

2024 CALENDAR

JANUARY/FEBRUARY

COMPILED BY COLLEEN ROMICK CLARK

NORTHWEST



THROUGH JAN. 7 – “Hayes Train Special” Model Train Display, Hayes Library and Museums, Spiegel Grove, 1337 Hayes Ave., Fremont. Free; donations accepted. Operating model train display runs through an intricate Victorian holiday scene. Interactive buttons, multi-tier layout. 419-332-2081 or www.rbhayes.org.

JAN. 2–26 – Art Contest: “Not So Bad Art by Good People,” sponsored by the Logan County Art League. Artwork created by selected Logan County citizens will be on display at Citizen’s Federal Savings and Loan, 100 N. Main St., Bellefontaine. Vote for your favorite piece of art in person or on our website. Celebration dinner and auction of artwork on Jan. 26 starting at 5 p.m. <https://logancountyartleague.org>.

JAN. 3, FEB. 7 – Down on the Farm Story Time, Proving Ground Farm, 5670 E. Twp. Rd. 138, Tiffin, 10 a.m. Stories and activities are geared for preschool-age children and focus on farming and nature in a picturesque outdoor setting. Families welcome! 419-

447-7073, www.conservesenecacounty.com, or follow Seneca Conservation District on Facebook.

JAN. 5, FEB. 2 – Star Gazing at Schoonover Observatory, 670 N. Jefferson, Lima, 8 p.m. Free. Come see the stars with us! If you have a telescope, bring it to the meeting and members will show you how to use it and answer any of your questions. 419-303-1725 (David Humphries) or <https://limaaastro.com>.

JAN. 12 – Martin Sexton, Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Ctr., 7 Town Square, Lima, 7:30 p.m. \$30+. 419-224-1552 or www.limaciviccenter.com.

JAN. 19 – Champions of Magic, Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Ctr., 7 Town Square, Lima, 7:30 p.m. \$35+. Experience an evening of impossible illusions and spectacular special effects, including a daring escape from Houdini’s water torture cell. 419-224-1552 or www.limaciviccenter.com.

JAN. 20–21 – Lima Symphony: “Music by Candlelight,” Sat. 7:30 p.m., Trinity United Methodist Church, 301 W. Market St., Lima; Sun. 4 p.m., Grand Opera House, Saint Marys. Experience the music of Brahms and Dvořák as it was meant to be heard. 419-222-5701 or www.limasymphony.com.

FEB. 1 – Come From Away, Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Ctr., 7 Town Square, Lima, 7:30 p.m. \$50+. The hit musical based on the remarkable true story of 7,000 stranded passengers and the small town in Newfoundland that welcomed them following the September 11 attacks. 419-224-1552 or www.limaciviccenter.com.

FEB. 2–4 – Greater Toledo Auto Show, Glass City Center, 401 Jefferson Ave., Toledo, Fri. 12–9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–9 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–5 p.m. \$8, Srs./Stds. \$6; 9 and under free. Displays of the latest and greatest models and automotive technologies from more than 20 different manufacturers. www.toledoautoshow.org.

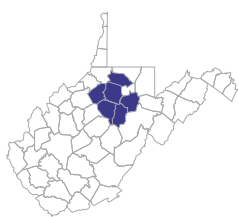
FEB. 3 – Ice-A-Fair, 685 Main St., Vermilion, 11 a.m.–7 p.m. Free. A daylong winter event for the entire family, featuring glittering ice sculptures on display and ice carving demos throughout the day. Ends with the towering Fire & Ice display. 440-963-0772 or www.mainstreetvermilion.org.

FEB. 3–4 – Tri-State Gun Show, Allen Co. Fgds., 2750 Harding Hwy., Lima (2 miles east of Lima on St. Rte. 309), Sat. 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., Sun. 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m. \$6, free for members, under 18 free. Over 400 tables of modern and antique guns, edged weapons, and sportsmen equipment. 419-647-0067 or www.tristategunshow.org.

