

Fairs & Festivals



Earth Day Festival

Communities in and around Stockton have rich histories and culturally diverse populations that have flourished throughout the years. As a result, our annual fairs and festivals are never lacking—you're bound to find something that you'll enjoy!

JANUARY

SAN JOAQUIN INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

January 3-5

Enjoy a selection of new, innovative, and award-winning films from emerging talents and seasoned artists from around the world.

sjiff.com

STOCKTON RESTAURANT WEEK

January 17-26

Discover new restaurants and visit long-time favorites during this event highlighting local cuisine. Three-course, fixed priced menus available at locations all over the city!

209.938.1555

stocktonrestaurantweek.com

ZION CHAMBER ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL

January 12, 17, 19

Three-concert classical music festival.

209.477.0259

zlcstockton.org

FEBRUARY

ROBERT T. MCKEE STUDENT ART EXHIBITION

February 6-April 6

Features the work of student artists from the public and private schools of San Joaquin County with awards to winners in grades K to 12.

209.940.6300

hagginmuseum.org

WINE AND CHOCOLATE WEEKEND, LODI

February 8-9

Lodi Wine Country's finest wines are paired with decadent chocolate concoctions, making for a delicious, and possibly romantic, experience!

209.367.4727

lodiwineandchocolate.com

ALMOND BLOSSOM FESTIVAL, RIPON

February 22-24

Always the last weekend of February and the first food festival of the season, this festival features a carnival, fun run, and well-known community parade.

209.599.7519

riponchamber.org

BOB MCMILLEN MEMORIAL FISHING TOURNAMENT

First Saturday of February at Oak Grove Regional Park.

209.953.8800

sjparks.com

MARCH

BRUBECK FESTIVAL

March 27-29

A jazz music festival put on by the University of the Pacific celebrating the musical, intellectual, and philosophical ideas of Dave Brubeck.

209.946.3196
pacific.edu

SPRING WINE SHOW, LODI

March 28-29

The Spring Wine Show at the Grape Festival Grounds is perhaps the largest wine show of the year, with thousands of visitors tasting the offerings of area wineries.

209.369.2771
grapefestival.com

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Entertainment includes: parade, tai chi demonstrations, folk dance performances, an award winning lion dance troupe, magicians, jugglers, Peking opera, and more!

stocktoncync.org

APRIL

GREAT STOCKTON ASPARAGUS DINE OUT (GSADO)

April 5-20

Kick-off asparagus season in style! Local restaurants will be showcasing unique dishes prepared with our favorite locally-grown spear!

209.938.1555
dineoutstockton.com

STOCKTON ASPARAGUS FESTIVAL

April 25-27

Celebrating its 29th year! The Stockton Asparagus Festival is a three-day, multi-event, food and entertainment



Brubeck Festival



Stockton Asparagus Festival



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festival celebrating all things asparagus. Enjoy over a hundred arts and crafts vendors and a hundred more specialty food and product vendors. Home to the world famous Deep Fried Asparagus Eating Championship, it's the largest food festival in the Central Valley and California's largest charitable festival! Get into the spear-it of spring at this Sunset Magazine, "Best of the West" Food Fest.

209.644.3740

asparagusfest.com

CAMBODIAN NEW YEAR

A four-day celebration featuring various types of popular Cambodian folk dances such as: Leak Kanseng, Chol Chhoung, and Lot Antak.

209.938.1555

visitstockton.org

EARTH DAY FESTIVAL

Celebrate spring and the environment at Victory Park with music, food, and informational booths.

209.479.1944

livegreensanjoaquin.org

ORCHID FEST

San Joaquin Orchid Society's flower show featuring orchid displays, educational exhibits, and orchids for sale.

visitstockton.org

MAY

CINCO DE MAYO

Weber Point is the site of this celebration of Mexican-American culture.

209.644.2600

elconcilio.org

ZINFEST, LODI

May 16-18

Over 50 of the area's finest



Stockton Pride Festival



Stockton-Con

vintages will be featured at this Lodi Lake event, enjoy a dozen regional restaurants, live music, cooking school, seminars, marketplace (featuring arts, crafts, and specialty merchandise), and the on-site wine store.

209.365.0621

zinfest.com

LODI STREET FAIRE

First Sunday in May

The largest antique and craft fair for a hundred miles in any direction. Over 700 vendors and exhibitors in 10 square blocks with their creations

and collectibles.

209.367.7840

lodichamber.com

LINDEN CHERRY FESTIVAL

This sweet celebration of the local cherry harvest comes complete with food, live entertainment, vendors, and children's activities.

