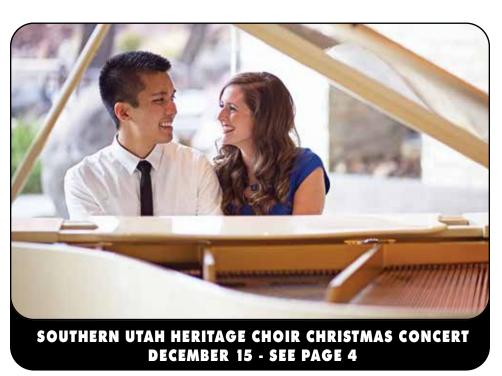


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## HOLIDAY MAGIC ABOUNDS AS WESTSIDE STUDIO PERFORMS NUTCRACKER

December 7-9, at Desert Hills High

Enchanted dreams are coming your way as Westside Studio of Performing Arts continues a time-honored holiday tradition in Southern Utah with five performances of the classic ballet *The Nutcracker*.

Westside Studio has performed an adaptation of *The Nutcracker* every holiday season for the past 31 years. It grew to a full-scale production in 2000. For the young talent being nurtured by the studio's faculty, it's a thrilling opportunity to dance alongside seasoned professionals.

Although the story has been adapted countless times for film, television, and live shows, it remains a beloved Christmas favorite with audiences worldwide. West-

side Studio of Performing Arts is proud to bring its version to Southern Utah.

The professional ensemble stars Sophie Silnicki as the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Snow Queen, Janet Reinoso as the Cavalier, and Troy McGee as Drosselmeyer. Silnicki and Reinoso hail from the East Coast, while McGee lives in Southern Utah and has appeared in many productions at Tuacahn Center for the Arts.

"The Nutcracker" is a timeless and beloved ballet that captures the enchantment and wonder of the holiday season. Composed by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky in 1892, with a libretto by Marius Petipa and Lev Ivanov, the ballet has become a cherished tradition worldwide. It is often performed during the winter holiday sea-

son, captivating audiences of all ages with its captivating storytelling and beautiful choreography.

The ballet opens at a lavish Christmas party in 19th-century Germany, where a young girl named Clara receives a nutcracker doll as a gift. When the clock strikes midnight, Clara's world transforms into a magical realm. The Nutcracker comes to life, and Clara is whisked away on an enchanting journey through the Land of Snow and the Kingdom of Sweets. Along the way, she encounters a host of memorable characters, including the Sugar Plum Fairy, the Mouse King, and the Nutcracker Prince.

Tchaikovsky's evocative and emotive score adds depth to the story, with each character and scene receiving its own distinctive musical theme. From the delightful "Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairy" to the dramatic battle between the Nutcracker and the Mouse King, the music enhances the storytelling and creates an immersive experience for the audience.

"The Nutcracker" is not only a celebration of the holiday spirit but also a showcase of the artistry and athleticism of ballet dancers. Its stunning choreography, colorful costumes, and intricate set design transport audiences into a world of fantasy and imagination.

Grown-ups and children alike will delight in seeing the mice and soldiers battle before Clara continues into the Snow Kingdom and the Land of the Sweets to visit the Sugar Plum Fairy. There, dancers from

around the world entertain the Nutcracker Prince and Clara, bringing smiles to the faces of all involved. Westside Studio will present a complete production of the classic ballet featuring beautifully decorated sets and exquisite costumes that accent Tchaikovsky's magical score, accomplished professional dancers, and local dance students. For the young talent being nurtured by the studio's faculty, it's a thrilling opportunity to dance alongside seasoned professionals.

The studio will perform *The Nutcracker* at the Desert Hills High School auditorium on Dec. 7 - 9, with performances at 2:30 PM and 7:30 PM with tickets ranging from \$15 - \$40. You can visit www.westsidestudio.org/tickets to purchase tickets.





## **PUBLISHER'S PERSPECTIVE**

#### By Josh Warburton



Like anyone else, I sometimes find myself too close to a subject to maintain complete objectivity. This holds true for my association with The Independent, whether in print or on our website.

When people inquire about my occupation, sharing my involvement with the paper often elicits nods of recognition, given its widespread readership. However, for those unfamiliar with our publication, a cursory description as "a source for arts and entertainment coverage in the southern Utah region" feels somewhat lackluster. While accurate, it fails to convey the depth of our commitment and the unique essence that defines The Independent.

In the realm of print, our team invests countless hours in the weeks preceding our deadlines, engaged in a diligent quest for upcoming events. This entails reaching out to our valued clients and contacts, soliciting event submissions, and endeavoring to unearth hidden gems on the horizon. We actively seek press releases from various entities and encourage them to contribute to our dynamic online calendar at SUindependent.com. These listings go live immediately and feed into a vast network of interconnected calendars spanning the nation.

Let's delve into the intricacies of our online calendar. Powered by a robust calendar engine, it offers a plethora of sophisticated search features and convenient options for saving content, a feature I personally find valuable, adding listings to my Google calendar. The entries you find there are meticulously curated, a result of collaborative efforts by businesses, organizations, and our dedicated staff. Additionally, our calendar aggregates data from over 80 source calendars, predominantly provided by the entities organizing events. This amalgamation affords us the most comprehensive and expansive calendar in the region. To event organizers, I extend a warm invitation to explore our calendar. If your event is not already featured, you can effortlessly submit it for free, with the option to consider our paid alternatives for increased visibility. By dedicating a minimal amount of time to create a free listing, you can connect with our substantial online audience actively seeking exciting local activities.

This online resource serves as the foundational source for our esteemed print calendar, a monthly labor of love. Our Office Manager, Nikki, invests uncountable hours meticulously researching, composing, assembling, editing, and organizing our print calendar, drawing from online submissions and external sources. Following this, our Editor, James McFadden, contributes additional hours to fine-tune and refine the content before it undergoes layout adjustments executed by myself or our skilled Graphic Designer, Josh Segovia. The culmination of these efforts is a multi-page calendar, graced with dozens and, at times, hundreds of individual event listings. This comprehensive compilation spans the entire month, often extending into the first weekend of the subsequent month.

Allow me to provide a few pointers for the most effective utilization of this resource. Start by perusing the initial section, which features events spanning multiple days, allowing you to easily locate specific dates or event types of interest. If you have a particular day of the week in mind, navigate to the "Events by Day" section. Finally, investigate individual dates to uncover the events scheduled for that day. This structured organization maximizes the wealth of information within the confines of our print format, where space is a cherished commodity.

Collectively, all of us at The Independent fervently hope that you will not only peruse our calendar but also contribute to its growth by submitting events and sharing this invaluable resource within our community. We extend our warmest wishes as you embark on a journey to discover your next local adventure within the pages of our beloved publication. Happy reading.



## **EVENTS**

# THE MAGIC OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON BEGINS IN CEDAR CITY

November 25, 2023, starting at 11 AM. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to Historic Downtown Cedar City on Saturday, November 25, 2023, for its Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony and the opening night of the Holiday Tree Jubilee fundraiser.

with holiday spirit! Creating these memories is what Cedar City is all about."

As part of the production, one lucky child and their guardian will have the opportunity to arrive in style alongside the Big Man himself and Southern Utah University Aviation as part of the 2nd Annual Fly with Santa contest. Follow Cedar City Events for contest details on Facebook, Instagram, or the website.

Once the holiday lights are brought to life, guests will linger downtown enjoying the festive atmosphere and activities, making their way to Festival Hall (105 N. 100 E., Cedar City) for the Holiday Tree Jubilee fundraising event, which contributes thousands of dollars every holiday season to various organizations in the community.

This year, the community is encouraged to bring non-perishable food items to the Downtown Lighting in support of the Iron County Care and Share food bank.

"Gathering as a community is one of the most joyous ways to kick off the holiday season," said Cedar City Mayor Garth



With plenty of new experiences for all ages, this year's festivities include a Christmas Market filled with a curated collection of artisan crafts, free train rides sponsored by ERA Realty Center, live nativity performances by the Cedar Area Interfaith Alliance, local food vendors, giveaways, a kid craft station, professional dance performances by world-renowned choreographer Mic Thompson, fireworks sponsored by Visit Cedar City Brian Head, and of course Santa's grand arrival by helicopter!

"Our Downtown Lighting Ceremony is one of the most exciting holiday events I've ever experienced," shared Cedar City Events Director Brandon Burk. "We are thrilled to be adding the new Christmas Market this year to create an all-day celebration filled O. Green. "We love that our Downtown Lighting has become a family tradition for residents and visitors. We're looking forward to another evening of supporting those in need through our partnership with the Holiday Tree Jubilee and the Iron County Care and Share food drive."

Jump into the holiday season with a spectacular downtown tradition sure to create lasting memories for you and your loved ones! Festivities begin as early as 11 AM and will continue through the evening on Main Street in Historic Downtown Cedar City. Visit the event page to view the schedule of events and Fly with Santa contest details at www.cedarcity.org/downtownlighting. You won't want to miss this unforgettable event!

# CENTER FOR THE ARTS AT KAYENTA PRESENTS WHAT THE CONSTITUTION MEANS TO ME

November 9 - 18, 2023, 7:30 PM.

Boundary-Breaking Play "What the Constitution Means to Me" by Heidi Schreck Comes to The Center for the Arts at Kayenta.

The Center for the Arts at Kayenta is proud to present the thought-provoking and critically acclaimed play, "What the Constitution Means to Me," written by Heidi Schreck and directed by Zoe Aja Moore. This powerful and timely production will grace our stage, offering audiences an opportunity to engage with important themes of democracy, women's rights, and the Constitution's impact on our lives.

This boundary-breaking play garnered widespread acclaim on Broadway and beyond and is a tour de force written by the brilliant Heidi Schreck. "What the Constitution Means to Me" is a deeply personal exploration of the U.S. Constitution and its effects on generations of American women. Fifteen-year-old Heidi earned her college tuition by winning Constitutional debate competitions across the United States. In this production, she resurrects her teenage self in order to trace the profound relationship between four generations of women

and the Bill of Rights.

The production skillfully blends humor, insight, and a heartfelt narrative to engage audiences in a profound conversation about the document that forms the backbone of our nation.

This play challenges audiences to reflect on the Constitution's relevance in our lives, and Heidi Schreck's masterful storytelling invites us to engage in important conversations about our democracy. It's a must-see for anyone who values civic discourse and the power of the arts to inspire change.

"Endearingly funny and deeply affecting... It would be hard to identify a work for the theater with its finger more on the pulse of America right now." - Peter Marks, The Washington Post.

"What the Constitution Means to Me" is one of the things we always say we want theater to be: an act of civic engagement. It restarts an argument many of us forgot we even needed to have." - Jesse Green, The New York Times.

The Center for the Arts at Kayenta, The Lorraine Boccardo Theater, is located at 881 Coyote Gulch Court, Ivins, UT.

Visit kayentaarts.org to purchase tickets and see everything that's coming to Kayenta!

The Center for the Arts at Kayenta is honored to present this groundbreaking production, offering the community a chance to be part of the conversation about the Constitution's significance in today's world. Don't miss this unique opportunity to witness the extraordinary talent of Heidi Schreck and her compelling exploration of one of America's most important documents.

