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Many of our golf courses are worldrenowned and the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship is played right here every other year.

Southwest Michigan is also home to some of the best restaurants in Michigan, offering unique dishes and savory fare. From fine dining to fantastic little dives, you'll find it all.

With Curious Kids Museum, Discovery Zone, Silver Beach Carousel and the Whirlpool Compass Fountain, your kids and grandkids will have a ball.

Escape is a collaboration between the Southwestern Michigan Tourist Council and Far Ahead Advertising, publishers of MailMax. Our hope is for you to fall in

love with our area so that you'll want to come back and visit us again. We want you to Escape, right here in Michigan's Great Southwest.



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## Southwestern Michigan Tourist Council Welcome Center

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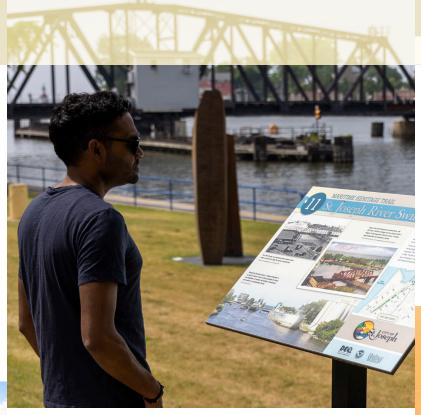


### **OUR RICH HISTORY**

The rich history of Southwest Michigan is just waiting for you to discover! Our roots go deep in this beautiful land. Originally inhabited by Indians, the first known white man coming to our area was Father Jacques Marquette, a French Jesuit priest, who entered the mouth of the St. Joseph River in 1669. However, it was French explorer La Salle who arrived a decade later and built Fort Miami, overlooking the bluff in St. Joseph. The area eventually became the city of St. Joseph. Take some time to explore and learn about our fascinating history while you're here.







# HERITAGE MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER

Be sure to put The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center on your must-see list while visiting St. Joseph. Located in a classical, carefully preserved and beautifully appointed building in St. Joseph, it houses this area's history, its artifacts and archival collections and a research library. Carefully preserved and beautifully appointed, it presents the stories of Southwest Michigan in spacious exhibit halls and creates

in spacious exhibit halls and creates new memories in elegant banquet facilities. The Heritage website will give you details on special exhibits and presentations.



#### LOCATION:

601 Main St, St Joseph, MI

Free parking
Free museum entrance
theheritagemcc.org
(269) 983-7227

### LIGHTHOUSE TOURS

The Heritage Center also organizes public tours of the historic St. Joseph North Pier Lighthouses May 24 through September 4, 2022. Following the major restoration completed in 2016, St. Joseph now has the only lighthouses located on a Lake Michigan pier which are regularly open to the public. The North Pier range lighthouses, along with their preserved

"catwalks" or elevated walkways, are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The most comprehensive way to experience the lighthouse is to attend an hour-long guided walking tour of the North Pier, culminating in an optional climb up to the lantern room inside the Inner Lighthouse.

All tours and open hours are weather, wave and wind dependent. You must sign a liability release and be at least 48 inches tall to climb the tower. Closed-toed walking shoes are best; no thong-type sandals. Make sure to dress for the weather. A tour may be conducted in light rain. Dresses and skirts are not advised, but sunscreen and sunglasses are.



#### LOCATION:

Tiscornia Park, 80 Ridgeway Street, St. Joseph, MI

Parking Fee at Tiscornia Guided tour tickets:

Purchase online and register at website, by phone or email at kulrey@theheritagemcc.org or you can walk up the day of the tour (first come, first served).

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## MUSEUMS TO EXPLORE

History lovers are going to enjoy the assortment of museums waiting to take you back in time. Some will even make you feel like a kid again.





Please check in advance to make sure the museum is open.

Berrien County Historical Association 313 N Cass St, Berrien Springs, MI 49103 (269) 471-1202 www.berrienhistory.org

Curious Kids' Museum 415 Lake Blvd, St Joseph, MI 49085 (269) 983-2543 www.curiouskidsmuseum.org

Curious Kids' Museum Discovery Zone 333 Broad St, St Joseph, MI 49085 (269) 982-8500 www.curiouskidsmuseum.org

> Fort St. Joseph Museum 508 E Main St, Niles, MI 49120 (269) 683-4702 www.bit.ly/38ToGmK

The Heritage Museum and Cultural Center 601 Main St, St Joseph, MI 49085 (269) 983-1191 www.theheritagemcc.org

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Dream of your wedding in the countryside and communities of southwest Michigan. Filled with ceremony and reception venues from sugar-sand beaches to vintage barns, rolling vineyards, elegant reception halls and places in between, your wedding is bound to be a beautiful and memorable occasion. The Southwest Michigan Tourist Council offers solid referrals including rehearsal dinner, DJ, florist, table favors, attendant gifts, spa services, item rentals, bakeries, transportation, catering and bartending.

Planning early is encouraged, as well as considering the off-season when your guests will not be competing with summer tourists for accommodations. Availability should be higher then and prices lower, and off-season incentives will save you money.

The Tourist Council can also provide you with free hotel-bid service in St. Joseph, Benton Harbor and Stevensville, remembering that space may be extremely limited in summertime. They'll get you started and provide local information for out-of-town guests.

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wineries and breweries.

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Find the complete listing at www.makerstrail.org





#### **SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN BEER, WINE, CIDER & SPIRITS**

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What a welcome you'll receive as wine corks are popped or beer kegs

and whiskey barrels are tapped!

The makers will pour flights for you and offer plates of savory cheeses, smoky grilled meats, crisp vegetables and creamy chocolate truffles – most from locally sourced ingredients. So take a moment to pause in the whirl of life. It'll make you happy.

Makers Trail maps are available at the front desk of most local hotels.

Visit www.makerstrail.org for an up-to-date list of local makers.





