

March 2020

San Diego County Calendar of Events

San Diego Bird Festival Feb. 26-Mar. 1

We're celebrating the birds and habitats of our county, which truly offer some of the best birding in the U.S. We hope you will join us for the celebration, and we'll give you plenty of opportunities to "look up" and see the birds of San Diego. Know that your experience is giving something back to the birds: the proceeds of this festival support the education, conservation, and sanctuary programs of San Diego Audubon Society.

Marina Village Conference Center: 1936 Quivira Way
858-273-7800 / www.sandiegoaudubon.org

KuumbaFest Feb. 28-Mar. 1

KuumbaFest is San Diego's longest running and premier celebration of African-American expression, culture, and heritage. The three-day festival includes traditional African art and pageantry, drama, educational workshops, community leadership awards, an African marketplace, a health fair, Hip Hop Showcase, tribute to the famed Apollo Theatre "Live at the Lyceum," a Gospel Concert, and guest speakers and artists.

San Diego Repertory Theatre: 79 Horton Plaza
619-544-1000 / www.sdrep.org

TinyFest California Feb. 29-Mar. 1

Tour tiny houses, van conversions, skoolies and more! Enjoy speakers, workshops, Simple Living Marketplace, food & music.

Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 10am-5pm / Del Mar Fairgrounds
<https://www.tinyfest.events>

San Diego Comic Fest Mar. 5-8

Indulge your love of comics, science fiction, and films, and meet an outstanding array of professional creators in a casual atmosphere and an intimate scale that allows fans to mingle directly with professionals and exhibitors. Our special theme will be a celebration of the centennials of the births of science-fiction and fantasy master Ray Bradbury and stop-motion animation legend Ray Harryhausen!

Four Points by Sheraton San Diego: 8110 Aero Dr., San Diego
www.sdcomicfest.org

Spring Home/Garden Show Mar. 6-8

Inspiring real "Garden Masters" landscapes (created exclusively for the Show), hands-on demonstrations, hundreds of home-improvement products and services exhibitors, educational seminars, plant sales and face-to-face consultations with top experts - all with the convenience of one-stop shopping for everything pertaining to home and garden, inside and outside.

Fri & Sun 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-6pm / Del Mar Fairgrounds
858-350-3738 / www.springhomegardenshow.com

Swimbait Invasion Expo Mar. 7

Shop from a variety of vendors including swimbaits, apparel, food, and more!

11am-4pm / Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve
619-596-3141 / www.santeelakes.com

San Diego Undy Run/Walk Mar. 7

Participants run in underwear-themed outfits to get people talking about the often tabooed disease of colon cancer. A unique, family-friendly run/walk created by the Colon Cancer Alliance. Participants receive a pair of boxer shorts and are encouraged to run in underwear-themed outfits to get people talking about this often tabooed disease.

7am-12pm / Mission Bay Park - De Anza Cove
<https://fundraise.ccalliance.org>

CRSSD Festival Mar. 7-8

A two-day electronic music festival featuring three stages and 36+ performers. In addition to the music, the festival will offer craft beer, mixed drinks, food, and more.

Sat 12pm-Sun 10pm / San Diego County Waterfront Park
www.crssdfest.com

Spring Busker Festival Mar. 7-8

We bring professionals from across the country to perform their bizarre talents from sword swallowing to knife throwing to pogo stick tricks and juggling on unicycles. Throughout the two-day festival, some of the nation's top performers fill the bay front village drawing visitors to shop, dine and enjoy an entire day of one-of-a-kind entertainment.

12-6pm / Seaport Village
619-530-0704 / www.seaportvillage.com

Mariachi Festival Mar. 8

Join us to enjoy the wonderful performances of great Mariachi groups and Folkloric Dance groups throughout the day.

11am-7pm / Bayside Park, Chula Vista
619-477-9339 / www.mariachifest.com

San Diego Latino Film Festival Mar. 12-22

An 11 day celebration of Latino Cinema, Arts & Culture. The festival will present over 160 films from Latin America, the United States, and Spain as well as Opening Night and Closing Night Parties, the 5th Annual Sabor Latino - Food, Beer & Wine Festival, Q&A sessions with visiting filmmakers and free student screenings.

See website for schedule. / AMC Fashion Valley 18
619-230-1938 / www.sdlatinofilm.com

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St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival Mar. 14

Join more than 30,000 attendees in our annual celebration featuring a parade with over 120 entries. Following the parade, an event-filled Irish Festival features live entertainment on 3 Stages. In the morning we have Irish Step Dancers and then we have a full afternoon line-up with Irish Folk singers and bands. All day there are Craft Booths, a Celtic Food Village and other Food Booths, a Beer Garden and a Kids Zone.

9am-6pm, Parade 10:30am / Balboa Park www.stpatparade.org

San Diego shamROCK Mar. 14

Frolic through a clover field with your green beer or Irish whiskey libation as 6 blocks of the Gaslamp Quarter get covered with over 50,000 square feet of luscious emerald green astroturf! Bust out your best jig with performances by traditional Irish steppers, or shake your clovers across 3 stages of non-stop live music including nationally recognized Irish rock and Celtic bands, top DJs and more!

