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## Kick single-use plastics to curb for monthlong challenge

Summer's oft hottest month is a great opportunity to invest in a reusable, insulated thermos to hydrate for outdoor adventures. Refreshments of choice will stay cold throughout each activity and this simple, effective switch can serve as your own contribution to Plastic Free July.

The global movement gives individuals around the world an opportunity to eliminate or reduce their usage of single-use plastics throughout the month and even establish new eco-friendly habits that can be implemented beyond the month of focus.

Over the last five years, a staggering 10 billion kgs of household waste has been avoided thanks to participants of this annual

challenge whose efforts to make a change worked to the benefit of cleaner streets, healthy oceans and beautifying their local and global communities.

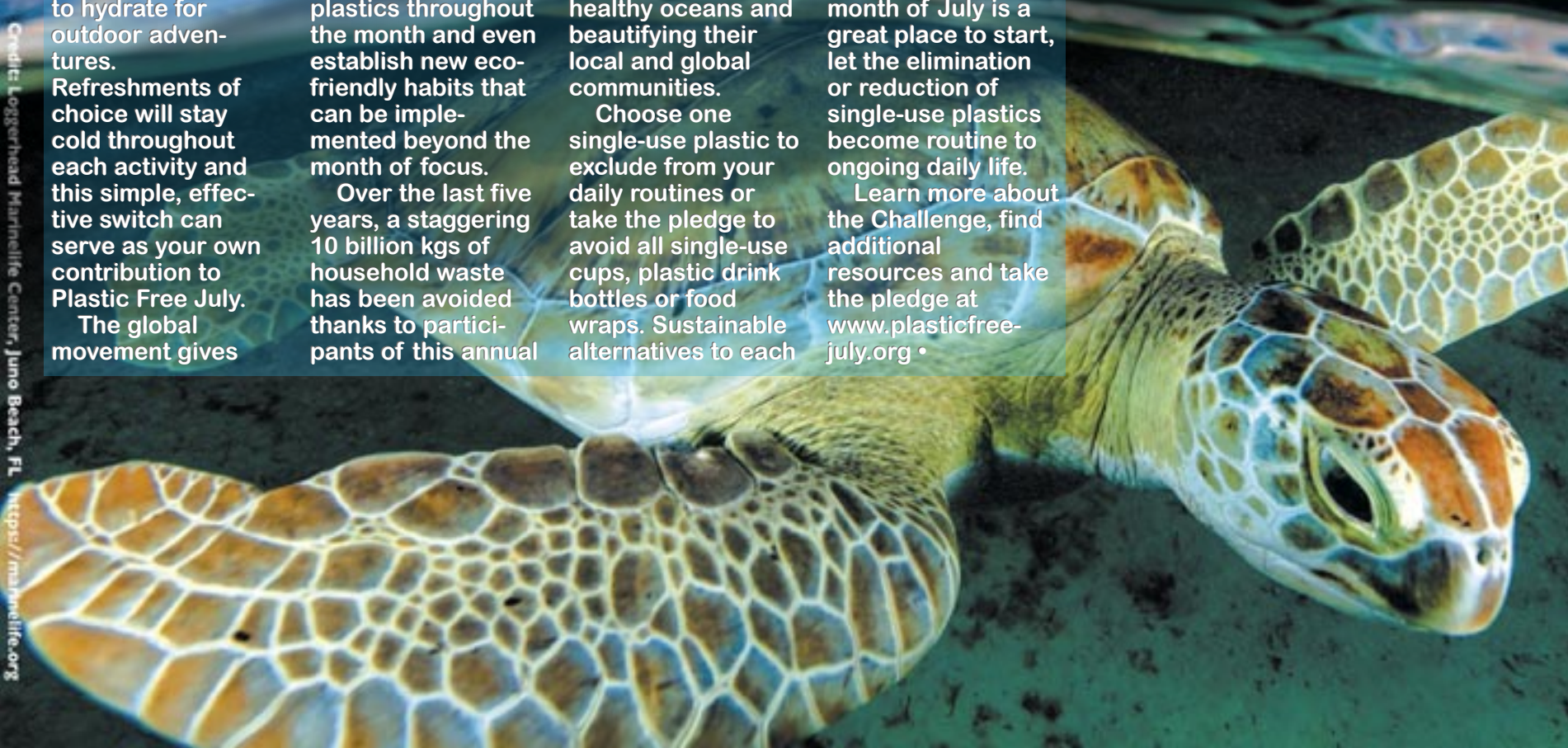
Choose one single-use plastic to exclude from your daily routines or take the pledge to avoid all single-use cups, plastic drink bottles or food wraps. Sustainable alternatives to each

of these items are readily available and the impact is immense.

Though the month of July is a great place to start, let the elimination or reduction of single-use plastics become routine to ongoing daily life.

Learn more about the Challenge, find additional resources and take the pledge at [www.plasticfree-july.org](http://www.plasticfree-july.org)

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# MT brewing subject of MOR's popular outdoor event

Bask in the summer sun for a returning favorite event to the grounds of Museum of the Rockies. MOR's beloved **Hops & History** benefit event celebrates Montana's agricultural history at its Living History Farm. It will be held Wednesday, July 24th, beginning at 5:30pm.

This festive summer gathering invites all to come with friends – bring your blanket or chairs and a picnic basket of your favorite treats. Event organizers will provide additional light appetizers to pair with live music and talks about the history of brewing in Montana.

The ticket price includes live music, educational talks, appetizers and four beer tastings, plus a full glass of your favorite choice. Breweries from across Montana will attend, including Smelter City Brewing of Anaconda, Helena's Blackfoot River Brewing, Bozeman's own New Hokkaido Beverage Co, and Carter's Brewing, visiting from Billings. The cash bar allows you to purchase additional beer if desired.

Hops & History tickets are \$35 for MOR members and \$40 for non-members. This is a 21+ event. Purchase yours through the Museum website.

Alongside its new exhibit

*Dragons, Unicorns & Mermaids: Mythic Creatures*, MOR's **Living History Farm** is now open for the summer season, allowing visitors to experience what life was like in the Treasure State more than 100 years ago.

In 1989, the Tinsley House was relocated to Museum, bringing with it the history of Montana's homesteading era. Skilled costumed interpreters will take you back in time as they cook over a wood-burning stove, demonstrate cooking skills and recipes from the 1890s, tend to the Heirloom Garden, and forge iron in the blacksmith's shop. Take time this summer to enjoy the beautiful sights of the

garden, the smells of home cooking, and the history of a time gone by that lives on today.

The Living History Farm is included with Museum admission. Hours are 11am–5pm. Again this year, register for special events centered around life with the Tinsleys and indigenous cooking. Find additional information and registration details through the MOR website.

MOR is open from 9am–5pm daily. For more information about featured exhibits, membership details and Hops & History tickets, visit [www.museumoftherockies.org](http://www.museumoftherockies.org).



# Annual MCMS music fest comes to regional venues

The Montana Chamber Music Society celebrates its annual **Montana Chamber Music Festival** with local performances on July 23rd, 24th and 26th. The Monday performance will be held at Big Sky's Wilson Hotel, followed by a Tuesday show at Livingston's Shane Lalani Center for the Arts, then moving to Bozeman for a Friday program at Reynolds Recital Hall on the Montana State University campus. The Big Sky and Bozeman performances begin at 7pm, and 7:30pm in Bozeman.

This year's program will center around Aaron Copland's *Appalachian Spring* (Suite for 13 instruments) plus selections from Mark O'Connor's *Appalachia Waltz*, Martinu's *3 Madrigals*

for violin and viola, Arthur Foote's *Night Piece* for flute and string quartet, Paul Schoenfield's *Café Music* for piano trio, and Mikhail Glinka's *Trio Pathétique* for piano, clarinet and bassoon.

Performers include Angella Ahn (violin), Jun-Ching Lin (violin), Jihye Sung (violin), Elizabeth York (violin), Chi-Chi Lin Bestmann (viola), Dana Rokosny (viola), Jessie Reagen (cello), Sara Stalnaker (cello), Josh Schwalbach (bass), Immanuel Davis (flute), Bil Jackson (clarinet), Ben Greanya (bassoon) and Michele Levin (piano).

The festival includes additional performances at 4pm on July 21st at St. Timothy's Memorial Chapel in Georgetown Lake, a special "Young

Artists Concert" at 7:30pm on July 22nd at Reynolds Recital Hall, a regular festival performance at 7pm on July 27th at St. Paul's Church in Virginia City, and at 3pm on July 28th at Butte's Immaculate Conception Church. Visit the MCMS website for additional details and ticketing access.

Admission to all Montana Chamber Music Society performances is \$35 for adults, \$25 for seniors, and \$10 for students. Tickets may be purchased at [www.montanachamber-musicsociety.org](http://www.montanachamber-musicsociety.org). These are also available at the door, depending on availability. Net proceeds from these programs support MCMS's mission to present great chamber music performances throughout Montana year-round. •

# One-off comedy show spotlights classroom antics

Bringing their national tour to Bozeman this month, the funniest teacher-comedians in the world front **The Struggle Is Real Comedy Tour** when educational troupe Bored Teachers come to the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture for one night only. The performance is set for Friday, July 26th, in the Emerson's Crawford Theater. It begins at 7:30pm.

Bored Teachers are BACK with all new material on their 2024 comedy tour. For years, Bored Teachers

Studios has brought a sense of humor to teachers around the world to ease their daily struggle in the classroom. They've amassed over a billion views on their viral videos on social media, over 10 million followers, and the no. 1 ranked teacher-comedy podcast, high on the list of all stand up comedy shows on Apple Podcasts.

Since 2022, Bored Teachers has been selling out comedy clubs and major theatres across 49 states, bringing laughter to over 150,000

teachers throughout the school year and has become the main event to attend in all of teacher world. Even non-teacher fans have reviewed it as one of the funniest stand up shows they've ever seen! The Bored Teachers Show is a comedy powerhouse that anyone who's ever been in a classroom can relate to.

Advanced tickets for *The Struggle Is Real* range \$46–\$66 and are available through [www.theemerson.org](http://www.theemerson.org). The performance is suitable for all ages. •

# Wednesdays @ Emerson feature live music & fun

Join your friends and neighbors for a summer favorite returning to the Emerson this month. **Lunch on the Lawn** will unfold every Wednesday from 11:30am–1:30pm, July 10th through July 31st.

A favorite Bozeman tradition, this free community event features live music, local food vendors and children's activities. Entertain the kids while enjoying music and mingling with other parents. Or, get away from your desk and soak up some sunshine on the Emerson's west lawn. Here's a look at the upcoming music lineup.

Opening the series on July 10th is **Emma & the Ledge**. The duo skillfully create a sound that's luminous and atmospheric, yet energizing enough to send an audience to their feet. Their music weaves together blues, alternative, rock, folk and independent styles utilizing a mix of acoustic and electric guitars.

**West Dakota Stutter** follow with a July 17th performance. Featuring some of Bozeman's most seasoned musicians, the multi-piece delivers a fun, folk-rock sound with originals and cuts from the members' previous projects.