#### **BREWERIES:**

#### **Arclight Brewing Company**

544 N. Main St. Watervliet arclightbrewing.com

#### **Ghost Isle Brewery**

17684 US HWY 12, New Buffalo www.ghostislebrewery.com

#### **Haymarket Brewing**

9301 Red Arrow Hwy, Bridgman haymarketbrewing.com

#### **Kingfisher Cocktails & Tacos**

210 State St., St Joseph kingfisherdowntown.com

#### Lehman's Farmhouse

204 N. Redbud Trail, Buchanan www.lehmansfarmhouse.com

#### The Livery Microbrewery

190 5th St, Benton Harbor liverybrew.com

#### **Niles Brewing Company**

206 E. Main Street, Niles nilesbrewing.com

#### **North Pier Brewing Company**

670 North Shore Dr. Benton Harbor northpierbrewing.com

#### North Shore Inn

107 Higman Park Rd. Benton Harbor northshoreinnburgers.com

#### **River Saint Joe**

15475 Walton Rd., Buchanan riversaintjoe.com

#### **Round Barn**

**Brewery & Public House** 9151 First St, Baroda roundbarnpublichouse.com

#### **Round Barn**

#### Winery, Distillery & Brewery

Baroda Tasting Room & Estate 10983 Hills Rd, Baroda roundbarnwinery.com

#### **Seedz Brewery**

16321 Red Arrow Hwy., Union Pier seedzbrewery.com

#### **Silver Harbor Brewing Company**

721 Pleasant St., St. Joseph silverharborbrewing.com

#### **Tapistry Brewing**

4236 Lake St, Bridgman tapistrybrewing.com

#### **Transient Artisan Ales**

4229 Lake St. Bridgman transientartisanales.com

#### **Watermark Brewing Company**

5781 St. Joseph Ave, Stevensville watermarkbrewing.com

#### **DISTILLERIES:**

#### **Iron Shoe Distillery**

3 North 3rd St, Niles facebook.com/IronShoeDistillery

#### Journeyman Distillery

109 Generations Dr. Three Oaks journeymandistillery.com

#### **Round Barn**

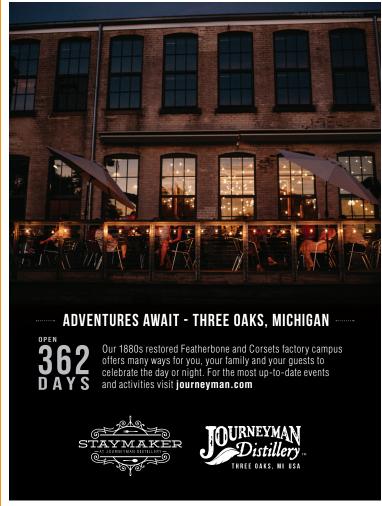
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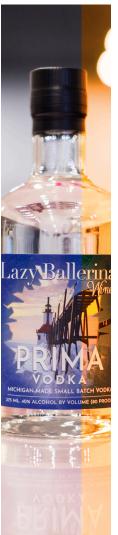
10983 Hills Rd, Baroda roundbarnwinery.com

#### **WINERIES:**

#### **12 Corners Vineyards**

1201 N. Benton Center Rd. Benton Harbor 12corners.com









#### Baroda Founders Wine Cellar & Tasting Room

8963 Hills Rd, Baroda 415 State St., St. Joseph founderswinecellar.com

#### Chill Hill

8986 First Street. Baroda chillhill.net

#### **Contessa Wine Cellars**

3235 Friday Rd, Coloma contessawinecellars.com

#### **Dablon Vinevards**

111 W. Shawnee Rd, Baroda Dablon.com

#### **Domaine Berrien Cellars**

398 E. Lemon Creek Rd, **Berrien Springs** domaineberrien.com

#### Free Run Cellars

10062 Burgoyne Rd, Berrien Springs freeruncellars.com

#### Gravity

10220 Lauer Rd, Baroda gravitywine.com

#### **Hickory Creek Winery**

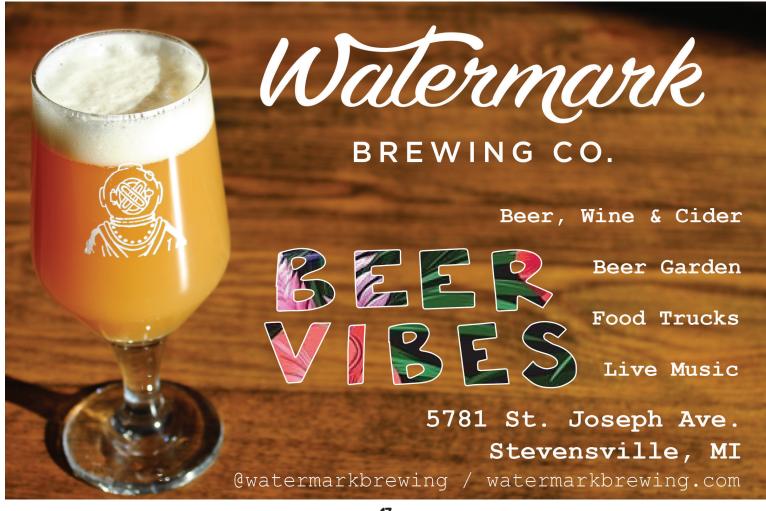
750 Browntown Rd, Buchanan hickorycreekwinery.com

#### Karma Vista Vineyards

6991 Ryno Rd, Coloma karmavista.com

#### **Lake Michigan Vintners**

2774 E. Empire Ave., Benton Harbor lakemichiganvintners.com





#### Lazy Ballerina Winery

315 State St, St. Joseph 4209 Lake Street, Bridgman lazyballerinawinery.com

#### Lehman's Orchard

2280 Portage Rd, Niles lehmansorchard.com

#### Lehman's Orchard Brewery & Farmhouse

204 N. Red Bud Trl, Buchanan Jehmansfarmhouse.com

#### **Lemon Creek Winery**

533 E. Lemon Creek Rd, Berrien Springs lemoncreekwinery.com

#### **Moonrise Winery**

7785 Hill Rd, Watervliet moonrisewinery.com

#### **Red Top Winery**

482 E. Snow Rd, Baroda redtopwinery.com

#### Round Barn, Free Run

**Cellars & Tabor Hill Tasting Room** 

9185 Union Pier Rd., Union Pier roundbarn.com/locations/tasting-room







#### **Round Barn Winery**

10983 Hills Rd, Baroda roundbarnwinery.com

#### St. Julian Tasting Room

9145 Union Pier Rd., Union Pier stiulian.com

#### Tabor Hill Champagne Cellar

10243 Red Arrow Hwy., Bridgman taborhill.com

#### **Tabor Hill Winery & Restaurant**

185 Mount Tabor Rd, Buchanan taborhill.com

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#### Winery & Tasting Room

4110 Red Arrow Hwy, Benton Harbor vineyard2121.com

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### SOCIAL DISTRICTS IN SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN

Social Districts are walkable designated areas and southwest Michigan has four of them: St. Joseph, Bridgman, Niles and Buchanan.

Within these districts you can purchase alcoholic drinks from participating businesses and consume them in outdoor common areas, which are marked by signage surrounding the district. This means you can window shop, enjoy walking around while waiting for your lunch or dinner reservation, and support local businesses.

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- Purchases are made at participating businesses and cannot be brought in to other establishments that sell alcohol.
- Finish your alcoholic beverage before you leave because these drinks cannot be removed from the Social District.
- When you finish you must toss the cup into a trash bin as the cup cannot be reused, even at the same establishment.
- Leave your drinks at home as they cannot be brought into the Social District areas.

Drink responsibly and enjoy your time in Michigan's Great Southwest!





