscape and unrivaled hikes. No matter your fitness level, there are hikes here for you. Please go to ZionGuide.com to see the details on many area hikes.

Spend a day in Springdale

Springdale is unique to our national park system in that it is almost completely surrounded by Zion National Park. So when you're in Springdale, you're right in the middle of Zion Canyon.

Catch an event

Not only does Zion Brew Pub have live music every Saturday, the property also hosts a handful of events throughout the year, as do the Bit and Spur restaurant, Tanner Amphitheater, Bumbleberry Inn, Wildcat Willies, and several other locations.

Try a guided tour

Jeep, helicopter, ATV, canyoneering, horseback riding, or mountain biking, guided tours are all available. Many of these tours take you outside Zion National Park boundaries and give you a unique perspective on Zion's canyons and plateaus from surrounding areas of southern Utah. Check out ZionGuide.com for listings and ads.

Visit the east side of Zion and spend a day in Kanab

The east side of Zion is generally less crowded, making hikes more accessible and private. These are some of the most enjoyable hikes in the canyon. You can spot wildlife you won't see elsewhere in the canyon. The city of Kanab, situated east of the canyon, is full of unique attractions, like the Little Hollywood Movie Museum and the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary.

Take lots of pictures, leave only footprints

Be sure you've got extra charged batteries, smartphone cables, and memory cards so you can capture all the magic of Zion National Park. Additionally, there are numerous photo tour and guiding companies to assist you. Thank you for visiting the Zion National Park area.

Tips To Maximize Enjoyment

Go on a less crowded hike

The most visited Zion hikes have a lot of competition. If you'd rather not feel like you're in the line at a theme park, consider seeking out a less traveled path. Check out our feature, Less-Traveled Zion Hikes, in this issue.

To avoid the crowds, go early or late in the day

Consider getting up extra early or trekking out midday after the initial rush has flooded in.

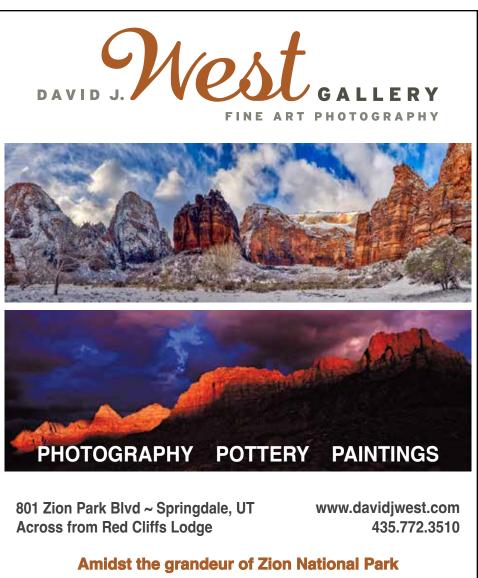
Consider coming back again in the low season

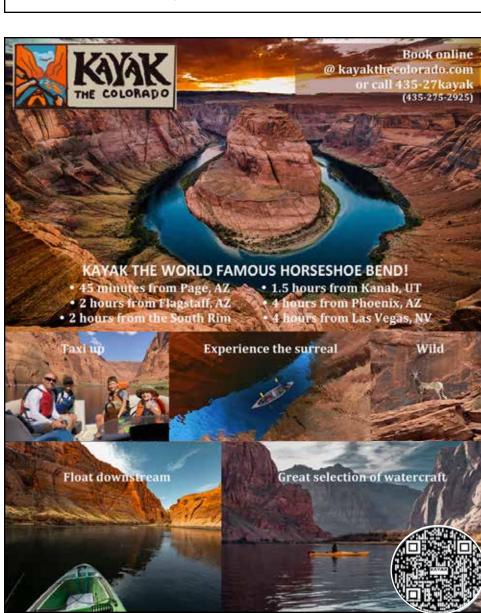
Starting in the late fall, the number of visitors to Zion Canyon starts to dwindle, and by December it's significantly less than in the heat of the summer. It is simply a different experience to see Zion in the winter with the snow-capped monoliths. Most hikes are still accessible and are less crowded. You can also drive to the Temple of Sinawava parking lot. The shuttles stop running from November until March.

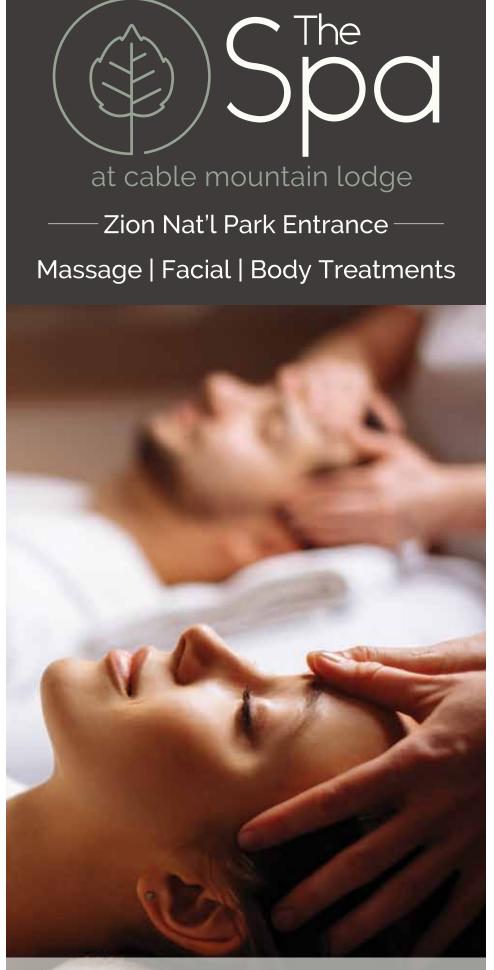
Check out Kolob Canyons & Kolob Terrace Road