2pm-Midnight / Gaslamp Quarter www.sandiegoshamrock.com

St. Patrick's Day 10K Run Mar. 14

St. Patrick's Day 10K Run and 2-4 Mile Run/Walk. Features: Awesome Medals to all Finishers, Domino's Pizza and Beer at the finish, High quality tech shirt, 10K Awards to top 3 in each age division.

7:45am / Mission Bay Park www.kathyloperevents.com/stpatricks10k

Sabor Latino Food, Beer & Wine Fest Mar. 14

Enjoy unlimited food tastings inspired by celebrated Latino chefs, as well as unlimited beer and wine tastings provided by some of the best craft breweries and wineries from San Diego and Baja California! We'll also have live music w/ Kimba Light and live art showcases all day!

1-5pm / Fashion Valley Mall www.sdlatinofilm.com

Rocket Con Mar. 20-22

You will find many unique vendors selling all kinds of geeky collectibles from statues to comics and games. You can also meet some spectacular artists within our Artist Alley, introduce yourself to some professional cosplayers, or better yet, take a picture with them!

10am-5pm / Scottish Rite Event Center www.sdrocketcon.com

Rough N' Cut Show Mar. 21

Rough stone, yard rock, lapidary materials, equipment, minerals, crystals, gemstones and more!

11am-4pm / Fallbrook Gem & Mineral Society www.fgms.org

Best Coast Beer Fest Mar. 21

Bringing together over 100 breweries from all across the Best Coast, the festival will allow nearly 5,000 beer lovers the opportunity to sippity, sip, sip on over 200 beers from 100 of the West Coast's best breweries. Every ticket sold goes to support Cuck Fancer and helps young adult cancer patients and survivors.

1-4pm / Embarcadero Marina Park North <https://bestcoastbeerfest.com>

Bark in the Park Mar. 21

Bring your family and dog for a day of fun to help raise funds for the Live Oak Dog Park! Dog walk, contest, booths and demonstrations.

10am-2pm / Live Oak Dog Park, Fallbrook www.liveoakdogpark.org

The Julian Daffodil Show Mar. 21-22

Visit Julian to marvel at Daffodils on display and have any questions about daffodils answered by National Daffodil Society experts. It will also feature Children's Art - Water Colors of Daffodils.

12-5pm / Julian Town Hall www.visitjulian.com

Carlsbad 5000 Mar. 21-22

The event features multiple age-group races throughout the morning leading up to the legendary pro women's and men's races. The "Party by the Sea" gets started as soon as the first runners cross the finish line with participants 21 and older celebrating in the Pizza Port beer garden with two complimentary craft brews and runners of all ages rocking out to live music on the streets of the Carlsbad Village. <https://carlsbad5000.com>

San Diego Cake Show Mar. 21-22

Themed "Red Carpet Cakes", this is a weekend with celebrity chef appearances, raffles, cake competitions, classes by world-renowned cake artists, shopping from the top caking vendors, and free stage demos. Features a cake design competition open to everyone, a variety of decorating classes for all skill levels, skills & decorating demonstrations, plus raffles and vendor booths featuring a wide range of decorating tools, tips, and supplies.

10am-5pm / Del Mar Fairgrounds www.sandiegocakeshow.com

San Diego Hot Chocolate 15K & 5K Road Race Mar. 22

Each Hot Chocolate 15/5K race features both a 15K (9.3 miles) and 5K (3.1 miles) distance and all runners are encouraged to join the fun! It benefits Make-A-Wish®, a national charity that creates life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses. The best goodie bags in running, free instantaneous race photos and scrumptious post-race treats are just three reasons you'll want to sign up.

6:45am / Petco Park, Park Boulevard www.hotchocolate15k.com/sandiego

Community Service Fair Mar. 25

Encourage students to develop skills, make contacts, and allow them to improve the quality of their community.

11:30am-1pm / Fallbrook High School <https://fallbrookhs.fuhd.net>

Veterans Appreciation Golf Tournament Mar. 27

It will be an amazing day of fun with 18 holes, boxed lunch provided, business networking and a dinner during the awards ceremony.

11am-6pm / Carlton Oaks Golf Club, Santee
619-449-1515 / www.santeechamber.com

Race for Autism Mar. 28

Featuring a SUPERHERO 5K chip timed run, 5K walk or 1-mile Family Fun Walk, scenic Balboa Park course, educational resource fair, children's activities, music, commemorative medals, and t-shirts, capes for kids, prizes, refreshments and more! Costumes and strollers welcome! Help NFAR (National Foundation for Autism Research) continue to change lives.

7am-12pm / Balboa Park www.raceforautism.org

Mr. Smith Goes to Washington Mar. 28

A tribute to Fallbrook's own, Frank Capra! A idealistic man is appointed to fill a vacancy in the United States Senate. He soon finds out about political corruption. Come learn about Fallbrook History and support the Fallbrook Historical Society.

2pm & 6pm / Fallbrook Mission Theater: 231 N Main Ave.
760-253-8904 / www.fallbrookmissiontheater.com

San Diego Awesome '80s Run 5K & 10K Mar. 29

All finishers receive a Totally Awesome '80s Finishers Medal & a Circa 1980s Style T-shirt. Wacky costumes, neon shorts and leggings, wild colorful hairstyles, big glasses, headbands and scrunchies, stylish leotards, and many other ridiculous costumes will be worn on race day.

7:15-11am / Embarcadero Park South
www.awesome80srun.com/san-diego