### WE LOVE KIDS!

Southwest Michigan is a family-friendly place, and we welcome children of all ages to enjoy special places created just for them.



In 2010, the Curious Kids' Museum had the opportunity to expand and open a second location in partnership with the Silver Beach Carousel and Shadowland Ballroom, by opening Curious Kids' Discovery Zone (DZ) below the bluff. Sharing the vision of CKM for a place where children and accompanying adults can pursue their natural curiosity through

## **CURIOUS KIDS MUSEUM AND DISCOVERY ZONE**

Curious Kids Museum (CKM) and its offshoot, Discovery Zone, invite you to come play, learn and be curious! Opened in 1989, CKM on the bluff in downtown St. Joseph, provides a place where "Learning is Fun" through interactive, handson exhibits. The museum was

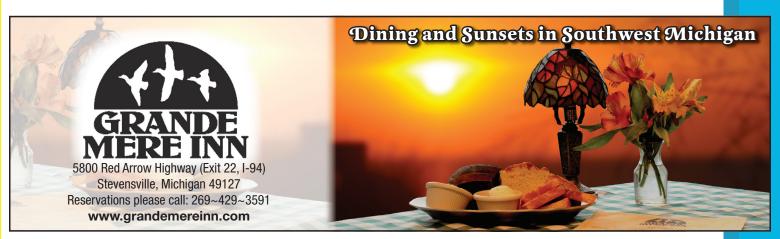
developed to inspire curiosity and wonder while stimulating learning, imagination, exploration, and role playing in a child's world. It's a great place for children ages 1-10 to spend time learning and creating while in Southwest Michigan.



creative play, DZ has over 35 hands-on features and is geared for children ages 3-14. A day of fun, imagination and exploration awaits. Children can create imagery and art with a giant pin wall or watch dance moves come alive with color in the Virtual Reflections Room. They might become a rock climber on a true climbing wall designed for children. They can explore the

nature of water flow at the Water
Works exhibit, or sail a boat with
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# THE GHOSTLIGHT THEATRE

The GhostLight Theatre is a new theatre performance venue in the Benton Harbor Arts

District that seeks to illuminate the arts and culture of the area. It creates events where children and adults are more than observers, and become active participants in creation and exploration of a variety of performance media.

#### LOCATION: 101 Hinkley St, Benton Harbor

Free parking ghostlightbh.com (269) 252-5222











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#### THE MENDEL CENTER

The Lake Michigan College Mendel Center is the region's premier location for performing arts and events, hosting more than 40,000 annual visitors.

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#### LOCATION:

4160 E Campus Circle Dr, Berrien Springs

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Our budtenders man the dispensaries along the Natural Route. Each of them are trained to know the effects of each product and will guide you through the selection process regardless of if you're new to recreational cannabis or well-versed with a preferred strain. All you have to know is your desired outcome.

Across the Natural Route, an impressive array of products promote the new R&R: Remedy and Relaxation. Maybe you're looking to relieve stress, pain or insomnia. Perhaps you need help maintaining focus or boosting creativity. Do you want to calm your traveling nerves? You're already well on your way by coming to Southwest Michigan, let us help with the rest. Enhance sightseeing, beach days, nature viewing and more.

Whether you have always wanted to try cannabis or want to experience unique, new products, this is the place to start! We're fostering a new attitude toward cannabis usage in Southwest

Michigan – one where you feel comfortable exploring and we celebrate a unique community that grows, collaborates and creates in our region.

Be part of it today. Take the Natural Route.

Visit swmichigan.org/dispensary if you are at least 21 years of age to learn more.





## WHIRLPOOL COMPASS FOUNTAIN

Be sure to take a few minutes to enjoy the refreshing sight of the Whirlpool Compass Fountain as the waters jet upward against the backdrop of Silver Beach before descending again to the splash pad below! Children joyfully splashing through the waters bring a smile to the faces of adults, who are usually content to relax on one of several nearby benches as they keep an eye on their scampering youngsters.

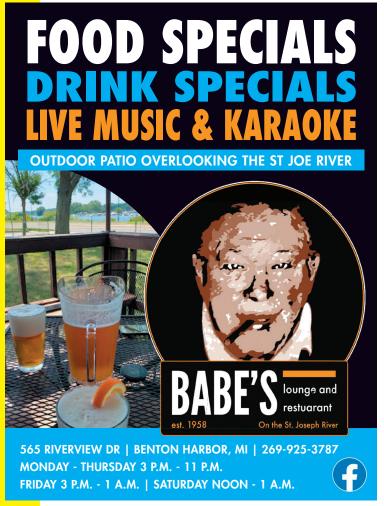
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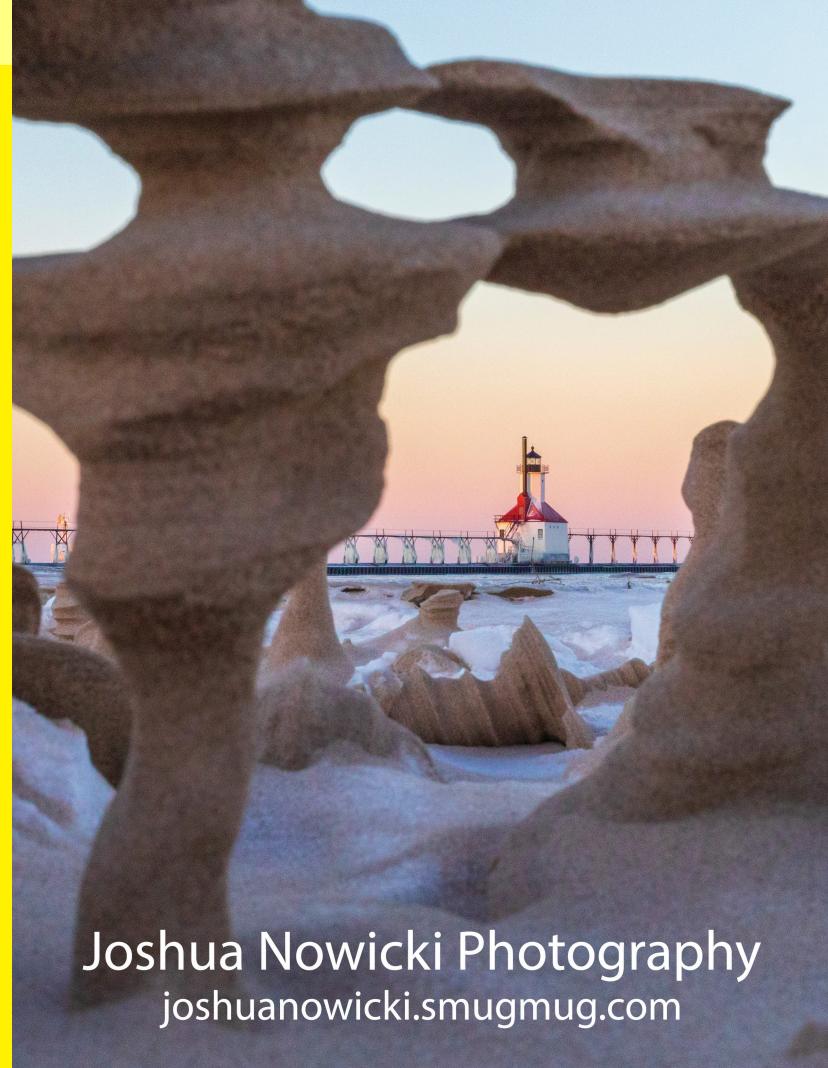
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### FOR THE ART LOVER