With gorgeous open spaces and plenty of dirt roads to explore, Kolob Terrace Road is one of Zion's best kept secrets. You'll notice the air getting cooler as you gain elevation, and you'll find plenty of beautiful views worth stopping at for a quick photo op. The Kolob Terrace Road turnoff is in Virgin, so watch for signs. Portions of the Kolob Canyon District of Zion National Park are reached via Exit 40 on Interstate 15.









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Zion National Park Shuttle Info

ZION 2025 SHUTTLE SCHEDULE INFO

Zion 2025 Winter/Spring Shuttle Info

The seasons are changing in Zion National Park! Every year, the National Park Service (NPS) adjusts shuttle schedules and campground availability throughout the year. Here's What You Need To Know To Plan Your Visit

You do not need a ticket or reservation to ride the

- park shuttle or enter the park. · During the shuttle season, visitors cannot drive
- personal vehicles on Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. · Shuttles arrive about every 15 minutes on the
- Springdale Line (outside the park) and about every 5-10 minutes on the Zion Canyon Line (inside the park).
 - · Shuttles will not run December 2-20.

Shuttles take about 45 minutes to drive between the Zion Canyon Visitor Center and the Temple of Sinawava. This means a round trip takes about an hour and a half.

Be mindful of the time you board the shuttle back to the Zion Canyon Visitor Center at the end of the day. You should not wait for the last shuttle of the day. If the last shuttle is full, or if you miss the last shuttle, you may have to walk nine miles back to the Zion Canvon Visitor Center.

Zion Canyon Line

- · First bus departs Zion Canyon Visitor Center to Temple of Sinawava at 7 AM through May 17th, then at 6 AM from May 18th to September 14th.
- · Last bus departs Zion Canyon Visitor Center to Temple of Sinawava at 5 PM through May 17th, then at 7 PM from May 18th to September 14th.
- · Last bus departs the Temple of Sinawava to Zion Canyon Visitor Center at 7:15 PM through May 17th, then at 8:15 PM from May 18th to September 14th.

Springdale Line

- First bus leaves the Hotel De Novo (Stop #9) at 8 AM through May 17th, then at 7 AM from May 18th to September 14th.
- · Last bus leaves Zion Canyon Village (Stop #1) at 7 PM through May 17th, then at 8 PM from May 18th to September 14th.

Winter/Spring Camping

Watchman Campground is open year-round, and you

can make a reservation up to six months before your visit at www.recreation.gov or by calling 1-877-444-6777. Plan ahead and make arrangements for where you will stay before you get to the park.

South Campground is closed for a long-term rehabilitation project.

Lava Point Campground is a 1-hour drive from Zion Canyon. Reservation only.

Visitor Center and Wilderness Permit Desk hours Zion Canyon & Kolob Canyons Visitor Centers

· The Information Desk opens at 8 AM and closes at 5 PM every day.

Wilderness Permit Desks

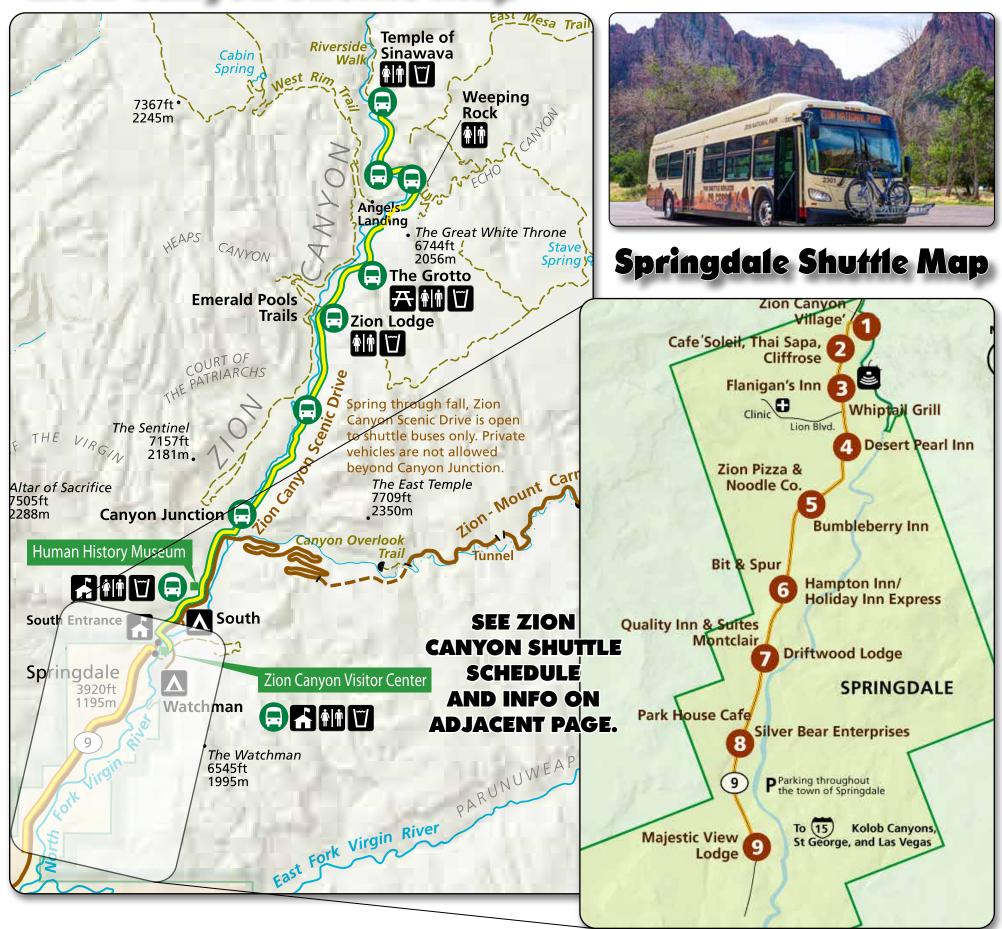
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- · Zion Canyon Wilderness Desk: Open daily from 8 AM to 5 PM.
- Kolob Canyons Wilderness Desk: Closed until late 2024

