

2010



COURTESY OF PALM BEACH COUNTY



Millions of locals and visitors take advantage of Florida's many celebrations annually. While planning your next getaway, participate in some food, cultural or family-oriented merriment!

JAN. 16 5th Annual Florida Keys Seafood Festival | Key West

The Florida Keys Seafood Festival's purpose is to raise money for the fishing industry, to showcase the great local seafood harvested by the commercial fishermen of the Keys, to provide scholarships to college-bound children of commercial fishermen and to celebrate our community by bringing families and friends together. www.fl-keys.com

JAN. 28-31 Key West Food and Wine Festival | Key West

The goal of this event is to bring a higher national and later, international, awareness of the area's scrumptious restaurants, unique local ingredients, gorgeous weather and funky fun atmosphere to this well-heeled group of food and wine enthusiasts.

JAN. 29-31 Naples Winter Wine Festival | Naples

The Naples Winter Wine Festival is ranked among the top 10 arts and entertainment events for wealthy Americans.

The June 2006 ranking by the Luxury Institute is based on exclusivity, quality and prestige. The event brings many of the world's finest vintners and chefs together with wine collectors and philanthropists for a three-day gala in picturesque Naples, Florida.

888-837-4919 | www.napleswinefestival.com

JAN. 30 4th Annual Port Salerno Seafood Festival | Port Salerno

Local Florida seafood specialties, live music, family fun area, maritime exhibitors, arts and crafts and more in historic Port Salerno along the waterfront.

772-634-9862 | www.portsolernoseafoodfestival.org

JAN. 30-31 & FEB. 5-7 The Hoggetowne Medieval Faire | Gainesville

The Hoggetowne Medieval Faire held at the Alachua County Fairgrounds in Gainesville, will feature jousting on horseback, human chess matches, hundreds of artisans,

cultural events & festivals



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For more information call or visit their Website.

352-334-ARTS | www.gvlculturalaffairs.org

JAN. 30-31 Key Largo Stone Crab & Seafood Festival | Key Largo

A two-day festival chock full of fresh stone crabs, conch, local seafood, music, entertainment and fun for the entire family, including a Conch Cook-Off, cooking demonstrations, a peel-and-eat shrimp eating contest, even a "little mermaid" contest and a kids' play area with live fish aquarium & touch tank. **305-453-0008**

FEB. 13-14 The Osceola Art Festival | Kissimmee

In 1966, a group of artists from The Osceola Center for the Arts created The Osceola Art Festival - one of the longest running festivals in Florida.

In 2009, the festival found a new partner in culture and arts education with Valencia. On February 13 & 14, the festival will take place on Valencia's beautiful Osceola Campus.

The festival currently features over 150 professional artists whose works include paintings, sculpture, jewelry, photography and more. Live entertainment and festival

food round-out this free, family-friendly weekend.

407-846-6257 | www.ocfta.com

FEB. 21 A Celebration of Wine 2010 | Gainesville

The 21st annual tasting and auction to benefit public radio stations at the University of Florida will feature a special theme, 300 wines for tasting, a silent and live auction and selection of culinary treats. www.celebrationofwine.org

FEB. 25-28 South Beach Wine & Food Festival | South Beach

The Food Network South Beach Wine & Food Festival is a national, star-studded, four-day destination event showcasing the talents of the world's most renowned wine and spirits producers, chefs and culinary personalities.

www.sobefest.com

MAR. 4-14 Florida Strawberry Festival | Plant City

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www.gasparilla-arts.com

APR. 2-4 Pensacola Wine Festival | Pensacola

Sample more than 100 wines from around the world while Pensacola's top restaurants lead cooking demonstrations.

[850-434-5371](tel:8504345371) | www.pensacolawinefestival.com

APR. 24-25 The Great American Pie Festival | Celebration

The American Pie Council is holding the annual Great American Pie Festival and National Pie Championships in Celebration April 24-25. Hundreds of pie bakers from all over the country converge in Celebration to participate and claim the title of best pie maker in junior, amateur and professional categories. The pie festival is a free event with pie making demos, music, entertainment, PieCasso art, pie eating contests and a never-ending pie buffet.

>>Must Not Miss Events!

From **January 30 thru May 30**, visitors to the **Vero Beach Museum of Art** can view the dramatic exhibition *Ships and Shorelines: Nineteenth-Century American Marine Painting* featuring approximately 40 works by artists including Fitz Henry Lane, William Bradford, and Martin Johnson Heade. The exhibition reveals the development of the genre against the backdrop of America's burgeoning maritime economy and industry with splendid examples of ship portraiture, harbor scenes, naval engagements, storm scenes, and more.

[772-231-0707](tel:7722310707) | www.vbmuseum.org

Chocolate lovers unite at the **Festival of Chocolate, March 6 & 7** at **Orlando Science Center!** This amazing event features a one-of-a-kind chocolate museum, demonstrations by Award-Winning Pastry Chefs, interactive chocolate activities, specialized chocolate classes and competitions and, of course, chocolate tasting.

Younger chocoholics can compete in a chocolate ice cream eating contest, participate in interactive kid-friendly chocolate classes and much more!

Learn about the "sneaky" science of chocolate at this unique festival. Admission is included with admission to the Science Center. Visit www.osc.org for details. *



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