Southwest Michigan has some terrific sites for those who love art in its many forms. A stroll along the St. Joe River in St. Joseph, as well as along Silver Beach, offers not only beautiful scenery, but a wonderful array of modern sculptures. But there are a few places for art lovers where you'll want to spend time browsing and taking in the diversity and giftedness of both local and nationally-acclaimed artists.



### KRASL ART CENTER

Krasl Art Center is a great place to start! It offers high quality, always-changing art exhibitions and installations, as well as year 'round classes, camps and artist guilds in drawing, painting, ceramics, metals, woodworking and more. Their website will provide information regarding special events and programs, as well as art education opportunities, which are offered to residents and tourists alike, from young to old regardless of level of experience.

#### LOCATION:

#### 707 Lake Blvd, St. Joseph

Free admission, with \$5 donation suggested; fee-based classes Free parking on first-come-first-served basis krasl.org (269) 983-0271



## BOX FACTORY FOR THE ARTS

Since 1995, the Berrien Artist Guild, a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization, has owned the Box Factory for the Arts, a historic building which originally manufactured fancy boxes under the name of Williams Brothers Paper Manufacturing. Remnants of its industrial past have been kept as artifacts throughout the building.

The three floors of the building offer much to explore
-- four galleries, artist studios, office spaces, a gift shop
with items by local artist members, a performance area,
library, conference room and more.

The Box Factory is located just four blocks from the corner of Main and Broad Streets in downtown St.Joseph. Ample parking is available both adjacent to the building and directly across Broad Street.

Admission to the galleries is free while donations are appreciated. Nominal fees are charged for special events. To learn about up-to-date happenings at the Box be a friend on Facebook or visit the website at boxfactoryforthearts.org.

"Birds of a feather, flock together" is the title of the colorful mural created by local artist Kimberly Wood that wraps the entrance to the Box Factory for the Arts. It is a visual invitation to enter and explore the gallery exhibits, artist studios, ArtMarket and large performance area – all free and open to the public. 269-983-3688 boxfactoryforthearts.org and Facebook





### **BENTON HARBOR ARTS ASSOCIATION**

Another spot you won't want to miss on your visit to Southwest Michigan is the Benton Harbor Arts District. Benton Harbor Arts Association (BHAA) is dedicated to the revitalization of the Benton Harbor Arts District with a firm belief that "Art Builds Community."

Every four months, the Arts District presents its Art Hop when business members open their doors, inviting the general public to come in to showcase local artists. You'll enjoy checking out the multiple venues along the walkable Arts District streets. Art Hop events are family-friendly and offer the opportunity to view truly impressive

art, as well as speak with local business owners. As you wander in and out of the galleries and shops in the arts district, you'll discover a wealth of creative talent and a passion that's contagious!

On Friday evening, BHAA plays host to a friendly evening filled with an entertaining mix of art, music, dance, theater, culinary arts and more.

On the first Monday of every month, local musicians, poets and storytellers are invited to step up to the mic on BHAA's Open Stage at The Livery. The Livery is a local brewery and pizzeria in the arts district of Benton Harbor. Its professional sound and lighting systems and a history

of bringing some of the best live music to the region make Open Stage one of the best free live performance events in the area.

Artoberfest is a unique combination of local artists, musicians, food and drink that shows the world what makes Benton

Harbor great. Even better, this event helps fund experienced professionals who prepare young artists and musicians who are given the chance to publicly perform.

The newest addition to BHAA is
The GhostLight Theatre, presenting
live theater productions, including
musical productions.

You won't want to miss the excitement of Art Hop, Artoberfest, first Mondays at the Livery or live theater at the new GhostLight Theater. The Benton Harbor Arts Association webpage will give you dates and times of all events!



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#### LOCATIONS:

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The Livery - 190 5th St, Benton Harbor
Artoberfest - Corner of 5th St and
Park St, Benton Harbor
The GhostLight Theater - 101 Hinkley
St, Benton Harbor
bentonharborarts.org

(269) 925-8760





## **ICE SKATING**

If you enjoy ice skating, the John & Dede Howard Ice Arena is a great, family-friendly ice rink within the City of St. Joseph. The arena is a partially enclosed, refrigerated NHL-sized (200' x 85') outdoor rink. It has a Zamboni, skate rental, concession stand and warming shelter. Although the arena has open skate times, they are subject to weather conditions, so be sure to check the website news feed or contact the Ice Rink to inquire about weather-related closings.



#### LOCATION: 2411 Willa Dr, St Joseph

Free parking Fee for skating and/or skate rental sjcity.com/live-here/ice-arena (269) 983-8795





## **BEACHES**

Beautiful, majestic Lake Michigan is a major draw to this area, with visitors enjoying splashing and swimming in its waters, boating, fishing, surfing, windsurfing or parasailing. The power Lake Michigan displays in storms is something to behold; and in winter, as ice piles up along the shoreline and drapes the lighthouses in glistening ice, the Lake presents yet another kind of breathtaking beauty, making a perfect photographic opportunity. But the lazy days of summer and early autumn entice most visitors to the shores of Lake Michigan. The sandy beaches are perfect for enjoying the sun, picnicking, or building sand castles. Breezy days are ideal for flying kites on the beach, a delightful sight as they soar high against the backdrop of a clear blue sky. Many beaches have volleyball nets in place, making it easy to organize or pick up a game of beach volleyball. And everyone agrees that sunsets along the shores of Lake Michigan are truly breathtaking, a photographer's dream.

When enjoying the beaches of Southwest Michigan, we want you to keep in mind that alcohol is prohibited on all Berrien County beaches.





New Buffalo Public Beach offers visitors a refreshment stand, a small play area for children, restrooms, a dune stairway, overlook and boardwalk, beach chair and game rentals, bicycle parking, and eight boat launch ramps. The dune can be used for sledding in winter. No pets, fires or glass containers are allowed. Lifeguards are on duty during the summer months.