FEB. 4 – Family Concert: “Superheroes and Supervillains,” Veterans Memorial Civic and Convention Ctr., 7 Town Square, Lima, 3 p.m. Conductor Michael Repper leads the orchestra on a daring adventure where the Avengers take on Darth Vader, Cruella De Vil faces off against Spiderman, and baby Yoda softens the hearts of even the most treacherous characters. Who will win? 419-224-1552 or www.limaciviccenter.com.

FEB. 8–18 – Live Theatre: *Misery*, Van Wert Civic Theatre, 118 S. Race St., Van Wert, Thur.–Sat. 8 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. \$16. 419-238-9689 or www.vwct.org.

WEST VIRGINIA



JAN. 13 – “Valjean, Cosette, and a String Quartet,”

The Smoot Theatre, 213 5th St., Parkersburg, 8 p.m. \$30–\$45. Join Tony Award nominee Josh Young and his wife, Broadway star Emily Padgett, as they celebrate the decade that gave us *Les Misérables*, *Phantom of the Opera*, and *Cats* — the decade where Stephen Sondheim and Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber reached the pinnacle of their creative mastery: the 1980s. www.greaterparkersburg.com/events.

Make sure you’re included in our calendar!

Submit listings AT LEAST 90 DAYS prior to the event to:

Ohio Cooperative Living

6677 Busch Blvd. Columbus, OH 43229

or send an email to events@ohioec.org.

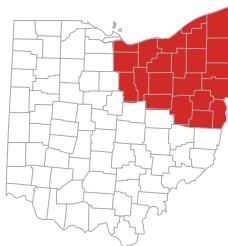
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NORTHEAST



JAN. 18–21 – Cleveland Boat Show, I-X Ctr., 1 I-X Center Dr., Cleveland, Thur./Fri. 12–9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–9 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Mon. 10 a.m.–5 p.m. \$15–\$20; Family 4-pack, \$60; 6 and under free. Visit the “Boating Experience” Pavilion, view the 5,000-gallon aquarium, see live paddling demos, and much more. Don’t miss Twiggy the Water-Skiing Squirrel! www.clevelandboatshow.com.

JAN. 20–21 – Cleveland Home Show, Huntington Convention Center, Hall A, 300 Lakeside Ave. E., Cleveland, Sat. 10 a.m.–8 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Free with online admission or \$10 at the door. Meet with home improvement professionals in a fun, interactive environment. Expert exhibitors will inspire and motivate you to start planning with confidence. www.ohiohomeshows.com.

JAN. 21 – Flea Market of Collectables, Medina Co. Fgds. Community Center, 735 Lafayette Rd. (St. Rte. 42), Medina, 9 a.m.–3 p.m. \$2. Early-bird special admission, 6–9 a.m., \$3. A treasure trove of vintage items and

collectables. 330-948-4300 (Amanda Whitacre) or www.conraddowdell.com.

JAN. 27 – “Ice Fishing,” Mosquito Lake State Park, 1439 St. Rte. 305, Cortland, 10–11:30 a.m. Free. Interested in learning how our local fishermen have perfected this art? Come join us for an informative and interactive program on this seasonal sport. Dependent on weather. jason.lee@dnr.ohio.gov or www.ohiodnr.gov.

JAN. 27 – TCA Snow Time Train Meet, UAW Hall, 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Parma, 10 a.m.–3 p.m. Adult \$6, Family \$10, under 18 free. Handicapped accessible. Over 175 tables and many operating displays. New and old trains to buy, sell, or trade; many brands and scales. Model building supplies and kits, TCA Kids Club, and more. Refreshments available. 330-273-6404 (John Twarog) or www.greatlakestca.org.

FEB. 2–11 – The Great Big Home and Garden Show, IX Center, 1 I-X Center Dr., Cleveland. \$11–\$15, C. (6–12) \$5, under 6 free. See website for hours and schedule of events. Explore hundreds of exhibits, meet industry experts and home professionals, and enjoy unique features such as the garden showcase. www.greatbighomeandgarden.com.