# CHERISHED FAMILY VACATIONS ARE FOUND AT RUBY'S INN

Bryce Canyon National Park

In reminiscing about our cherished family vacations, it becomes evident that it's not the social media photo opts or the price tags that endure in our hearts. Instead, it's the subtle scent of pine trees in the winter air, the breathtaking sight of frosted hoodoos, and the genuine smiles shared amidst the beauty of nature that etch themselves permanently into our souls. In those moments, what truly matters are the warmth of our connections and the simplicity of joy.



In the hustle and bustle of our lives, we often find ourselves caught up in the competition of winter vacations. We try to outdo each other, meticulously planning and maneuvering our budgets to create the perfect getaway. Yet, in pursuing outshining previous years, we often lose sight of what truly matters – the essence of togetherness.



This year, let our family help yours with the planning. Nestled at the gates of Bryce Canyon National Park, Ruby's Inn has stood the test of time as a destination focused on family adventure. At Ruby's Inn, discover the enchanting Bryce Canyon Ice Ribbon, where the shimmering ice feels like stepping into a Hallmark movie scene, a magical experience for little ones and a nostalgic moment for parents of all ages. Likewise, your family can choose from 30 miles of cross-country skiing trails leading you to a magical snowy paradise surrounded by Bryce Canyon National Park. Amidst the pristine snow and the warmth of family. create cherished moments that mirror the magic of a winter tale. Ruby's Inn invites you to step into a storybook winter adventure that lingers in the heart.



After a day of snowy escapades, let our family treat yours to cozy and spacious rooms with enough variety for a family of 2 or 10

One last gift from our family to yours: be sure to take advantage of Ruby's Winter Warmer Deal. If you stay two nights or more between November 6 and March 9, 2024, you'll get 33% off per night!

This season, spend some quality family time at Ruby's Inn, where a dollar can take you much further and provide lasting memories you'll cherish for years.

Visit rubysinn.com to learn more about accommodations, activities and upcoming events at Ruby's Inn.

Ruby's Inn: From our family to yours.

#### SOUTHERN UTAH HERITAGE CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT DECEMBER 15

*"Let Earth Receive Her King"* – Cox Performing Arts Center.

The Southern Utah Heritage Choir continues its 30th concert season by performing their annual Christmas concert at the M.K. Cox Performing Arts Center on the Utah Tech University campus, Friday, December 15, 2023, at 7:30 PM. Special guest artists Brandon and Mackenzie Lee will join the choir for this one-night-only performance with tickets starting at just \$14/pp.

According to Heritage Choir President Geri Rhodes, "The Choir's program will include several 'larger-than-life' choral arrangements of both traditional and inspirational Christmas songs like "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," "Carol of the Bells" and "Angels from the Realms of Glory."

The Choir's performances will be enhanced by two dance numbers from students of the Southwest Dance Studio of St. George. Audience members will also be entertained during a pre-show performance by the Snow Canyon High School Madrigals singing group.

American pianist Brandon Lee has been thrilling audiences with his technical command and tonal sensitivity for well over two decades. He has been awarded first place in more than 40 piano competitions nationwide and has been a guest soloist with such organizations as the Utah Symphony Orchestra, San Juan Symphony Orchestra, and the Grand Junction Symphony. He was a keyboardist for the rock band, Kansas,

and accompanied Broadway star Audra MacDonald in concert. He is a graduate of Utah State University and has been on the faculty of Utah Tech University since 2013 as well as teaching various piano classes at the Utah Arts Academy of St. George in recent years. He and his wife, vocalist McKenzie Lee, frequently perform together in and around southern Utah.

Rhodes added, "We're looking forward to Brandon and McKenzie's unique talents as we celebrate the Christmas season at our last concert at the Cox Performing Arts Center before its renovations begin in January 2024. All these incredible talents on stage together will make for a most memorable Holiday program."

From its inception in 1994 in the St. George Tabernacle, the Choir has maintained a rigorous performance schedule. Each year it presents Spring, Fall, Patriotic and Christmas concerts throughout southern Utah. Throughout its history, the Choir has toured extensively in the United States, Europe, the British Isles, Mexico, China, and Italy. It is under the direction of Conductor, Dr. Ken Peterson, with accompanists Karen Kennedy at the organ and Jennifer Redfearn at the piano.

For tickets to "Let Earth Receive Her King," or more information, go to HeritageChoir.org or the Cox Ticket Office on the Utah Tach campus. The Choir's events are also posted on Facebook, YouTube, and Instagram.





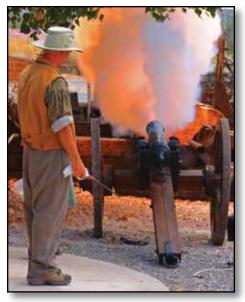
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#### **FRONTIER HOMESTEAD STATE PARK MUSEUM UPCOMING EVENTS**

Frontier Homestead State Park, where history becomes your story, in partnership with the Cedar City Corporation, celebrates the founding of Cedar City with two days of hands-on activities designed to honor the spirit of our community and those who created opportunities for growth. Enjoy the cool, crisp fall air on Friday, November 10, and Saturday, November 11, as Frontier Homestead hosts its annual Iron Mission Days. The cost is \$2 per person or \$5 for families of up to 8.



Friday, November 10, guests can enjoy self-guided pioneer activities beginning at 10 AM. Activities will include pioneer games, hand-cart pulling, and maypole. The local HAM radio club will broadcast from our museum throughout the day.



Then, join us for a candlelight tour Friday evening. Tours will begin at 5:30 and run every half hour until 7 PM.

Saturday, November 11, in addition to the self-guided activities and the HAM radio club, we'll have several living history demonstrations, including our ever-popular blacksmith working in the forge. Shop for gifts for others or yourself at our artisan vendor market and join us for birthday cake served by Cedar City Corporation. Activities will run from 10 AM to 4 PM on Saturday.

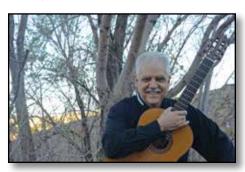
Even though snow hasn't yet begun to fall, winter is not far off. Mark your calendars for Holidays at the Homestead scheduled for December 6 - 9 from 5:30 to 8 PM each evening. Festivities will include crafts, entertainment, and possibly a visit from a Christmas VIP.

Our Homestead events will spark your imagination and provide adventure for the whole family, so join us for the fun. For more information, call us at 435-586-9290, visit our Facebook page at www.facebook. com/friendsoftheFrontierHomestead, or our website, stateparks.utah.gov/frontierhomestead. Frontier Homestead is located at 635 North Main in Cedar City.

#### **CLASSICAL MUSIC AT** ITS BEST IN ZION

November 12 & December 15, 2023 -Canyon Community Center in Springdale.

Zion Canyon Arts and Humanities Council is excited to bring performing pieces from Central and South America, with classical guitarist Ricardo Cobo performing on Sunday, November 12, at 7 PM.



Originally from Cali, Columbia, Cobo has been collaborating with composers to develop new music based on the rich literary and cultural legacy of Latin America including Javier Farías. Cuban American composer Jose Lezcano, Colombian composers Franz Castillo, Hector Gonzalez, Fabio Salazar Orozco, and many others have dedicated new pieces to Cobo.

Celebrated for his passionate and mesmerizing performances worldwide, Cobo is

in demand as a soloist, chamber musician, lecturer and recording artist. His versatility can be heard on his award-winning recordings on ESSAY, NAXOS, Ellipsis Arts, Angel/EMI, Cambria, Alanna Records, and ESSAY/Allegro. After the performance, Ricardo will hold a Q&A for audience members to learn more about him and the music.

On Friday, December 15 at 7 PM former Los Angeles Philharmonic principal Clarinetist, Michelle Zukovsky, Principal Violist of the Las Vegas Philharmonic, Jason Bonham, and SUU's Pianist Christian Bohnenstengel bring to Springdale Trio Kolob. They will be performing works from Marchenerzahlungen, Schumann; Trio Pathetique, Glinka; Beethoven Piano Trio No. 4 in B-flat. After the performance the musicians will hold a Q&A for audience members to learn more about them and the

Visit zarts.org for tickets and more information \$15 per person. Canyon Community Center in Springdale.

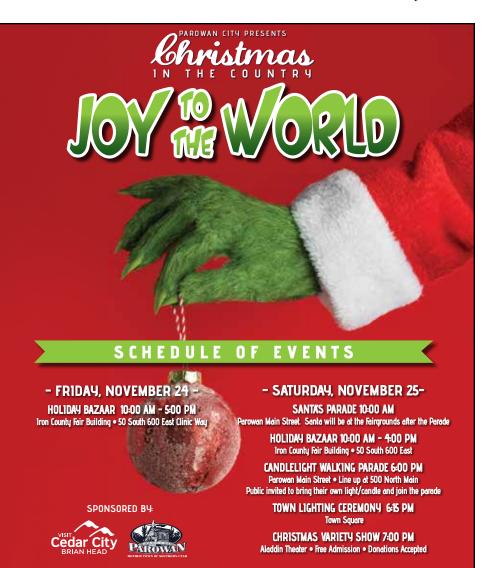
#### About Z-Arts

The mission of the Zion Canyon Arts and Humanities Council (Z-Arts) is to support and promote access to the arts and humanities while cultivating a climate of creativity, dialog, and the exchange of ideas for the communities of Zion Canyon and









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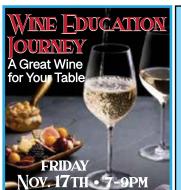
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#### **December Events** 12/9 River House Band 12/16 Chris Paul Band Buckskin Christmas Party 'everyone's invited!' & an Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest

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## **EVENTS**

#### PANGUITCH SHINES BRIGHT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

The Holiday spirit kicks off in Panguitch with the much-anticipated Holiday Craft Fair November 10 and 11, a two-day extravaganza. The Holiday Craft Fair promises a delightful array of vendors, each offering unique, handcrafted treasures that make for perfect gifts. From cozy knitwear to intricate ornaments, the fair is a haven for those seeking one-of-a-kind holiday presents. As you shop for these unique gifts, be sure to savor the available delectable

treats, adding to this event's overall charm.

On November 17 and 18, the Panguitch Christmas Tree Festival will be in full swing. Not only does this event spread holiday cheer throughout the community, but it also serves as a means to raise funds for the local hospital. This festival showcases an enchanting display of Christmas trees, each adorned with unique decorations and themes, creating a captivating winter wonderland for all who attend. By participating in this event, you enjoy the festive ambiance and contribute to a wor-

thy cause, making the holiday season even more meaningful.

And with that, Panguitch is just getting started!

On December 1 and 2, Panguitch gears up for a thrilling event that is sure to get your adrenaline pumping – the Panguitch Wrestling Tournament at the Triple C Arena. This exciting competition brings together schools statewide to grapple for seasonal glory. The athleticism and determination on display at this tournament is nothing short of impressive, making it an event you won't want to miss. Whether you're a dedicated wrestling fan or just looking for a unique way to celebrate the season, the Panguitch Wrestling Tournament is the place to be.