Weko Beach features a modern beach house with concession stand, grills, camping, changing areas, restrooms, a cold outdoor shower, a boat launch directly into Lake Michigan, beach wheelchairs and volleyball nets. There is also a beautiful boardwalk, two dune overlooks and the playing of "Taps" at dusk on summer evenings, as well as free summer concerts.

Lincoln Township Beach and Nature Center is a small, quiet beach of sand and stone mix. It features an attractive boardwalk and easy access to the beach.

Restrooms and a picnic area are available.

Lions Park in St. Joseph offers three sheltered pavilions, parking, sidewalks, a playground, grills and restrooms; however, no lifeguards are on duty and swimming is discouraged. This beach offers a superb view of St. Joseph's piers and lighthouses.

Silver Beach is a popular beach that provides a 600-space parking lot off Broad Street, men's and women's bathhouses, park office, visitors' center, pavilion, south pier, bike racks, playground equipment, beach wheelchairs, volleyball nets and a 1,600-foot beach for swimmers. A lifeguard is on duty during the summer.

Grills are available.

Tiscornia Beach is a family-oriented park located on sixteen acres along the shoreline of Lake Michigan at the northwest corner of the St. Joseph. Amenities include the North Pier Lighthouse and walkway that is a popular spot for fishing and watching sunsets, restroom facilities, sandy beach and a pavilion that will accommodate about forty for picnics. Non-residents may purchase a seasonal parking permit from the City Clerk's Office at City Hall.

Jean Klock Park features a paved lot, boardwalk, volleyball courts, observation tower, pavilion, bathhouse, concession area, playground and picnic shelter.

Rocky Gap Park has three acres and 1,100 feet of lake frontage. It's a great beach for finding sea glass.

There are no lifeguards or restrooms.

Hagar Township Beach has a paved parking lot, picnic tables, a shady walkway to the beach, slides, and portable toilet facilities. Picnic tables and grills are available.

Dogs are allowed and a bag dispenser is provided.



## **HOOKED ON FISHING**

Southwest Michigan is an angler's heaven. You can enjoy everything from deep-water fishing for 20-lb. salmon to smelt dipping. And there's always an excuse to go fishing, for you can fish all year 'round.

The variety of fish is what hooks many anglers on the area. If you just want to enjoy the ride and the fresh catch, or if you like the sport of deep-water fishing on Lake Michigan but don't have the gear, the area has a number of licensed professional fishing charter captains. A charter association survey indicates that 92% of the anglers catch fish, which means you'll probably bring home more than great stories.

Lake Michigan and the rivers that open into it are well-known for their coho, salmon, steelhead, Chinook salmon, and brown trout. Most catches range from 5-20 lbs., although Chinook salmon can weigh in at 30 lbs. Other catches include smallmouth bass, perch, smelt, walleye, pike, catfish, crappy,

sucker and bluegill. Inland lakes and streams are favorite fishing sites for panfish, northern pike, bass, musky, and brown trout. A fishing license is required and is available at most sporting goods stores and bait shops. A list of charter boat captains can be found online at swmichigan.org/more-entertainment/fishing





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Market-goers will enjoy fresh finds at the weekly St. Joe Farmer's Market. Vendors will offer a variety of products including homemade goods, locally grown produce, potted and cut flowers, meats and cheeses, coffee and more! This event is held Saturdays in the scenic Lake Bluff Park, overlooking Lake Michigan.

Farmers Markets have grown in popularity as the demand for fresh, locally sourced produce and goods has increased. "Take the time to chat with vendors who will share recipes, planting recommendations and cooking tips." said Amy Zapal, executive director, St. Joe Today.

The St. Joe Farmers Market will be held in the scenic Lake Bluff Park on Saturdays, May 28 through October 8 from



9:00a-2:00p. Extended market hours will be offered on June 4, July 16, August 20 and September 3; these dates coincide with the Lake Bluff Artisan Fair.

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### ST. JOSEPH PIERS

The first two lighthouses on Lake Michigan were built in 1832: one in Chicago, the other high on a bluff in St. Joseph, Michigan.

The St. Joseph lighthouse was a 40-foot-tall circular stone tower which guided vessels to safety along the southern edge of Lake Michigan's eastern shore for 28 years.

Michigan's eastern shore for 28 years. In 1846, a wooden tower was built on the North Pier, which is the site of today's historic and beautiful North Pier Lighthouse. Set in this deep-water port, today's white structure with its distinctive red roof, has guided ships to safe harbor and access to twin cities St. Joseph and Benton Harbor for over 150 years. It was selected to be one of the featured lighthouses in a series of U.S. postage stamps issued in 1995. The current lighthouse consists of two structures: the larger, square-based building housing the inner light and a smaller, circular steel tower containing the outer light. The inner light is a lighthouse with keeper's

quarters, a facility constructed with the intention of employing a full-time resident keeper to tend the light daily. The outer light is a minor light, such as a tower or pole light, but with interesting daymarks of historical interest.

A catwalk remains as a reminder of winter's harsh conditions, when it served as an elevated walkway through high snow and ice mounds, allowing light keepers' access to keep the oil lights burning.

Lighthouse access is from Tiscornia Park and beach across the St. Joseph River north of town. While Silver Beach and the adjacent

South Pier no longer welcome steamers from Chicago to what was once Silver Beach Amusement Park, they welcome visitors to

the sugar-sand beaches adorned with talkative seagulls and graced by unique sculptures rising high against spectacular sunsets.

(See page 9 for information on guided tours.)



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### **LOVE CREEK NATURE CENTER** & COUNTY PARK

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Love Creek offers outstanding cross-country skiing, with groomed trails for both classic and skate-style skiing. Rental equipment for classicstyle skiing is available in youth and adult sizes. Love Creek also provides mountain bikers with access to a 3.5-mile beginning/intermediate level mountain bike trail from spring through fall. The mountain bike trail is groomed for fat tire biking and fat bike rentals are available.



Love Creek has a Nature Center Building (check website for times open) and the Trillium Room, an inviting space for your next event, meeting or gathering.

#### LOCATION: 9292 Huckleberry Rd, Berrien Center, MI

Nature Center Building open: Wed.-Sun., 10am-5pm Trails open daily year-round during daylight hours. Free Parking

Daily pass: \$3/vehicle for Berrien County residents; \$5/vehicle for out-of-county visitors Annual entry permit: \$35 berriencounty.org/1299/Love-Creek-County-Park (269) 471-2617





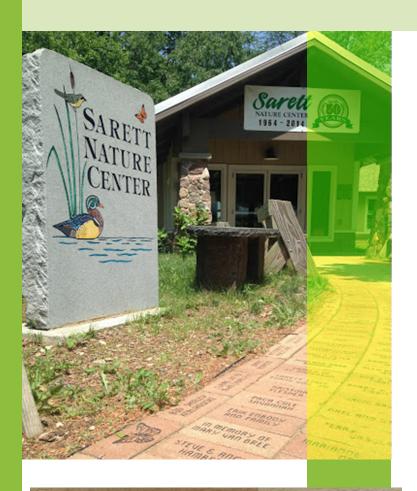
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River below can be seen from the trails running along its
bluff. One of the most popular activities is birding, with
over 300 species named on the Berrien County checklist.
Cross-country skis and snowshoe rentals are available for
those who want to partake of winter's beauty.