**Estelle & the North Black Band** are set for July 24th. The four-piece ensemble brings decades of experience in a variety of styles and genres like blues, rock and jazz. The band captures the essence of each genre while also bringing a

unique flair to every performance.

Closing out the series on July 31st are **Little Jane & the Pistol Whips**. Locally born lead singer Ashly Jane's dynamic voice has a vintage country feel like Loretta Lynn, covering a breadth of ballads to barn dance top tapping tunes that delight audiences across the Big Sky and beyond. Inspired by the mountains and prairies of Montana from the winding passes to lonely dusty roads, Little Jane's new album, *The Long Road Ahead*, is a love letter to the Treasure State.

Numerous food vendors will be on site during each event for those who don't feel like packing a lunch. Delish! All events are free and open to the public. Also on the above Wednesdays, the Emerson will host **Community Open Mic Nights** with closing performances by four local bands: **Plurb** on July 10th, **Group Hug** on July 17th, **Trio Grandio** on July 24th and **StILGONE** on July 31st. The events will feature food vendors, local artists and family activities and will be held from 5–8pm each night.

Located at 111 S Grand Ave., the Emerson Center for the Arts & Culture serves as a primary resource for the arts, arts education, and cultural activities in Southwest Montana. Learn more about Lunch on the Lawn and other happenings at [www.theemerson.org](http://www.theemerson.org). •

# Sweet Pea settles into Lindley next month

Art and community meet as the **Sweet Pea Festival** returns to the Bozeman area for its 2024 event, Friday to Sunday, August 2nd–4th in celebration of its 47th year.

Sweet Pea is a three-day festival of the arts held the first weekend in August. The festival kicks off late Friday afternoon in Lindley Park with a performance by Montana Shakespeare in the Parks. Saturday ramps up with a children's run and parade that lead the community to the park where the festivities continue through Sunday evening.

Weekend entertainment comes in many forms – music of all genres, performances by local theatre and dance troupes, workshops, family friendly entertainment and activities, a flower show, a beer and wine garden featuring Montana microbrews,

and countless arts and crafts vendors to stroll through and purchase unique gifts for yourself, family and friends.

The week leading up to the Festival offers additional fun-filled, community events. Artists of all skill levels converge on Main Street for 'Chalk on the Walk' Tuesday morning, followed by a Sweet Pea-sponsored Music on Main on Thursday night downtown. The Sweet Pea Art Show will be on display at the ERA Landmark Downtown Visitor's Center as well.

And of course, one of the biggest draws of Sweet Pea is the live music! This year's slate will include headlining performances by **Rayland Baxter**, **John Craigie** and **Po' Ramblin Boys**. Also appearing will be Oliver Hazard,

Left on Tenth, Ken Yates, Doc Robinson, March Fourth, Dustbowl Revival, Cole & the Thornes and Alysha Brilla.

Events leading up to Festival weekend are complimentary. Entry to those in Lindley Park requires the purchase of an admission wristband – Full Weekend Access wristbands are \$40 and free for kids 12 and under. Weekend passes will be \$60 beginning Aug. 2nd, or \$40 per day. These may be found at the main box office – located in front of the Bozeman Library.

There's SO much dance, theatre, family entertainment, and other activities to discover! For further festival information and to purchase 2024 wristbands, visit [www.sweet-peafestival.org](http://www.sweet-peafestival.org). •

# Bogert Park to host SLAM summer cultural festival

Soon taking up residency in Bogert Park for its annual event showcase, the **Summer SLAM Festival** will take place Saturday and Sunday, August 3rd and 4th. As it has in years past, the 2024 festival will feature artists and performers, culinary artisans and family activities, as well as breweries and distilleries from around the state. One of the unique aspects of the SLAM festival is its spirit of inclusion and community. Free to attend, the summer festival is open to everyone to come and enjoy and connect with the creative people of our great state.

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deeper appreciation for the end result. Those gift shopping are assured their recipient will be given a handmade gift that is unique and embodies the spirit of the artist.

### Artist Demonstrations

While perusing the amazing artists at SLAM, there may be a curiosity about the processes necessary to create such unique and collectible works. The SLAM demonstration tent is the perfect place to explore. Demonstrating artists will give in-depth presentations in a casual setting where audience members are encouraged to engage with the artists and ask questions about their processes. The demonstrations will offer a glimpse at the passion required to create art as a career.

### Live Music & Performances

The SLAM lineup features the immense talent of the many musicians right here in our state. With sets by local bands and singer/songwriters, the stage musicians are sure to impress and represent a wide range of genres for attendees' listening pleasure. In addition to the world class music lineup, the stage at SLAM will showcase alternate performances of dance and more.

### Artisanal Food

One of the benefits of growth in our state is the introduction of new flavors on the food scene. Rest assured, you can still get a traditional hot dog or a hand-scooped ice cream cone at SLAM, but you can also choose from diverse culinary offerings sure to tantalize every taste bud. Be sure to bring a hearty appetite, because you're going to want to taste something from every one of the culinary artisans bringing their delicious dishes to the festival grounds.

### Montana Libations Garden

A refreshing adult beverage can really complement a meal from one of the food artisans at SLAM. Step into the libations garden and you'll find something sure to hit the spot, no matter your preference of pour. The microbrewery scene in Montana has exploded in recent years, and SLAM is proud to exclusively serve delicious beers from Montana breweries. If liquor is more your speed, distilleries from around the state will be offering samples of some of their products and featured cocktails.

The 2024 Summer SLAM Festival is the perfect place to celebrate the Arts in Montana. Festival hours are 10am–7pm on Saturday, and 10am–5pm on Sunday. FREE of admission. Come support local artists and musicians at SLAM! Learn more about the event at [www.slamfestivals.org](http://www.slamfestivals.org). •

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## Depot hosts three days of fine art, crafts, food & fun

The Depot Festival of the Arts is back! The Livingston Depot will host its 36th annual **Festival of the Arts** July 2nd–4th. Festival hours are from 10am to 6pm on Tuesday and Wednesday, and from 10am to 5pm on Thursday, the Fourth of July.

The Festival of the Arts showcases fine artists and crafters from Montana and the western region into the juried show. Past and new vendors will present oil paintings, photography, woodwork, ceramics, jewelry, metal work, apparel, repurposed antiques, stained glass, herbals, toys and more. This year, to allow more vendors the opportunity to present their fine work, the Depot continues to expand art, craft, and food offerings into the gorgeous courtyard adjacent to the Depot Museum.

“The Festival is so much fun and

a great way to support local artists. We are so impressed with the quality and diversity of the artists and crafters this year. Between our returning favorites and a new crop of outstanding creators, I think it’s the best mix of work yet,” said Depot director Laura Cota. “We can’t wait to welcome everyone back to Depot Park for the 36th year, and back to our town for the 100th Roundup Rodeo.”

The event also includes a variety of food vendors like mouth-watering BBQ, freshly made crepes, tasty burgers, smoothie bowls, stir-fry combos, chocolates, specialty lemonades, flavored ices, espresso and more.

Visitors can also enjoy the adjacent Depot Museum’s historic rail and Yellowstone exhibits, as well as this year’s special exhibit, “Wondrous

West: Art, Tourism & National Pride.” The curated collection of vintage imagery features advertising campaigns from railroads and travel bureaus spanning nearly a century of America’s romance with Western tourism.

The Depot Festival of the Arts is three days of fine art, charming crafts and the famous Fourth of July festivities of Livingston.

The Depot Museum exhibits are open Monday through Saturday from 10am to 5pm with a nominal admission. Group tours are also welcome, and more information is available through the Depot office at (406) 222-2300 or [www.livingstondepot.org](http://www.livingstondepot.org).

“Wondrous West: Art, Tourism & National Pride” will be on display at the Depot Museum through September 7th. •

## Ellen stages next family musical with spoonful of sugar

Downtown Bozeman’s Ellen Theatre invites audiences to return for Montana TheatreWorks’ latest production, Julian Fellowes’ **Mary Poppins**. Performances will begin July 11th and run through July 28th. Tickets are on sale now.

Montana TheatreWorks proudly presents this Tony Award-winning smash. Featuring a cast of 26 and a sterling 16-piece live orchestra, audiences will enjoy such familiar tunes as “A Spoonful of Sugar,” “Chim Chim Cher-ee,” “Let’s Go Fly a Kite,” “Step in Time” and more. To ensure that your trip to 1910 London is practically perfect in every way, the show features two guest artists from New York. The multi-talented Gail Bennett and Jesse Swimm, who played Mary and

Bert on the Broadway First National Tour, are coming to Bozeman to star on stage at the historic Ellen Theatre.

Based on the books by P.L. Travers and one of Disney’s most beloved movies, the stage musical **Mary Poppins** focuses on Jane and Michael Banks, who drive away yet another nanny, only to meet a most magical person who is, in a word, Supercalifragilistic! Mary Poppins, with her unique blend of discipline and enchantment, takes the children on exciting adventures, with unforgettable songs and exhilarating dance numbers, all while ultimately teaching the family how to love and value each other once again.

Julian Fellowes’ **Mary Poppins** is presented by Montana

TheatreWorks, producers of *Oklahoma!*, *Annie*, *Damn Yankees*, *White Christmas*, *The Sound of Music*, *Fiddler on the Roof* and its annual production of *A Christmas Carol*.

Numerous performances of **Mary Poppins** will be held July 11th–28th with evening shows and Sunday matinees. Tickets to this summer production are \$51.75 with premium seating available. This production is recommended for children ages four and up.

Wine, beer and concessions will be sold in the lobby one hour before each show. Ticketing and further information about these performances and upcoming events is available at [www.theellentheatre.org](http://www.theellentheatre.org).

For additional inquiries, call the box office at (406) 585-5885. •

## Find deals n’ steals with downtown sidewalk sale

The Downtown Bozeman Association and downtown merchants are proud to present the **2024 Crazy Days Summer Sidewalk & In-Store Sale!** It’s the biggest, the best, and the original – set this year for Friday to Sunday, July 19th–21st beginning at 10am each day (times may vary).

Downtown merchants will take to the sidewalks and invite shoppers into their stores for unbelievable sales on spring and summer merchandise. The event will feature over 100 businesses in what has become the summer tradition deal-

seekers look forward to every year.

Stroll downtown and check out the 2024 return of this Bozeman-favorite gathering. This event is FREE and open to the public, and will go on rain or shine. Note: Please visit [www.downtown-bozeman.org](http://www.downtown-bozeman.org) for details about what to expect from this year’s sale, as well as information about participating retailers.

Annual DBA special events include: the Christmas Stroll, Bridal Walk, Crazy Days, Art Walk series, Music on Main, Cruisin’ on Main car show, and many more.

The DBA also administers the Downtown Dollars program and several other downtown enhancement programs.