December 8 marks the beginning of the Car Show and Christmas Light Parade along Main Street. The enchanting Christmas Light Parade is a sight to behold, with beautifully decorated floats, sparkling lights, and holiday-themed performances



that capture the magic of the season. Following the parade, the Car Show takes center stage, showcasing a stunning array of automobiles that are sure to impress car enthusiasts and casual onlookers alike. It's a celebration of both classic and modern vehicles, making it a perfect outing for families and car enthusiasts.

The excitement continues on December 9 with the Christmas Car Show at the Triple C Arena. This event offers a unique opportunity to admire magnificent cars while enjoying a host of activities for the whole family. From a climbing wall and bounce houses to horseshoes, there's something for everyone to enjoy. It's a fun-filled day that adds a touch of excitement and joy to the holiday season.

Panguitch truly comes alive during the holiday season, offering a wide range of activities and events that cater to all interests and age groups. Be sure to mark your calendar for these upcoming festivities and visit panguitch.com for additional information and updates as the holiday season in Panguitch unfolds.



Two Drawings at Each Casino Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 3–26, 2023 CasaBlanca 5pm & 7pm / Virgin River 6pm & 8pm

## Earn 3X Drawing Tickets

Wednesdays at CasaBlanca and Thursdays at Virgin River











## **EVENTS**

# SEARS ART MUSEUM FEATURES ZION: A NATIONAL TREASURE

Exhibit Opens December 1, 2023, 7 to 8:30 PM.

St. George, October 25. From December 1, 2023 until January 12, 2024, the Sears Art Museum, a part of Utah Tech University, presents the next stunning exhibition, The Might Five: Zion National Park. Situated just 40 miles from St. George, Zion National Park stands as a breathtaking marvel, drawing over 4 million visitors each year. Since achieving national park status in 1919, Zion has also captured the attention of the artistic community. This exclusive exhibition provides a unique viewpoint by showcasing Zion through the eyes of various artists. The display pays homage to Utah's inaugural national park, featuring art from the Sears Art Museum and select contemporary pieces by regional artists. "This is a fantastic opportunity to see the many Zion masterpieces in the Sears collection all in one place." Said, James Peck, Director of the Sears Museum and Curator of the exhibition. "It also offers a spotlight on several talented regional artists who have contributed."



Much like Yellowstone and the Grand Canyon gained recognition through artistic representation, Zion earned its place on the map through the efforts of artist Frank Dellenbaugh. In 1904, Dellenbaugh authored an article titled "A New Valley of Wonders" for Scribner's magazine, accompanied by photographs. This article not only spread images of Zion far and wide but also initiated a trend where artists became pioneers, storytellers, and custodians of Zion's immense beauty.

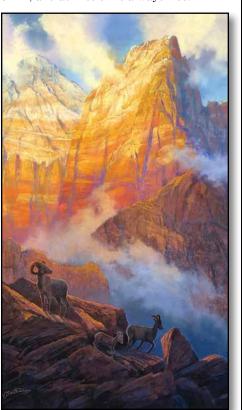
Among the millions who have explored Zion in the last century, thousands were



artists. While every visitor is struck by the natural beauty, artists possess a unique ability to immortalize our fleeting impressions. Through their work, we can compare these visual interpretations with our memories. Artists subtly manipulate the landscape, employing colors, subjects, and perspectives to challenge our recollections and perceptions. Thus, images of Zion evolve into visual poems, serving as reminders of our experiences and prompting a fresh perspective on this natural phenomenon.

From the Great White Throne to the Court of the Patriarchs, Zion's iconic scenes have become part of the national lexicon. The park is consistently among the three busiest in the national park system, along-side the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Grand Canyon National Park. With such large crowds, this exhibition provides an opportunity during the winter months to reflect and enjoy the park's scenery without the usual crowds.

The opening of the exhibition is set for Friday, December 1st, from 7 to 8:30 PM. Guests can also indulge in light refreshments. For further details about the Sears Art Museum at Utah Tech University, please visit www.searart.com. Operating hours are Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM, and admission is always free.



# UTAH TECH THEATRE PRESENTS "JOHN PROCTOR IS THE VILLAIN," NOVEMBER 9-18, 2023

Most of us studied "The Crucible" (or at least skimmed the SparkNotes version) in high school. Utah Tech Theatre Program's latest production, "John Proctor is the Villain," paints a stark, yet optimistic, reminder that Arthur Miller's allegory of McCarthyism remains relevant today. The comedy/drama plays November 9 – 11 and November 14 – 18 at 7:30 PM in the Eccles Blackbox on the UT University campus.

than anyone should be comfortable with.

The cast for "John Proctor is the Villain" plays high school juniors, their teacher, and their guidance counselor. The cast of seven includes, Jared Shipley, Aubrey Sanders (Junior), Rachel Whyte-Freshman, Courtnee Ramos (Senior), Adalyn Enslen (Sophmore), Kailey Robinson (Junior), Mathew Hays (Senior), Tyce Pendleton (Junior), Carly Young (Senior),

understudies, Emilia Kerbow-(Junior), Sophie Price (Freshman), and Kinslee Keddington (Freshman). Harris about the cast. 'You never really know what level of talent you are going to get out of the audition process, but

I could not be more thrilled with the cast I have. Across the board, the talent and dedication I have been witness to will impress even the harshest critic."

Admission to the performances is free of charge, with no advance ticket reservations required. Utah Tech Theatre Program encourages everyone to join and appreciate the work of their students. Attending these productions contributes to the growth and development of Utah Tech students. Additional information is available on the Utah Tech Theatre website: Utah Tech Theatre.

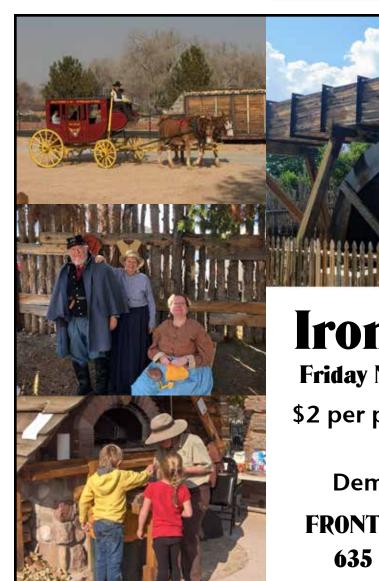
A talkback event is scheduled in conjunction with the Saint George Dove Center on November 10th and 18th. This talkback will address the issues presented in the show. It will also feature discussions about the work of the Dove Center and how they are addressing the issues we take on in the show, as well as a more traditional talkback featuring the cast and directorial team. Allison Gibbes will moderate the talkback.

Mark your calendars for "John Proctor is the Villian" performances, November 9 - 11 and November 14 - 18 at 7:30 PM in the Eccles Blackbox, in the Eccles Fine Arts Center at 225 S 700 E, St. George, on the Utah Tech University campus.



In "John Proctor is the Villain," playwright Kimberly Belflower reexamines this American classic and infuses it with adolescent perspective and popular culture to delve into power, love, and sex in the post-#MeToo era. At a rural high school in Georgia, a group of lively teens study "The Crucible" while navigating young love, sex ed, and a few school scandals. Holding a contemporary lens to the American classic, they question who is the hero and what is the truth, discovering their own power in the process. Alternately touching and bitingly funny, this new comedy captures a generation in mid-transformation, running on pop music, optimism, and fury, writing their own coming-of-age story. UT Theatre's newest theatre faculty

UT Theatre's newest theatre faculty member, Zane Harris, who is the director of the show, says, "With questions of women's rights once again in the headlines, 'John Proctor is the Villain' is a timely commentary on gender politics, framed through the experience of young women. This play is relatable to all adults as it holds a lens to our complex, and sometimes unjust, society." Harris hopes audiences leave the theatre having both experienced cathartic laughter and thoughtful insight into the plight many young women face, far more



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## **OPINION**

# PLANTIN WHERE YOU WANT TO BLOOM By Howard Sierer

I moved to Utah over 20 years ago after living on both coasts and places in between. I was never unhappy with my five previous states: I believe in "blooming where you're planted." When my wife and I (married in state #2) had a chance to retire early, we finally could choose where we wanted to bloom. We knew what we wanted: lots of sunshine in a modest-sized city in an attractive setting with adequate services and shopping.

We looked at Flagstaff, Santa Fe, and several cities in Colorado but chose Southern Utah. We've never regretted it: there's nowhere else we'd rather live. We're happy here, and it turns out so are lots of Utahns all over the state. How do we know? Utah is on top of WalletHub's 2023 ranking of the happiest states in America.

volunteer rate in the country."

Utah has been ranked first in the nation time and again in the last handful of years for its economy, its job market, its pandemic response, and its population growth rate. It's comforting to know that our economic accomplishments have come without sacrificing our work-life balance.

As home to five national parks, eight national monuments, a national recreation area, a national historical park, and the self-proclaimed "greatest snow on earth," Utah's natural environment is world-class. Those who love the outdoors find a lot of reasons to be happy here.

Happiness is, in large measure, determined from within. Some individuals can be happy in difficult situations, while others are unhappy in what appears to most of us to be ideal circumstances. Reflecting this, Utah's overall emotional well-being is a mixed bag, only 16th in the country in contrast to its first in the nation in both the work environment and community category groupings.

On the plus side of emotional well-being, WalletHub's data shows that Utah has the lowest divorce rate in the country and is fourth in safety. Yet there are disappointments sure to be pointed out by naysayers: Utah has the 14th highest suicide rate in the country and high rates of depression.

In summing up WalletHub's findings



To create a broad-brush measure of happiness, WalletHub assembled a panel of distinguished university psychology and sociology professors who identified 30 measurable factors that show overall satisfaction with life. WalletHub then applied these factors on a state-by-state basis. They grouped them into three broad categories: emotional and physical well-being, supportive work environments, and engaged communities.

WalletHub says, "Utah, known for its vibrant work environment and sense of community, stole the show. Utah's citizens find ways to balance work with a supportive community that boasts the highest

Asim Khan wrote, "The air in Utah is a little brighter, the smiles a little wider, and the community spirit a little stronger. It's no wonder, as the Beehive State has earned the title of the happiest state in America, according to WalletHub's recent annual rankings. This serene western state, renowned for its stunning natural landscapes and thriving economy, scored an impressive 69.79 out of 100, outshining all others in the pursuit of happiness."

As one among Utah's many happy citizens, the first two lines of our state song say it all: "Utah! People working together. Utah! What a great place to be."

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## MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT By Lisa Rutherford

Development is rampant in Washington County! I know that's not news to anyone. But, it's not just development as we have known it; a good deal of it is short-term rental development. Development that's getting a bad name across this nation. Development that is taking away from affordable homes and just providing a roof for vacationers — people with plenty of money to vacation while others can't even afford a home.

I realize that many who read this article may be benefitting from that growth by way of jobs, money earned through spending by the vacationers, loans made by banks, businesses that provide materials for these developments, etc. But the rush to build these short-term rentals (STRs) is creating angst and challenges in our communities - challenges with which we will live for a long time. Rezoning is being pushed through often with the excuse by city attorneys that it must be done because there are no options. Small cities are reluctant to stand up against developers.

Particularly in small communities such as Santa Clara and Ivins it's pitting neighbor against neighbor. With developers and bankers on city councils what's a regular citizen to do? Vote!