Sarett offers live animal displays, a butterfly house during the warm months, a nature play area for kids, and

informational displays. Sarett requests that you enjoy the trails without pets, picnicking, picking wildflowers, biking, or other disturbances to the natural setting.



#### LOCATION: 2300 N Benton Center Rd, Benton Harbor, MI 49022 (269) 927-4832

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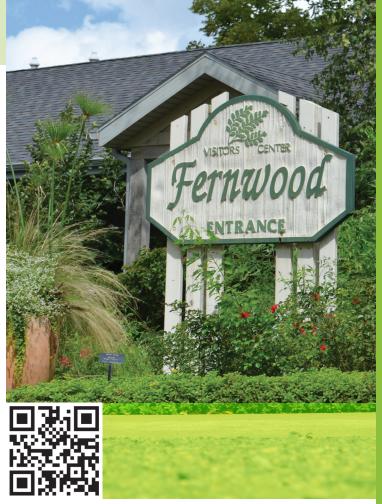
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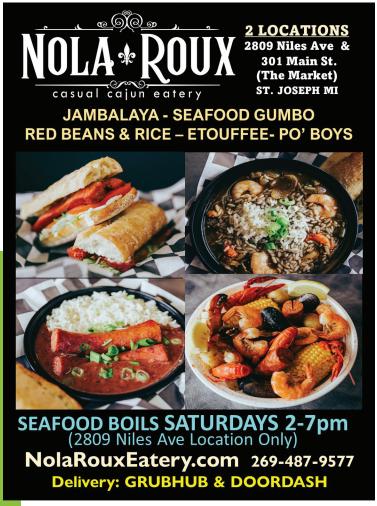
Fernwood Botanical Garden and Nature Preserve is a special place where nature blends with gardens and art to create an experience of wonder for all ages. Comprised of 105 acres on the St. Joseph River near Buchanan, Michigan, it includes natural areas with woodlands, miles of walking and hiking trails, a reconstructed prairie, an arboretum, and cultivated public gardens that include an herb garden, railway garden, and other special gardens and collections. Indoors, visitors may enjoy a fern conservatory, art gallery, bird viewing, café, library, and gift shop.

Fernwood provides many opportunities for learning and enrichment for all ages all year long, including classes, workshops, lectures, concerts, trips, exhibits, and special events. Its facilities are ideal for weddings, receptions, business meetings and retreats, lectures, and special events of all kinds. Fernwood is truly a garden for all seasons.

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- Paw Paw Lake Golf Course A scenic Par 70 public golf course on the shores of Paw Paw Lake. Watervliet, (269) 463-3831.
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### BERRIEN COUNTY YOUTH FAIR

Come one; come all to the Berrien County Youth Fair August 15-20, 2022! The theme for this year's fair is "Red, White and Blue" This 77th year of the BCYF, as always, highlights an exciting week for the youth of our area as they exhibit and show their animals, and display crafts, home economics projects, flowers, horticulture and much more. Monday is the Tractor Pull, and the popular Circus Continental will return on Tuesday. Youth Fair officials have announced an exciting Grandstand lineup of entertainment acts for this year, including Granger Smith featuring Earl Dibbles Jr. on Wednesday August 17. An all-truck derby is featured on Thursday and an all-car derby is scheduled for Friday. Bullmania is featured on Saturday.

There's much more to see and do; and the Berrien County Youth Fair wouldn't be complete without midway rides, music and tantalizing eats and treats.









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## LAKE BREEZE MUSIC FESTIVAL

#### **AUGUST 20**

The Lake Breeze Music Festival, August 20 from 6-10pm, blends the subtle sounds of beautiful music with the ability to enjoy the host community of southwest Michigan. This is truly the place where music meets the lifestyle!

The Lake Breeze Music Festival is your invitation to your next destination. Located on the sandy shores of Lake Michigan, with a backdrop of breath-taking sunsets, this music festival is a taste of the best. It is an event of rich and diverse musical talent accented with food and drink. We blend the traditional with the new wave.

The musical line up is impressive! Four top notch performers round out this year's concert. They include Tim Cunningham, Carmen Stokes, The Andrew Fisher Quartet and Meagan McNeal.

For decades the words "smooth, sultry, cool & funky" have been used to describe Tim's high energy and emotional stage show that connects with people of all ages, races and genres of music. Tim's opened for jazz greats Dave Koz, Norman Brown, Brian Culbertson and George Benson, and has been paired with Earth, Wind & Fire, Cameo, Boyz II Men, Patti Labelle, Frankie Beverly, Jeffrey Osborne, and the late Luther Vandross.

Carmen Stokes, an Indiana girl arriving on the Chicago scene in the 90s with her debut, Sexy Feelin' album, established herself as an in-demand player in the Chicago area, building on the soulful jazz style of idols like Ramsey Lewis and Joe Sample.

The Andrew Fisher Quartet showcases their unique takes on well-known songs and catalogs, and are currently performing their original music with the release of their Extended Player in 2019.

Meagan McNeal graced the stage of NBC's "the Voice" in 2017. She's a powerhouse singer, songwriter and recording artist, well versed in the genres of jazz, soul, and R & B.





# TOP 10 THINGS TO DO DURING THE FALL SEASON

- 1. Visit your favorite farm or farm market
- Drive anywhere in southwest Michigan for a magnificent fall color tour
- 3. Visit escape rooms
- 4. Attend a live play at a local theatre
- 5. Visit any one of our Makers (wine, beer, spirits, ciders)
- 6. Hike along any of our nature trails
- 7. Visit a museum
- 8. Checkout our live music and performance venues
- 9. Ride a surrey bike in downtown St. Joseph
- 10. Visit a local art gallery



TRI-STATE **REGATTA** 

A magnificent sight awaits you on Labor Day weekend when St. Joseph River Yacht Club hosts more than 100 sailboats on the first leg of one of the most prominent sailing events in the region, the Tri-State Regatta. This Chicago to St. Joseph to Michigan City to Chicago race has been delighting residents and visitors alike every Labor Day weekend for decades.

Depending on weather conditions, the sailboats should arrive Saturday, September 3 between 9am and 10am. Most moor in the St. Joseph River next to the Arboretum in downtown St. Joseph, making this a favored destination for photographers and sightseers.