A member of the Downtown Bozeman Partnership, the purpose of the Downtown Bozeman Association (DBA) is to promote Downtown Bozeman as a center of business, culture and entertainment; to conduct and promote activities and events that build a strong local economy; and to contribute to the well-being, growth and vitality of Downtown Bozeman. •

## Chortles & cheers with Virginia City comedy revue

Raise a glass and exercise your stomach muscles at Virginia City’s historic H. S. Gilbert Brewery, as the **Brewery Follies** have returned for another summer season. The

“For a night of inspired madness, nonsense, foolishness and general absurdity, head to Virginia City and check out the Brewery Follies.” – *The Montana Standard*

*The Brewery Follies’ 2024 Season is underway and runs into September.* Showtime is at 8pm, Wednesday through Saturday, with 4pm matinees on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Reservations are required by phone only. Call (800)



829-2969 to make yours!

This comedy show will keep you talking for days! Due to mature content, parental guidance is suggested. Learn more at [www.breweryfollies.net](http://www.breweryfollies.net). •



Follies will host performances Wednesday through Saturday at 8pm, with additional weekend matinees at 4pm on Saturday and Sunday.

Following its opening over Memorial Day weekend, the variety show delivers another sunny stretch of celebrity impersonations, sketch comedy and live music. This hilarious comedy cabaret – accompanied by your favorite Montana microbrews and standard domestics – will leave your tummy sore for days from laughing and guffawing.

The Brewery Follies are an absurd, wacky, zany, fun-filled contemporary comedy revue featuring music in a cabaret atmosphere that contains biting parody and naughty political-social satire. When you come to see Brewery players, be prepared to let your hair down and unburden yourself from the everyday world of politically correct blues. Leave your uptightness at the door and get ready to have yourself a ball. Expect an experience with song parodies, political satire, impressions, plenty of naughty jokes and just plain FUN!

“...a cabaret show wild enough for any old-time miner.” – *Sunset*  
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**JUNE 27 COOL COOL COOL**  
**JULY 4 THE TINY BAND**  
**JULY 11 EL LABERINTO DEL COCO**  
**JULY 18 THE WOOD BROTHERS**  
**JULY 25 MIKAELA DAVIS**  
**AUGUST 1 CAROLYN WONDERLAND**  
**AUGUST 8 DOOM FLAMINGO**  
**AUGUST 15 ERICA FALLS & VINTAGE SOUL**  
**AUGUST 22 FRUITION**  
**AUGUST 29 THE LIL SMOKIES**  
**SEPTEMBER 5 PINKY AND THE FLOYD**  
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## Locals get their vote on as ‘Best of Bozeman’ begins

Summertime has officially returned to the Treasure State with the collective hope our wet spring will stave off the annual threat of wildfire season as much as it can. The calendar is bursting at the seams with outdoor events in and around the valley to be enjoyed during bluebird days and breezy nights.

We’ve also seen banner years for local business, tourism and recreational opportunities akin to the “Before Times” following a global health crisis. The masses have returned to the streets, filling venues to capacity and the aisles of every store. This summer is anticipated to be Bozeman’s busiest yet.

Though our town is developing into something native Bozemanites may not be particularly fond of, we still must reflect on all the things we love about this place we call home – from our service industries and various forms of entertainment, to our shared access to Southwest Montana’s abundant outdoors.

The time has come to once again join together as a community to reward the efforts of local proprietors and event promoters, name our preferred outdoor activities and natural hotspots. Every vote counts during this annual salute to Bozeman and beyond.

Beginning July 1st, the polls open for the **23rd Annual Best of Bozeman**. The friendly local competition is the original celebration of everything we love about our town and its seemingly infinite offerings. Though *The BoZone* sponsors the poll every year, it’s each voter who decide the winners in each category. This is an opportunity for Southwest Montanans of all ages to have their say in the crowning of area establishments, whether first-time winners or

defending champs.

This year’s voting will again consist of a multiple choice format, displaying area favorites from previous surveys and the option to add a choice not listed. While there are



many categories to represent our area’s finest, voters can decide the winners of as many or as few titles as they please.

Make it a point to give recognition to your favorite food and beverage venues, service industries, live entertainers, small businesses, nonprofits, other local destinations, and so much more. Continuing the tradition, it’s up to each and every one of you to acknowledge Bozeman’s crème de la crème. Log on to [www.bestofbozeman.com](http://www.bestofbozeman.com) to peruse the complete list of 2023 winners and to make your picks. *The 2024 Best of Bozeman voting window is July 1st through August 15th.* •

## Fun-filled Fair touches down with week of entertainment

The Valley’s annual celebration of summer returns! The **Big Sky Country State Fair** loads into the Gallatin County Fairgrounds July 17th–21st for another round of food, fun, music, and so much more!

This year’s night shows will feature hip-hopper Ludacris with help from DJ Infamous and Childish Major, rock n’ rollers Hairball, and country star Joe Nichols with opener Tyler Rich. Returning again this year, the free stage area will showcase regional talent of all varieties every night.

The Bozeman Roundup Ranch Rodeo is back on Saturday, followed on Sunday by the Barnyard Brawl: Mutton Bustin’, calf scramble and kids’ chicken chase. In addition to the carnival rides and games, the Fair will feature several fun-filled and animal-packed activities, PowerHouse! Dance troupe, Tyzen the Hypnotist, Shenanigans Comedy Wild West Show, Paz the

Sports Guy, Wizards Challenge!, competitive exhibits and workshops, among others. Check the motor sports area for the Mud Drag, Tractor Races and more. And as always, the livestock barn will feature animals all week long.

Grounds entertainment included with Fair admission, excluding night shows and rodeo. On-site admission is \$10 for adults, \$4 for youth 6–12, free for those 5 and under, and \$7 for seniors 62+. Concert tickets include fair admission day of. Carnival and rodeo admission sold separately. Advanced weekly passes available through the Fair website.

Gates open at 11am and close at 11pm daily, and 6pm on Sunday. Visit [www.gallatincountyfairgrounds.com](http://www.gallatincountyfairgrounds.com) for presale tickets, event hours, and additional information about all of this year’s festivities. *The Big Sky Country State Fair is July 17th–21st at Gallatin County Fairgrounds.* •

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## 'Music on Main' takes over downtown Bozeman

The Downtown Bozeman Association is proud to present the 24th annual *Music on Main* summer concert series in historic Downtown Bozeman. Music on Main festivities will take place on Main Street between Rouse and Black Ave. on Thursday evenings, July 11th through August 15th. The music begins at 7pm and runs until 8:30pm. This summer's lineup kicks off with roots country and Americana band **Taylor & the Train Robbers** on July 11th, funk/soul multi-piece **Diggin Dirt** on July 18th, Bozeman's own pop rockers **Savvy** on July 25th, psychedelic rock and Americana quintet **North Fork Crossing** on August 1st, the rockin' funk-ska-reggae of **Float Like a Buffalo** on August 8th and eclectic DJ **Michael Weber** closing out the series on August 15th. Bring the kids from 6:30-8pm

for the Coca Cola "Kids' Zone" on South Bozeman Ave. which will feature inflatables and other interactive activities. Grab a bite to eat from one of the many rotating food vendors, step into a few of the downtown stores that'll be open late, and of course, enjoy outstanding live music from popular local and touring bands. While Music on Main features an open container waiver, attendees are reminded that NO glass and aluminum containers or coolers are allowed in the event area. These are smoke and vape-free, family friendly evenings. Please leave the pets at home. Music on Main is a FREE community event hosted by the Downtown Bozeman Association and funded by its many generous business sponsorships. Please visit [www.downtownbozeman.org](http://www.downtownbozeman.org) to learn more about the 2024 series. •

## Shane shows bring live music to Livingston

In collaboration with Mighty Fine Time Live Events, Livingston's Shane Lalani Center for the Arts continues to present another series of FREE outdoor concerts at the newly constructed Blake Pavilion every Thursday this month from 5-8pm. The 2024 *Summer Outdoor Concert Series* will present a variety of dazzling musicians every week. "This Pavilion is a game changer," said Erika Adams, Executive Director of the Shane. "We've had to dodge early summer storms in the past, but this covered event space will give everyone a chance to enjoy the music and stay dry. We're so happy to welcome the community to enjoy this new space." Here's a look at the remaining summer lineup:

- July 11: **Tom Catmull Trio** - Original Americana
  - July 18: **Montana Deluxe** - American rock n' roll & blues
  - July 25: **Jack Barksdale** with **Mike Meadows** - Americana & folk
- Bad Burger and Hot Dog Champion food trucks will be serving sustenance during these events. Beer and wine, snacks and refreshments also available for purchase. Note: Please no outside food or drink. Expanded bicycle parking onsite. Additional vehicle parking available at Lincoln School. Learn more about the Summer Outdoor Concert Series at [www.theshanecenter.org](http://www.theshanecenter.org). The series is generously sponsored by Donald B. Gimbel, Livingston Healthcare, Marcia McCrum in Memory of Bliss McCrum, and Yellowstone Valley Lodge & Grill. •

## Folk Fest fuses world music culture in Mining City

An always anticipated tradition, the *Montana Folk Festival* returns to Butte for its annual summer showcase of diverse talent this month. The event is set for Friday to Sunday, July 12th-14th. Admission is free to all performances during the three-day gathering. More than 20 groups representing a broad diversity of musical and cultural traditions will perform on the festival's six stages. The lineup will include Choro Das 3 (Brazilian choro), Hailu Mergia (Ethiojazz), The Fox Family & Friends (Meti fiddle), Reverie Road (Irish), The Wagaku Collective (Japanese traditional), Sonia and Ismael (Flamenco), Mr. Sipp (Mississippi Delta blues) and Sam Platts (Country & Western swing). Enjoy sets by the likes of Mehrnam Rastegari (Iranian

Kamancheh), Kala Ramnath (Hindustani violin), Nobody's Business (Old-time), 79ers Gang (Mardi Gras Indians), Gary Haleamau & Kawili (Hawaiian traditional), Zuni Olla Maidens (Traditional Zuni dance & song), Los Texmaniacs (Texas conjunto) and The Jerry Douglas Band (Bluegrass). This year's lineup rounds out with Sheryl Cormier (Cajun/Carencro), El Laberinto del Coco (Puerto Rican bomba), Fran Grace (Gospel), Le Vent du Nord (Quebecois) and Fred Thomas of the JB's (r&b/funk). Since 1934, the National Folk Festival has celebrated the roots, richness and variety of American culture through music, dance, culture and cuisine. It is the oldest celebration of traditional arts in the

country. The Montana Folk Festival continues this tradition in our region by highlighting, exploring and celebrating the heritage of diversity and cultural richness that makes our state and our country great. The Butte festival features hundreds of performers and craftspeople with music and dance performances on six stages, workshops, folk-life demonstrations, two festival markets and ethnic and regional foods. Festival hours are 6-10pm on Friday, noon-10pm on Saturday and noon-6pm on Sunday. For additional event details, visit [www.montanafolkfestival.com](http://www.montanafolkfestival.com) or download the Grandstand Events & Guides App. The festival grounds are centered around the Original Mine Yard in Uptown Butte. •