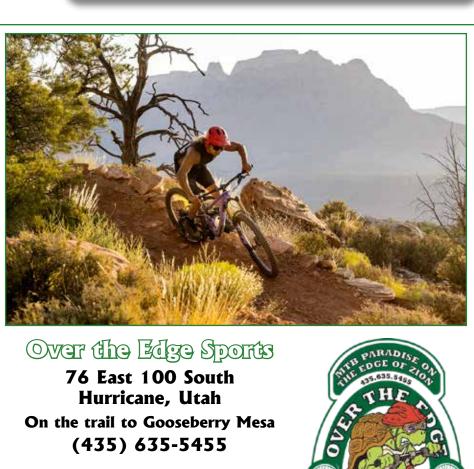
Follow Leave No Trace practices everywhere in the park and beyond; be sure to pack out all your trash.



Zion Canyon Shuttle Map







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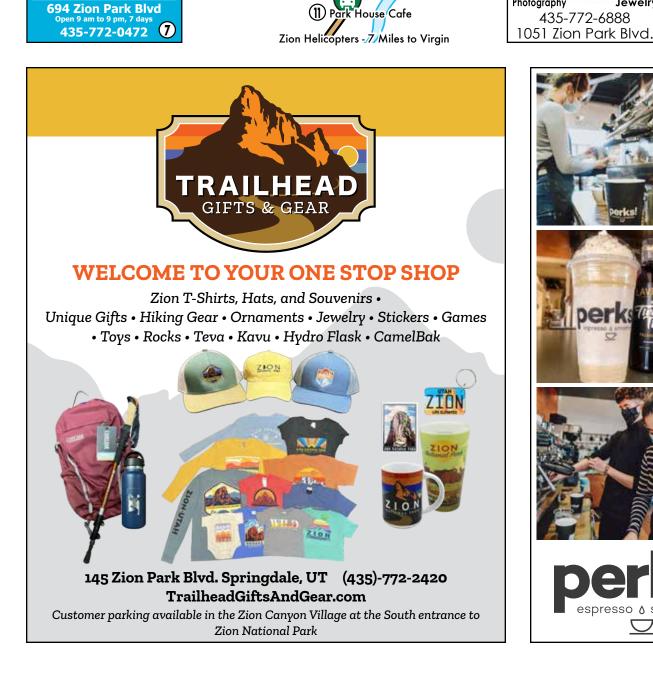
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Zion National Park Hiking Info

THE LOCALS' GUIDE TO HIKING PREPAREDNESS

National parks are seeing an uptick in helicopters carrying unfortunate hikers out of precarious situations.

In 2017, the National Park Service reported 324 search-and-rescue operations, which means 324 extremely unpleasant vacation experiences — nearly one a day. In 2014, the reported number was almost half that. The majority of those rescues occurred in Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks, and most hikers who end up getting into trouble are either in their 20s or are older than 60.

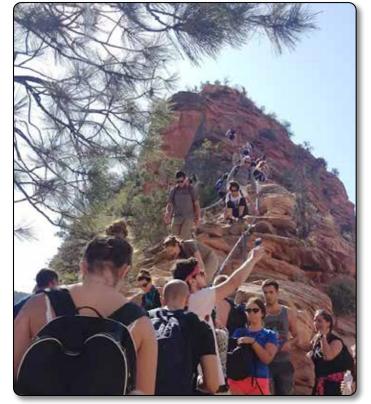
The National Park Service recommends that hikers bring one gallon of water per hiker per day. There are fill stations throughout Springdale and the park that provided filtered water at no charge.

Natural water sources in the park such as creeks and streams are not reliable sources of clean drinking water. If you find yourself in a situation wherein you need water but have none, it is strongly advised that any locally-sourced water intended for consumption first be filtered, boiled for at

least 10 minutes, or treated with iodine before consuming.

Wear appropriate

While most paths and trails are well maintained, this is the great outdoors, and a little loose gravel or slickrock can lead to injury or worse. Think of appropriate footwear as an insurance policy — and if you are a little nervous, a hiking stick never hurts. Also, dress lightly if it's going to be hot, but be sure to use appropriate sun protection like sunscreen and largebrimmed hats. because suffering from sunstroke or severe sunburn during an already taxing hike



clothing

can be brutal.

