

# 2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Second Saturday Concert Series & Highlands Community Orchestra

The Highland County Arts Council presents monthly performances at The Highland Center in Monterey

### **Valley AeroSpace Team Rocket Launches**

Join VAST monthly as model rockets only inches tall to over 6 feet tall take to the skies just south of Monterey

#### **Big Fish Cider's Wassail**

February 14

In Monterey, take part in a fun re-creation of an old English custom by scaring away evil orchard spirits & blessing trees

## 66th Highland County Maple Festival

March 14 - 15 & 21 - 22

Visit local maple sugar camps for free tours, shop with arts & crafts vendors, listen to live entertainment, & enjoy pancake meals & mouth-watering maple doughnuts

# The Mansion House & Charles Pinckney Jones House Museums

March 14 - October 31

Local exhibits from the Highland Historical Society

#### **Highland Farmers' Market**

Fridays in May - October

Purchase local produce, baked goods, & handcrafted items from local farmers & artisans at The Highland Center

#### **Memorial Day & Veterans Day Celebrations**

Saturday closest to each holiday

Remember & honor veterans at special ceremonies at the Veterans Memorial & Walk of Honor, hosted by local civic clubs

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#### **Artists' Weekend**

June 18 - 21

Plein Air event of county scenic spots & Sunday Wet Paint Show

### 4th of July Parade & Lawn Party

July 4

Celebrate Independence Day with a parade, lawn party, children's games, food, & more in Blue Grass

#### **Momentum in the Mountains**

July 25

Positive Momentum LLC's annual health & wellness retreat featuring expert presentations, food, music, & fun

## 26<sup>th</sup> Mountain Mama Road Bike Challenge

August 1

The annual event features 2 states, 3 counties, 9 mountains, 105 miles, & over 10,000 feet of climb

#### **Taste of Highland**

August 15

Enjoy this fundraising event for The Highland Center featuring the tastes of Highland County foods

#### 75th Highland County Fair

August 29 (Horse Show), September 2 - 5 Experience one of Virginia's oldest fairs with rides, games, a parade, a demoliton derby, truck & tractor pulls, & more

#### 18th Century Trades Fair

September 4 - 6

Colonial era craftsmen demonstrate & sell their wares at this unique immersive event at Fair Lawn Farm

#### **Highland County Star Parties**

September 11 or 12 & October 9 or 10
Astronomers bring telescopes to enjoy Highland's famous
Dark Sky for views of stars, planets, & other celestial wonders

#### **Hands & Harvest Festival**

October 9 - 11

Celebrate fall in our scenic mountains with a Harvest Trail, vendors, entertainment, seasonal food, & more

#### Wintertide

December 5

Enjoy the sights & sounds of the season with a craft vendor market, visit from Santa, & Christmas parade

Discover more events or learn about attractions like

Art on Main at The 3rd Space Workshops, the Barn Quilt Trail, Sounding Knob Fire Tower, or Hayfields State Park at

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