



Annual Events


Month	Event	Description
February/March	<p>Buffalo Home & Garden Show Buffalo Niagara Convention Center Buffalo, NY (716) 855-5555 www.buffalohomeshow.com</p>	<p>This show offers the best opportunity to shop for home and garden related products and services.</p>
February	<p>Buffalo Winterfest/ Powder Keg Festival HSBC Center and surrounding area Buffalo, NY (716) 856-2337 www.powderkegfestival.com</p>	<p>Festival activities will take place in and around the southern end of downtown Buffalo, including the plaza surrounding HSBC Tower, multiple levels of the Pearl Street Grill and Brewery, neighboring parking lots, and various sites within the encompassing street grid, which will be closed to traffic during the festival</p>
March	<p>Kissing Bridge Winter Carnival Route 240, Glenwood, NY (716) 592-4963 / www.kissing-bridge.com</p>	<p>Free fun-filled event on both days for all ages. Events include costume contest, eating contest, treasure hunts on the hill and inside the lodge, on-snow mountain bike race and much more.</p>
March	<p>St. Patrick's Day Parade Delaware Avenue from Niagara Square to North Street, Buffalo, NY (716) 875-0282 / www.buffaloirish.com</p>	<p>Each year, thousands of people flock to downtown Buffalo to enjoy the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Every light pole along the Delaware Avenue parade route is decorated with the American flag and the tri-colored flag of Ireland. Businesses along the route decorate windows and buildings with shamrocks and banners.</p>
March	<p>St. Patrick's Day Post-Parade Party Rotary Rink at Fountain Plaza Buffalo, NY (716) 856-3150 / www.buffaloplace.com</p>	<p>The St. Patrick's Day post-parade party is a children's event that includes ice skating, clowns, face painters and free kiddie amusement rides.</p>

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March/April	<p>Easter Festival at Broadway Market 999 Broadway Buffalo, NY (716) 893-0705 http://easter.broadwaymarket.org</p>	<p>Visit the historic Broadway Market during its most festive season as thousands flock to pick up freshly made Easter delicacies. From traditional buttered lambs to Polish sausage, horseradish, and chocolate, stop by the market for these savory treats. Be sure to check out the beautiful handpainted Eastern European eggs and get your pussy willows in time for Dyngus Day while you're there. The Broadway Market offers extended holiday hours and daily events, with live music. Save time to experience Buffalo's historic Polonia neighborhood and nearby houses of worship.</p>
April	<p>Dyngus Day (716) 668-6888 Traditionally falls on the Monday after Easter Sunday www.dyngusdaybuffalo.com</p>	<p>Enjoy this post-Lenten tradition that the Polish community celebrates with day-long festivities of feasting, drinking, playing pranks and merrymaking. Boys, grab your pussy willows, and girls, fill up those squirt guns! Annual events held at the Polish Falcons Hall (445 Columbia Ave-Depew); Randolph Hall (72 Randolph Street-Cheektowaga); St. Stanislaus Social Center (Fillmore and Peckham Streets-Buffalo); Dom Polski (576 Oliver Street-North Tonawanda); Leonard VFW Post (2450 Walden Avenue-Cheektowaga); Matthew Glab Post (1965 Abbott Road-Lackawanna); Adam Mickiewicz Library (612 Fillmore Avenue-Buffalo).</p>
May/June	<p>Hellenic Festival Hellenic Orthodox Church West Utica Street at Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY / (716) 882-7121 www.buffalogreekfestival.org</p>	<p>Presented by the Hellenic Orthodox Church of the Annunciation, this Annual Greek heritage festival features authentic Greek food, music, dancing, culture and boutiques, along with free guided tours of the Church interior, which has been restored after the 2001 fire. Built in 1906, the Church is on both the U.S. and New York State Registers of Historic Places.</p>
June	<p>Allentown Art Festival Delaware Avenue & Allen Street Downtown Buffalo (716) 881-4269 / www.allentownartfestival.com</p>	<p>The renowned Allentown Art Festival features more than 400 artists and craftspersons from the United States and Canada. The annual art show takes place in one of the nation's largest historic preservation districts.</p>