Despite our highly skilled and dedicated rescue teams' valiant efforts, not everyone made it out of their predicaments safely. Twelve people lost their lives in Utah's national parks in 2017 alone.

It's hard to imagine one wanting a vacation amid the splendor of our national parks to involve search and rescue teams or a close encounter with death.

Zion National Park is often referred to as an outdoor Disneyland. But this is the wilderness, and it's far less forgiving than any theme park. Here are some tips for how to safely enjoy your time in Zion Canyon.

Bring water

You lose more water through perspiration than you realize, and if you are used to a more moist climate - and nearly any climate is less arid than southern Utah — you can become dehydrated quickly without realizing it.

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Leave wildlife alone

Animals instinctively avoid humans, but the area is home to everything from poisonous snakes to mountain lions. Never approach local wildlife — and never try to feed them. This can result in injury to visitors, and numerous visitors have required stitches after attempting to hand-feed animals. But when humans feed wildlife, it's also not good for the animals, who are already best suited to feed themselves.

Hike sober

Sometimes relatively stationary outdoor activities like boating or camping involve enjoying an adult beverage or two. But when you're hiking the varied terrain of our national parks, you don't want your coordination, balance, or judgment to be impaired to any extent. Zion Canyon, Springdale, and Kanab are home to several fine restaurants and bars - but visit

them for a cocktail after your hike, not before.

Hike at your skill level, and don't take risks

Trails in Zion range from short and easy to long and challenging. Don't overestimate your ability and endurance level. And don't engage in horseplay or other activity that might endanger yourself or others. Some of Zion's hikes are steep, and you wouldn't be

the first person to tumble down a hill or worse, fall off a cliff. Zion is beautiful, but it's also dangerous, so respect yourself and others by respecting the terrain.





Less-Traveled Zion Hikes

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Northgate Peaks

By Don Gilman

The Northgate Peaks trail in the Kolob Terrace section of Zion National Park is an amazing trail with spectacular views. The trail itself is nearly flat, making it a perfect hike for families.

To reach the Northgate Peaks trailhead, take State Route 9 to the town of Virgin. Turn left onto Kolob Terrace Road. Drive for 15.7 miles through increasingly spectacular country until the short spur road (on the right) for the Wildcat Trailhead is reached. Drive a few hundred feet to the large parking area.

The trail heads east across grassy plains and stands of Ponderosa Pine with dynamite views of the towering Pine Valley Peak to the west. Soon the trail will be fully in the forest with limited views. After 0.9 miles, the junction with the Hop Valley trail is reached. Continue east, and 0.1 miles further, the junction with the Northgate Peaks Trail is reached. Head south on this trail for another 1.1 miles until the end of the official trail is reached at a rocky basalt bluff with epic views of the Northgate Peaks to the east and west and of North Guardian Angel to the south.

For families with young children, this makes an excellent turnaround spot.

Gifford Canyon

By Bo Beck

Gifford Canyon offers a nice stroll through a sandy wash and is very charming when water is running. This hike is nearly 3 miles long and will take about 2 hours to finish.



To start this hike, park in the lot located immediately east of the Zion/Mt. Carmel Tunnel. The trail begins at the backside of the restrooms at the back of the parking lot. There will be a steep, sandy path to climb down before you enter Pine Creek slot. Follow the path upstream for almost 75 feet, and look for a 15-foot wall of slickrock. You can scramble up the rock or look for the beaten path on the backside of the rock

On top of this wall is a narrow dirt path that is crowded by rock and vegetation. It winds around the mountain to a dead end with a beautiful view of the mountain where the Canyon Overlook Trail is located, opposite is Gifford Canyon.

The path will lead past stone bridge and to another minor slickrock climb. At the end of the canyon, there is a circle of cliffs preventing further exploration without climbing up the sandstone.

Chinle Trail

By Greta Hyland

Chinle Trail is an off-the-beaten-path trail located in the lower elevation west desert wilderness area, offering wide vistas, desert landscapes, and a reprieve from the more touristy trails in the park. Though it's a long trail, it's a mellow hike that can be cut off whenever you feel like turning around. It's a great hike with kids because it's not treacherous, slippery, or steep. Avoid it after snow or rain as it will be muddy.

The Chinle Trailhead starts outside of Zion, south of Springdale. If you are coming from St. George, the turn is about a block before you hit the apple orchard and stand as you leave Rockville off of State Route 9. There is a parking area off the right of Anasazi Way near the Anasazi Plateau housing development. If you hit houses, you missed it. And yes, the trail starts below the housing development and takes you right through it. Don't worry though, it doesn't last long.

Shortly after you get through the housing development, you will hit a sign letting you know you are entering the Zion Wilderness. At this point, you can breathe a sigh of relief, because you have gotten away from civilization to enjoy nature, and chances are that you won't see another soul until you return to your car.

Many Pools

By Candice Reed

The route is moderate with a gentle uphill climb to an alcove, but plan for a strenuous hike if you continue to the East

The route begins right off the highway. Drive to the pullout near the second drainage on the north side of the State Route 9, about 0.8 miles after the smaller tunnel. Walk carefully along the road about 150 yards and drop down into a sandy bowl on the north side of SR-9. There is a trail for a short distance, and then the sand turns into large flat stones that you can pick and

choose to walk on, depending on your sense of balance. A short distance off the road, filled pools carved into the rocks appear. Ponderosa Pines and Juniper trees twisted by the wind are a good backdrop to the reds and whites ribboned through the rocks.

