

{TOP 10} Family Events for August/September

Explore family-friendly workshops, festivals, storytimes and more summer fun as the season comes to a close.

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10 THROUGHOUT THE MONTH

FAMILY FUN WORKSHOPS: MAKE YOUR OWN CLOCK

Learn about time and the history of clocks with your family at this fun, free workshop at Miller House Museum & Gardens in Hagerstown! Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., spend quality time creating a learning version of a clock to take home.

Free

Washcohistory.org; register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/family-fun-workshops-make-your-own-clock-tickets-349934913747?aff=ebdssbdstsearch>



9 THROUGHOUT THE MONTH

TODDLER TIME PLAYGROUP



Join Carroll County's public library at the Mount Airy branch on Tuesdays from 10:45-11:15 a.m. for a relaxed, fun experience where children ages birth to 5 years old and their siblings can meet and play. Meet and chat with other local parents! Toys will be provided by the library.

Free

library.carr.org



AUG. 4, 8, 11, 15 AND 17

CHOCOLATE TRUFFLE MAKING!(KIDS!)

JCrafts invites all junior chocolatiers to learn the art of truffle making with its Rockville workshop from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. on select dates this summer. Kids learn to create mouthwatering truffles and chocolate-covered pretzels.

Tickets are \$15

Jcrafts.org/tickets



AUG. 6

FAMILY FIELD DAY

Bring the family out to Utica Park for an old fashioned field day! Ages 4-plus can work together as a team or by yourself to win games and overcome obstacles and challenges from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Registration required.

Tickets are \$8

Recreator.com



AUG. 27

PIRATES & PIXIES

Ride the train with pirates and pixies! Starting with a platform performance at the Walkersville Southern Railroad Museum, followed by the 1-hour and 10-minute trip at 11 a.m., each family will be able to visit with the pirates and pixies for photos and prizes. Participants are encouraged to dress up.

Tickets: \$20; children younger than 2 years old are free

Wsrr.org



SEPT. 3

CARIBBEAN FOOD AND WINE FAMILY FESTIVAL

The Jamaica Education for the Poor Foundation invites families to experience mouthwatering Caribbean foods from a variety of vendors from 1-8 p.m. at the Howard County Fairgrounds. For adults, you can look forward to wines from Liganore Winery, Society Wines, Ricco's Winery and Misfit Winery. Do not bring your own alcohol.

Cost: \$20

Howardcountyfairmd.com; tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caribbean-food-and-winefestival-family-event-20-early-bird-tickets-368446963787?aff=ebdssbdstsearch>

TRAIN: NERTHUIZ; TODDLER: TOPVECTORS; TRAIN: DANP68; PICNIC BASKET: MIFLIIPPO; BOOKS: GALINA SHAFRAN; RUNNERS: HALFPPOINT; ALL PHOTOS ISTOCK / GETTY IMAGES PLUS.

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SEPT. 11

HEARTLAND FALL FEST

This free family event from noon-3 p.m. features live music by DJ L Boogie, a kids' corner with Moon Bounce, a craft station, a caricaturist and frozen treats. Complimentary food and drinks from Heartland Foods and local Brewery will be available. There will also be a chili cook-off with a \$500 prize for the winner!

Free
Heartlandfoods.com/fallfest



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SEPT. 13

MARYLAND CREATIVE PICNICS

This family-friendly community picnic from 6:30-8 p.m. at Rose Hill Manor Park is free and open to all. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets, snacks and art projects!

Free
[Facebook.com/inclusiveartco](https://www.facebook.com/inclusiveartco)

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SEPT. 17

STORYTIME AT BLACKROCK

Encourage your child's love of reading and imagination by attending this family story time event at BlackRock Center for the Arts in Germantown! This free event from 10:30-11:30 a.m. will feature books, songs and rhymes designed to promote early literacy skills.

Free
Blackrockcenter.org



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SEPT. 24

HEAL COLOR SPLASH 5K RUN/WALK

All fitness levels are welcome to engage in this family fun run from 9 a.m. to noon at Fairgrounds Park in Hagerstown! Adult participants receive a T-shirt and a finisher's medal. This event goes to benefit the HEAL (Healthy Eating, Active Lifestyles) program of Hagerstown's YMCA.

Admission: \$30-40
Ymcahagerstown.org




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SEPT 10
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