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June	<p>Juneteenth Festival Martin Luther King Jr. Park Best & Fillmore, Buffalo, NY (716) 891-8801 / www.juneteenthofbuffalo.com</p>	<p>Juneteenth is Buffalo's celebration of the African American culture commemorating the ending of slavery. The annual festival features more than 100 vendors offering ethnic foods and wares. Activities include a parade, 5K race, Health Fair, Job Fair, Book Swap and Underground Railroad Tours.</p>
June	<p>Buffalo River Fest Father Conway Park Between Ohio & Louisiana Streets, Buffalo, NY (716) 823-4707, ext. 10 www.thevalleycenter.com</p>	<p>Buffalo River Fest is a family-oriented event that celebrates the history of the Buffalo River and showcases the revitalization and renewal efforts being made along the riverfront. Activities will include a river regatta, classic car show, arts and crafts show, kids area, live entertainment, food and beverages, guided tours of the grain milling district, a heritage tent and much more!</p>
June	<p>Roycroft Summer Festival Roycroft Campus Main Street, East Aurora, NY (716) 655-7252 / www.ralaweb.com</p>	<p>The festival takes place on the grounds of the historic Roycroft Campus in East Aurora. More than 50 artisans from the United States and Canada will be displaying and selling Arts & Crafts style furniture, pottery, jewelry, limited edition prints and other fine artwork. There will also be over 20 antique dealers. Entertainment and refreshments too!</p>
June-August	<p>Shakespeare in Delaware Park Delaware Park, Shakespeare Hill Buffalo, NY / (716)856-4533 www.shakespeareindelawarepark.org</p>	<p>As a “must-see summer event” Shakespeare in Delaware Park reaches more than 40,000 audience members each year and is proud to be celebrating 35 incredible years of high quality professional theatre which remains free for the public to enjoy. “The Merchant of Venice” will run June 16th - July 10th 2011, and “As You Like It” plays from July 21nd to August 14th, 2011.</p>
June-July	<p>National Buffalo Garden Festival The entire WNY region 1(800) BUFFALO www.nationalgardenfestival.com</p>	<p>At our festival of 1,000 gardens you'll ramble among roses, meander past marigolds, roam around rudbeckia, hike near hollyhocks and amble through astilbe. And that's just for starters. Join us this summer for some of America's best garden walks, talks and tours.</p>

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July	<p align="center">Garden Walk Buffalo Buffalo's Historic Neighborhoods (716) 879-0123 www.gardenwalkbuffalo.com</p>	Garden Walk Buffalo, the largest garden tour in the United States, is a free self-guided tour, no tickets required. It has now grown to 341 urban gardens in many of Buffalo's historic neighborhoods.
July	<p align="center">Friendship Festival International Border – Peace Bridge vicinity, Buffalo, NY and Fort Erie, Ontario 888-333-1987 / www.friendshipfestival.com</p>	Join in an international celebration of the friendship and history shared between Canada and the United States. Events take place on both sides of the border including an air show, free concerts, fireworks, rides, arts and crafts and a horse show.
July	<p align="center">Taste of Buffalo Delaware Avenue, Downtown Buffalo (716) 652-0628 / www.tasteofbuffalo.com</p>	One of the largest food and entertainment extravaganzas in the nation featuring more than 55 local restaurants and wineries along with four stages of varying entertainment. The festival includes a wide array of cuisine sure to please everyone's eyes and palate.
July	<p align="center">Italian Heritage & Food Festival Hertel Avenue, between Colvin & Delaware Avenue Buffalo, NY / (716) 874-6133 www.buffaloitalianfestival.com</p>	Italian sausage, cannoli, tripe and calamari are just some of the Italian delights available at more than 100 food booths. Each day visitors will be entertained by three different stages featuring Jazz, Big Band and various ethnic groups; games and rides as well.
July	<p align="center">Polish-American Arts Festival Cheektowaga Town Park 2600 Harlem Road, Cheektowaga, NY (716) 686-3465 / www.tocny.org</p>	Annual celebration of Polish music, cuisine, customs and culture.