Overlook Trail

By Charlotte Emett

The Overlook Trail is a short, beautiful hike located on the east side of Zion National Park, just outside the Mt. Carmel tunnel. The hike is about one mile roundtrip, and it usually takes people about an hour. It is definitely one of the easier hikes in Zion, but it's still considered a moderate-level hike due to a few exposed areas and sandstone pathways, which can be slippery.

The Overlook trailhead lies right outside of the Mt. Carmel tunnel by the ranger booth. Exit the tunnel too quickly and you'll miss it.

It begins with a staircase carved out of the sandstone leading up and away from the road. Soon, you'll be walking along the side of the mountain and looking down into a thin crevice known as Pine Creek Canyon. At about halfway, you'll walk across a bridge that wraps around a corner and leads to an area of recessed rock wet with the moisture that caused it to erode and be filled with ferns growing out of the sandstone.

The East Rim Trail

By Bo Beck and Tanya Milligan

After positioning a vehicle or making shuttle arrangements at the Weeping Rock parking lot, watch for the small "trailhead" sign along the Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway, immediately west of the east entrance booth

This trail is said to be one of the most scenic in all of Zion National Park and is on many lists as one of the best hikes in Utah. This trek begins on the east side of the park and climbs over 1,400 feet to the rim. This hike begins with a backdoor view of Checkerboard Mesa as it skirts Clear Creek for a short time and steadily and gently climbs through a juniper and pine forest. On top of the mesa, scenery gets interesting as a spectacular view of Echo Canyon takes center stage.



Popular Zion Hikes

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Warning: These hikes are very popular and often overcrowded. If you are feeling up to some of the more difficult hikes, try some of these popular hikes.

Angels Landing via West Rim Trail

Possibly the most popular hike in Zion, Angels Landing takes around four hours to complete, covers just under 5 1/2 miles, and requires a permit to hike. As you work your way up the 1,488-foot change in elevation, you'll want to look out for long drop-offs. This hike is not for young children or people with a fear of heights. Be sure to enjoy, but be careful along the last section of the hike, which is a steep, narrow ridge to the summit. The hike starts at The Grotto.

The Narrows via Riverside Walk

A full-day hike at 8 hours, the Narrows can pose extra dangers depending on the weather. High water levels can prevent access to the Narrows, so be sure to check with the visitor center before beginning this 9 1/2-mile hike. You'll start this hike at Temple of Sinawava.

Kolob Arch via La Verkin Creek Trail

Getting to Kolob Arch via the La Verkin



"Autumn Breeze" - photo by David J West.

Creek Trail follows Timber and La Verkin creeks and connects to the trail to Kolob Arch, one of the world's largest freestanding arches. A full-day hike, it will take around 8 hours to finish the 14-fourteen mile trip. This hike starts at Kolob Canyons Road.

If you are looking for something more moderate, try some of these mid-range hikes.

Kaventa Trail

This two-hour hike starts at the Grotto and goes for two miles. You'll gain 150 feet in elevation, and the trail does have long dropoffs. This unpaved climb connects the Grotto to the Emerald Pools trails.

Canyon Overlook Trail

Starting at Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway, this one-hour hike provides a 163-foot gain in elevation over the course of a mile. This rocky and uneven trail ends at a viewpoint for Pine Creek Canyon and lower Zion Canyon. While this trail is mostly fenced, there are long drop-offs.

Taylor Creek Trail

You'll begin this five-mile hike at Kolob Canyons Road. It should take around 4 hours to complete and provides a 450-foot gain in elevation. Larger groups may need to split up, as this hike limits 12 people to a group. It

follows the Middle Fork of Taylor Creek past two homestead cabins to Double Arch Alcove.

Timber Creek Overlook Trail

A quick hike, the Timber Creek Overlook Trail covers just one mile and 100 feet in elevation gain. It can be done in about 30 minutes. The trail follows a ridge to a small peak with views of Timber Creek, Kolob Terrace, and Pine Valley Mountains.

Those looking for something less strenuous should check out these easy hikes.

Pa'rus Trail

Starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this two-hour hike covers 3 1/2 miles and rises 50 feet in elevation. A paved trail that follows the Virgin River from the South Campground to Canyon Junction, Pa'rus Trail is wheelchair accessible and is open to both bicycles and dogs.

Archeology Trail

Also starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this short half-hour hike covers just under half a mile and rises 80 feet in elevation, making it a short but steep trail. This trail offers trailside exhibits and views of several prehistoric buildings.

Grotto Trail

Starting at Zion Lodge or the Grotto, this trail connects the two locations and can be combined with the Middle Emerald Pools and Kayenta trails to create a 2 1/2-mile loop. The non-loop version should take about 30 minutes and rises 35 feet over one mile.

Riverside Walk

Starting at Temple of Sinawava, this 1 1/2-hour hike cover just over two miles and rises 57 feet in elevation. While it is wheelchair accessable, there are minor dropoffs. The trail, which is paved, offers trailside exhibits as it follows the Virgin Rivet along the bottom of a narrow canyon.





