

WHAT'S HAPPENING SEPTEMBER



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[DISCOVERVAIL.COM](https://www.discovervail.com)

Official Website of the Town of Vail for events, happenings, and things to do!

VAIL JAZZ FESTIVAL

JULY 9-SEPTEMBER 4

Live jazz returns to Vail this summer with the 28th Annual Vail Jazz Festival! The festival will run from July 9 - September 4, 2023 with a robust series of world class jazz performances in the heart of Vail, featuring the very best in hot jazz, bebop, bossa nova, gypsy jazz, big band sounds and more!

The Vail Jazz Festival takes place in two iconic Vail locations, with special events speckled throughout other locations. Thursday evening performances take place under the Jazz Tent in the heart of Lionshead Village, and free Sunday performances take place on the Solaris Plaza in Vail Village. www.vailjazz.org

VAIL FARMERS' MARKET & ART SHOW

SUNDAYS

9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Vail Farmers Market is entering 23 years in Vail on Meadow Drive. The event started with a few tents and now has grown to over 148 tents for 16 Sundays of the summer. Our vendors have been handpicked with our guests in mind. Enjoy strolling down East Meadow Drive in Vail while tasting treats from Colorado.

vailfarmersmarket.com

GERALD R FORD AMPHITHEATER

The majesty and splendor of the Rocky Mountains meets world-class entertainment.

970.845.8497 or [grfavail.com/events](https://www.grfavail.com/events)

- SEPTEMBER 2: PIXIES AND MODEST MOUSE WITH SPECIAL GUEST CAT POWER
- SEPTEMBER 3: TASH SULTANA

VAIL DUCK RACE

SEPTEMBER 3

The Vail Duck Race normally puts about 15,000 ducks in Gore Creek. The ducks start at the Covered Bridge in Vail Village and race to the International Bridge also in Vail Village. The first duck across the finish line wins \$5,000 for the person who adopted it. Local Vail Valley businesses donate prizes for the second, third, fourth etc. duck winners.

[vailduckrace.com](https://www.vailduckrace.com)

HOT SUMMER NIGHTS CONCERT SERIES

Moe's Original BBQ Hot Summer Nights is a FREE annual concert series at 6:30 p.m. throughout the summer at the Gerald R. Ford Amphitheater (The Amp). Gates will open at 5:30 p.m.

[grfavail.com/hot-summer-nights](https://www.grfavail.com/hot-summer-nights)

- SEPTEMBER 7: VVF COMMUNITY CONCERT: OTHER BROTHERS

VAIL OKTOBERFEST

SEPTEMBER 8-10 & SEPTEMBER 15-17

Join us in one of the most iconic mountain destinations in North America, Vail, Colorado this September for the 2023 Vail Oktoberfest. We're bringing Bavarian fun to Vail with two weekends full of Oktoberfest activities!

Festival guests will enjoy classic Bavarian fare including brats, spaetzle, pretzels, and more. In addition to eating like a true Bavarian, the festival features authentic music and dance.

Vail Oktoberfest has been named among the 10 greatest Oktoberfest celebrations in the United States by USA Today.

[oktoberfestvail.com](https://www.oktoberfestvail.com)

BUSINESSES, BOGEYS & BRAGGING RIGHTS CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

SEPTEMBER 14

The Vail Recreation District (VRD) and Vail Chamber & Business Association (VCBA) will host the 10th annual Businesses, Bogeys and Bragging Rights Community Golf Tournament on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2023 at the Vail Golf Club to benefit the VRD's Tom Slaughter Jr. Memorial Youth Recreation Grant. [vailchamber.org](https://www.vailchamber.org)

Vail Village Welcome Center
241 South Frontage Road
970.477.3522

Lionshead Welcome Center
395 South Frontage Road West
970.477.3523



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VAIL CONCOURS AND CAR SHOW

SEPTEMBER 15-17

The Vail Concours is a multi-day, annual automotive event, hosted in beautiful Vail, Colorado. Since 2009, the Vail Concours draws a diverse group of automotive enthusiasts from across the United States and Canada. Entries range from contemporary supercars and sports cars to vintage collector cars and motorcycles. Lionshead Village and the Lionshead Base of Vail Mountain is filled with spectacular cars. Free to the public to mix and mingle with the exhibitors and view the cars. vailconcours.com