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July	<p>Canal Fest of the Tonawandas Erie Canal Banks, Tonawanda, NY (716) 692-3292 / www.canalfest.org</p>	<p>Eight days of family fun alongside the banks of the historic Erie Canal, completed in 1825 and regarded as one of the greatest engineering feats of its day. Canal Fest features a midway with rides and games for both children and adults. There is musical entertainment, along with water-skiing and jet ski demonstrations, model boat races and hand crafted canoe contests.</p>
July	<p>Grease Pole Festival 261 Swan Street, Buffalo, NY (716) 852-1648</p>	<p>The area's oldest Puerto Rican festival within the local Hispanic/Latino community.</p>
July	<p>French & Indian War Encampment Old Fort Niagara, Youngstown, NY (716) 745-7611 / www.oldfortniagara.org</p>	<p>More than 1,000 re-enactors gather to recreate the historic siege of 1759 between the British and French armies. Battle reenactments, sutlers, siege tours, living history camps.</p>
July	<p>Gospelfest Johnny B. Wiley Sports Pavilion Jefferson and Best Streets, Buffalo, NY (716) 855-1569</p>	<p>This festival features many Western New York and national Gospel singers and choirs.</p>
July	<p>War of 1812 Weekend Old Fort Niagara, Youngstown (716) 745-7611 / www.oldfortniagara.org</p>	<p>More than 100 re-enactors depicting a British army of the period will take over Old Fort Niagara. Allows visitors at the fort to see what garrison life was like in an occupied border fort. Representatives from several period British units will live and work at the fort as they would have during the War of 1812.</p>
July	<p>Wildlife & Renaissance Festival Hawk Creek 655 Luther Road, East Aurora, NY (716) 652-8646 / www.hawkcreek.org</p>	<p>Flying bird show, live music, up-close animal encounters, tours, gardens, art auction and food. Visit eagles, owls, hawks, falcons, ocelot, porcupine and much more. Barn owl release at 3pm.</p>

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August	<p>Eden Corn Festival Eden Legion Grounds Route 62, Eden, NY 14057 (716) 992-9141 / www.edencornfest.com</p>	Parade, rides, crafts and of course fresh, delicious, sweet Eden corn!
August	<p>Erie County Fair Hamburg Fairgrounds 5600 McKinley Pkwy, Hamburg, NY 14075 (716) 649-3900 / www.americas-fair.org www.the-fairgrounds.com</p>	In its 171th season, America's Fair will celebrate with 11 1/2 days of family fun. Featuring over \$500,000 in free entertainment, historical demonstrations, daily parade, commercial and agricultural displays, livestock shows, top-name grandstand concerts and much more! One day at America's Fair is just not enough to catch all of the sights and sounds.
August	<p>Lewiston Outdoor Fine Arts Festival Center Street, Lewiston, NY (716) 754-0166 / www.artcouncil.org</p>	This prestigious two-day event showcases the work of more than 150 exceptional artists from the USA and Canada.
August	<p>Buffalo Irish Festival The Grove at the Hamburg Fairgrounds 5600 McKinley Pkwy, Hamburg, NY 14075 (716) 743-9348 / www.buffaloirish.com</p>	Corned beef wrapped in cabbage and lamb stew are just some of the Irish dishes you will find at the annual Irish Festival. There's a wide selection of imported Irish goods along with some of the finest ethnic music and dancing. Special activities for the children include theater and pony rides.
August	<p>Elmwood Festival of the Arts Elmwood Village (between Lafayette and West Ferry) (716) 830-2484 / www.elmwoodartfest.org</p>	Buffalo's first and premier art and environmental festival. Art of all kinds, for the whole family, in Buffalo's vibrant Elmwood Village.
September 	<p>National Buffalo Wing Festival Coca-Cola Field 275 Washington Street, Buffalo, NY (716) 565-4141 ext. 10 www.buffalowing.com</p>	Annual Buffalo Wing Festival featuring many restaurants and sauces from Buffalo and around the country. Best wing and sauce competitions, wing eating contests, Buffalo food, entertainment and more.