Southern Utah State & National Parks

ANASAZI STATE PARK MUSEUM - This ancient Indian village in the heart of Utah's canyon country was one of the largest Anasazi communities west of the Colorado River. The site is believed to have been occupied from A.D. 1050 to 1200. The village remains largely unexcavated, but many artifacts have been uncovered and are on display in the newly remodeled museum. Anasazi State Park is in the picturesque town of Boulder on State Route 12. Group and individual picnic areas are available. There is no camping. (435) 335-7308.

BAKER - Baker Reservoir is a small lake on the Santa Clara River four miles north of Veyo on Utah State Route 18. It is a 63-acre lake with an average depth of about 20 feet. Many people come to the reservoir to camp at one of its 10 campsites and to fish. The reservoir is stocked with rainbow trout and contains brown trout, green sunfish, crayfish, redside shiner, and mountain sucker. It has picnic areas and vault toilets. There is a fee for visiting the reservoir and no boat ramp.

BRYCE CANYON - Bryce Canyon National Park is a scientist's laboratory and a child's playground. Because Bryce transcends 2,000 feet of elevation, the park exists in three distinct climatic zones: spruce/fir forest, ponderosa pine forest and pinion pine/juniper forest. This diversity of habitat provides for high biodiversity. Here at Bryce, you can enjoy over 100 species of birds, dozens of mammals, and more than a thousand plant species. (435) 834-5322.

CEDAR BREAKS - Sitting at over 10,000 feet and looking down into a half-mile deep geologic amphitheater. Come wander among timeless bristlecone pines, stand in lush meadows of wildflowers, ponder crystal-clear night skies and experience the richness of our subalpine forest. Just four miles off Utah Highway 148, you'll find the Cedar Breaks National Monument parking lot.



CORAL PINK SAND DUNES - At an elevation of 6,000 feet and 12 paved miles off U.S. Highway 89 near Kanab, this park provides a fantastic setting for camping, hiking, OHV riding or just playing in the sand. A 265-acre conservation area prohibits motorized vehicles in order to protect the Coral Pink beetle (found nowhere else in the world) and its habitat. The mule deer, jackrabbit, kit fox, coyote, and many small rodents also make the park their home. (435) 648-2800.

DEAD HORSE POINT - Dead Horse Point State Park is perhaps Utah's most spectacular state park. Dead Horse Point is a promontory of stone surrounded by steep cliffs near Moab. The overlook at Dead Horse Point is 6,000 feet above sea level. Two-thousand feet below, the Colorado River winds its way from the continental divide in Colorado

to the Gulf of California, a distance of 1,400 miles. (435) 259-2614.

DINOSAUR TRACKS - The St. George Dinosaur Discovery Site at Johnson Farm is home to exceptionally well-preserved dinosaur tracks, some displaying skin impressions. These tracks, along with hundreds of fossil fish, plants, rare dinosaur remains, invertebrates' traces, and important sedimentary structures, show evidence that this site was produced along the western edge of a large, Early Jurassic (age between 195-198 million years ago) freshwater lake. (435) 574-3466.

ENTERPRISE - There are two reservoirs in the Bull Valley Mountains 10 miles southwest of the town of Enterprise. The main one is Upper Enterprise Reservoir, about 250 acres with an average depth of about 50 feet, while Lower Enterprise Reservoir is 79 acres. Many come to the reservoir to camp, fish hike, and boat. The Honeycomb Campground



is situated between both lakes and has 21 campsites and flush toilets. There is a boat ramp on Upper Enterprise Reservoir and several fishing areas around both reservoirs. Fishermen will find rainbow trout and smallmouth bass here. Fees are charged.

FOUR CORNERS - The Four Corners is the only place in the U.S. where four states come together at one place: Arizona, New Mexico, Utah and Colorado. Here, a person can put each of their hands and feet in four states at the same time. The unique landmark is on Navajo Nation land and is open for visits from the public. West of U.S. Highway 160, 40 miles southwest of Cortez, Colo. (928) 871-6436.

GRAND CANYON - A World Heritage Site encompassing 1,218,375 acres on the Colorado Plateau in northwestern Arizona. The land is semi-arid and consists of raised plateaus and structural basins typical of the southwestern United States. (928) 638-7888.

GRAND STAIRCASE-ESCALANTE NATIONAL MONUMENT - Nearly 1.9 million acres of America's public lands and located between Bryce Canyon and Glen Canyon Recreational Areas. From its namesake Grand Staircase of cliffs and terraces across the rugged Kaiparowits Plateau to the beauty of the Escalante River Canyons, the Monument's size, resources, and isolated location provide amazing opportunities.

GUNLOCK - In scenic red rock country, 15 miles northwest of St. George, lies the 240-acre Gunlock State Park and Reservoir where year-round boating, water sports, and quality fishing for bass and catfish attract visitors. Facilities include boat launching ramp and pit privies. (435) 628-2255.

LAKE MEAD - Lake Mead National Recreation Area offers a wealth of things to do and places to go year-round. Its huge lakes cater to boaters, swimmers, sunbathers and fishermen, while its desert rewards hikers, wildlife photographers, and roadside sightseers. It is also home to thousands of desert plants and animals adapted to survive in an extreme place where rain is scarce and temperatures soar. (702) 293-8990.