## Veteran troubadour & slide guitarist break in Shane pavilion

The Shane Lalani Center for the Arts will host a special show at their new Henry E. Blake Pavilion on Saturday, July 20th. The performers for this fundraising event are folk legend **Ramblin' Jack Elliott** and Grammy-winning slide guitarist **Roy Rogers**. Russell Lewis, Artistic Director of the Shane Center, said, "It's beyond exciting to have artists of this caliber play for our first major concert in the Henry E. Blake Pavilion. We look forward to years of presenting music and theater to the citizens of Park County in our incredible new venue." Celebrating 92 years young in 2023, Ramblin' Jack Elliott is known for his ever-curious spirit and continues to tour - performing at Carnegie Hall in March. A veteran troubadour-style performer, it is through sharing songs and tales gathered over a career of more than 60 years (through the roots of folk,

blues, Americana, cowboy music and poetry) that this American icon is in his purest element. Mr. Elliott is a Presidential National Medal of Arts recipient with a permanently enshrined seat at Woody Guthrie Center Theater in Tulsa, OK. He's received the 2016 Folk Alliance Lifetime Achievement Award, two Grammy awards, and has released 40 albums. Roy Rogers has dazzled the streets of Livingston with his Delta blues trio the Rhythm Kings at the second Livingston Hoot. He has toured the world and just this October visited Bozeman in his opening set with the legendary Bonnie Raitt. The highlight of the show was when Roy joined Bonnie during the encore for a slide guitar duel. This Grammy winner is known for his extraordinary slide guitar skills, and brings an understanding of the Delta blues to these modern times. He's also known as a

producer, and has worked with artists such as John Lee Hooker and Mr. Elliott. Mr. Rogers has worked with Ramblin' Jack for several decades, and for part of the program, the two will join together to tell stories and perform songs from Jack's amazing career. Executive Director of the Shane Center Erika Adams added, "We want to thank every donor, our Board of Directors, and partners in construction that have made it possible to break ground on the Pavilion. We can't wait to see you all on July 20th." Bob Dylan calls Ramblin' Jack, "the King of the Folk Singers." Don't miss your chance to experience a very rare performance by a true folk icon and Delta blues master. Tickets are available at [www.theshanecenter.org](http://www.theshanecenter.org) or by calling the box office at (406) 222-1420. •

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## Big Sky music fest benefits conservation in MT

The 2024 *Wildlands Festival* is Friday and Saturday, August 2nd-3rd, in Big Sky. As the largest conservation-focused outdoor music festival in Southwest Montana, Wildlands aims to raise awareness and funds for non-profit organizations dedicated to saving wild and open spaces while featuring an all-star lineup of musicians. This summer, the two-day festival will feature country music headliners **Maren Morris** and **Dierks Bentley**. American rock n' roller Lukas Nelson will join Morris on Friday, while Wyatt Flores, troubadour of the gritty American West, will accompany Bentley on Saturday. "The 2024 lineup for Wildlands will be one of our best yet," said Eric Ladd, Founder and Chairman of Outlaw Partners. "Having our community gather on summer nights to experience incredible musicians while raising money for a great cause is what Wildlands is all about." Bentley, whose unique 21st-century career has had a rare consistency fueled by longevity, released his tenth studio album *Grauel & Gold* last year. Since releasing his debut album in 2003, Bentley has achieved success with eight more albums that reached the top of the Country sales charts, resulting in 22 number one songs, eight billion streams, three CMA Awards, 15 Grammy nominations and membership into the Grand Ole Opry. Morris will bring a high energy performance to Montana with her blend of country and pop hits that include "The Middle," "My Church," "The Bones," and selections from her new EP, *Intermission*. Coming off a tour with The Chicks in 2023, the Nashville artist continues to create music with her own unique sound. In its fourth year, Wildlands Festival will continue its commitment to celebrate and support wild and scenic lands through musical performances, fundraising and education in the intimate Big Sky Events Arena with Lone Peak as the backdrop. Last year, over \$500,000 was raised for river conservation, an unprecedented amount for such fundraising efforts. The goal is to continue that momentum this year through sponsorships, ticket sales, donations, musical performances and personal connections with those who share a love for wild places. Advance general admission and VIP tickets on sale now. Full weekend passes and Bozeman shuttle also available for purchase. Visit [www.wildlandsfestival.com](http://www.wildlandsfestival.com) for ticketing access and additional event information. •

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## West kicks off summer music series on Fourth

This summer, West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce will present six nights of FREE outdoor live music in Pioneer Park, located at the corner of Highway 20 and Canyon St. **Music in the Park** is a treat for visitors, where they can experience the old fashioned pleasure of music flowing across the town during this summer concert series. Bring your blankets, chairs and the whole family to enjoy the live entertainment. Come soak up the sound and take in a beautiful Montana sunset! Here's a look at the upcoming festivities.

Opening performances by Zech & Spicy Dave and the Tessa Lou Williams Band will precede **The Powell Brothers** as part of the Fourth of July Celebration on Thursday, July 4th. The music will begin at 5pm following a day of special activities, breaking for the Fourth of July Parade at 6pm, followed by the headlining show. The Houston-based country and Americana duo is fronted by brothers Taylor and Blake Powell. Their sound combines elements of folk-rock, rootsy soul and country, known for their high-energy shows. A spectacular fireworks display will end this day of celebration. Bring the whole family!

Later this month, **Lies or Lullabies** come to West for an incredible performance on Saturday, July 20th. Bo DePeña opens the 6pm show. The Colorado-based rock ensemble performs the music of Bryan Adams and John Cougar Mellencamp. The show will deliver all the hits audiences may remember from two of the best-selling artists of all time.

Opening a new month of shows is **Tail-Hooked** on Friday, August 2nd, with support from John Gospederek at 7pm. Singer/songwriter Zach Nytomt is making his mark in the Americana scene with his unique voice and soulful sound, naming artists like Ryan Adams, Ray LaMontagne, Ryan Bingham and Amos Lee among his

influences. Following on Saturday, August 3rd, Petty tribute **The Waiting** perform at noon. The Bozeman-based roadhouse rock n' roll band celebrates the music of Tom Petty. Expect a blend of his smash hits with the Heartbreakers, a sampling from his solo albums, and even some of his collaborations with the Traveling Wilburys, delivered with fiery live energy.

The following Saturday, August 10th, sees a return performance by **Slamabama**. Charlie Denison and Depot Hill open at 7pm. From the first note to the last encore, the energy and intensity of the band will have your undivided attention. These musicians' incomparable stage presence can only be described as a uniquely perfect blend of country, rock and pop. Slamabama have built a reputation of unequalled stamina on stage as they seamlessly go from one song to the next, always keeping the energy and fun moving to ensure a thrilling concert experience for all.

Closing the summer series on Saturday, August 26th is **Austin English**. Sunsha406 open at 6pm. Building a fanbase with his dynamic vocals and songs authentic and infectious, the Texan country up-and-comer puts on an amazing show. His music is reflective of his rural upbringing but is as eclectic and diverse as the landscape where he was raised.

These live music events are free and open to the public. Learn more about these and other events at [www.destinationyellowstone.com](http://www.destinationyellowstone.com).

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## Bridger brews up 'Ultimate Concert Series'

Bridger Brewing is thrilled to announce the continuation of its highly anticipated Summer Concert Series for 2024. Set against the picturesque backdrop of Three Forks, Montana, this year's concert lineup promises to deliver unforgettable evenings filled with live music, delicious craft brews, and vibrant community spirit.

"We are delighted to welcome music lovers back to Bridger Brewing for another spectacular summer of live performances," said Bridger Brewing owner, David Breck. "Our Summer Concert Series has become a highlight of the season, and we can't wait to share the experience with our community once again."

From indie rock to Americana, blues to bluegrass, the 2024 lineup promises something for everyone. Attendees can look forward to toe-tapping tunes from both local favorites and nationally acclaimed acts.

Next up is acclaimed singer/songwriter **Grace Potter** on Wednesday, July 3rd. The Grammy-nominated artist comes to Southwest Montana in continued support of her latest album, *Mother Road*. Fusing elements of soul, blues, country and timeless rock n' roll with masterful abandon, the LP is an essential insight into the endless nuances of life and love and belonging. After thousands of miles on the road, countless nights at seedy motels, and a heartrending return home, Potter has made her way to the kind of creative freedom that leaves both artist and audience indelibly altered – a freedom that's undeniably led to her masterpiece.

Following on Wednesday, July 10th, Bridger presents a night with **Uncle Kracker**. The multi-platinum selling artist is known for no. 1 hits such as "Follow Me," "Smile" and Kenny Chesney duet "When the Sun Goes Down." His Dobie Gray cover of "Drift Away" set a Billboard record for most weeks at no. 1 on any chart, a staggering 28. Longtime audiences saw this Detroit-native and Kid Rock band alumni fully embrace his country side with his 2012 critically acclaimed album *Midnight Special*. He comes to the Treasure State ahead of the release of his new album, *Coffee & Beer*, with songs that weave the infectious melodies and

clever lyricism he's always been known for. The Dead and Down and Jacob Rountree warm up the crowd for the return of alt-country artist **Paul Cauthen** on Saturday, July 20th. Steward of a rich, resonant, bass-leaning tenor dubbed Big Velvet, the unapologetic artist covers a lot of ground and embodies as many characters. His latest album, *Country Coming Down*, features a sense of campfire calm and "damn near off the map" idyll that set a bar, for both music and lifestyle, that Cauthen aspired to. The album also shows that Cauthen was able to get there without losing any of the playful "hot dog holly golly dagnabit" good-time spirit that rolls off his tongue like a tumbleweed in the west Texas panhandle.

Coming up next month, head out for the two-night **Bridger BrewGrass** fest on August 9th and 10th. The event will feature The Infamous Stringdusters, Molly Tuttle & Golden Highway, Leftover Salmon, Railroad Earth and Yonder Mountain String Band. Closing out the month on Aug. 31st are **Kitchen Dwellers** with help from Moonlight Moonlight and North Fork Crossing. Stay tuned for details.

September will bring the Kalamazoo quintet—Anders Beck [dobro], Michael Arlen Bont [banjo], Dave Bruzza [guitar], Mike Devol [upright bass], and Paul Hoffman [mandolin], known as **Greensky Bluegrass** on the 10th.

In addition to the stellar musical lineup, concert-goers can also enjoy Bridger Brewing's signature handcrafted beers and delectable bites from on-site food trucks. On-site camping options as well as an affordable shuttle bus service from their Bozeman location to the Three Forks location can also be added on when purchasing concert tickets.

Tickets for the Summer Concert Series, camping, and shuttle passes can be purchased at [www.bridgerbrewing.com](http://www.bridgerbrewing.com). Follow Bridger on social media for event updates and the latest announcements.

Join Bridger Brewing this summer for an unforgettable celebration of music, community, and great beer. Whether you're a long-time fan or a first-time visitor, the Summer Concert Series promises to be an experience you won't want to miss. •

## Concert season rocks into late summer with upcoming fest

The Treasure State's rowdiest, guitar-heavy weekend is upon us with the summer return of **Rockin' the Rivers**. Event promoters are thrilled to offer live music fans a hard-driving escape later this summer. The festival is set to return to The Bridge near Three Forks, celebrating more than two decades with its 2024 event. Performances will be held Thursday through Saturday, August 8th–10th.