209.547.3046

lindenchamber.net

JUNE

CONCERTS IN THE PARK

June-August

Grab a lawn chair and enjoy

the 62nd year of this free twelve-concert concert series at Victory Park!

visitstockton.org

JUNETEENTH

June 21

A family event celebrating the freedom of African Americans through song, games, and food.

stocktonjuneteenth.org

DELTA FUSION

June 28

The DeltaFusion parade and pageant at Victory Park is in its fourth year! Using giant puppets, masks, and music, this free event tells the story of the people of the Delta region and their connections with the land and water.

209.946.2944

deltafusionstockton.com

FISHING DERBY FOR KIDS

Young anglers fish for free while competing for prizes.

209.953.8800

sjparks.com

JEWISH FOOD FAIR

Temple Israel hosts this celebration of Jewish culture

with brunch, a bake shop, great food, games, and tours.

209.477.9306

templeisraelstockton.com

JULY

4TH OF JULY PARADE

Come out for the 4th of July Parade on the Miracle Mile—a great family-friendly event.

visitstockton.org

STOCKTON FAMILY 4TH OF JULY

Fireworks and a celebration of Independence Day in Downtown Stockton.

visitstockton.org

STOCKTON OBON BAZAAR

The Stockton Buddhist Temple sponsors this annual Japanese cultural bazaar featuring music, traditional dance, tea ceremonies, karate, judo demonstrations, and more.

209.466.6701

stocktonbuddhisttemple.org

AUGUST

STOCKTON-CON

August 9-10

Pop-culture is abundant at this Comic-Con style event that has been tremendously

popular in Stockton! The mission of Stockton-Con (a non-profit organization) is to raise awareness of outstanding artists in the San Joaquin Valley area, and to give attendees the chance to experience popular culture in its various forms: comics, card games, video games, cards, anime, manga, science fiction, toys, television, and movies.

stocktoncon.com

TASTE OF THE DELTA

August 9

The "Taste" showcases fine restaurants and wineries of the California Delta region, making for a delicious afternoon on the Delta.

916.777.4041

tasteofthedelta.com

STOCKTON PRIDE FESTIVAL

August 23

This vibrant and growing event is the only event of its kind in Stockton, celebrating the county's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community. Come out to enjoy the food, festival atmosphere, and free entertainment.

209.466.7572

stocktonpride.weebly.com

FILIPINO BARRIO FIESTA

San Joaquin County's leading celebration of Filipino culture includes Filipino music and entertainment, food, a health fair, and more.

209.466.1416

filipinoplaza.org

REGGAE ON THE DELTA

Caribbean rhythms such as Reggae, Soca, Zouk, and Ragga will rock your evening while you enjoy Caribbean food and drinks, a limbo contest, and silent auction.

209.952.7361

breadfruittree.com



Concerts in the Park

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Celebrate! Stockton is Magnificent

STOCKTON BEER WEEK

Citywide craft beer celebration featuring locally owned breweries, bars, pubs, and restaurants hosting tons of events. Last year's events featured tap-takeovers, a beer festival, beer gardens, the Brew & Shoes 5k, and much more!

209.938.1555

stocktonbeerweek.com

SEPTEMBER

DELL' OSSO FARMS ANNUAL PUMPKIN MAZE

September thru October

The area's largest pumpkin maze and family farm! Kiddie land, pony rides, petting zoo, tractor train, hay rides, picnic area, and food court. Free admission and parking.

209.982.0833

pumpkinmaze.com

FAMILY DAY AT THE PARK

September 20

A full day literacy and book fair with lots of fun and educational activities for the entire community; brought to you by The Record.

209.957.7277

familydayatthepark.com

BLACK FAMILY DAY

This event features gospel music, job and health fair, children's activities, crafts, and food vendors.

209.482.0505

stocktonblackfamilyday.org

GREEK FESTIVAL

St. Basil's Greek Orthodox Church presents fine Greek cuisine and pastries to the tune of authentic Greek music and dancing, tours of the church with choir performances, and plenty of games.

209.478.7564

gosaintbasil.org

HORSE RACING AT THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Enjoy 8-10 grandstand horse races per day – for free!

209.466.5041

sanjoaquinfair.com

LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL AND HARVEST FAIR

Celebrate the grape harvest with four days of entertainment, wine tasting, grape murals, food, and a carnival. The musical headliners are sure to rock your world!