FEB. 3 – Cleveland Bazaar Valentine, 78th Street Studios, 1305 W. 80th St., Cleveland, 10 a.m.–6 p.m. More than 150 artists and makers, food trucks, a bar, and so much more. www.facebook.com/clevelandbazaar/events.

FEB. 3 – Mohican Experts Hike, Mohican State Park, 3116 St. Rte. 3, Loudonville, 9

a.m.–12 p.m. Free. www.facebook.com/MohicanStatePark.

FEB. 4 – Model Railroad and Toy Show, Medina Co. Fgds. Community Center, 735 Lafayette Rd. (St. Rte. 42), Medina, \$7. 330-948-4400 (Vikki Conrad) or www.conraddowdell.com.

FEB. 9–10 – Cleveland Beerfest, Huntington Convention Center, 300 Lakeside Ave. E., Cleveland. \$40–\$95; designated driver package for \$25. Sample more than 150 local and craft brews, as well as wines and spirits from new craft wineries and distilleries. Food vendors on-site. <https://clevelandbeerfest.com>.

FEB. 9–MAR. 3 – Agatha Christie’s Murder on the Orient Express, Great Lakes Theater, 2067 E. 14th St., Cleveland. See website for days and times. \$20–\$89. In this comedic twist on the famous mystery, Poirot must solve the crime of a man stabbed in his locked compartment on the opulent Orient Express — where every passenger is a suspect. 216-241-6000 or www.playhousesquare.org.

FEB. 10 – Cleveland Bazaar Valentine, Lake Affect Alive, 1615 E. 25th St., Cleveland, 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Local and handmade makers, full bar, food, and more. www.facebook.com/clevelandbazaar/events.

FEB. 11 – Medina Gun Show, Medina County Fgds. Community Center, 735 Lafayette Rd., Medina, Sat. 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m.–3 p.m. \$8. 450 tables of displays. 330-948-4400 (Jim Conrad) or www.conraddowdell.com.

SOUTHEAST



JAN. 23 – Mary Chapin Carpenter and Shawn Colvin, Peoples Bank Theatre, 222 Putnam St., Marietta, 8 p.m. \$53+. www.peoplesbanktheatre.com.

JAN. 26 – Sunset and Full Moon Hike, Burr Oak State Park, 10220 Burr Oak Lodge Rd., Glouster, 5:30–7 p.m. Free. Enjoy the twilight of the forest and view the full wolf

moon on this short, 1-mile hike. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Have dinner at the lodge after the hike! www.ohiodnr.gov.

JAN. 27 – Buckeye Trail Trek, Shawnee State Park, 4404 St. Rte. 125, West Portsmouth, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. Free. Meet in the lodge lobby at 10 a.m. Traverse 4 miles on the Buckeye Trail through Shawnee State Forest’s beautiful, unglaciated, rugged terrain. Pack snacks and water, wear sturdy hiking boots, and bring a hiking stick. www.ohiodnr.gov.

FEB. 2 – Twitty & Lynn: “A Salute to Conway & Loretta,” Majestic Theatre, 45 E. Second St., Chillicothe, 7:30 p.m. \$49–\$59. The grandson of Conway Twitty and the granddaughter of Loretta Lynn perform their

grandparents’ timeless duets and solo hits. 740-772-2041 or www.majesticchillicothe.net.

FEB. 3 – Moose Miller, Majestic Theatre, 45 E. Second St., Chillicothe, 7:30 p.m. \$10–\$20. 740-772-2041 or www.majesticchillicothe.net.

FEB. 3 – Chris Janson, Peoples Bank Theatre, 222 Putnam St., Marietta, 8 p.m. \$59+. www.peoplesbanktheatre.com.

FEB. 10 – Annual Winter Hike, Burr Oak State Park, 10220 Burr Oak Lodge Rd., Glouster, 10 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Free. Hike lengths are 3, 5, and 8 miles; wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Free bean soup and cornbread after the hike at the lodge. 740-818-4530 (Julie Gee) or www.ohiodnr.gov.