This year's festival will feature headlining appearances by **Smash Mouth**, **The**

**Wallflowers** and **Stone Temple Pilots**. The Main Stage will also see performances by **The Cadillac Three**, **Cody Parks & the Dirty South**, **The Love Darts**, **Hinder**, **Lilac**, **Smile Empty Soul**, **Hoobastank**, **Blacktop Mojo** and **Simon Says**. As always, numerous regional acts will take to the stage to warm up the crowd! Lineup includes Larry Meyer, Derek Hann, Dan Dubuque, Groove Riders, Haywire, Ticket Sauce Trio, Satin Steel, Allegedly Red, 50 Watt Sun, Blue Tattoo, Voodoo Cadillac,

Liquid Gnar, Mario Miner, Steve Keller, Joe Ryan, Metal Steel, Zamtrip and Blistered Earth.

Celebrate with some of rock's favorite legends and the hottest up-and-comers. Stay to revel in the party that is uniquely Rockin' the Rivers, Montana's largest and most loved rock-fest. Tickets, camping and parking passes are now on sale through the event website.

For two decades, Rockin' the Rivers has been bringing the music of rock legends to Montana for a three-day rock festival – the only one of its kind in the state. The legacy will continue in 2024! Visit [www.rockintherivers.com](http://www.rockintherivers.com) for ticketing information and official outlets, camping info, and more on the festival and its awesome rockin' acts! •

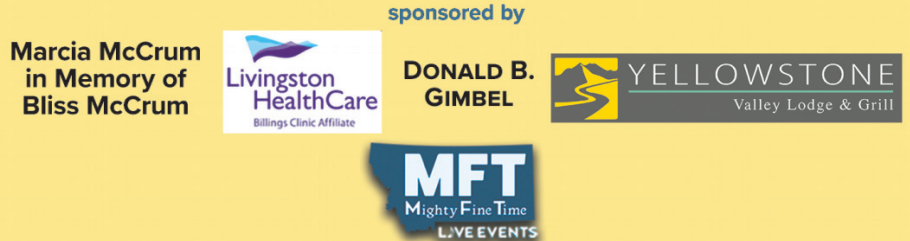


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## Festival goers scurry to White Sulphur for Red Ants

Summer festival season peaks this month with the return of the **Red Ants Pants Music Festival**, whose powerhouse 2024 lineup for the 13th annual event will have audiences swaying in the sunshine. Named the “Montana Event of the Year” by the Montana Office of Tourism, Red Ants Pants is widely known for its lasting impact of mission-based work to increase women’s leadership, promote rural communities, and support working family farms and ranches through the programming of the Red Ants Pants Foundation. The event will take place July 25th–28th on the Jackson Ranch just outside of White Sulphur Springs.

This year’s main stage lineup includes Grammy Award-winning **Lukas Nelson**, Billboard bluegrass chart-toppers **The Devil Makes Three**, as well as Grammy Award-winners **Los Lobos** and **Sarah Jarosz**. Nelson is touring in continued support of his latest album, *Sticks and Stones*, released last year with his band Promise of the Real. Americana trio The Devil Makes Three have been churning out music for twenty years, including *Chains Are Broken*, considered their most sophisticated to date. The group that contributed the bulk of the soundtrack to the 1987 film *La Bamba* have been on the road ever since, releasing countless studio albums including *Native Sons*, their most recent. Multiple Grammy-winning singer/songwriter Sarah Jarosz continues to solidify her place among the Americana greats with brand new album, *Polaroid Lovers*, released early this year.

Also performing this summer are **Drew Holcomb & the Neighbors**, **KT**

**Tunstall**, **Big Richard**, **Bella White**, **Jeffrey Foucault** with **Erik Koskinen**, **Buffalo Nichols**, **Emily Nenni**, **Melissa Carper**, **Adeem the Artist**, **Summer Dean**, **Goldpine** and **Abby Webster & Her Imaginary Band**. **Wild Horses** will headline the annual kickoff street dance with opening support by the **Tanner Laws Band**.

In addition, Red Ants Pants will include 14 side stage performances along with demo area activities designed to teach, showcase and celebrate traditional work skills.

“The depth and diversity of this year’s lineup is truly special, and we cannot wait to welcome so many incredible musicians to join us in the middle of Montana. The Americana legends and rising stars in our lineup are a big draw, but it’s also the mission behind the music that makes the experience so special,” said festival producer Sarah Calhoun. “Red Ants Pants Music Festival fans take so much pride in knowing that long after the final song rings out on the main stage, they are investing in the Red Ants Pants Foundation’s work to increase women’s leadership, support working family farms and ranches, and enrich rural communities.”

Visit [www.redantspantsmusicfestival.com](http://www.redantspantsmusicfestival.com) for ticketing details, camping and vendor information and more. Follow on social media for additional announcements.

Event proceeds continue to fund community grants for local nonprofits through the Red Ants Pants Foundation, which works to empower women in agricultural communities. Learn more at [www.redantspantsmusicfestival.com](http://www.redantspantsmusicfestival.com).

## Big Sky’s Len Hill Park home to weekly night concerts

Following an incredible first two shows, the Arts Council of Big Sky welcomes local audiences to the continuation of *Music in the Mountains* at Center Stage in Len Hill Park on Thursday evenings. Running through September 12th, these shows are free and open to the public. This year marks the 15th anniversary of hosting Music in the Mountains in Len Hill Park.

“We’re grateful to be able to bring another season of Music in the Mountains to the Big Sky Community,” says Brian Hurlbut, the Arts Council’s Executive Director. “We think our audience is going to be thrilled with this year’s lineup, which features a mix of returning favorites and exciting new artists.”

The popular series will again present a variety of genres to appeal to all tastes. From blues to bluegrass, Americana to funk and soul, this summer will surely be another memorable one in Big Sky. The upcoming schedule includes the **Tiny Band** on July 4th, **El Laberinto del Coco** on July 11th, **The Wood Brothers** on July 18th, **Mikaela Davis** on July 25th, **Carolyn Wonderland** on August 1st, **Doom Flamingo** on August 8th, **Erica Falls & Vintage Soul** on August 15th, **Fruition** on August 22nd, **The Lil Smokies** on August 29th, and **Pinky & the Floyd** on September 5th.

Once again the season will conclude with the second annual “**Metal in the Mountains**” festival on September 12th, featuring Metallica tribute band **Blistered**

**Earth** and local rockers **Scavenger**. A free performance of *The Winter’s Tale* from **Montana Shakespeare in the Parks** will also take place in the Town Center Plaza on July 27th.

The Arts Council is again partnering with the Spanish Peaks Community Foundation to present the Emerging Artist Series, which features local and regional opening artists for each concert. This year’s performers include DJ Chedda on July 4th, Cruz Contreras on July 11th, Buffalo Burrows on July 18th, Jacob Rountree & the Somethings on July 25th, Emma & the Ledge on August 1st, MOTH on August 8th, Jazz Cabbage on August 15th, Tuesday Night Rodeo Club on August 22nd and North Fork Crossing on August 29th.

The family friendly events take place at Center Stage in Len Hill Park, one of the best outdoor venues in the state, right in the heart of Big Sky. The park opens at 6pm each week, and there will be food and beverage vendors and a free arts activity tent for kids. Music typically starts at 6:30pm with the headliner following at 8pm. Please remember that no dogs or glass containers are allowed in the park, and although attendees are allowed to bring their own food and alcohol into the park, please remember to be kind and respectful to others around you.

For more information on the summer lineup and to check out what other events the Arts Council has going on, please visit [www.bigskyarts.org](http://www.bigskyarts.org).

## Weekend of Country & camaraderie comes to Bridge

Delivering some of the genre’s brightest stars and up-and-comers, the anticipated summer return of *Headwaters Country Jam* is set for next month. The showcase returns to The Bridge near Three Forks for its 2024 event, Thursday through Saturday, July 25th–27th.

Headliners **Bailey Zimmerman**, **Jon Pardi** and **Gary Allan** will be joined by featured performers **Corey Kent**, **49 Winchester**, **Luke Grimes**, **Dallas Smith**, **Stephen Wilson Jr.**, **Lonestar**, **Ella Langley**, **Aaron Watson**, **Jake Worthington**, **Josh Ross**, **Vincent Mason** and **Zach Top** for this year’s festival.

Country Jam tickets are on sale now. Secure your spot with weekend general admission, VIP passes and returning Luxury Suite packages. Glamping reservations are also available. Snag your tickets and learn more about the festival at

[www.headwaterscountryjam.com](http://www.headwaterscountryjam.com).

Launched in 2008, Headwaters Country Jam was created to bring live country music in a festival atmosphere to Montana and the Northwest. The festival takes place at the venue known as The Bridge, an area near Three Forks comprised of 159 acres and is the final resting ground for the historic Sappington Bridge that once spanned the Jefferson River. Sixty acres are used for the state-certified campground, which holds 1,200 20x40 sites. Within the venue is a 12-acre arena where all the magic happens. Live music from national and local acts plays all day and into the night. Aside from the music, festival-goers can enjoy horseshoe tournaments, dance contests, mechanical bull riding, as well as food and merchandise vendors.

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## Summer shows at the Pine Creek Lodge diverse & expansive

Pine Creek Lodge's summer concert series is attracting audiences far and wide, with the Paradise Valley venue once again bringing an expansive roster to its outdoor stage this season. Here's a closer look at who's performing this month.

Next up is **Walcrik** on July 3rd. Blending roots, Americana, bluegrass and folk music, they'll have you up and dancing one minute, then listening intently to the lyric-driven songwriting about life, love, loss and the American West.

**The Travelin' McCourys** will perform on the Fourth of July. As the sons of bluegrass legend Del McCoury, Ronnie (mandolin) and Rob (banjo) continue their father's work – a lifelong dedication to the power of bluegrass music to bring joy into people's lives. And with a fiddler, bassist and guitarist on backup, the ensemble is loved and respected by the bluegrass faithful. But the band is now combining their sound with others to make something fresh and rejuvenating.

Local legends **The Fossils** take over entertainment duties on July 5th. Known around town for their authentic hippie music, the band guarantees a rockin' good time. The members have been acquainted for years and are connected by their love of music.

Emma & the Ledge open up for **Red Elvises** on July 6th. With humorous lyrics and grooves that practically force you to dance, the Elvises' "Siberian Surf Rock" is sure to entertain.

Take in a show by **Wes Urbaniak** on July 7th. The "musical love child of Tracy Chapman and Mumford & Sons," the frontman makes noise on homemade guitars, beats on them with his hands, and tools and creates acoustic and amazing music.

Funnyman **Rich Hall** performs alongside the Cow Magnets on July 9th. Rightly regarded as one of the funniest comedians, Hall's straight-talking and acerbic comedy

leaves his targets reeling and his audiences in stitches. He is a superb live performer. Hall's critically acclaimed grouchy, deadpan style has established him as a master of absurdist irony and the king of rapid-fire wit – he's also the inspiration for the marvelously cantankerous barman, Moe Szyslak, in *The Simpsons*.

On July 10th, **Stormgrass** come to the Lodge. The Bozeman-based Americana string band plays fun, danceable tunes on guitar, mandolin, fiddle and standup bass.