Voter turnout is traditionally dismal in off years but these are the elections that will determine what we live with in the upcoming years. Forget about the 2024 presidential election; get out now and vote! Learn about candidates and vote for those who will not roll over for the development lobby.

Local pro-development officials are arguing that development is good and will bring in much needed tax money to help

keep property taxes for home owners down. That is not necessarily true. There are many places with a strong commercial base that still have high property taxes. Think about where this information is coming from. Bankers? Developers?

When it comes to candidates, consider what their biases may be when it comes to making decisions. Is someone a banker? You can probably assume that their bias will be toward development because they make loans to support development. Is someone a developer themselves? gain, you can assume they will support

development because that's their bread and butter. That's

not saying that candidates who are not bankers or developers themselves won't support development, but perhaps they would be more evenhanded about the issue. Look into candidates who are already on city councils. Look into their voting records. See if

that balances with what they are saying at candidate forums. The past may not dictate the future, but it's a pretty good indicator of how they will vote if reelected.

Consider write-in candidates who feel strongly about the massive development we are witnessing. They may provide the new voice on the council to help slow this rush to overwhelm our area with growth that may not serve us well in the future.

The Special General Election will be held on November 21, 2023. The date was changed due to Congressman Chris Stewart's decision not to run again and a subsequent scramble to deal with that. Don't waste this opportunity to vote and have a voice. Many throughout the world don't have this right that many in our nation take for granted. The deadline to register to vote is November 13, 2023.

## 2023 THANKSGIVING THANKFUL LIST

By Tom Garrison

Each November, I compose a "Thanksgiving Thankful List" for the preceding year. My wife, Deb, and I enjoy our life in Red Rock, southern Utah, and have many things for which we are thankful. I hope sharing them brings a smile and acknowledgment that even the seldom thought of can be a source of thankfulness. Below is my 2023 list.

1. I'm thankful for national parks. Remember the first time you drove into Zion National Park? Or walked to the edge of the Grand Canyon and looked into the abyss? For me, at least, those are genuine "wow!" moments. What nature creates in places like Zion and the Grand Canyon, and humans thankfully protect, is something to celebrate.

2. Everyone should be grateful the earth is in the Goldilocks zone. What is the Goldilocks zone? It is the zone of potential planetary orbits that, like Goldilocks porridge, is not too hot nor too cold.

In astrobiology, the Goldilocks zone refers to the habitable zone around a star: As Stephen Hawking put it, "like Goldilocks, the development of intelligent life requires that planetary temperatures be 'just right." The Rare Earth Hypothesis uses the Goldilocks principle in the argument that a planet must neither be too far away from, nor too close to a star and galactic center to support life, while either extreme would result in a planet incapable of supporting life. Such a planet is colloquially called a "Goldilocks Planet." Paul Davies has argued for the extension of the principle to cover the selection of our universe from a (postulated) multiverse, "observers arise only in those universes where, like Goldilocks' porridge, things are by accident 'just right.'

3. I'm glad the weekend is only two days. Imagine if it was longer, say three days. By the third day, you would finally relax and master the intricacies of being a couch potato. Then, the fourth day comes, and it's back to reality. Will you be able to gear up for work?

A two-day weekend is just long enough to slow down a bit but not so long as to increase the difficulty of reentering the real world.

4. I'm thankful for the acute senses of cats, particularly our cats, Bob and Willa. If you are familiar with cats, you know they

occasionally have an intense focus on seemingly nothing. What they are sensing, and what our puny human senses cannot detect, is an electromagnetic disturbance in spacetime. The smart cat parent will avoid these areas of cat focus.

Fortunately, these disturbances are usually harmless to cats and humans. But, occasionally, a human or cat will get sucked into the space-time disruption.

You've probably heard of the rare human or cat that disappears and is never seen again. Now you know what happened.

5. I'm thankful I live in the northern hemisphere. Things make sense here. North is toward the Arctic and the North Pole. And there is no way I could get used to clocks running backwards - wait, what? Are you sure clocks run backwards in the southern hemisphere? Well, forget the clocks.

6. I'm glad Deb and I both seem to have the "explorer gene." For example, in 2009 (we were both in our late 50s,) we moved to St. George from Santa Barbara, California. We did not know a soul in southwest Utah (or the entire state, for that matter). And we had no jobs waiting for us. We simply packed up and left California. In addition, for more than 35 years now, we have explored all over the American Southwest—more than 230 different hikes (yes, I have a list). Often, these adventures took us waay out in the middle of nowhere, 15 miles of bad dirt road just to reach the trailhead—exploring.

Is there really an "explorer gene?" Researchers have isolated a gene called DRD4, which controls dopamine, a chemical brain messenger important to learning and reward. A variant of DRD4, known as DRD4-7R, which is carried by approximately 20 percent of the population, has been closely linked with increased curiosity and restlessness. Repeated studies have shown that the presence of 7R makes people more likely to "take risks, explore new places, ideas, food, relationships, drugs, or sexual opportunities; and generally embrace movement, change, and adventure. Studies in animals simulating 7R's actions suggest it increases their taste for both movement and novelty."

I hope everyone recalls the many things, obvious and not so obvious, to be thankful for this Thanksgiving.

### **OUTDOORS**

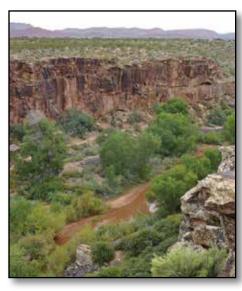
#### HIKING SOUTHERN UTAH: BLACK BRUSH TRAIL By Tom Garrison

**Location:** Santa Clara River Reserve near Santa Clara and Ivins, Utah. Managed by the Bureau of Land Management.

**Difficulty:** Moderately strenuous. Much of the trail is rocky; it crosses several ravines, some fairly steep, and there is a lot of upand-down hiking.

**Average Hiking Time:** A little more than three hours at a leisurely pace with many photo stops.

**Elevation:** The trailhead is approximately 3,100 feet elevation with about a 200 feet elevation gain. There are several fairly steep sections going into and out of the ravines.



Family Friendly: Watch your step on the rocks and be aware of drop-offs on the cliffs, and everyone should be okay.

Getting There: From St. George, travel north on Bluff Street to the sweeping left (west) turn onto to Sunset Boulevard. Continue on Sunset as it enters Santa Clara and becomes Santa Clara Drive. Turn left (south) at Gates Lane (three blocks past the Post Office) and cross the Santa Clara River. Set your odometer after crossing the river. Stay on the road; the pavement ends after about .1 mile, and continues straight on the now unsigned dirt road. At .5 miles, turn right (west) at the Cove Wash Trailhead sign and soon pass a water tank. About ½ mile further (approximately one mile from the river crossing), turn right (west) at another Cove Wash Trailhead sign. The visible parking area and the trailhead is .2 further. The Cove Wash Trailhead is also the Black Brush Trailhead. Although a regular sedan should make it without trouble, I recommend a high-clearance vehicle.

Ready for a moderately strenuous rocky, ravine-infested hike with great views of Ivins, Red Mountain, and the Santa Clara River from cliffs above the river? Who isn't. Oh, and solitude. Three hours on the trail, 4.7 miles, on an early fall morning, we saw no other people doing the hike. Our destination was the Black Brush Trail in the Santa Clara River Reserve.

The Santa Clara River Reserve was established in 1997 through a partner-ship among the cities of Ivins and Santa Clara and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The 6,500 acre Reserve is administered by the BLM and is located southwest of Ivins and Santa Clara. The Reserve was

created to protect open space, archeological and natural resources, and promote recreational opportunities. More than 20 trails in the Reserve offer a variety of experiences—prehistoric petroglyphs (rock art), hiking sandy washes, desert landscape vistas, and lush (for a desert) riparian corridor along the Santa Clara River.



Our journey began on a Saturday in late September. We, my wife Deb and I, loaded our packs, snacks, water, and cameras. We most often hike alone and enjoy trails with few or no other people. Black Brush Trail certainly meets that criteria.

We arrived at the trailhead about 9:30 AM with the temperature in the mid-70s. The trailhead elevation is about 3,100 feet with an approximately 200 feet elevation gain during the 4.7 mile hike. The day was overcast, making for excellent hiking weather, but not so good photos. Being the beginning of fall, we did see a few animals—a rabbit hopping away from the noise of our footfalls, a family of quail, some lizards, and a chipmunk.

From the trailhead, we took the Black Brush Trail heading north. The first section of the trail is a dirt road that quickly becomes a smaller path. Most of the trail is rocky, watch your step. The trail is well marked and easy to follow with several trail signs. This section goes along the sides of a large sloping hill crossing a few ravines carved into the hillside. The hillside was covered in small vegetation, but strangely no black brush. To the north are some good views of Ivins nestled below Red Mountain.

At 1.1 miles in, we came to the loop intersection of the trail, we went right, northeast and then north heading uphill. The loop is 2.5 miles long crossing ravines and washes with much zigzagging. About .5 mile from the intersection (1.6 miles from the trailhead) came the highlight of the hike. The trail reaches the cliffs above the Santa Clara River—great views of the riparian environment below with trees and bushes lining the river framed by dark canyon walls. There are a couple of vista points where we approached the edge of the cliffs and peered below at the spectacular view. Along this area are also the best views of Red Mountain and Ivins.



Soon the loop turned away from the river and we returned to cutting across washes and ravines—not too exciting. We reached the loop intersection and headed the 1.1 miles back to the trailhead.

Deb and I have hiked several score of trails in southwest Utah. While Black Brush Trail is overall not spectacular (although the views of the Santa Clara River are spectacular), it is close to St. George and, from our experience, not crowded. If you want a moderately strenuous decent 4.7 mile hike, try this one.

## MOVIES

\*\*\*\* - Amazing!

★★★ - Good

**★★★** - Decent **★★** - Poor

★ - Terrible

# THE INDEPENDENT MOVIE REVIEW By Adam Mast

FIVE NIGHTS AT FREDDY'S (PG-13)

"Five Nights at Freddy's" mixes gateway horror, nostalgia, and humor.

Before getting to my thoughts on "Five Nights at Freddy's," let me preface this review by saying I've never played the games on which this film is based, therefore, I'm coming at this strictly from a filmgoer perspective. To that end, while there are certain elements I like in this movie, it does often feel convoluted and overstuffed as a whole.

In "Five Nights at Freddy's," a troubled man (played by Josh Hutcherson of "The Hunger Games" fame) suffering from trauma that stems from a terrible incident in his youth, takes a low-paying graveyard security position at Freddy Fazbear's, a once-extremely-popular-but-now-closed-

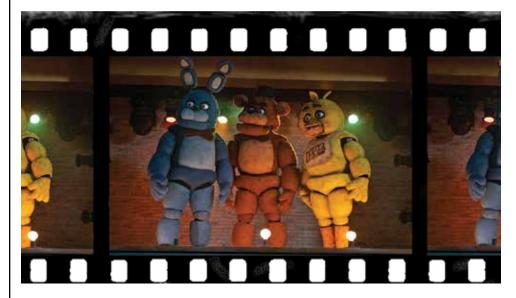
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the 80s and the 90s.