VAIL COMEDY SHOW: KATIE HANNIGAN

SEPTEMBER 21

The Vail Comedy Show brings nationally touring comedians to Vail that have been featured in film and television like Late Night with Stephen Colbert on CBS, CONAN, HBO, Comedy Central, NBC and more.

vailcomedyshow.com

CLIMB IT FOR CLIMATE

SEPTEMBER 23, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Vail becomes the epicenter of Climate Awareness when individuals, families, and teams climb to Eagle's Nest atop Vail Mountain. Along the way, Walking Mountains presents simple things that each of us can do to help reach our Climate Action Goals here in Eagle County. Let's demonstrate to the world that small steps can make a big difference!

walkingmountains.org/event/climb-it-for-climate/

FREE COMMUNITY YOGA @ SOLARIS

SATURDAYS UNTIL SEPTEMBER 9

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Awaken your energy and breathe in the fresh mountain air with this lighthearted, fun and free yoga class taught by Vail's top yoga teachers from the Gravity Haus. Bring your own yoga mat or towel, sunscreen, water, and friends. Event is rain or shine.

dryland.fitness/vail

VAIL GOLF CLUB

Highlighted by views of the Gore Mountain Range, Vail's mountain-style, 18-hole course features unique fairways, smooth putting surfaces and a scenic layout amidst the White River National Forest.

970.479.2260 or vailrec.com

BETTY FORD ALPINE GARDENS

DAILY, EDUCATION CENTER OPEN 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

At 8,250 feet above sea level, the spectacular Betty Ford Alpine Gardens in Vail, Colorado is the highest and one of the most visited botanical gardens in North America. Providing free access to over 100,000 visitors annually, the Gardens delight and educate with each changing season. Offering visitors beautiful streams and waterfalls, golden aspens during the change of the season, and peaceful hibernation while snow covers the ground.

970.476.0103 or bettyfordalpinegardens.org

- VOLUNTEER GARDENING
MONDAY & THURSDAY
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- GARDEN TOUR
MONDAY, THURSDAY & SATURDAY UNTIL
SEPTEMBER 4
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
\$10 (tickets required) Meet at Education Center
- YOGA IN THE GARDENS
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY UNTIL
SEPTEMBER 15
9 a.m. - 10 a.m. | \$20 (cash only)

COLORADO SNOWSPORTS MUSEUM

DAILY, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

The Colorado Snowsports Museum is a world-class museum, unique gift shop and intimate theater. Located on the third level of the Vail Village Parking Structure.

970.476.1876 or snowsportsmuseum.org

- VAIL HISTORY TOUR
TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
11 a.m. - 12 p.m. | \$10 per person

BILL WRIGHT TENNIS CENTER

The Bill Wright Tennis Center offers a slice of heaven, eight Har-Tru clay courts, and four hard courts with the Gore Range as a stunning backdrop. Open daily in the summer, the Tennis Center includes a full-service pro shop that rents racquets and courts, offers private lessons, and provides clinics for all ages. 970.479.2294 or vailrec.com

GOLDEN PEAK PICKLEBALL CENTER

One of the finest outdoor pickleball facilities on the Western Slope, the Golden Peak Pickleball Center features six dedicated pickleball courts, generous spacing around each court, a shaded seating area, drinking fountain water bottle filling station and bathroom facilities. 970.390.2952 or vailrec.com

VAIL PUBLIC LIBRARY

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Located on the in-town bus route, the library includes over 52,000 fiction, non-fiction, visual media, and audio books, plus more than 300 magazine subscriptions and newspapers in print or electronic format. Free computer stations and WIFI. 970.479.2184 or vaillibrary.com

- IN-PERSON STORY TIME
MONDAY, WEDNESDAY | 11 a.m.
- BILINGUAL STORY TIME
SATURDAY | 11 a.m.
- ZUMBA
MONDAY | 5:30 p.m.
- STORYWALK AT BIGHORN PARK (EAST VAIL)
An innovative and delightful way for children and adults to enjoy reading and the outdoors at the same time! vaillibrary.com/storywalk

IMAGINATION STATION

OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY

Located on 2nd floor of Lionshead Parking Structure. Imagination Station features a thoughtful play space to integrate physical and cognitive learning. For all children and their families. Check hours and availability prior to reserving a time slot.