The St. Joseph River Yacht Club has a number of activities planned for that Saturday that are open to the public, including an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast from 6:30am-12:30pm, lunch from noon-4pm and dinner from 6-9:30pm. The club pool will be open to the public all day and a band will provide music from 8pm-midnight.

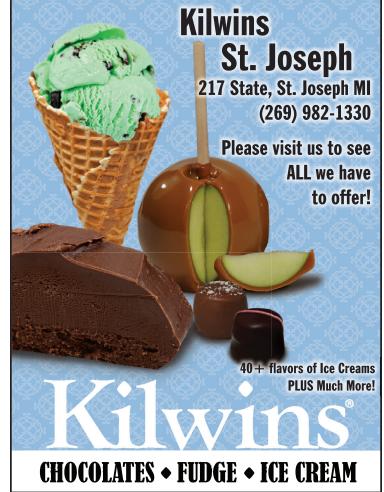
Sunday morning is another excellent opportunity for spectators, especially from either the south pier (off Silver Beach) or the north pier (off Tiscornia Park), when crews ready their vessels for departure from St. Joseph port, sailing off into the blue waters of Lake Michigan between 9:30am-10:30am.

Also on Sunday, September 4, be sure to take in the Regatta Craft Fair at Lake Bluff Park from 10am-5pm.

YACHT CLUB LOCATION: 1 Lighthouse Lane, St. Joseph, MI (269) 983-6393













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#### **SEPTEMBER 17**

## FALL FESTIVAL

As the days grow cooler here in Southwest Michigan, the leaves begin to turn, spreading a blanket of beautiful crimson and gold across the landscape; and the final harvest of fruits and vegetables will be underway. It's time to celebrate at the St. Joseph Fall Festival!

#### LOCATION: Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

Sat., Sept. 17, 10am-3pm stjoetoday.com

## MAGICAL ST. JOE WINTERS

When summer ends, it's a great time to come back to Southwest Michigan. The countryside is beautiful and offers ice fishing, skating, cross country skiing, and downhill skiing.

In downtown St. Joseph, you'll find fun and unique events that are hosted by St. Joseph Today continuing through the seasons.

St. Joseph Today is a nonprofit organization that promotes our community and develops and maintains year-round programming that inspires visitors and residents to explore St. Joseph, Michigan and surrounding communities. To get the most up-to-date listing of events, go to

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#### **NOVEMBER 18**

## LUMINARY FESTIVAL

The holiday season will begin November 18 with the warm glow of hundreds of luminaries lining the streets of Victorian-era downtown

St. Joseph, Michigan. The Luminary Festival creates a joyful atmosphere for all ages to enjoy, with refreshments, special prices and gift ideas galore from participating restaurants and shopkeepers. Eat, shop, drink and be merry!

#### LOCATION:

Downtown St. Joseph Fri., Nov. 18, 5pm-8pm stjoetoday.com



#### **DECEMBER 2**

## WINDOW WONDERLAND

Visitors can stroll downtown and enjoy the Window Wonderland event from 7pm-8:30pm. Dozens of store fronts will participate in this holiday window decorating event. Gift hunters will appreciate the unique selections, special prices, and festive shopping atmosphere that evening and throughout December.

#### LOCATION: Downtown St. Joseph, MI

Fri., Dec. 2 - 7pm-8:30pm Window Wonderland stjoetoday.com





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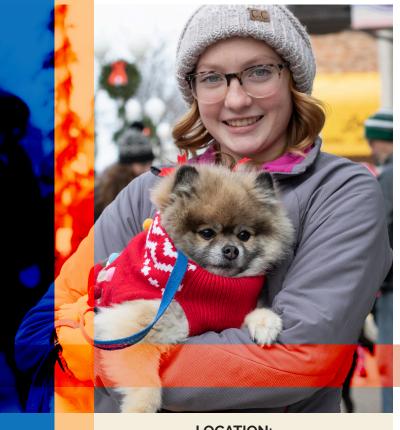












## **REINDOG HOLIDAY PARADE**

On Saturday, December 3, the Reindog Holiday Parade, kicks off at 4 p.m. This event features dressed up pets and their owners in a variety of holiday garb. Be prepared to see all kinds of costumes from "Santa Bernards" to "Reindeer Rottweilers" - this is definitively a must-see event. The event also marks the arrival of Santa. After the parade, children can share their wish lists with Santa at Santa's House. Santa will be at the house, located at State and Pleasant Streets until December 23.

#### LOCATION: Downtown St. Joseph, MI

Sat., Dec. 3 - 4pm Reindog Holiday Parade stjoetoday.com





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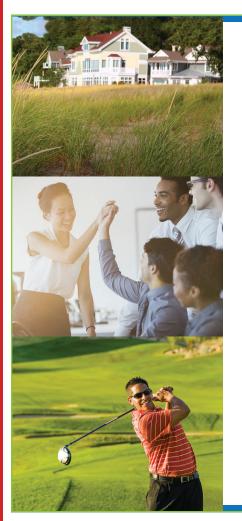
## ST. JOSEPH CHILI TOUR

Warm up in downtown St. Joseph in late January at the Annual Chili Tour. Participating locations or "Chili Stops" will play host as you have the opportunity to try their best recipes.

Get started at the St. Joseph Today Welcome
Center located at 301 State Street in downtown St.
Joseph. Maps featuring participating locations will
be available for purchase and also double as a voting
ballot. Turn it in at the end of the night to vote for
your favorite chili.

LOCATION: Start at 301 State St, downtown St. Joseph, MI Fri., Jan. 27, 2023, 5pm-8pm stjoetoday.com (269) 985-1111





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# WINTER BEER FEST

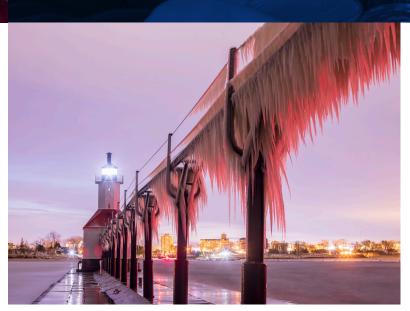
St. Joseph Today invites everyone 21 years and older to come out of hibernation on Saturday, January 28, 2023 and meet friends at this lakeside destination during the Annual Outdoor St. Joe Winter Beer Fest. Craft beer enthusiasts will enjoy sampling from local and regional Michigan breweries. Limited tickets are available for this popular winter fest and will go on sale in early January 2023.

**JANUARY 28** 



LOCATION:
Corner of Broad St and Lake Blvd,
St. Joseph, MI

Sat., Jan. 28, 2023, Noon-4pm stjoetoday.com







2701 LAKESHORE DR, ST. JOSEPH, MI

#### FEB 3-FEB 5





## MAGICAL ICE FEST

St. Joseph, Michigan is renowned as a four-season water wonderland with Lake Michigan and nearby

rivers and inland lakes. But this time of year the city's focus turns to frozen water during its Magical Ice Fest presented by Silver Beach Pizza.