Again, though, if only this film didn't have so much going on. There are mechanical beasties running amok, a man desperately trying to solve a mystery from his past, an underwritten woman of the law looking to lend a helping hand, and a mystery surrounding the film's primary locale. There's even a sort of ghostly element thrown into the mix for good measure.

Thankfully, you've got Hutcherson doing his best to navigate through all of this stuff and he's actually pretty good here as an individual attempting to balance a tragic past and a somewhat tumultuous present. To Hutcherson's credit, he brings vulnerability and likability to the table in equal measure.

Despite all that's going on in this movie, at the very least, director Emma Tammi and her writing partners do a good job of keeping things moving. Additionally, they even throw in a couple of interesting plot points including one in which Hutherson's guilt and grief-ridden character is convinced that he can fix his tragic past by re-visiting a traumatic event through his dreams. Tammi and crew also ensure that the movie is laced with a sense of humor. All of that said, there are things in "Five Nights at Freddy's" that don't entirely make sense (even for a horror show of this variety), particularly where the animatronic Freddy Fazbear performers are concerned. It should also be noted that a certain reveal in this movie is fairly obvious



down pizza/arcade joint, all in an effort to help provide for his young sister (played by Piper Rubio) whom he looks after.

This Chuck E. Cheese-like location had it all; animatronic performing animals, video games, ball pits, and what I can only assume was the world's worst pizza. More importantly, though, this one-time hot spot comes with a terrifying secret. One that goes well beyond the attacking animatronic creatures that reside in this run-down establishment.

Beyond the prerequisite horror element, "Five Nights at Freddy's" is brimming with a sense of nostalgia and you're likely to feel that nostalgia firsthand even if, like me, you're not familiar with the games. Be it the old school arcade titles (Asteroids and Centipede among them), the quaint familiarity of Freddy Fazbear's itself, the security training video that features a host who bears a resemblance to "A Nightmare on Elm Street" final girl Nancy Thompson, or the inclusion of "Five Nights at Freddy's" co-stars Mary Stuart Masterson ("Some Kind of Wonderful") and Matthew Lillard ("Scream"), there are plenty of things in this movie that will whisk you back to the seemingly more innocent decades that were

and not particularly surprising.

"Five Nights at Freddy's" is rated PG-13 and it does feel like one of those movies designed to serve as a slice of gateway horror for a younger crowd. It certainly deals with adult themes including, but not limited to, the abduction of children. But then, the horror genre isn't necessarily beneath putting kids in peril and stretching the limits of a PG or PG-13 on occasion (see the likes of "Poltergeist," "Lady in White," and "The Ring," just to name a precious few.) Ultimately, "Five Nights at Freddy's" definitely goes further than something like "Goosebumps" and it seems more at home in the "Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark" and "M3gan" camp. This is to say that there is intensity and there are a couple of shocking moments that might make it a little too extreme for younger kids but, "Saw" it ain't.

In the end, "Five Nights at Freddy's" certainly isn't among the very best horror films of 2023 but it isn't without its gateway horror charms. Regardless of what I think, it's poised to make a killing at the box office so you can bet that the inevitable sequel is right around the corner.

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#### **Multi-Day Events**

#### DIXIE HIGH: SINGIN' IN THE RAIN Nov. 3, 4, and 6, 4 PM. Dixie High School Theater presents the classic

musical Singin' in the Rain. Come relive musical theater iconic music. Visit DHS website dhs.washk12.org for tickets. Dixie High School, 350 E. 700 S., St. George.

**PANGUITCH CHRISTMAS** FESTIVAL Nov. 17-18. Walk among the lights, Christmas tree auction, silent auction, and Christmas program. Fair

SENIOR EXPO Nov. 2-3, 9 AM. Come to St. George's biggest FREE senior expo. Free health screenings, fun activities, and the best senior resources in the state. Enjoy Bingo and Pickleball. Prizes every hour. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

4TH ANNUAL DAY OF THE DEAD **EXHIBITION** Oct. 6-Nov. 15, 11 AM. The St. George Museum is pleased to be hosting our fourth annual Day of the Dead Exhibition. A celebration of our local Hispanic heritage and a reminder to celebrate our loved ones near and far. St. George Art Museum, 47 East 200 North, St. George.

RIDE THE CYCLONE PERFORMANCE Nov. 3-11, 7:30 PM. SUU Department of Theatre, Dance, & Arts presents Ride the Cyclone. Six teenage choir singers' lives are cut short in an accident. When they awake in limbo, a mechanical fortune teller invites each to tell a story to win a prize. Eileen and Allen Anes Studio Theatre, 101-199 W. University

CRAZY DAISY CHRISTMAS SHOW Nov. 3-4, 1 PM. Kick off the holiday season with the Crazy Daisy Christmas Show! Shopping, handcrafters, delicious treats, food & fun! Join us in supporting Utah's amazing small businesses! Dixie Convention Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

Blvd., Cedar City.

CEDAR HIGH SCHOOL - FALL PLAY Nov.

#### JOHN PROCTOR IS THE VILLAIN Nov.

9-11, and 14-18, 7:30 PM. A group of lively teens are studying "The Crucible" while navigating young love, sex ed, and a few school scandals. This new comedy captures a generation in midtransformation, running on pop music, optimism, and writing their coming-of-age story. Eccles Blackbox Theatre at Utah Tech University, 225 S. 700 E., St. George.

SNOW CANYON HIGH: MUSICAL Nov. 9-13, 7 PM. Snow Canyon High School, 1385 Lava Flow Dr.,

#### WHAT THE CONSTITUTION MEANS TO

ME Nov. 9-18, 7:30 PM. A boundary-breaking play about Heidi, who earns her college tuition by winning Constitutional debates. Exploring the relationship between four generations of women and the founding document that shaped their lives. Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct, Ivins.

**COLOR COUNTRY MODEL RAILROAD** ANNUAL LAYOUT TOUR Nov. 10-13, 3 PM. View model train displays in various homes in the greater St George. Visit www.colorcountrytrains.org for addresses and times trains will be running. Various locations in the Greater St George Area, 12345 Various Streets, St. George.

**CANYON VIEW HIGH: LES MISERABLES:** SCHOOL EDITION Nov. 15-16, 7 PM. Canyon View IRON MISSION DAYS 2023 Nov. 10-11, 10 AM. Living history demonstrations. Learn important skills from our historical pioneers. We will offer blacksmithing, weaving, demonstrating blacksmithing, printing press, and rope making. Frontier Homestead State Park Museum, 635 N. Main, Cedar City.

**CHRISTMAS WINTER WONDERLAND** BAZAAR Nov. 10-11, 10 AM. The 21 Eleven Coffee Shop/ True Life Center annual Christmas Bazaar with Santa, local vendors, and food. A perfect place to get the perfect gift. For information, call 702 818-6403. 21 Eleven Coffee, 2111 N. Main

SHE LOVES ME Nov. 16-Dec. 2, 7:30 PM. She Loves Me is a euphoric romantic comedy with a soaring score. St. George Musical Theater, 212 N. Main St., St. George.

JUBILEE OF TREES Nov. 16-22. The Jubilee of Trees is a great way to start off your Thanksgiving week. A Christmas wonderland where funds raised go towards expanding and enhancing services at St. George Regional Hospital. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

PAROWAN CHRISTMAS IN THE **COUNTRY HOLIDAY BAZAAR Nov. 24-25,** 10 AM. Parowan's 2023 Christmas in the Country Holiday Bazaar. Two days of shopping for that special home-crafted gift. Iron County Fairgrounds Building, 50 S. 600 E. Clinic Way,



TALON CRAFT FAIR 9 AM. Nov. 17–18. Food, craft vendors, live entertainment, Santa, and more. Admission is \$1/person or 6 for \$5. Visit www.cvtalons.wixsite.com/talons. Canyon View High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS AT RED HILLS DESERT GARDEN Nov. 22-Jan. 1, 5 PM. A winter wonderland with thousands of lights and displays. Lights are on nightly until 10 p.m. Red Hills Desert Garden, 375 Red Hills Pkwy., St. George.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL - A NEW MUSICAL Nov. 24-Dec. 12, 7:30 PMA Christmas Carol returns. Southern Utah's newest holiday tradition at the Electric Theater, starring some of the best young performers in St George. Come join us this holiday season at the Electric Theater. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CANYON AT TUACAHN AMPHITHEATRE Nov. 24-Dec. 23, 6 PM. Celebrate Christmas at Tuacahn! Over 250,000 twinkling lights, live nativity show, train rides on The Tuacahn Express, and a visit with Santa Claus. No admission charge. Tuacahn's Cafe is open for dinner and treats! Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

TUACAHN EXPRESS TRAIN RIDE Nov. 24–Dec. 23, 6 PM. A narrated journey through the festive Tuacahn Loop with thousands of Christmas lights and an up-close look at popular show sets from past seasons. Tickets for specific dates can be purchased in advance however, ride times are not reserved. Tuacahn, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

IRVING BERLIN'S WHITE CHRISTMAS
Nov. 24-De. 22, 7:30 PM. The timeless movie adapted for
the stage. A merry and bright holiday musical is full of dancing, laughter and features Irving Berlin songs and the book
by David Ives and Paul Blake. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100
Tuacahn Ivins.

HOLIDAY TREE JUBILEE Nov. 25, 27, 28, 5 PM. See Santa and an amazing display of Christmas trees. Free professional holiday photographs, free hot chocolate, dozens of Christmas trees and auction items, and more! For information, visit them on Facebook: /holidaytreejubliee or call 435 531-9138. Festival Hall/Heritage Center Conference Center, Cedar City.

DICKENS' CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL Nov. 27-Dec. 3. 10 AM. Not just another craft show, but a unique entertainment and shopping experience. Olde English shops, hundreds of period costumes, fortune tellers, orphans, royalty, and Father Christmas. Set in the Victorian Era. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

KANAB POLAR EXPRESS Nov. 27-Dec. 1, 6 PM. All aboard the Polar Express! Depart on the hour for a fun-filled ride to Santa's Bake Shop. The conductor will tell a story and maybe even sing some songs. Come dressed in your p.j.'s or other warm clothing! KANE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 76 N. Main Street Kanah

NORTH POLE EXPRESS AT THUNDER JUNCTION Dec. 1-18, 6 PM. Celebrate the holidays at Thunder Junction this December! The Park will be filled with amazing lights and the spirit of the holiday. Each ticket includes access to the park, a visit with Santa, cookie decorating, hot cocoa, a holiday craft, and a ride on the North Pole Express. The park will be closed to the general public during the special event. All guests must present a North Pole Express ticket. Thunder Junction All Abilities Park at Tonaquint Park, 1851 S. Dixie Dr., St. George.

SAUCY AT CASABLANCA Nov. 3-5, 6 PM. Showtimes may vary. They consist of 5 world traveled musicians bringing a vast range of hits and genres through the ages to now that's sure to keep the party going!. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

**TEAM PENNING** Nov. 17–18, 5 PM. Panguitch City,

GREGG PETERSON BAND AT CASA-BLANCA Nov. 15–19, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Classic Rock, Variety, and dance band. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesguite Blyd. Mesquite.