CENTRAL



JAN. 11, FEB. 8 – Inventors Network Meeting. The Point at Otterbein University, 60 Collegeview Rd., Westerville 43081, 7 p.m. Zoom meetings on Jan. 18 and Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. 614-470-0144 or www.inventorscolumbus.com.

JAN. 16, 18 – Ohio Boating Education Course. West Licking Fire District, 111 Basin St., Hebron, 5–9 p.m. Free. Fulfills Ohio boating education requirements; must attend both nights. Taught by ODNR officers. Successful completion earns the student the Ohio Boater Education card. Register by calling Buckeye Lake State Park Office at 740-527-4218.

JAN. 20 – Cabaret in the May: “No Place Like Home.” Marion Palace Theatre, 276 W. Center Street, Marion, 7:30 p.m. \$22. Featuring Tanner Wink and Madisen Schenk. 740-383-2101 or www.marionpalace.org.

JAN. 20 – Columbus Beerfest, Greater Columbus Convention Center, 400 N. High St., Columbus. \$40–\$95; designated driver package for \$25. Sample more than 150 local and craft

brews, as well as wines and spirits from new craft wineries and distilleries. Food vendors on-site. <https://columbusbeerfest.com>.

JAN. 20 – Logan Frozen Festival, downtown Logan. Free. Enjoy ice sculptures, ice games, vendors, and more. 740-385-2750 or www.hockinghills.com.

JAN. 20 – Winter Hike at Hocking Hills, Hocking Hills State Park, 20160 St. Rte. 664 S., Logan, continuous starts from 9 to 11 a.m. Free. See the beauty of the park in winter as you hike 6 miles from Old Man’s Cave to Ash Cave, with a stop at Cedar Falls for bean soup and corn muffins. Shuttle bus returns hikers to parking area. 740-385-6841 or www.hockinghills.com.

JAN. 27 – Buckeye Lake Winterfest, locations around the Buckeye Lake area. Begin your day at the North Shore Boat Ramp at 6:30 a.m. to see if Benny the Bass takes the bait to predict the beginning of spring. After the kickoff, visit over 40 businesses in the region for food and drink specials, live music, an art show, and more! 740-398-7205 or www.facebook.com/BuckeyeLakeWinterfest.

JAN. 27 – Winter Hike at Alum Creek, Alum Creek State Park, 3615 S. Old State Rd., Delaware, 2–4 p.m. Free. Enjoy the crisp winter air as we hike 4.5 miles through the woodlands and along the lake. Moderate difficulty, with some hills and stream crossings. 740-513-6382 (Lindsey Krusling) or www.ohiodnr.gov.

JAN. 27–28 – Scott Antique Market, Ohio Expo Ctr., Bricker and Celeste Bldgs., 717 E. 17th

Ave., Columbus, Sat. 9 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Free admission; \$7 parking. 800 exhibit booths. info@scottantiquemarket.com or www.scottantiquemarkets.com.

FEB. 2–4 – Columbus Log Home and Timber Home Design-Build Show, Ohio Expo Ctr., Rhodes Bldg., 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, Fri. 1–7 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. \$10 online, \$12 on-site; 18 and under free. Tickets good for all days! An expo for log home, timber frame home, and rustic furniture enthusiasts. 866-607-4108 or www.loghomeshows.com.

FEB. 6 – Spring Concert Rehearsal: Singers Wanted, Epiphany Lutheran Church, 268 Hill Rd. N., Pickerington, 7–8:30 p.m. Join the Pickerington Community Chorus every Tuesday from Feb. 6 on as we prepare for our spring concert, to be presented on April 20. No audition required. For more information, contact Cherie’ Stahlman-Knapp at 614-582-1509 or stahlman@insight.rr.com, or visit www.pickeringtoncommunitychorus.com.

FEB. 9–11 – National Fishing Expos, Columbus, Ohio Expo Ctr., Bricker Bldg., 717 E. 17th Ave., Columbus, Fri. 12–7 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–3 p.m. \$5–\$30. Formerly Columbus Fishing Expo. Nearly 300 vendors, exclusive product showcase, demonstrations, informational seminars by professional anglers, and more. www.nationalfishingexpos.com.