209.369.2771

grapefestival.com



Stockton Beer Week

STOCKTON COMMUNITY LABOR DAY POW WOW

Pacific's Native American Students Association (NASA) and the Stockton Community Pow Wow Committee will host the 33rd Annual Labor Day weekend Pow Wow event! All are welcome to experience this campus and community gathering where indigenous peoples of the West share their songs, dances, drums, arts, crafts, foods, and more.

pacific.edu

TRACY DRY BEAN FESTIVAL

This San Joaquin County favorite features plenty of beans, along with arts, crafts, music, and more.

209.835.2131

tracybeanfestival.com

OCTOBER

ANNUAL SAFE TRICK-OR-TREAT

Pacific's largest community service activity is designed to provide a safe environment for families to enjoy trick-or-treating; and it's back for its 16th year!

209.946.2285

pacific.edu

CELEBRATE! STOCKTON IS MAGNIFICENT

Join countless Stocktonians for the fourth annual "Celebrate! Stockton is Magnificent" – a civic-pride building event where we celebrate our Stockton pride!

stocktonmagnificent.com

HALLOWEEN ON THE MIRACLE MILE

Goblins and ghouls flood the Mile as businesses open their doors to trick-or-treaters.

209.948.MILE

stocktonmiraclemile.com

LODI STREET FAIRE

First Sunday in October
The fall edition of the largest antique and craft fair for a hundred miles in any direction. Over 700 vendors and exhibitors line 10 square blocks with their creations and collectibles the first Sunday in October.

209.367.7840

lodichamber.com

MANTECA PUMPKIN FAIR

The finest in pumpkin-flavored foods, music, crafts, and more.

209.823.6121

manteca.org

STOCKTOBERFEST

A Downtown Stockton celebration of the German Oktoberfest festival complete with German food, traditional and local entertainment, and plenty of beer.

209.464.5246

downtownstockton.org

NOVEMBER

DIWALI CELEBRATION, LODI

Indian cultural event featuring lights, dancing, and traditional treats.

iasjc.org

FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

Sponsored by the San Joaquin Potters Guild. Multi-art and ceramic show featuring over 40 local artists, plus other art forms. Held at St. Basil's Greek Orthodox Church.

sanjoaquinpottersguild.org

SANDHILL CRANE FESTIVAL, LODI

Headquartered at Hutchins Street Square early in November, this fest has over 60 wildlife tours going out in all directions. The near 8,000 Sandhill Cranes that migrate to Lodi during the winter are a true spectacle of nature.

800.581.6150

cranefestival.com

SAN JOAQUIN KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW

Featuring over 3,000 of the top dogs from all over the country judged on confirmation, obedience and a rally event, all completely free to the public.

sanjoaquinck.org

STOCKTON HMGONG NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Celebrating Stockton's Hmong



Stockton Community Labor Day Pow Wow

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culture with sporting events, all types of folkloric, colorful, traditional outfits, a variety of merchant booths, delicious traditional Hmong food, on-stage cultural performances, live bands, and music.

209.466.0721

lfcempowerment.org

THANKSGIVING RUN AND WALK AGAINST HUNGER

Join 4,000 runners and walkers, burn calories, have a great time on the scenic Stockton Waterfront, and help raise money for holiday nutrition programs of the

Emergency Food Bank.

209.464.7369

runagainsthunger.org

TROUT BOUT

Youth and adult anglers compete for the largest trout in the lake.

209.953.8800

sjparks.com

DECEMBER

DELL'OSSO FARMS ANNUAL HOLIDAYS ON THE FARM, LATHROP

December - January

Santa Claus and his reindeer

will be staying at the farm and all kids of all ages are invited to pick their favorite tree, tube through the snow, and take a magical drive through the lights! And don't forget about snow-tube mountain!

209.982.0833

holidaysonthefarm.com

STOCKTON'S ANNUAL LIGHTED BOAT PARADE **First Saturday of December**

Sponsored by the Marina West Yacht Club. The evening begins with the official tree lighting at Weber Point, and then attendees can enjoy the famous Lighted Boat Parade as it makes its way into Downtown Stockton.

209.938.1555

visitstockton.org

FESTIVAL OF TREES, LODI

Even Scrooge would get in the holiday spirit by gazing at the more than 70 unique and beautifully decorated Christmas trees at this San Joaquin County Historical Museum classic.

209.331.2055

sanjoaquinhistory.org



Horse Racing at the San Joaquin County Fairgrounds



Thanksgiving Run and Walk Against Hunger