LAKE POWELL - In Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is one of the world's great places for houseboating! The 186-mile-long lake offers sandy beaches, cool blue water, and exceptional red-rock scenery. It is excellent for boating, skiing, kayaking, and fishing. Boat or hike to Rainbow Bridge, or explore any of its many canyons or sand dunes. (928) 608-6200.

PINE VALLEY - Pine Valley Reservoir is a beautiful place for fishermen to fish brook trout and rainbow trout. The reservoir is near the Pine Valley Recreation Complex, which has over 150 campsites with picnic and restroom facilities. This area is greener than most other parts of southwestern Utah with pine and pinion trees, and many come to enjoy camping and hiking. It is west of the town of Central. (435) 652-3100.

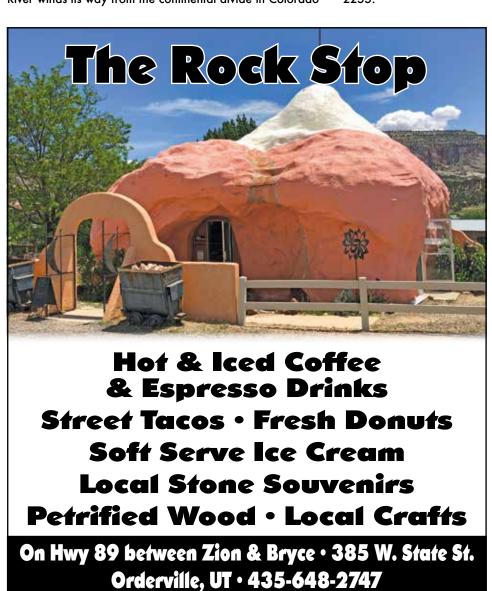
QUAIL LAKE - Quail Creek State Park provides excellent year-round camping, picnicking, boating, and trout and bass fishing in sunny southwest Utah. The park is three miles east of the Interstate 15 Hurricane exit on Utah State Route 9. Facilities include 23 campsites, modern restrooms, a fish cleaning station, and two covered group-use pavilions. (435) 879-2378.

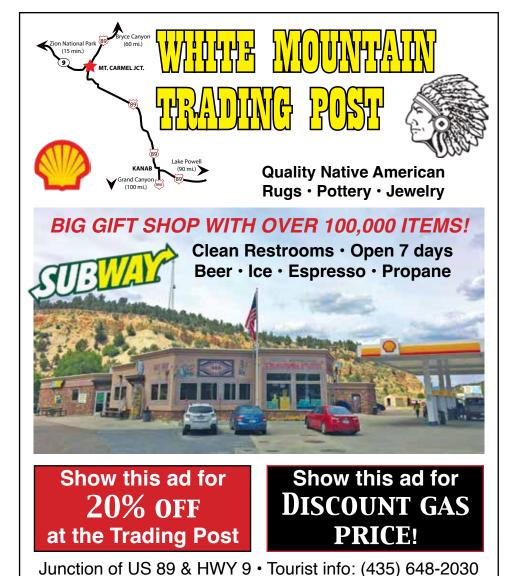
SAND HOLLOW - Looking to fish? Swim? Ride your ATV in the sand? Do all that and more at Sand Hollow State Park, located between St. George and Hurricane. Bring your boat, a picnic, and some fishing gear for a fun day on the reservoir, or watch the kids swim while you relax on the beach. Load up your RV or tent and settle in for a nice campout, or ride your ATV in the dunes of Sand Mountain. (435) 680-0715.