SOUTHWEST



THROUGH FEB. 26 – Bluegrass Wednesdays, Vinoklet Winery, 11069 Colerain Ave., Cincinnati, Wed. 6:30–8:30 p.m. Enjoy dinner, wine, and an evening of free entertainment by Vernon McIntyre’s Appalachian Grass. Reservations recommended. 513-385-9309, vinokletwinery@fuse.net, or www.vinokletwines.com.

JAN. 13 – Brown County FFA Consignment Auction, Brown Co. Fgds., 325 W. State St., Georgetown, 10 a.m. Auction of farm equipment and farm vehicles. Items for consignment will be received on-site from 10 a.m. on Wed., Thurs., Fri. 937-731-3939 or bcffaca@yahoo.com.

JAN. 18 – “Attracting Wildlife to Your Backyard,” Caesar Creek State Park, Nature Center, 8570 E. St. Rte. 73, Waynesville, 1–3 p.m. Free. Join park naturalist Erin Shaw to learn ways to attract native wildlife to your backyard and understand why it’s important. www.ohiodnr.gov.

JAN. 19 – Pam Bowman: Hammered Dulcimer, Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, 301 W. Main St., Troy, 7:30 p.m. In conjunction with the Mountain Dulcimer Society of Dayton. www.troyhayner.org/music.html.

JAN. 19–21, 24–28 – Cincinnati Boat, Sport, and Travel Show, Duke Energy Convention Center, 525 Elm St., Cincinnati. \$13–\$15; under 12 free. Find everything you need to plan your next outdoor adventure, from boats, campers, ATVs, and motorcycles to adventure sports equipment. See website for hours and schedule of events. www.cincinnatiboatsportandtravelshow.com.

JAN. 19–21, 26–28 – Greater Cincinnati Remodeling Expo, Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Road, Cincinnati, Fri. 12–5 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.–5 p.m. \$5, under 18 free. Meet local remodeling and building experts and get the advice you need to help you with your home improvement projects; explore innovative displays showcasing the latest trends in design and product offerings. www.homeshowcenter.com/overview/Cincinnati.

JAN. 30 – Drawing Room Chamber Concert, Troy-Hayner Cultural Center, 301 W. Main St., Troy, 7:30 p.m. Hosted by Steven Aldredge. Featuring Aaron Brant on French horn and Amanda Roberts on piano. www.troyhayner.org/upcoming-concerts.html.

FEB. 2–3 – Cincy Beerfest, Duke Energy Convention Center, 525 Elm St., Cincinnati. \$40–\$95; designated driver package for \$25. Sample more than 150 local and craft brews, as well as wines and spirits from new craft wineries and distilleries. Food vendors on-site. <https://cincybeerfest.com>.

FEB. 3 – Greater Cincinnati Fly Fishing Show, Oasis Conference Center, 902 Loveland-Miamiville Rd., Loveland, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Fly fishing education, tying equipment, magazines/books on fly tying, fishing kits, training services by professionals, and more. <https://10times.com/fly-fishing-show>.

FEB. 9 – The Butler Philharmonic Orchestral Ensemble: “Fitton Family Friday,” Fitton Center for the Creative Arts, 101 S. Monument Ave., Hamilton, 7:30 p.m. Members \$6, non-members \$8. Facebook: @officialbutlerphil or www.butlerphil.org.

FEB. 9–11 – Hearts Afire Weekend, downtown Loveland. Celebrate Valentine’s Day in Loveland, known as the “Sweetheart of Ohio.” Featuring fire, ice, live entertainment, outdoor decorations, and more love-inspired fun! <https://lovinlifeloveland.com/events/loveland-hearts-afire-weekend>.

FEB. 10 – Cincinnati Winter Blues Experience, Manor House, 7440 Mason Montgomery Rd., Mason, 5 p.m. \$30. <https://winterbluesexperience.com>.