

Summer in red rock country

Open Mic Night

JULY 7 THROUGH WINTER. Singer/songwriter open mic night is open to performers of all music styles, as well as to audience members. Enjoy a fun night of hearing local artists or sometimes traveling performers. Every week is different, with an opportunity to hear a variety of musicians. Tuesday nights, 7-10pm, hosted by Dan Rice. Musicians, please arrive early and let Dan know you want to participate. Vino Di Sedona Fine Wine & Craft Beer, 2575 W State Route 89A. 928-554-4682.

Winemakers Horseback Trail Ride

JULY 17 THROUGH WINTER. Take a trail ride through the Verde Valley's high desert terrain with Javelina Leap Vineyard & Winery winemaker Cynthia Snapp. She will discuss the winery and the terroir, along with winemaking, soils, growing grapes, barrel tasting. After the ride, enjoy lunch served in the Arizona Room. Your trail ride begins at 11am, and lunch, ordered from the menu, is served about 1pm. Space is limited; RSVP. Cost is \$120/person. 1565 Page Springs Rd, 928-649-2681.

National Day of the Cowboy

JULY 24-26. Sedona has a rich cowboy heritage. Cattle drives to Munds Mountain began in the 1890s, as early cowboy legends such as Ira Smith and Earl Van Deren made their trek through

Northern Arizona. The main event is from 11am to 8pm on July 25, a free celebration of local cultural heritage, presented by the Sedona Main Street Program and Red Rock Posse.

Sedona Hummingbird Festival

JULY 31 - AUG 2. The International Hummingbird Society presents this annual celebration—three days of presentations by nationally recognized hummingbird experts in the fields of science, gardening, rehabilitation, banding, storytelling and more. Festival highlights include Sunrise Hummingbird Breakfasts at known "hummingbird hotspots," hummingbird garden tours, banding demonstrations, and a marketplace for nature- and hummingbird-themed merchandise. Main event August 1, 9am-5pm. Performing Arts Center, 995 Upper Red Rock Loop Road. 928-284-2251. Prices vary.

Sedona Restaurant Week

AUGUST 21-30. Sedona showcases its dining prowess through semi-annual Sedona Restaurant Week, hosted by the Sedona Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau in August and December. Through a three-course pre-fixe style menu, participants can delight in one-of-a-kind dishes complete with optional libations to complete the experience. This event gives foodies the chance to experience a selection of specially priced meals

from a wide variety of Sedona's restaurants. Prices range from casual (\$22) to classic (\$33) to elegant (\$44) options, with participating restaurants including everything from local stylish bistros to fine food getaways. For more information, visit www.sedonarestaurantweek.com.

Sedona Bike & Brew Festival

AUGUST 28-29. The 2nd Annual Sedona Bike & Brew Festival, hosted by Sedona Golf Resort, is the pioneering event of its kind—a mountain bike competition hosted on a golf course. The event will start on Friday August 28 with a group ride and Criterium. The 6-mile track will take riders over all 18 holes, 400 feet of elevation change, 80 acres of fairways, tee boxes and cart paths. Races start at 8am on August 29. Sedona Golf Resort, 35 Ridge Trail Dr, 928-284-9409. \$75 for racers; free to spectators.

SEPTEMBER

SEPT. 26-27: Sedona Winefest

OCTOBER

OCT 10-11: Sedona Arts Festival

OCT 17-24: Sedona Plein Air Festival

For more information and a complete calendar of events, see visitsedona.com ■