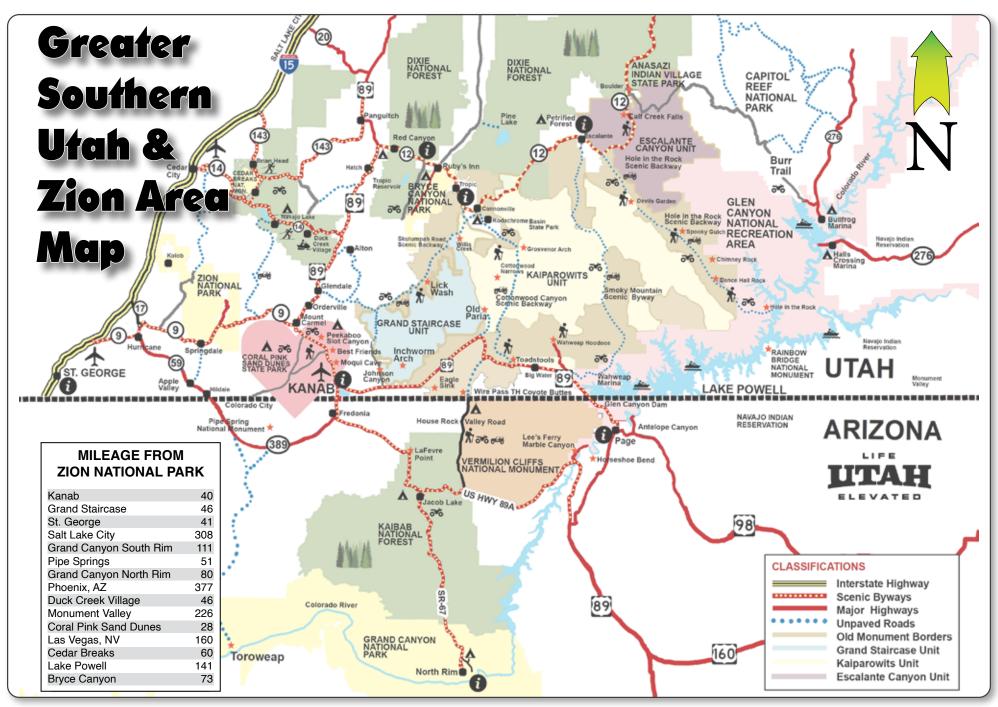


SNOW CANYON - Named after early Utah leaders Lorenzo and Erastus Snow, Snow Canyon State Park begins just outside of Ivins and stretches northward. Spectacular scenery includes towering red and white sandstone cliffs, black lava formations, and even a waterfall that appears during heavy rain. Snow Canyon offers 16 miles of hiking trails, beautiful sand dunes, technical rock climbing sites, horseback riding, year-round camping, nature studies, and wildlife viewing. This park is a favorite for locals and visitors alike. (435) 628-2255.

ZION - With breathtaking views, numerous hiking attractions of all difficulty levels and some of the most spectacular scenery on earth, Zion National Park and its surrounding areas attract thousands of visitors every year. This natural wonder is not only a mecca of recreational activity, but Zion and nearby Springdale host numerous cultural activities, as well. There's something for everyone in Zion – whether you're looking for a challenging hike or a fun excursion for the family. (435) 772-3256.

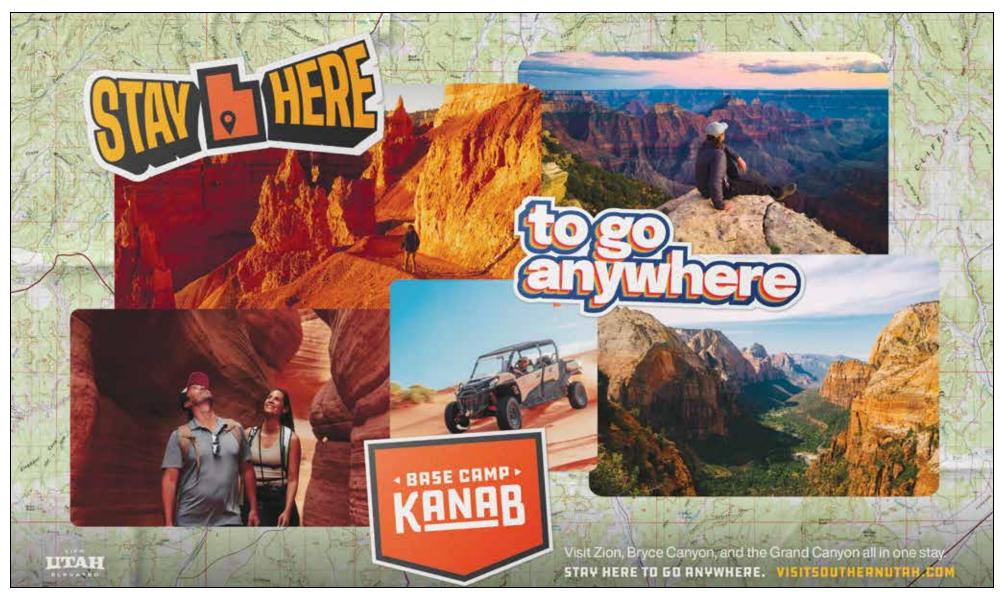












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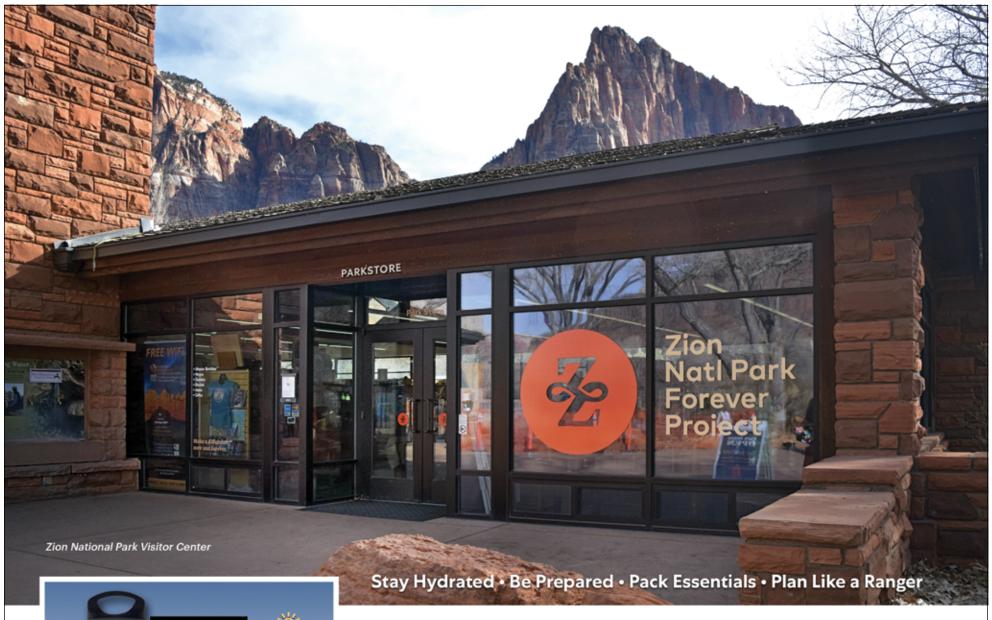
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