TERRY WAYNE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA Nov. 22–26, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. R&B, funk, dance, oldies, and classic rock. Free admission. 21 or older. Skydome Lounge, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

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Anthera Restaurant, 281 Zion Park Blvd., Springdale. Thursdays
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Zion. Under Canvas Zion, 3955 Kolob Terrace Rd., Virgin.
Friday's - Zion Wildflower Resort, 100 Kolob Terrace Rd., Virgin.
Rain or Shine. Mr. OK weaves unique groove stylings into classics
and original tracks by way of beatbox, guitar, vocals, melodica,
and occasional brass.

OLD STORIES MADE NEW: WORKS BY LEE LANIER Oct. 6-Nov. 15, 11 AM. Lee Lanier is a contemporary narrative painter who lives in Boulder City, Nevada. St. George Art Museum, 47 E. 200 N., St. George.

THE ABSTRACT IMPULSE Sept.-Nov. 10. The Sears Art Museum, a part of Utah Tech University, presents, The Abstract Impulse. The exhibition offers viewers a bridge across time, connecting ancient cave wall paintings, intricate designs of Native American pottery, and the contemporary canvases that grace modern galleries. Sears Art Museum, 155 S. University Ave., St. George.

**GUILD "GIFT OF ART SHOW"** Nov. 17-Dec. 21. The Southern Utah Art Guild invites the public to its upcoming "Gift of Art" art show. Red Cliff Gallery, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

**AUTUMN ART SHOW** Nov. 3–9. Prepare to be immersed in the world of creativity and talent as we showcase the remarkable works of local artists. Red Cliff Gallery, 220 N. 200 E., St. George.

ALL ABBOOOARD! HISTORIC UNION PACIFIC PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION
June 26-Dec. 1. Approximately 70 historic photos chronicle the Union Pacific Railroad in Cedar City and Utah's National Parks. Randall L. Jones Theater, 50 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

**BRUTAL D.C.** Oct. 6-Dec. 2, 10 AM. BRUTAL D.C. is an exhibition co-curated in partnership with University of Oklahoma comprising archival documents, recent re-imaginings, and fine art photography that explores the historical underpinnings, current state, and future possibilities of key Brutalist buildings in Washington, D.C. Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.

KANAB ARTS BOARD FOURTH
QUARTER EXHIBITION Oct. 19 - Dec. 27. 9 AM.
The Kanab Arts Board Fourth Quarter Exhibition is ongoing
from October 19 to December 27, 2023, at the Kane County
Hospital Lobby and Kanab City Library. Kane County Hospital,
355 Main St., Kanab.

KANE COUNTY HOSPITAL'S HEALING ARTS Featuring artistists Camberly Brown Anderson, Fiona Duncan, Laura Wilson , Marc Joseph Supancich, and the late Nancy Vogel. Kane County Hospital, 355 Main St., Kanab.

THE MIGHTY FIVE: ZION NATIONAL PARK Dec. 1-Jan.12. At this unique exhibition, you will see Zion through the artist's eyes. This incredible homage to Utah's first national park features works of art collected by the Sears Art Museum as well as select contemporary works from regional artists. Dolores Doré Eccles Fine Arts Center, 255 S 700

GLEN GALLARDE PROJECT AT CASABLANCA Nov. 29-Dec. 3, 7 PM. Showtimes may vary. Former Star Search vocalist Glenn Gallarde and the band, specializes in bringing a show of Top 40's, Dance and all Rock Anthems of the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and to the present day. Free. 21 or older. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

CEDAR CITY DAUGHTERS OF UTAH MUSEUM 10 AM. We have Artifacts, Photos, and Histories of our Iron County Pioneer settlers who paved the way for our established communities of today. Tools, Clothing, Hats, Dolls, Furniture, Books, A Spinning Wheel, and Organ are on display. Cedar City Visitors Center, Cedar City Daughters of Utah Pioneer Museum, 581 N. Main St., Cedar City.

KARAOKE WITH "GAYLE LOUISE" 5
PM. KaRaOkE Funnnnn! with "Gayle Louise" Tuesday's and
Wednesday's (702) 345-6747. PEGGY SUE'S DINER. 380 N.
Sandhill Blvd., Mesquite.

**TODDLER TIME** 11 AM. Days/times vary. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**Events by Day** 

#### MONDAYS

E, St. George.

**STORY TIME WITH GRANDPA STEVE** 10 AM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

#### **TUESDAYS**

FRONTIER HOMESTEAD: CHILDREN'S STORY TIME 10 AM. Every Tuesday morning a Ranger will read a frontier-themed story and have fun with a corresponding take-home activity. Story Time is an opportunity for preschool children and their guardians to learn about the past through stories and history-related activities. This program is offered free to the public with help from the Visit Cedar City. Brian Head and is recommended for preschool-aged children. Admission is FREE. Frontier Homestead, 635 N. Main St., Cedar City.

STORY TIME AT WASHINGTON BRANCH 11 AM. Washington County Library System, 220 N. 300 E., Washington.

MAKE ART TUESDAYS 11 AM. Everyday is better when you make art! Join us every Tuesday from 11-Noon to create unique projects that you can take home. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

TRAUMA & LOSS WOMEN'S GROUP 6
PM. Trauma & Loss Group for Women. 640 E. 700 S., STE 101,
St. George.

THE GRACEFUL WOMAN 6:30 PM. Tuesday nights are now open to Women of all ages for a wonderful night of specialized teachings to empower, uplift, heal, strengthen and teach. Kundalini Yoga offers unique, transformative guidance for women to stay healthy both in body, mind and heart. Pregnant mommas are welcome, teenagers welcome, young and old are welcome! Fruit and Yogi Tea will be served after class. Bring your girlfriends, your daughters, your aunts, your mother and grandmother. By Donation S5–S11. Sage Hills Healing Center, 6232 W. Sage Hills Dr., Cedar City.

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

**STORY TIME WITH MRS. MANN** 10 AM. Washington County Library, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

STORY TIME AT HURRICANE LIBRARY 11 AM. Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

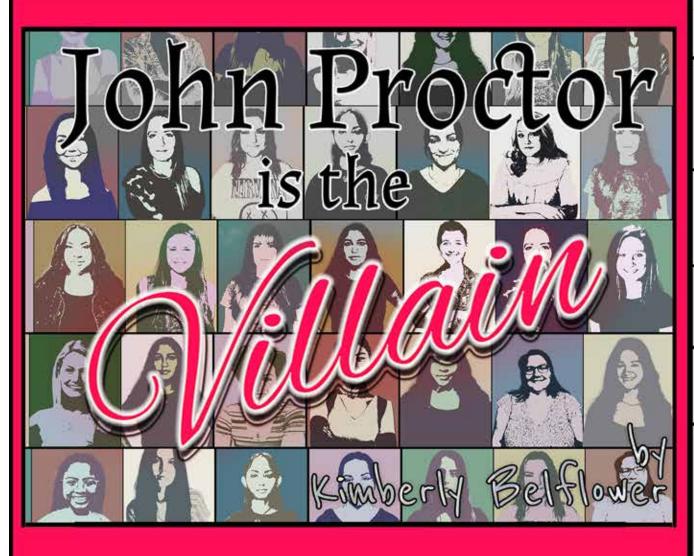
GAMER CLUB 3 PM. Teens and 'tweens who love anime, gaming, or both meet for book discussions, games, and great times. Santa Clara Library, 1099 Lava Flow Dr., St. George.

MIDVALLEY: FARMERS MARKET 4 PM. Come for live music, jump house, face painting, and more. Find some beautiful, original, and unique items for your loved one, all the crafters and artisans are local and everything is handmade by them. This is the perfect place to take a break midweek with your family, friends, and neighbors, have some dinner, listen to some music, and let the kids play in the jump house while you watch the sunset. This is a Project of The PEACE Guild - Text: 435 704-6916. 780 Midvalley Rd., Enoch.

KARAOKE AT BEAVER DAM BAR 5:30 PM. Every Wednesday with Gayle Louise (SAME TIME as Mesquite) (435) 229-9725. 411 Co Hwy. 91, Littlefield.

SINGER'S CLUB LIVE 6 PM. Open mic, sing, guitar, or grand piano. Facebook "Singer's Club" like our Facebook and watch the livestream every Wednesday night. Contact us if you want to perform. Gentry Music & Arts, 771 S. Bluff St., St. George.





## THEATRE

November 9 - 11 & 14 - 18 @ 7:30pm

> Eccles Blackbox Theatre

#### Free Admission!

No reservations necessary.

"John Proctor is the Villain" is presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York.

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AND VISIT THE PRODUCTION SCHEDULE PAGE

#### **THURSDAYS**

SUNRISE ROTARY 8 AM. Meets every Thursday at Scotty's Restaurant at the Falcon Ridge Golf Course. e contact: Deb Parsley debparsley@kwcom. Falcon Ridge Golf Course, 1024 Normandy Ln., Mesquite.

**STORYTIME WITH KRIS** 11 AM. It's everyone's favorite time Join Kris in the theatre to hear stories that have to do with our monthly theme, holidays, or just for fun St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

A.P.E.X. EVENTS 11:30 AM. Eccles A.P.E.X. is Southern Utah University's premier weekly lecture series, with speakers and presenters invited from all areas of the world. Attendees to our events are students, faculty, staff and community members, and the series features a diverse range of topics and disciplines. All A.P.E.X. events are free and open to the public. Southern Utah University, 351 W University Blvd., Cedar City.

MUSIC TIME WITH MARLENE 11:30 AM.

Join Marlene in our Theater Room every Thursday for music, prizes, and dancing! St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St. St. George.

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) 4 PM. Support group helping you focus on making small, steady lifestyle changes with "Real People-Real Weightloss. Call (435) 669-7172 or visit www.tops.org Pioneer Museum, 145 N. 100

**DESERT COMMUNITY STRINGS AND NEW HORIZONS STRINGS** 5:30-7:30 PM. Open to all ages and abilities. If you used to play a stringed instrument and would like to get back to the joy of music, this group is definitely for you. desertstrings.org Basement of St. George Medical Building, 736 S. 900 E., St. George.

KARAOKE B-I-N-G-O! 6:30 PM. Karaoke B-I-N-G-O! with "Gayle Louise". Two ways to win! Not based on talent. SING-PLAY-WIN! "KORAL KAFE Might As Well Lounge" (435) 627-6262. 2400 N. Town Center Dr., Washington.

JOYFUL YOGA 6:30 PM. An all Levels, all Ages class for anyone and everyone! Get your Joy on with Kundalini Yoga and Meditation as taught by Yogi Bhajan. Mantra, Mudra, Breathing, Movement all with a specific intention to elevate and synchronize your energy, physical and mental bodies to Meditate. Yogi tea and fresh fruit served after each class. By donation. S5 to S11. Sage Hills Healing Center, 6232 W. Sage Hills Dr., Cedar

KARAOKE WITH DJ LANCE AT MIKES TAVERN 9 PM. 90 W. Hoover Ave., Cedar City.

#### FRIDAYS

E., St. George.