Pick a night to see **Pinky & the Floyd** on July 11th and 12th as part of their annual "Pinky in the Pines" shows. Thursday will feature Animals in full, while Friday will see a full performance of Wish You Were Here. Two entirely different shows with bonus content each night. Pinky performances strike the perfect balance between intimacy and intensity, and the energy and stage presence is unprecedented.

**Ryan Adams** brings his solo tour to Southwest Montana on July 13th and 14th. Praised as "one of rock's most talented songwriters" by *SPIN*, the 7-time Grammy nominated artist has 22 studio albums to his name, accumulating in millions of sales. He has produced albums for esteemed musicians including Willie Nelson, Jesse Malin, Jenny Lewis and has collaborated with some of music's most influential artists such as Weezer, Fall Out Boy, America and many more.

Following on July 16th and 17th are **Shakey Graves** with Futurebirds. The Texas songwriter Alejandro Rose-Garcia draws on musical influences, ranging from the Beatles and Harry Nilsson to Elliott Smith, Broken Social Scene, Built to Spill and other '90s indie rock bands. With a road-tested group of musicians and a hand-built stage set up complete with psychedelic lighting and props, Shakey Graves' live show is

something to behold.

**Cole Decker** performs July 18th. The Mississippi-born singer/songwriter pulls from his musical roots of old school country. He's influenced by the likes of Waylon Jennings and newer artists including Chris Stapleton, Brent Cobb and Jason Isbell.

Check out **The Young Dubliners** with help from Doublewide Dreams on July 19th. After thirty years as one of the world's leading Celtic rock bands, the boys return to Paradise with crowd favorites and cuts from their recent studio releases.

Returning to Paradise on July 20th is **Corb Lund** with opening support from David Huckfelt. Lund embraces his Western heritage and indie rock past through his music. He's been known to filter a range of cowboy themes past and present through his unique lens – from rough-and-tumble tales of lawless frontier saloons to the somber realities of running a modern family ranch.

**Emma & the Ledge** follow on July 21st. The duo skillfully creates a sound that's luminous and atmospheric, yet energizing enough to send an audience to their feet. Their music weaves together blues, alternative, rock, folk and independent styles utilizing a mix of acoustic and electric guitars.

Black Lillies frontman **Cruz Contreras** delivers a solo show on July 24th. The multi-instrumentalist, vocalist, songwriter and producer has roots in Tennessee and Michigan, but has impacted Americana music worldwide. The frontman, founder, and driving force behind The Lillies' raw and rootsy sound also co-founded Robinella and the CCstringband, and has collaborated with musicians ranging from John Oates and Jim Lauderdale.

Bird Dog **Josh Moore** takes the stage July 25th. With solo sets marked by "feel-good" covers and originals of the folk and bluegrass variety, his folk-driven style com-

bines elements of his many influences, John Prine, Guy Clark and Martin Sexton, among others.

**moe.** front back-to-back performances July 26th and 27th. Hailed by *American Songwriter* for their "mind-bending musicality," the band is treasured for their mesmerizing musical synergy, unfettered showmanship and smart, resonant songcraft. Their live performances are marked by eclectic wit, deep friendship and exploratory invention.

Dillon native **Kailey Marie** shows off her stuff on July 28th. Raised on country grit and cosmic charm, her music is a mesmerizing blend of old-time outlaw country, soulful blues, and hip hop-infused rhythms. Her voice has a rebellious rasp and a sweet tone that is often compared to the likes of Janis Joplin or Dolly Parton.

**Erik Stucky** closes out a fantastic month of performances on July 31st. The Coloradan performs on the mandolin and guitar, combining his passion for lyric writing, folk instrumentation and big band arrangements.

And looking to a new month, the 'Pine Creek Summer Concert Series' continues with a full spread of shows. Performing next are **Tom Catmull** on August 1st, **Nick Shoulders & the Okay Crawdad** Aug. 4th, **Lost Canyons** Aug. 8th, **Wolves of Glendale** Aug. 9th, **Dead Sky** Aug. 10th, **Bruce Hornsby & the Noisemakers** Aug. 15th, **The Gravy Ladles** Aug. 18th, **Fruition** Aug. 21st, the **Creekside Revival Music Festival** Aug. 22nd-25th, **Jampoke** Aug. 28th, **Lena Marie Schiffer Trio** Aug. 29th, **The Lil Smokies** Aug. 30th and **Fooz Fighters** on Aug. 31st.

All shows begin at 7pm with some free of admission. Please visit [www.pinecreek-lodgemontana.com](http://www.pinecreek-lodgemontana.com) for ticketing access and to learn more about other upcoming summer concerts. •

## Unwind from adventure at the Chico Hot Springs Saloon

Days spent on the river or atop any of the surrounding mountains are known to be some of Montanans' favorite recreational opportunities, but they also can be exhausting and lead to plenty of wear and tear on our bodies. Plan a weekend trip to Chico Hot Springs for a chance to soak the joints, feast on some delicious grub and enjoy live music in the Saloon. Here's what's coming up this month.

**BrickHouse Band** is next up with their seasoned talents on July 5th and 6th. The Billings-based performers will be sure to pack the dance floor with rockin' crowd favorites and other jams. Grab a drink

from the bar and boogie down!

Veterans of the local live music scene, **Brandon Hale & the Dirty Shame** are back at it on July 12th and 13th. The outlaw country band has been a staple of the Montana live music scene for decades, known for their cutting originals and unique spins on songs by the likes of Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings and Johnny Cash, among others. They released a new album aptly titled *The Dirty Shame* last summer.

Iowa-based **Larry Myer** brings his summer tour to Chico on July 14th at 8pm. The energetic singer/songwriter and

acoustic performer delivers an aggressive performance that connects with a wide array of audiences.

Performing July 19th and 20th is Montana band **SMOKE**. Known for their attention to rock n' roll and grooves, the band will perform a selection of tunes from their audience-tested catalog.

Enjoy the solo stylings of Phillipsburg's **Edwin Johnson** on July 21st at 7pm. His performances include an impressive array of genres, from pop and rock, to blues, country and jazz. Met with high praise everywhere he performs, Johnson guarantees his often diverse audience a good time.

Enjoy the swamp rock/boogie blues sounds of **Too Slim & The Taildraggers** on July 29th at 8pm.

Creating an eclectic style of blues and rock that has become a genre all its own, Tim "Too Slim" Langford's ever-evolving musical direction cannot easily be classified. His group effortlessly cross genres, flavoring blues with rock and Americana, appealing to audiences of varying musical tastes.

Live Saloon music begins at 9pm, unless otherwise noted. Chico Hot Springs is located in Pray, 20 miles south of Livingston. For more information, visit [www.chicohotsprings.com](http://www.chicohotsprings.com). •



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<b>JUL 26-27 MOE.</b>	

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Bill Dwyer 5pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 Tyler John 5pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 Live Music – Aaron Young 6pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 IX Trivia @ VI 6pm *Bar IX*  
 Celtic Music Fridays 6:30pm *Valhalla Meadery*  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 The Fossils 7pm *Pine Creek Lodge – LV*  
 Bits & Beats: A Night of Comedy & Jazz 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Weston Lewis 7pm *Norris Hot Springs*  
 Intermediate Country Swing 7:45pm *Story Mill Community Center*  
 Eric Holden Trio 8pm *The Jump*  
 BrickHouse Band 9pm *Chico Hot Springs Saloon*  
 Daddy's Home and The Contractors 9pm *The Filling Station*  
 Claudia Hoysler 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Cowboy Bob & Gypsy Dust 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Cajun Moon 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 Soul Brats 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 Jukebox 9pm *Eagles Bar*  
 Late Night Happy Hour Open Mic 10pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Waypoint Karaoke Night 10pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*

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Bridger Creek Boys 6:30am *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Gallatin Valley Farmer's Market 9am *Gallatin County Fairgrounds – GCF*  
 Crafting with the Tinsleys 10am *Museum of the Rockies*  
 International Folk Dancing 3pm *Bozeman Public Library*  
 The Rob & Loli Show 3pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 The Max 5pm *Cafe 191 – Melville, MT*  
 Hannah Jo Lally 6pm *Bunkhouse Brewery – Four Corners*  
 Red Elvies w/ Emma & The Ledge 7pm *Pine Creek Lodge – LV*  
 Unscripted Saturdays 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Roots in the Sky Presents: The End of Rain 7:30pm *Tinworks Art*  
 The End of Rain, Presented by Roots in the Sky 7:30pm *Tinworks Art*  
 Western Roots Country Dancing 8pm *Bourbon*  
 Live Music – Jazz Cabbage 8:30pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Ultimate Comedy Challenge 9pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Adult Karaoke 9pm *49Er Diner – Livingston*  
 SorrymOlive 9pm *The Filling Station*  
 Signal Fire 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Lena Schiffer Trio 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Rocky Mountain Sonic 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 BrickHouse Band 9pm *Chico Hot Springs Saloon*  
 Jill Burks 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 Jukebox 9pm *Eagles Bar*

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Big Sky Wildflower Festival 9am *Crail Gardens*  
 Raptor Meet & Greet 10:30am *MoR*  
 Montana Folk Festival 5pm *Butte America*  
 Barbara Van Cleve Photography & Horse Show 5pm *Two Rivers Gallery – Big Timber*  
 Openings 5pm *Two Rivers Gallery – Big Timber*  
 The Montana Folk Festival 5pm *Butte America*  
 Patrick B Ray 5pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 Winnie Brave 6pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 Live Music – Bridget O'Brien 6pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Summer Art Walks 6pm *Downtown Bozeman*  
 IX Trivia @ VI 6pm *Bar IX*  
 Celtic Music Fridays 6:30pm *Valhalla Meadery*  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Stand-Up With Chanel Ali 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Big Sky Community Rodeo 7pm *Big Sky Events Arena*  
 The Frontmen 7pm *Music Ranch Montana – LV*  
 Pinky & The Floyd 7pm *Pine Creek Lodge – LV*  
 Mary Poppins – The Broadway Musical 7:30pm *The Ellen Theatre*  
 Intermediate Country Swing 7:45pm *Story Mill Com Center*  
 WC Huntley Trio 8pm *The Jump*  
 Brendan Nolan 8pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 Sarah Shook & The Disarmers 8pm *Live From The Divide*  
 The Love Darts 9pm *Valhalla Meadery*  
 Stand-Up With Chanel Ali 9pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 The Dirty Shame.. Outlaw Country 9pm *Chico Saloon*  
 Derral Gleason Trio 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Icarus 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Frequenseas 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 Brendan Nolan 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 High Country Outlaws 9pm *Eagles Bar*  
 Community Street Dance w/ The Tony Marques Band 9:30pm *Big Sky*  
 Waypoint Karaoke Night 10pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Late Night Happy Hour Open Mic 11pm *Last Best Comedy*