\$10 for children, \$5 for adults

970.479.2292 or vailrec.com

VAIL NATURE CENTER

MONDAY-SATURDAY UNTIL MID-SEPTEMBER

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

This seven-acre facility, in the heart of Vail, is a tranquil gem to explore the web of trails along Gore Creek or come inside to learn from the exhibits and knowledgeable staff.

970.479.2291 or www.walkingmountains.org

- S'MORES & MORE CAMPFIRE TALK
THURSDAY UNTIL SEPTEMBER 7
7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. | \$10 (reservations required)
- CREEKSIDE NATURE TOUR
SUNDAY
11 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. | Free (reservations recommended)
Meet at Walking Mountains Science Center booth at the Vail Farmers' Market

NATURE DISCOVERY CENTER

FRIDAY-SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m..

Located at the top of the Eagle Bahn Gondola and operated by the Walking Mountains Science Center.

970.754.4675 or walkingmountains.org

- MODERATE NATURE HIKE
FRIDAY-SUNDAY
10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Ages 12+ | Free (lift ticket required)
- EASY NATURE HIKE
FRIDAY-SUNDAY
1 p.m. – 2 p.m.
All Ages | Free (lift ticket required)

EPIC DISCOVERY

DAILY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4

FRIDAY-SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8 – OCTOBER 1

10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Located at the top of the Eagle Bahn Gondola.

970.754.8245 or vail.com

- Forest Flyer Mountain Coaster
- Bungee Trampoline
- Eagle's Nest Tubing
- Marmot Mini Kids Tubing
- Kid's Zipline
- Paramount Peak Climbing Wall
- Mini Golf

VAIL GYMNASTICS CENTER

Tumble, bounce, and cartwheel at the Vail Gymnastics Center, a 9,000 square-foot, state-of-the-art facility, which houses martial arts, trampoline, fencing and gymnastics for all ages. Walk-in guests are welcome to join classes and visiting competitive gymnasts can join the team for practices while in the area. Drop-ins are welcome.

970.479.2287 or vailrec.com

BOWLING

Deca + Bol offers a unique dining and family entertainment experience. With a full-service dining room and sixty-foot bar, we also have an ace up our sleeve with ten lanes of bowling glory. At Solaris Vail on East Meadow Drive.

970.476.5300 or decabolvail.com

VAIL SYMPOSIUM

Affordable, thought-provoking, and diverse programs for all. The Vail Symposium is a non-profit organization that has been part of the life and history of Vail since 1971. Their mission is to provide educational programs for the Vail Valley community that are thought-provoking, diverse, and affordable.

970.476.0954 or vailsymposium.org

- SEPTEMBER 6, 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Food with Intention on a Fragile Planet with David Moscow
- SEPTEMBER 20, 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Anything That Does Happen Can Happen: An Evening with Col. John Alexander & George Knapp
- SEPTEMBER 22, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.
For the Love of the Mountains: A Film Screening and Q&A with Michael Wirth and Jim Butterworth

RELIGIOUS

- Vail Interfaith Chapel - vailchapel.com
- B'nai Vail Services - bnaivail.org
- Chabad Vail - jewishvail.com

VAIL WELCOME CENTERS

DAILY, 9AM-5PM

Visit with our friendly and knowledgeable staff. Get local advice and browse our extensive supply of brochures and magazines. vailgov.com/visiting/welcome-centers

- *Lionshead Welcome Center*
Located on the bottom level of the Lionshead Parking Structure. 970.477.3523
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