The Magical Ice Fest starts Friday, Feb. 3, 2023 with professional carvers creating their artistic creations from blocks of ice on downtown streets, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Immediately following the competition, the winter night will glimmer and glow at 7:30 p.m. with an amazing tower of both Fire & Ice on the corner of State and Pleasant.

Then from 8 p.m. to midnight, adults 18 and over can enjoy the Fire & Ice Party at Shadowland on Silver Beach. This event features a cash bar, tropical martini luge, pizza from Silver Beach Pizza, live music, and more.



#### LOCATION:

Downtown St. Joseph, MI with Fire & Ice Party at Shadowland Pavilion

Fri., Feb. 3-Feb. 5
Free parking
Free event
shadowlandonsilverbeach.com
(269) 932-1128







## MARCH MANNEQUINS

Watch storefronts and windows of participating downtown businesses come alive from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. during the annual March Mannequins event on March 10th. Dozens of community volunteers will pose perfectly still, like mannequins. Event attendees can vote for their favorite window in the People's Choice vote.

#### LOCATION: Downtown St. Joseph, MI stjoetoday.com (269) 985-1111



# TOP 10 THINGS TO DO DURING THE WINTER SEASON

- 1. Ice skating
- 2. Sledding
- 3. Snowshoeing
- 4. Downhill skiing
- 5. Cross-country skiing
- 6. Ice fishing
- 7. Take photos of nature's ice sculptures along the North Pier
- 8. Have a play day at Slackers Family Fun Center
- 9. Try your swing at Lumberjax's
- 10. Take a ride on the Silver Beach Carousel











## 2022-2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **AUGUST**

#### **AUGUST 5-7**

2022 Chalk the Block St. Joseph Today, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 6**

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 7**

2022 Antiques on the Bluff St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 13**

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 15-20**

Berrien County Youth Fair Berrien Springs

#### **AUGUST 18-28**

Violet

The GhostLight Theatre

Benton Harbor

#### **AUGUST 19-21**

2022 Love Local Weekend

St. Joseph Today,

Downtown St. Joseph & Michigan's Great Southwest

#### **AUGUST 19**

2022 Friday Night Concert St. Joseph Today, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 20**

Lake Breeze Music Festival Shadowland Pavilion, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 20**

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 20**

2022 Lake Bluff Artisan Fair St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **AUGUST 26-27**

The Original Cannabis Crown Hartford Motor Speedway

#### **AUGUST 26**

"Weird Al" Yankovic

The Mendel Center at Lake Michigan College Benton Harbor

#### **AUGUST 27**

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **SEPTEMBER**

#### **SEPTEMBER 3**

Lake Bluff Artisan Fair

Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **SEPTEMBER 3-4**

All Crafts Fair

Stanley Johnston Park, South Haven

#### **SEPTEMBER 8-11**

Antique Engine & Tractor Show

Michigan Flywheelers Museum, South Haven

#### **SEPTEMBER 10**

3rd Annual Zombie Crawl

The GhostLight Theatre, Benton Harbor

#### **SEPTEMBER 15**

Growing Wild: The Story of Liberty Hyde Bailey

Courthouse Square, Berrien Springs

#### **SEPTEMBER 15**

The Honorable Malcolm Turnbull

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **SEPTEMBER 17**

Fall Festival

Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

#### **SEPTEMBER 23**

Croonin' at the Courthouse: The Brass Band

Courthouse Square, Berrien Springs

#### **SEPTEMBER 24**

Hotel California: A Salute to the Eagles

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **OCTOBER**

#### OCTOBER 1

Manhattan Shorts Film Festival

The GhostLight Theatre, Benton Harbor

#### **OCTOBER 8**

Under the Harvest Moon

Downtown Dowagiac

#### OCTOBER 13

Halloween Masguerade on the Square

Courthouse Square, Berrien Springs

#### OCTOBER 15

National Geographic Live: Where the Wild Things Live

by Vincent Musi, Photographer

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **OCTOBER 16**

The Rocky Horror Picture Show 47th Anniversary

Spectacular Tour

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **OCTOBER 21-31**

Pumpkins on Parade

Downtown St. Joseph & Southwest Michigan

#### **OCTOBER 22**

Food, Wine & Art Experience

Benton Harbor Arts District

#### **OCTOBER 29**

Terror at Tabor

Tabor Hill Winery & Restaurant, Buchanan

#### **OCTOBER 30**

The Price is Right

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### OCTOBER 31

Trick or Treating

Downtown Buchanan & St. Joseph

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### **NOVEMBER 3**

Shake & Stir Workshop - The Art of Cocktails

Tabor Hill Winery & Restaurant, Buchanan

#### **NOVEMBER 5**

Catapult Magic Show

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **NOVEMBER 8**

Henry Winkler

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **NOVEMBER 11-12**

Christmas Open House & Craft Show

Downtown Dowagiac

#### **NOVEMBER 18**

Luminary

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **NOVEMBER 26**

Small Business Saturday

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **NOVEMBER 30-DEC 23**

Glittery Lights, Snowy Nights: Holidays at the BCHA

Courthouse Square, Berrien Springs

#### **DECEMBER**

#### **DECEMBER 2-4**

Holiday Open House

North Berrien Historical Museum, Coloma

#### **DECEMBER 2**

Window Wonderland

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **DECEMBER 2**

Candle-Light Christmas Parade

Downtown Dowagiac

### 2022-2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **DECEMBER 3**

Fanny Mae Memorial Reindog Parade

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **DECEMBER 3-23**

Santa

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **DECEMBER 18**

Motown Christmas

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **DECEMBER 21**

The Lights of Winter Solstice

North Berrien Historical Museum, Coloma

#### **DECEMBER 19**

Colorization: One Hundred Years of Black Films in a White World With Wil Haygood Acclaimed Biographer, Author & Reporter

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **DECEMBER 22**

Disney's Winnie the Pooh: The New Musical Stage Adaptation

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **DECEMBER 27**

Chili Tour

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **DECEMBER 28**

Winter Beer Festival

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **FEBRUARY**

#### **FEBRUARY 3-5**

Ice Festival

Downtown St. Joseph

#### **FEBRUARY 4**

Ice Time Festival

Downtown Dowagiac

#### **FEBRUARY 10**

National Geographic Live – Greenwood: A Century of Resilience with Archeologist Alicia Odewale

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **FEBRUARY 25**

Winter Delights with Shining Star: A Tribute to Earth, Wind & Fire

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor

#### **MARCH**

#### MARCH 10

March Mannequins

Downtown St. Joseph

#### MARCH 14

When "NO" Leads to Innovation with Debbie Sterling Founder & CEO of Goldieblox

The Mendel Center, Benton Harbor



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