

September 2025

Orange County Calendar of Events



Avenue Q Sept. 4-Oct. 12 This hilarious, irreverent, and heartwarming musical brings a unique mix of puppets and live actors to the stage, offering a sidesplitting take on the struggles of adulthood. The GEM Theatre, Garden Grove www.thegemoc.com

Original Lobster Festival Sept. 5-7

Fresh Live Maine Lobster, prepared to mouth-watering perfection in the World's Largest Cooker. You can dance away the calories to a variety of popular artists throughout the day on the dance floor, enjoy tasty eats in the food court, kick back in the VIP Lounge, enjoy complimentary Stella Rosa Wine and Spritzer Sampling, treat yourself to a tequila/whiskey tasting.

See website for schedule. / Fountain Valley Sports Park

562-495-5959 / www.originallobsterfestival.com

MOVE TO MUSIC Dance Fundraiser

for Parkinson's, Dystonia, and Movement Disorder Sept. 6

The Parkinson's and Movement Disorder Foundation (PMDF) and the National Spasmodic Torticollis Association (NSTA) are partnering up to raise funds for movement disorder research. Join us at this casual, fun, family-friendly fundraising and awareness event in Fountain Valley, California.

11am / Saigon Grand Center www.cdtorticollis.org

La Habra Patriot Day Car Show Sept. 6

You are invited to the Patriot Day Car Show, a remembrance of 9/11. The show is open to all classics, street rods, muscle cars, lowriders, trucks, exotics,

sports

cars, and antiques. If you do not have a show car, no problem, we have food, music, a 9/11 remembrance, a car competition, and vendors.

4-8pm / 2001 West Whittier Blvd.

562-697-1704 / www.lahabrachamber.com

National Hummingbird Day Plant

for Hummingbirds Celebration with Wildlife Jewels Sept. 6

Discover hummingbirds, plant native flowers for hummingbirds, photo contest, and hummingbird artwork prize.

1am-1pm / Sunset Ridge Park, Newport Beach www.wildlifejewels.org

Richard Henry Dana Charity Regatta Sept. 6-7

Join the Dana Point Yacht Club at the 27th Annual Richard Henry Dana Charity Regatta, benefiting the Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley. Weekend events include racing, Landlubber Cornhole Tournament, live music, food & drinks, and silent & live auctions. Registration required for participation. Dana Point Yacht Club www.dpyc.org/Richard_Henry_Dana_Charity_Regatta

ASPCA Rescue Effect at the Irvine Animal Care Center Sept. 6-7

Through a generous grant from the ASPCA Rescue Effect campaign, adoption fees for animals in available for adoption at the Irvine Animal Care Center will be waived September 6–7.

11am-4pm / Irvine Animal Care Center www.cityofirvine.org

Old World Wiener Nationals Dachshund Races Sept. 7

Come for a fun-filled day of watching adorable dachshunds race to the finish line. This event is perfect for dog lovers of all ages. Get ready to cheer on your favorite furry friends as they dash towards victory!

10am-2pm / Old World Village, Huntington Beach www.oldworldhb.com

Symphony in the Park Sept. 7

The Pacific Symphony returns to Floral Park. Come early to grab your spot and enjoy a picnic. This year's program will feature many beloved favorites sure to delight all ages. Don't miss this magical evening of music under the trees! 4:30-7:30pm / Victoria Drive, Floral Park www.floralpark.com

Blessing of the Waves Sept. 7

Join community leaders as they come together in environmental solidarity at the iconic Huntington Beach Pier. Water connects us to life, inspiring recreation, music, arts, and offering spiritual and economic benefits. 5:30pm / Huntington Beach Pier Plaza www.ghbic.org

Future Proof Festival Sept. 7-10

Future Proof brings together top professionals from the wealth management ecosystem to provide insights, workshops, panel discussions, and exclusive networking opportunities, driving growth and innovation in the industry. Huntington City Beach https://futureproofhq.com/festival

Huntington Beach Oktoberfest Sept. 7-Nov. 9

Every Wednesday thru Sunday, enjoy authentic German Food, imported German Beers, German Bands, an army of Beautiful Shot Girls, and other festivities, competitions, games & more.