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September	<p>Antique Classic Boat Show & Vintage Race Boat Reunion 503 East River Road Grand Island, NY (716) 892-1425 / www.nfacb.org</p>	<p>More than 100 wooden classics on display at the recently-renovated Historic Buffalo Launch Club Basin.</p>
September	<p>Curtain Up! Theatre District, Main Street between Tupper & Chippewa Downtown Buffalo Ticket information: (716) 847-1410 www.curtainupbuffalo.com</p>	<p>Kick off the opening of Buffalo's professional theatre season at the annual Curtain Up! Act I begins with cocktails and a gala dinner on stage at Shea's or dinner at any of the theatre district dining establishments. Act II follows shortly after with curtains rising simultaneously throughout downtown theatres. For Act III, enjoy dancing and partying in the streets with live musical performances and roving entertainers.</p>
September	<p>Harvest Festival Amherst Museum 3755 Tonawanda Creek Road, Amherst, NY (716) 689-1440 / www.amherstmuseum.org</p>	<p>Amherst's agricultural heritage is featured in this weekend event with food, crafts and other entertainment.</p>
October	<p>Binational Doors Open Niagara Located in various locations throughout Western New York & the Niagara Region of Ontario (716) 849-5834 / www.doorsopenniagara.com</p>	<p>Binational Doors Open Niagara offers a unique opportunity for visitors to discover the rich historical and architectural treasures of Buffalo Niagara. Visit historical and architecturally significant locations throughout the Buffalo Niagara region as they open their doors for this annual event.</p>
November	<p>Christmas Food Fair Broadway Market 999 Broadway, Buffalo (716) 893-0705 www.broadwaymarket.com</p>	<p>A unique celebration that highlights Buffalo's diverse ethnic food traditions, yuletide spirits and distinctive gift items. Visit with Santa too!</p>

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November	<p>Christmas in the Country Agri-Center on the Fairgrounds 5820 South Park Avenue, Hamburg (716) 648-9733 www.wnypremierpromotions.com</p>	<p>The area's largest craft show, featuring over 250 of the best crafters from all over the country.</p>
November – January	<p>Christmasville 21 Central Avenue, Lancaster (716) 683-1776 www.lancopera.org</p>	<p>Christmasville in Lancaster, NY is a quaint destination to experience the magic of Christmas, as the village turns into a Victorian wonderland featuring original vintage and new animated window displays.</p>
November-January	<p>Fairgrounds Festival of Lights Hamburg Fairgrounds 5600 McKinley Pkwy, Hamburg, NY 14075 (716) 649-3900 www.the-fairgrounds.com</p>	<p>A one-of-a-kind holiday attraction featuring a magical drive through, all new Lightasmic Kandy Kane's Holiday magic Show, Santa and his reindeer, kiddie rides, shopping, food and more.</p>
December	<p>Victorian Christmas Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site 641 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY (716) 884-0095 / www.nps.gov/thri</p>	<p>Annual holiday event featuring seasonal decorations, lunches, dinners, vintage fashion shows, shopping boutiques and entertainment.</p>
December	<p>Holiday Pops Kleinhans Music Hall 1 Symphony Circle, Buffalo, NY 14201 (716) 885-5000 / www.bpo.org</p>	<p>The Holiday Pops is one of Western New York's most anticipated annual holiday traditions. A celebration of the music of the season, the Holiday Pops brings together audiences of all ages for three nights of some of the world's most beloved Christmas classics.</p>

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December	<p>First Night Buffalo Roosevelt Square, Main and Huron Streets Elmwood Avenue Museum District, Buffalo (716) 635-4959 www.firstnightbuffalo.org</p>	<p>Buffalo's annual alcohol-free New Year's celebration, featuring, music, rides, games and fireworks. The spectacular Niagara Mohawk building is the setting for the ball drop at midnight.</p>