CEDAR STREET FEST 3 PM. The Cedar Fun Center has brought together local businesses, artisans, and performers for a weekly celebration of Cedar City's unique culture. Everyone is invited to attend this family-friendly event to enjoy music, food, and fun including live music, theatrical performances, stand-up comedy, bouncy houses, art classes, games, Artisans Fair, Farmers Market, drive-in movies, and more. For information visit Cedarstreetfest.com. Cedar Fun Center, 170 E. Fiddlers Canyon Rd.. Cedar City.

**OFF THE CUFF** 8 PM. Off the Cuff Off the Cuff Comedy Improv is held every Friday. Tickets are \$10 and advance tickets are available for purchase at otccomedy.com. Trained by some of the greatest names in improv comedy, Off the Cuff seeks to delight and entertain your funny bone with their hilarious, notorious, and uproarious brand of performance styles. Off the Cuff Theater, 913 S. Main St., Cedar City.

MOMS 'N TOTS PLAYTIME AT HURRI-CANE 11 AM. Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300

**CRAFTIVITY** 11 AM. Join in this creative activity every Friday where together, guests and volunteers work to make easy, fun, and educational crafts for themselves and their families. Free to members or paid admission St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

#### **SATURDAYS**

ST. GEORGE FARMERS MARKET 8 AM. The Farmers Market at Vernon Worthen Park is a free event, held every Saturday, from 8 AM. to 12 noon. The event is held every Saturday through the end of December. Vernon Worthen Park, 300 S. 400 E., St. George.

BEST FRIENDS GENTLE YOGA 9 AM. Join us for a 45-minute gentle yoga class for all levels and ages at Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile. 30 N. 300 W., Kanab.

CEDAR CITY FARMERS MARKET 9 AM.-1 PM. Come for the farmers, food, and artisans as well as drawings, bingo, and more! For information visit them on Facebook, Cedar Saturday Market, or call Nancy (435) 463-3735. IFA, 905 S. Main St., Cedar City.

TUACAHN SATURDAY MARKET 9 AM. A fun craft festival set in a beautiful and scenic canyon. Every Saturday morning we have live entertainment, crafters, vendors, food and fun. In the event of rain, we cozy up under the cover of the Tuacahn Amphitheater plaza. Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

FESTIVAL CITY FARMERS MARKET 10 AM. Every Saturday behind I/G Winery. Free admission. Come and support local farmers by buying fresh and local year-round. Shop locally produced and grown fruit, vegetables, cheese, jam, bread, eggs, honey, farm products, and more. 45 W. University Blvd./Center St., Cedar City.

TAI CHI DRAGON QIGONG AT SANTA CLARA LIBRARY 10:30-11:30 AM. Full-body energetic healing. Admission is free. No experience needed. Tai Chi Dragon Qigong is good for all ages and all levels of health and mobility. Santa Clara Library, 1099 N. Lava Flow Dr., Santa Clara.

TINKER LAB 11 AM. Tinkerlab is the museum's newest weekly class offered to museum guests. In this class kids will get the chance to experiment, and learn new skills. Tinkerlab activities will normally be crafted for groups ages 5+, but all are welcome to come "tinker" with us! Tinkerlab will be held on each Saturday of the month. Participation is included with your admission price. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

SATURDAY MOVIE MATINEE AT ST. GEORGE LIBRARY 2 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS WEEKLY MEETING 3 PM. Al-Anon Family Group is Back! Weekly meetings on Sundays. Mesquite Veterinary Clinic, 371 Riverside Rd. A, Mesquite.

#### Events by Date

#### Fri, Nov 3

COMEDIAN RODNEY NORMAN AT THE BUMBLEBERRY THEATER 7 PM.
Bumbleberry Theater. Honest and unassuming, his humor will catch you off guard and leave you laughing days later. Rodney Norman is more than an entertainer, he is an experience. 97 Bumbleberry Ln., Springdale.

STYX 7:30 PM. Tickets start at \$60 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

#### Sat. Nov 4

BRIO HOLIDAY BAZAAR 7 PM. Bumbleberry Theater. Honest and unassuming, his humor will catch you off guard and leave you laughing days later. Rodney Norman is more than an entertainer, he is an experience. 97 Bumbleberry Ln., Springdale.

STORYBOOK PARADE 2 PM. The parade begins at 300 E. University Blvd. Admission is FREE. Children's books come to life with floats, music, and costumed characters. Special guests can be spotted throughout the entire parade. 300 E. University Blvd., Cedar City.

PINK CHRISTMAS NEVADA 2 PM. Includes: Raffles, pictures with Santa, Carnival Games, and more. Food and beverages available for purchase. \$20 per family. Bebrave Athletics, 473 W Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

GAME NIGHT AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN A Night of Fun & Laughter! Open Play, Board Games, Card Games. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

**ETHEREAL EVENTS CO STARFALL BALL** 7 PM. Step into a world where the stars align, and magic is in the air. Iron Springs Adventure Resort, 3196 N. Iron Springs Rd., Cedar City.

**SO U COMEDY THEATER IMPROV!** 7 PM. Family-Friendly Presented by the So U Comedy Theater. Come enjoy some family-friendly fun with our improvisers! We get suggestions from YOU, the audience, to inspire scenes and characters. Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

ST GEORGE JAZZ PRESENTS: JOHN DAVERSA AND TAL COHEN 7:30 PM. John Daversa is returning to St George! This time with his performing partner Tal Cohen. Performing from their album "The Art of Duo." Seating is limited. Dolores Doré Eccles Fine Arts Center, 255 S. 700 E., St. George.

SO U COMEDY THEATER IMPROV UNCENSORED 9 PM. Come enjoy some no holds barred fun with our improvisers! We get suggestions from YOU, the audience, to inspire scenes and characters Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr., St. George.

Sun, Nov 5

**DYLAN GAVIN AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Alternative rock. 2 W. St George Blvd., St. George.

Mon, Nov 6

PAWS FOR TALES-READ TO A DOG 4 PM. Children can read to registered therapy dogs. Studies have shown the many benefits of children reading to dogs. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**DESERT HILLS HIGH: IMPROV SHOW** 5 PM. Desert Hills High School, 828 E. Desert Hills Dr., St. George.

#### Tues, Nov 7

ARTS COUNCIL MTG 5:30 PM. Monthly board meeting of the Mesquite Arts Council. The public is welcome. Anyone wishing to volunteer or join the Mesquite Arts Council are encouraged to attended. Mesquite Arts Council Office, 150 N. Yucca St., Room 23, Mesquite.

**CHAPTER 1 BOOK CLUB** 5:30 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

SUU CHOIRS & ORCHESTRA CONCERT 7:30 PM. "Worlds to Come" by Dr. Roy Rummler, conducted by Dr. Xun Sun. Festival Hall and Heritage Theater, Cedar City.

#### Wed. Nov 8

**ARTS COMMISSION MEETING** 5 PM. Ivins City Hall, 55 Main St., Ivins.

MESQUITE REPUBLICAN WOMEN MTG 5:30 PM. Mesquite Republican Women meet the second Wednesday of each month. Contact phone number 858 254-1214 email: swtinsd@gmail.com. Mesquite Veterans Center, 840 Hafen Lane, Mesquite.

VIRTUAL MYSTERY/THRILLER BOOK CLUB 7:30 PM. Our idea for this book club is to alternate between mysteries and thrillers when we can and try to pair mysteries, when possible, a classic with a newer one so that, if you like, you can read two each month. But you don't have to. We also have a group that meets in person to discuss the same book at 6:30 same evening, locations vary, members take turns hosting. The Book Bungalow, 94 W. Tabernacle St., St. George.

EGGS AND ISSUES WITH INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH 7:30 AM. St. George City Council Primary Candidate Forum SGACC, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

Thurs, Nov 9

**A.P.E.X. EVENTS** 11:30 AM. Eccles A.P.E.X. is SUU's weekly lecture series, with speakers from all areas of the world. Free and open to the public. Southern Utah University, 351 W. University Blvd.. Cedar City.

DAVE COMPTON AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Piano and vocals. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

KARAOKE AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 6 PM. Jimmy T every 2nd and 4th Thursday. 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

THE JETS - 35TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR 7:30 PM. Tickets starting at \$25 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

#### Fri, Nov 10

PANGUITCH HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR Nov. 10-11. A weekend filled with holiday shopping. Don't forget to grab some homemade treats before you leave. Fair Building, Panguitch

**JOSH TURNER** 7 PM. Tickets start at \$40 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

OFF THE RAILS CONCERT - VV
COMMUNITY THEATER 7 PM. Mesquite
Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St., Mesquite.

JAC: OPEN MIC NIGHT 7 PM. Every second and fourth Friday of each month. Each artist will have a 7-minute set. First come, first served signups at the door. A S5 donation is required for entry. For information and questions please email info@johnsonartscenter.org. Johnson Center for Community Arts & Education, 59 N. 100 W., Cedar City.

#### RIRIE-WOODBURY DANCE COMPANY

7:30 PM. An American contemporary dance company based in Salt Lake City. Founded in 1964 by University of Utah dance faculty, furthering contemporary dance by creating and performing original works of modern dance. Festival Hall and Heritage Theater, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

**LEGENDS OF THE 70'S** 7:30 PM. A one-night-only performance of your favorite 70's artists such as Jackson Browne, Neil Young, Gordon Lightfoot, America, the Eagles, Bob Dylan, Elton John & many more. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

#### Sat, Nov 11

SECOND SATURDAYS AT SUMA 2 PM. Formerly known as Family Day, this series of events is for families and friends in the community of all ages. Planned activities for all ages and backgrounds. Free and open to the public. Southern Utah Museum of Art, 13 S. 300 W., Cedar City.



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Z-Arts Events for November and December 2023 Canyon Community Center, 126 Lion Blvd, Springdale, UT

November 12, 7:00 PM Ricardo Cobo – Classical Guitar Central & South American Composers





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**HOTEL CALIFORNIA** 7 PM. Tickets starting at \$20 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

Sun, Nov 12

MARK BOGGS AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. An eclectic mix of different songs from Elton John, Chuck Berry, Aretha Franklin, and more. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

#### Mon, Nov 13

VIRGIN VALLEY AMATURE RADIO CLUB 6 PM. The Virgin Valley Amateur Radio Club holds meetings on the second Monday of each month. For more information please go to our website at: www.vvarc.net. Airport Fire Station #3, Mesquite.

#### Tues, Nov 14

**PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB** 2:30 PM. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

JOHN BROOKS "TRIBUTE TO ELVIS" AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. John Brooks is back! John will start the night with his "Tribute to Elvis" show. The bonus... the 2nd part of the night John will come out as himself and will be singing from his "Variety Mix Tape" of non-Elvis songs from Country to classic rock to some surprises! CasaBlanca Showroom. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

#### Wed, Nov 15

SOUTHERN UTAH LADIES SOCIETY MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING 6 PM.
Southern Utah Ladies Society is a non-profit group of volunteers dedicated to making a difference in our community. We also plan monthly service projects where we volunteer as a group. St. George Area Chamber of Commerce, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

**REDSTONE FILM SERIES: THE DARK KNIGHT** 7 PM. Free. The RedStone Theater, 29 W. Center St., Kanab.

Thurs, Nov 16

**TEEN BOOK CLUB** 3:30 PM. Teen Book Club Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

PAWS FOR TALES-READ TO A DOG 4 PM. Children can read to registered therapy dogs. Studies have shown the many benefits of children reading to dogs. Washington County Library System, 88 W. 100 S., St. George.