Old World Festival Hall www.oldworldhb.com

Maritime Festival Sept. 12-14

The festival will feature local vendors, food trucks, beer gardens, kids' activities, sailor reenactors, local marine life, tall ships, and more! The Maritime Festival has been a beloved community event for the past 41 years, and we are thrilled to continue celebrating Dana Point's rich maritime history.

Dana Point Harbor / Ocean Institute www.maritime-fest.org

Creep It Real Nostalgic OC EXPO Sept. 12-14

We're blending haunted beach vibes with sunset chills and skeleton thrills! With 3 days of creepy fun each night, dive into a mix of spooky shopping, photo ops, live music, delicious food & drinks, roaming creeps ready for selfies and more! 4-10pm / Heritage Museum of Orange County, Santa Ana 949-424-3089 / www.creepitrealoc.com

Toast to the Casa: The Golden Age of Hollywood Sept. 13

A roaming black tie optional gala with 20+ food and wine vendor stations, different James Bond themed activities and games, and a online auction and live auction. This event raises funds for Casa Romantica's historic preservation 5-9:30pm / Casa Romantica Cultural Center www.casaromantica.org

Dive-In Movie: Moana Sept. 13 Join us under the stars and on the water for a screening of Disney's Moana! 6-9pm / San Clemente Aquatics Center 949-361-8200 / www.san-clemente.org

Serve Los Al Sept. 13

Aassembly will occur at 8:30. Volunteers will gather for a rally with breakfast, and a speech from our mayor. They will receive their volunteer t-shirts and following the assembly, volunteers will disperse to their projects.

9am-12pm / Oak Middle School Amphitheater 562-430-1073 / www.cityoflosalamitos.org

Crab Feast and Auction Under the Stars Sept. 13

Money raised from the annual Crab Feast and Auction Under the Stars is used to support YMCA programming for under-served children and families in the community. One such example is our fully subsidized afterschool care program at the Richman Neighborhood Center in Fullerton.

6-10pm / Fullerton Family YMCA www.ymcaoc.org

Aliso Viejo Health and Safety Fair Sept. 13

Health screenings, resources, expired medicine disposal, free giveaways, and touch-a-truck.

9-11am / AV Ranch www.avcity.org

Celebrate Los Al Sept. 13

Street Fair and Carnival. Concerts. Beverage garden. Serve Los Al. Public safety fair. Glow run and glide.

8:30am-9:30pm / 10901 Pine Street, Los Alamitos 562-430-1073 / www.cityoflosalamitos.org

Surf City 10 Sept. 13-14

Run along the PCH and take in sandy beaches, palm tree-studded hills, wave surfing dolphins. The Surf City 10 - California's Perfect 10 - will feature a full menu of running events including a 10 Mile, 10K, 5K, and a Beach Mile. 6:30am / Huntington Beach Pier www.surfcity10.com

Fiestas Patrias Festival and Parade Sept. 13-14

Celebrate our local Hispanic and Latino communities at Santa Ana's very own Fiestas Patrias! Open to all, the free weekend-long festivities include a parade and street fair, live music, carnival rides and more — all commemorating

independence and celebrating the various Latin American communities that reside throughout Orange County. Vendors, Entertainment, Food and a beer garden, Carnival rides, Cultural exhibitors and more.

Sat 12-11pm, Sun 12-10pm / Downtown Santa Ana 714-647-5400 / www.santa-ana.org/fiestas-patrias

Fore the Kids Golf Tournament Sept. 18

Benefiting the Laguna Niguel and Mission Viejo Family YMCA's Youth Programs. 10am / Arroyo Trabuco Golf Course, Mission Viejo www.ymcaoc.org

Anaheim Craft and Vintage Fair Sept. 20

More than 30 unique vendors. No multi-level marketers. Vintage Sellers. No entrance fee for shoppers. Convenient parking. Great food for sale. Bake sale, with jam and jelly.