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Explore MOR Adult Exploration Series:  
 Fairy Lake Fossil Hike 7am *Museum of the Rockies*  
 Vigilante Car Show w/ Music by Fools Gold 8am *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 Six Viewpoints Kids Workshop with Isabel Shaida 11am *Tinworks Art*  
 Farm Animal Meet & Bleat 11am *Museum of the Rockies*  
 The Montana Folk Festival 12pm *Butte America*  
 Stio® Gear Second Turn Sale 12pm *SHINE Beer Sanctuary*  
 Wildflower Stroll at Jack Creek Preserve 3pm *Jack Creek Preserve*  
 BLKWRM 6pm *Bunkhouse Brewery – Four Corners*  
 Emma and The Ledge 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Jim Averitt & Friends 7pm *The Jump*  
 Unscripted Saturdays 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Wheeler Walker Jr 7pm *Old Saloon – Emigrant*  
 Mary Poppins – The Broadway Musical 7:30pm *The Ellen Theatre*  
 Ziggy Marley 8pm *KettleHouse Amphitheater – Bonner, MT*  
 Western Roots Country Dancing 8pm *Bourbon*  
 Ultimate Comedy Challenge 9pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 West Dakota Stutter 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 Adult Karaoke 9pm *49Er Diner – Livingston*  
 The Dirty Shame.. Outlaw Country 9pm *Chico Hot Springs Saloon*  
 Wild Horses 9pm *The Filling Station*  
 Johnny Dango Duo 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Blake Brightman 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Kevin White 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 High Country Outlaws 9pm *Eagles Bar*

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2024 Big Sky Country State Fair 11am *GCF*  
 Fossil Fest w/ Big Ol', The Band of Drifters and The Fossils 5pm *Miles Band Shell Park – LV*  
 Sip & Shop 5pm *Downtown Big Timber*  
 Brendan Nolan 5:30pm *Willie's Distillery – Ennis*  
 Paul Cauthen – SOLD OUT – 6pm *Old Saloon – Emigrant*  
 Live Music – Kent Johnson 6pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Big Sky PBR 6pm *Big Sky Events Arena*  
 Wetland BioBlitz 2024 6pm *Indreland Wetland Preserve*  
 IX Trivia @ VI 6pm *Bar IX*  
 Celtic Music Fridays 6:30pm *Valhalla Meadery*  
 Paint & Sip – Dandelion Sunset 6:30pm *Bunkhouse 4C*  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Power Pouch Sip & Sew 6:30pm *Museum of the Rockies*  
 Stand-Up With Chelsea Greaux 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Tyler Rich 7pm and Joe Nichols 8pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Group (a play) 7pm *Verge Theater – Emerson Suite 107*  
 Rodeo 7pm *3 Frks Rodeo Grnds*  
 Young Dubliners/ Doublewide Dreams 7pm *Pine Creek LV*  
 Mary Poppins – The Broadway Musical 7:30pm *The Ellen Theatre*  
 Mountain Music – Alabama Tribute F/EIton Lammie 7:30pm *Music Ranch Montana – LV*  
 Intermediate Country Swing 7:45pm *Story Mill Com Center*  
 Stand-Up With Chelsea Greaux 9pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 SMOKE.. Rock & Groove 9pm *Chico Hot Springs Saloon*  
 Raven Roshi 9pm *The Filling Station*  
 Meyer'd Down 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Mathias 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 Brian Kassay 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Lost Canyons 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 The Disruptors 9pm *Eagles Bar*  
 10 Foot Tall and 80 Proof 9pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 PBR After Party w/ Corb Lund 9:15pm *Big Sky Arena*  
 Waypoint Karaoke Night 10pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Late Night Happy Hour Open Mic 11pm *Last Best Comedy*

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Wetland BioBlitz 2024 6am *Indreland Wetland Preserve*  
 Bozeman Children's Business Fair 10am *Bogert Park*  
 Stop, Drop, & Collage! 10am *Museum of the Rockies*  
 Annelies Nachman 11am *Wheatgrass Books*  
 Big Sky Artisan Festival 11am *Len Hill Park Big Sky Town Center*  
 2024 Big Sky Country State Fair 11am *Gallatin County Fairgrounds*  
 Diane Smith 2pm *Wheatgrass Books*  
 Haven's Summer Fest 4pm *Four Daughters Farm*  
 Trt Basket & Tyr Pter & Last Minute 5pm *Cafe 191 – Melville, MT*  
 Plowed Under 5pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 Dan Henry 6pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 Luke Flansburg 6pm *Bunkhouse Brewery – Four Corners*  
 Big Sky PBR 6pm *Big Sky Events Arena*  
 Bozeman Roundup Ranch Rodeo 6pm *Gallatin County Fairgrounds*  
 Michael Kirkwood and Friends 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Brian Kassay 7pm *The Jump*  
 Roy Rogers w/ Ramblin' Jack Elliott and Wylie & the Wild West 7pm *Shane Lalani Center for the Arts – Livingston*  
 Unscripted Saturdays 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Paul Cauthen 7pm *Bridger Pub & Grill – 3 Forks*  
 Corb Lund w/ David Huckfelt 7pm *Pine Creek Lodge – LV*  
 Rodeo Dayz Street Fair & Parade 7pm *Three Forks Rodeo Grounds*  
 Group (a play) 7pm *Verge Theater – Emerson Suite 107*  
 Mary Poppins – The Broadway Musical 7:30pm *The Ellen Theatre*  
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 Mercedes Carroll Trio 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Party Like Thieves 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 Double Wide Dreams 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Bryson Evans 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 The Disruptors 9pm *Eagles Bar*  
 PBR Party w/ Jason Boland 9:15pm *Big Sky Events Arena*

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Red Ants Pant Music Festival 8am *Wht Sprh Spgs*  
 BSK Roller Ski Races 9am *Crosscut Sprts Cntr*  
 Headwaters Country Jam 11am *The Bridge 3 Foks*  
 Art Walk and Book Signing 5pm *Wheatgrass Books*  
 Livingston 4th Friday Art Walk 5pm *Downtown Livingston*  
 Paul & Leva Cataldo 5pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 Live Music – Aaron Young 6pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 The Hooligan 6pm *Follow Yer' Nose BBQ – Emigrant*  
 IX Trivia @ VI 6pm *Bar IX*  
 Celtic Music Fridays 6:30pm *Valhalla Meadery*  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Stand-Up With Amy Silverberg 7pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Valley View Rodeo 7pm *Gallatin County Fairgrounds – GCF*  
 MOE. 7pm *Pine Creek Lodge – LV*  
 'The Struggle Is Real' Comedy Tour 7:30pm *EmrshThr*  
 Intermediate Country Swing 7:45pm *Story Mill Com Center*  
 Dan Henry 8pm *The Jump*  
 Brendan Nolan 8pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 Kenny Feidler 8pm *The Westerner – Gallatin Gateway*  
 Sterling Drake 8pm *Live From The Divide – LFTD*  
 The Decemberists 8pm *KettleHouse – Bonner, MT*  
 Stand-Up With Amy Silverberg 9pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Jazz Cabbage 9pm *The Filling Station*  
 Lost Canyons 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Ralph Petty 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 Caitlyn Smith 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Brendan Nolan 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 DJ Double J 9pm *Eagles Bar*  
 Waypoint Karaoke Night 10pm *The Big Sky Waypoint*  
 Late Night Happy Hour Open Mic 11pm *Last Best Comedy*

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31st Annual Jim Bridger Trail Run 8am *Sypes Canyon*  
 The Hoot at Crosscut 8am *Crosscut Mountain Sports Center*  
 Red Ants Pant Music Festival 8am *White Sulphur Springs*  
 The Annual Manhattan Classic Car Show & Farm Fun 9am *Altenbrand Park – Manhattan School Grounds*  
 Gallatin Valley Farmer's Market 9am *Gallatin County Fairgrounds – GCF*  
 28th Annual Madison Valley Arts Festival 10am *Peter T's Park – Ennis*  
 Headwaters Country Jam 11am *The Bridge – Three Forks*  
 Farm Animal Meet & Bleat 11am *Museum of the Rockies*  
 Virginia City Brewfest w/ Bo Show 12:30  
 Winnie Brave 2:30pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 MSIP: The Winter's Tale 6pm *Big Sky Town Center Park*  
 Lost Canyons 6pm *Bunkhouse Brewery – Four Corners*  
 MOE. 7pm *Pine Creek Lodge – LV*  
 Josh Moore 7pm *The Jump*  
 Colt Wayne Keeney 7pm *Roly-Poly Coffee Co.*  
 Goldpine 8pm *Live From The Divide – LFTD*  
 Nattali Rize 8pm *The Rialto*  
 Notorious BOZ With Katie Goodman 9pm *Last Best Comedy*  
 Adult Karaoke 9pm *49Er Diner – Livingston*  
 Colour Blind 9pm *The Filling Station*  
 Raven Roshi 9pm *Murray Bar – Livingston*  
 Hell's Half Acre 9pm *Haufbrau*  
 The Dead Yellers 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*  
 Craig Reiger 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 DJ Double J 9pm *Eagles Bar*

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Bridger Century Ride 8am *Gallatin Valley*  
 SweetPea Festival 8am *Lindley Park*  
 Bill Dwyer 5pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – VC*  
 West Dakota Stutter 5pm *Lindley Park*  
 Cole Decker 5pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 Wildlands Festival 5:30pm *Big Sky Events Arena*  
 IX Trivia @ VI 6pm *Bar IX*  
 YEE-HAW HEE-HAW, Western Days Dntwn Billings SweetPea Festival Music 6pm *Lindley Park*  
 The Hooligans 6pm *Follow Yer' Nose BBQ – Emigrant*  
 Friday Night Jazz 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 Celtic Music Fridays 6:30pm *Valhalla Meadery*  
 Steven van Betten and Zaaak Opatz 7pm *Roly-Poly*  
 Intermediate Country Swing 7:45pm *Story Mill Community Center*  
 STRFKR 8pm *The Ellen*  
 Little Jane & The Pistol Whips 8pm *The Jump*  
 B.lubelly Junction..Rock & Roll 9pm *Chico Hot Springs Saloon*  
 Logan Duddling 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 Sammy Steel 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*

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Sweet Pea 8am *Lindley Park*  
 Gallatin Valley Farmer's Market 9am *Gallatin County Fairgrounds – GCF*  
 Sweet Pea Festival Gates Open 10am *Lindley Park*  
 SLAM Summer Festival 10am *Bogert Park*  
 West Dakota Stutter @ SLAM 11am *Bogert Park*  
 Sweet Pea Festival Music 12pm *Lindley Park*  
 Montana Mardi Gras 12pm *Bale of Hay Saloon – Virginia City*  
 Helena Montana Brewers Summer Rendezvous 3pm *Memorial Park – Helena*  
 Brian Kassay 5pm *Sacajawea Bar – Three Forks*  
 Wildlands Festival 5:30pm *Big Sky Events Arena*  
 YEE-HAW HEE-HAW, Western Days 6pm *Downtown Billings*  
 Bridger Creek Boys 6:30pm *Red Tractor Pizza*  
 James Salestrom 7pm *The Jump*  
 Hannah Juanita 8pm *Live From The Divide – LFTD*  
 Adult Karaoke 9pm *49Er Diner – Livingston*  
 Gary Small 9pm *Chico Hot Springs Saloon*  
 Dante D'Angelo 9pm *Bozeman Taproom*  
 Big Sky City Lights 9pm *Tune Up Basement Bar*

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## Patriotism, local goodwill focus of annual footrace

On Thursday, July 4th, Reach Inc. will host its 17th annual **Race for Independence**. This year's event will again be held in person, but virtual options are also available. Get an endorphin-filled run in before the family barbecue and support this great cause!