9am-4pm / Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church www.facebook.com/events/s/anaheim-craft-vintage-fair

Irvine Police Department Open House Sept. 20

See police and fire vehicles along with skill demonstrations from K-9, drone, and motorcycle officers. There will be opportunities to take photos, play games, get a face painting, and receive special giveaways while supplies last. 10am-2pm / Irvine Civic Center www.cityofirvine.org

Bacon, Bourbon & Blues Sept. 20

Show off your finest 1920s attire for a chance to win our exciting costume contest and dance the night away to the lively tunes of the AbSOULute Band. Be sure to capture memories with a fun and themed photo booth, enjoy a Cigar Rolling Experience, and behind the velvet curtain, step into the Speakeasy, where RSM Collective sets the scene.

6-9pm / Lago Santa Margarita Beach Club www.samlarc.org

California Coastal Clean-up Day at Main Beach Sept. 20

Clean-up supplies are limited so we always encourage participants to bring

their own. In addition to the clean-up, we will also have local organizations exhibiting on the Cobblestones of Main Beach with educational information and hands-on activities. 9am-12pm / Main Beach, Laguna Beach www.lagunaoceanfoundation.org

Yorba Linda Movie in the Park Sept. 20

Enjoy a Saturday evening at the park watching a family movie on our 20ft inflatable movie screen. Bring your chairs, blankets and a picnic dinner! 7-9pm / Eastside Community Park www.yorbalindaca.gov

Sunset Beach Chili Cook-Off Sept. 20

It's hotter than ever, ready to set the stage for a day of mouthwatering delights, live classic rock and heartfelt giving.

11am-5pm / Sunset Beach Community Center www.eventbrite.com

Popups at the Pier Sept. 20

Stroll a variety of booths with the ocean as your backdrop and then take a walk down the second larges wooden pier in CA.

11am-3pm / Eisenhower Park, Seal Beach Pier www.sealbeachchamber.org

Ladera Pride Community Celebration Sept. 20

A celebration that will provide a safe space for members of the LGBTQ+ community, allies, and friends to gather and celebrate. A LARCS Partnership Event with the Ladera Pride Club in collaboration with the Wellness and Prevention Center.

3-6pm / Chaparral Park www.laderalife.com

Dozynki Harvest Festival Sept. 20-21

Features Polish folk dancers in traditional costumes plus delicious polish food such as freshly prepared stuffed cabbage, traditional pierogi, authentic Polska Kielbasa and Polish beer.

Pope John Paul II Polish Center, Yorba Linda www.polishcenter.org

Westminster Fall Festival Sept. 25-28

Join us for a vibrant weekend featuring thrilling carnival rides, live entertainment, delicious food, and much more!

Westminster Civic Center www.westminster-ca.gov

Foods of Garden Grove - Live Sept. 26

An international selection of the city's most acclaimed and customer-favored food and drink eateries, along with family-friendly activities and live music at the Garden Amp.

5:30-9pm / Village Green Park www.ggcity.org/fogglive

Ohana Festival Sept. 26-27

Don't miss a beautiful weekend of live music. Experience 35+ performances across three stages featuring a variety of acts across different genres.

Doheny State Beach www.ohanafest.com

Surf City Days Sept. 27

Surf City Days was launched in 2011 to feature board elements - paddle boarding, surfboard swap and sales, and a sand sculpture contest. Combines outdoor water and ocean sports activities with downtown Huntington Beach activities and entertainment.

8am-6pm / Downtown Huntington Beach www.hbdowntown.com

J.F. Shea Therapeutic Riding Center Annual BBQ and Family Faire Sept. 27

Join us for a fundraiser that celebrates the transformative power of equineassisted services and our vibrant community. Enjoy a classic BBQ dinner, live music, and line dancing while supporting our cause through exciting auctions featuring unique items.

4-10pm / 26284 Oso Road, SJC www.sheacenter.org

Buena Park Culture Fest Sept. 27

A night to celebrate our city's rich cultural heritage through performances, delicious food vendors, community booths and various activities!

4-8pm / Civic Center www.buenapark.com

Sandcastle Contest Sept. 28

Get ready to turn up the volume and build to the beat with the theme "Rock the Sand!" It's the ultimate sandcastle-building contest with a theme celebrating the world of music. Will feature music, food, and kids activities.

10:30am-4:30pm / Corona del Mar State Beach www.newportbeach.com