The course starts at the Reach Work Center and winds through Cherry River Fishing Access and the Glen Lake Rotary Park recreation area. These paths offer sweeping views of the Gallatin Valley landscape. People who prefer to walk are welcome to join the fun. No dogs, please. Race starts: 10K will start at 8am, 5K will start at 8:25am, and the 1K will begin at 8:30am. Red, white & blue attire strongly encouraged!

In order to prevent vehicle traffic on the course, attendees are requested to arrive before 8am. Bib

timing will be used and medals awarded at the in-person race for top runners in each category. The race begins and ends at the Reach Work Center, located at 322 Gallatin Park Drive. Parking will be available at surrounding businesses.

Virtual participants can complete a 1K/5K/10K route of their choosing anytime on July 4th, and share the results with Reach. Registration is \$25 for the 10K/5K, and \$15 for the 1K. Optional, snazzy, short-sleeved, tee shirts will be sold for \$15. Bottled water and snacks will be provided to race participants. Find additional information and register at [www.reachinc.org](http://www.reachinc.org).

Proceeds benefit the people served by Reach Inc., a local nonprofit that provides residential, vocational and transportation supports to adults with developmental disabilities. •

## Weekly walks explore local trails, wildlife & flora with Ken Sinay

Bozeman Public Library is partnering with renowned wildlife guide Ken Sinay to begin a weekly **Wednesday Walk** during select evenings this summer. Everyone is welcome to join for these leisurely strolls around the local area.

Events will start at the Library, walk out and back for a total of 60 minutes, approximately two miles max, and visit the local trails.

"The purpose of these walks is to introduce people to the trails and history and wildlife and flora of the local area," according to Beth Boyson of Bozeman Public Library, "We hope to build community and welcome people who may be new to Bozeman or are unfamiliar with the trail system or may not have anyone to walk with.

There is no cost or registration required. Friendly suggestions for everyone attending – please arrive early, wear a wide-brimmed hat, sunglasses, bring something to drink, maybe use a camera and wear comfortable footwear. If it is pouring rain or lightning is nearby, the walk will be cancelled. Every walk will depart promptly at 5:30pm from the front plaza.

Guests from local organizations such as GVLTA and the Audubon Society will share their expertise during certain walks.

Upcoming Wednesday Walk schedule:  
– July 3rd & Aug. 7th: *Sunset Hills*

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- July 10th: *Gallagator Trail*
- July 17th: *Burke Park and Peets Hill*
- July 24th and Aug. 14th: *Indre-land Audubon Wetland Preserve*
- July 31st: *Lindley Park/Bogert Park and Lindley Place*

Wednesday Walk is one of several wellness and community building programs offered at Bozeman Public Library. Tuesday at Noon, bring your baby, practice in jeans, or a walk in like a dedicated yogi. Yoga for All is for everyone. No experience necessary for this intro level yoga practice. Thursdays at Noon, join certified instructor Erin Groth for her gentle movement Gyrokinesis class. Move the entire body, opening energy pathways, stimulating the nervous system, increasing range of motion and creating functional strength through rhythmic, flowing movement sequences. Thursday at 1pm, share in your community's food traditions and favorite recipes in the Kitchen Table. This program is open for users to demonstrate and teach others their favorite recipes or food inspirations. Spectators are welcome to learn about and taste community food favorites.

For more information about programs at Bozeman Public Library, please call (406) 582-2410 or visit [www.bozemanlibrary.org](http://www.bozemanlibrary.org). •

## Recycling in Gallatin Valley: A review

Though you may be taking part in the "Plastic Free July Challenge" by either eliminating or limiting single-use plastic waste, there's probably some older pieces to get rid of around the house. A remedy to fight the always-looming threat of climate change can be found in **Recycling**, a simple but effective way to do our part in its slowing.

The Gallatin Valley is home to numerous drop-off sites and also features a number of curbside recycling services. A lack of options there aren't! And though plenty of Bozemanites already find themselves on the green bandwagon, everyone can use a refresher from time to time.

### A few tips:

- Recycling should not be bagged
- All materials empty, clean and dry

- Leave labels attached with caps
- Plastics #3 to #7 and unlabeled plastics are *not recyclable*
- Plastics #1 and #2 that are not bottle shaped are *no longer recyclable* (clam shells, cups, etc.)
- Do not include garbage, food waste or unclean items – contaminants can lead to an entire load of otherwise clean recyclables ending up as garbage

### Acceptable Items:

- Bottle and jug-shaped Plastics #1 and #2
- Crushed aluminum, tin and steel Cans
- Flattened Cardboard (no wax-coated items)
- Paper items including newspaper, magazines and office papers
- Phone Books and Paper Bags

### Unacceptable Items:

- Plastics #3 to #7
- Non-bottle-shaped #1 and #2 Plastics
- Glass items of any kind and ceramics
- Food-contaminated boxes and other paper items
- Paper milk cartons and juice containers
- Styrofoam containers and packing peanuts
- Aerosol cans, pill bottles, plastic bags, foil and metal items
- Toxic product containers, batteries, light bulbs and electronic waste

For detailed recycling brochure, complete list of area drop-off locations and further information on where to dispose of items not recyclable at these collection sites, please visit [www.gallatinsolid-waste.org/recycling](http://www.gallatinsolid-waste.org/recycling). •

## Super sale on Bridger passes thru July

With a sparse winter that produced limited snowfall for local skiers and snowboarders in the rearview, many are already looking ahead to the bountiful slopes of the 2024-25 season. Bridger Bowl is now offering **Season Passes at a discounted rate through July 31st**.

Enjoy unlimited skiing all season with no black-out dates with the purchase of a season pass. Early purchase rates are as follows: \$910 for adults (25-69), \$860 for young adults (19-24), \$505 for juniors (13-18), and \$260 for children (7-12). Pre-school aged youth (6 and under) pay only \$15. Senior passes (70-79) are \$505, or \$15 for

super seniors (80+).

Adult Midweek Season Passes (19-69) are also available for \$495, or \$405 for seniors (70-79). This will grant access to unlimited skiing Monday through Friday all season. Or get your gloves on the Value Pass to ski and ride every day excluding blackout dates over busy holidays. These are \$760 for adults (19-69), \$380 for juniors (13-18) and \$195 for children (7-12) through July 31.

Purchase season passes, upload pass photos, and sign electronic agreements through Bridger's website. Be "on-line" rather than "in-line." Go straight to the lifts on opening day!

Payment plans and family discounts are available.

Book a summer event at Bridger Bowl! Their facilities offer modern conveniences in a lush, quiet mountain setting befitting of outdoor ceremonies. Deer Park Chalet offers ample space for business gatherings and private social events. Catering and bar options available. Visit the venue website for additional information.

The ski area is located on the east slope of the Bridger Mountain Range. For season pass information and venue reservations, visit [www.bridgerbowl.com](http://www.bridgerbowl.com). See you on the slopes! •

## No ifs, ands or bucks: rodeo is here

With the summer season in full swing, it's that time of year we welcome the return of rodeo to communities around Southwest Montana. Here's a look at what's coming to the dirt grounds near you.

The **Livingston Roundup Rodeo** will once again be held July 1st-4th at Park County Fairgrounds nightly at 8pm. Top hands compete in saddle bronc, bareback, team roping, tie down roping, steer wrestling, bull riding, and barrel racing. Visit [www.livingstonroundup.com](http://www.livingstonroundup.com) for tickets and additional information.

The **Ennis 4th of July Rodeo** will be held at 7pm on July 3rd and 4th at the Ennis Rodeo Grounds. Enjoy two days of NRA-sanctioned rodeo featuring the top cowboys and cowgirls from the northwest in both rough stock and timed events. As always, the annual Fourth of July parade begins at 10am, following a route through historic Downtown Ennis and featuring horses, floats, marching bands and classic cars. Learn more at [www.ennischamber.com](http://www.ennischamber.com).

Returning for another year at the Big Sky Events Arena on July 12th, the **Big Sky Community Rodeo** begins at 7:30pm. The event features some of MSU's finest up-and-coming rodeo athletes as they entertain with a variety of rodeo disciplines including bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, saddle bronc riding, tie-down roping, breakaway roping, barrel racing and bull riding. Mutton bustin' and an additional special feature of 406 Rodeo miniature bucking stock ridden by junior roughstock kids will highlight the evening. Ticketholders can enjoy food and drink options at the venue including food trucks and bar service. Street Dance Afterparty to follow featuring the Tony Marques Band. Find tickets and more information at [www.bigs-kypbr.com](http://www.bigs-kypbr.com).

Don't miss the best small town weekend around with the **Three Forks Rodeo** to be held July 19th and 20th at 7pm each night. Get to town early and enjoy a kids' stick horse derby and farmers' market in Railway Park from 4-7pm on Thursday. The weekend will also include a Fireman's Breakfast from 6-10am on Saturday, followed by the Rodeo Dayz Street Fair and parade at 11am. Street dances will follow the rodeo on Friday and Saturday nights. Friday is Family Night when kids get into the rodeo grounds free with a donation to Headwaters Area Food Bank. More details at [www.threeforksrodeo.com](http://www.threeforksrodeo.com).

During the Big Sky Country State Fair, the **Bozeman Roundup Ranch Rodeo** will take place July 20th at Anderson Arena at 7pm. Ranch Rodeo reflects today's true working cowboy from the big open, the events packed full of excitement representing work done on the ranch: Wild Cow Milking, Team Branding, Trailer Loading, Team Sorting, Ranch Bronc Riding, Team Doctoring, and Hide Race. Rodeo events sold separately from fair admission. Get tickets at [www.gallatin-countyfairgrounds.com](http://www.gallatin-countyfairgrounds.com).

The event of the summer is coming back to Town Center with the **Big Sky PBR** event July 18th-20th at 6pm Thursday, and 7pm Friday and Saturday. This series attracts many of the top bull riders in the world to one of Big Sky's biggest weekends. Thousands of fans are expected to attend the three-day bull riding tournament, which also features live music, art auction, mutton bustin', and more. Head over to [www.bigs-kypbr.com](http://www.bigs-kypbr.com) for more.

Finally, the 14th annual **Bozeman Stampede** returns to the Gallatin Fairgrounds August 8th-10th at 7pm each night. Expect all the favorites – the big screen, an always impressive opening and closing ceremony, great cowboys and cowgirls, and the fan-favorite Bull Scramble with a cash prize for each lucky contestant. Other events will include bull riding, steer wrestling, calf roping, barrel racing, team roping, bareback and saddle bronc riding, ladies breakaway and junior events. Check out the event at [www.bozemanstampede.com](http://www.bozemanstampede.com). •

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