**BOOK ENDS BOOK CLUB** 4:30 PM. Meet's on the third Thursday of every month. Washington County Library System, 220 N. 300 E., Washington.

**TRIVIA AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN** 6 PM. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

MR OK AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Island Vibe. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Fri, Nov 17

BLOOD DRIVE-RED CROSS - MESQUITE 10 AM. Mesquite Recreation Center will be collecting blood to donate to Red Cross to help people in need. Schedule your appointment to Red Cross at https://www.redcrossblood.org and search for available dates and times with our Zip Code: 89027 or call Red Cross at 800-733-2767 for assistance. Mesquite Recreation Center, 100 W. Old Mill Rd.. Mesquite.

WINE EDUCATION JOURNEY AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 7 PM. Unlocking the mystery of wine. Pre-register at Buckskin Tavern. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

**GENTRI** 7 PM. Tickets start at \$25 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

#### Sat, Nov 18

**HOLIDAY CHARITY BAZAAR** 8 AM. New Promise Lutheran Church, 244 S. Valley View Dr., St. George.

HOLIDAY CHARITY BAZAAR AT NEW PROMISE LUTHERAN CHURCH 8 AM. Holiday Charity Bazaar New Promise Lutheran Church, 244 S. Valley View Dr., St. George.

KIDS' DIY-U WORKSHOP 10 AM. The Thanksgiving table won't be complete without a festive Turkey Photo Holder, built by your own little DIYer. Lowe's Home Improvement, 415 S. River Rd., St. George.

RANCH SORTING 5 PM. Panguitch City, Panguitch.

A CARPENTERS CHRISTMAS 7 PM. Tickets starting at \$15 Tuacahn Amphitheatre, 1100 Tuacahn, Ivins.

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON 7 PM. Southern Nevada Symphony Orchestra presents holiday music and classical selections. Comprised of musicians from Southern Nevada, Mesquite, Moapa Valley, Las Vegas, Henderson, and St. George. Must be 5 or older to attend. Ticket at the CasaBlanca Box Office, online at etix.com, or by phone 800-514-3849. CasaBlanca Resort, 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

**ZERO TO 60 AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN** 7 PM. Rockabilly. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

Sun, Nov 19

GOBBLER CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT 8:30 AM. Gather your team of four for an exciting Team Scramble. Palms Golf Club, 550 Peppermill Palms Blvd, Littlefield.

**ADOBE TAYLOR AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Neo Soul. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Mon, Nov 20

**VVAA GENERAL MEETING** 11 AM. Mesquite Fine Arts Center, 15 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

Tues Nov 2

**LEAVITT CENTER BIRTHDAY!** 11 AM. Stop by the Leavitt Center for free cake as we celebrate our 21st birthday! Leavitt Center, Cedar City.

**JUBILEE OF TREES LUNCHEON** 11:30 AM. Save the Date! Dixie Center, 1835 Convention Center Dr, St. George.

IN-A-FECT AT CASABLANCA 6 PM. In-A-Fect is multi-talented with a universal sound & sizzling harmonies. Pop, Rock, R&B Classics, Hip-Hop, Old School Funk & a touch of Motown. 950 W. Mesquite Blvd., Mesquite.

**ELECTRIC FILM SERIES** 6 PM. On the third Tuesday of every month, join us for a FREE screening of a noteworthy film of the past at the historic Electric Theater. Each movie will include an intro and post-screening discussion with a special guest. Electric Theater, 68 E. Tabernacle St., St. George.

LOSS-LOVED ONES SUICIDE SURVIVORS LOSS 7 PM. The support group meets continuously throughout the year on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. We are an open, free, peer-led Support Group for adults 18 years and older. We encourage people from neighboring towns and all of Washington County to attend. Have questions? Reach out to May Bradley at mayebradley@gmail.com. (801)815-7854. No Registration. St. George, 162 N. 400 E., Suite

#### Wed. Nov 22

**BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** 7 PM. Book Discussion Group Washington County Library System, 126 Lion Blvd., Springdale.

Thurs, Nov 23

### **PAWS FOR TALES-READ TO A DOG** 4 PM. Children can read to registered therapy dogs. Studies have

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KARAOKE AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 6 PM. Jimmy T every 2nd and 4th Thursday. 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia

Fri, Nov 24

FOURTH FRIDAY NETWORKING WITH SBSU AND UFIRST 8:30 AM. Fourth Friday business networking event sponsored by State Bank of Southern Utah and U First Credit Union. Food, drinks, prizes, and more! Join us! Please register. SGACC, 136 N. 100 E., St. George.

CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY 2 PM. Join us in The Old Village Of Killarney, Ireland. An evening of Irish traditions and your favorite Christmas songs! Watch Irish dancers leap through the air and tap their feet while you enjoy music and harmonies. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George

**READER'S CIRCLE BOOK CLUB** 3 PM. Reader's Circle Book Club Washington County Library System, 36 S. 300 W., Hurricane.

JAC: OPEN MIC NIGHT 7 PM. Every second and fourth Friday of each month. Each artist will have a 7-minute set. First come, first served signups at the door. A \$5 donation is required for entry. For information and questions please email info@johnsonartscenter.org. Johnson Center for Community Arts & Education, 59 N. 100 W., Cedar City.

#### Sat, Nov 25

#### **DOWNTOWN LIGHTING CEREMONY 4**

PM. Magic Begins at 4 PM on Main Street in front of the Cedar City Offices 10 N. Main St., Cedar City. Food Trucks open at 4 PM, and pre-show events begin at 4:15, including a tree decorating contest, 5:15 PM the official program begins, & at 6 PM Santa arrives & the lights will be turned on. Cedar City Downtown, Cedar City.

KANAB CHRISTMAS LIGHT PARADE & FESTIVAL 6 PM. Watch the beautifully crafted parade entries float down Center Street, then head to the back parking lot of the Kanab Center to launch Wishing Lanterns. Purchase your wishing lanterns at the event. Watch your lanterns float to the heavens with a message to a loved one or to the cosmos with your wishes attached. Downtown Kanab, Kanab.

#### Sun, Nov 26

GARY HUFF AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Contemporary Music. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Mon, Nov 27

**SPIRIT OF THE SEASON** 4:30 PM. Enjoy food trucks, entertainment, holiday sing-a-long, and Christmas tree lighting. Decorate or write a wish on free ornaments for the tree. Soda Nerd will be serving Hot Chocolate, and Santa will be there for the kids. Free admission. Johnson Center for the Arts, 59 N. 100 W., Cedar City.

JAZZ & PERCUSSION CONCERT 7 PM. Cedar High School, 166 W. 1925 N., Cedar City.

#### Tues, Nov 28

SENSORY FRIENDLY TUESDAY EVENINGS 5 PM. Every fourth Tuesday of the month, we invite families to explore the Museum in a sensory-modified environment with limited admission, exclusively for families who have a family member with sensory processing differences. Admission is free, registration is required. St. George Children's Museum, 86 S. Main St., St. George.

ENCOUNTERS WITH THE FUTURE 7:30 PM. Dr. Jonathan Woozley shares his passionate story of how the negative advice of a college advisor fueled his desire to innovate and perfect a minimally invasive procedure that positively impacts cardiac surgery patients and their families. A part of the Voyager Lecture Series. Optional social with like-minded friends, light snacks, and beverages at 6:30 PM Kayenta Center for The Arts, 881 Coyote Gulch Ct., Ivins.

#### Thurs, Nov 30

**RYAN ORTON AT GEORGE'S CORNER** 6 PM. Outlaw Country. George's Corner Restaurant and Pub, 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

**A KURT BESTOR CHRISTMAS** 7:30 PM. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George.

**OSU: HOLIDAY MAGIC** 7:30 PM. First ever Holiday Concert Special. Featuring well-loved Christmas classics, talented performing artists, groups, and special guests. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

#### Fri, Dec 1

POOL TOURNEY AT BUCKSKIN TAV-ERN Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

RAY AT BUCKSKIN TAVERN 7 PM. Country balladeer. Buckskin Tavern, 2321 N. Main St., Fredonia.

**SUU HOLIDAY CONCERT** 7:30 PM. Music Masterworks Series Holiday Concert. For more information, visit our Arts Page. Heritage Center Theatre, 105 N. 100 E., Cedar City.

#### Sat, Dec 2

CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY/ SAN-TA'S VISIT 10 AM. Panguitch City, Panguitch.

MAIN STREET CHRISTMAS DRAWING 10 AM. Social Hall, 50 E Center, Panguitch.

**DENNIS FEEHAN ROCK'N SING- ALONG CHRISTMAS** 3 PM. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to share the holiday spirit with friends and family. Get your tickets now and make this a Christmas to remember! Mesquite Community Theatre, 150 N. Yucca St., Mesauite.

HOLIDAY SWINGIN'! A KAT EDMON-SON CHRISTMAS 7:30 PM. Kat Edmonson is an award-winning songwriter and singer "with an equal foothold in jazz, cabaret, and vintage cosmopolitanism pop" The New York Times. Cox Performing Arts Center, 325 S. 700 E., St. George.

Sun, Dec 3

AUSTIN "STINO" MARIANO AT GEORGE'S CORNER 6 PM. Varity of music. 2 W. St. George Blvd., St. George.

Find more events daily at SUindependent.com





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### 2023 Holiday Events In Panguitch

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## Springdale Utah Town Map

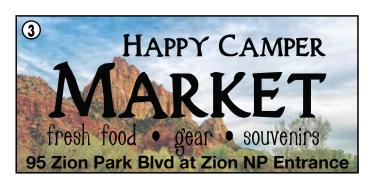


















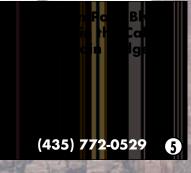


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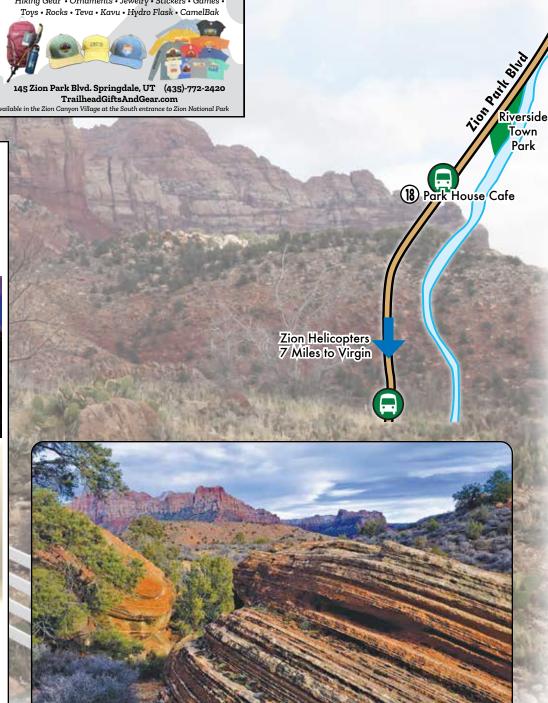




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#### **GUIDE TO UTAH'S LIQUOR LAWS**

If you order an alcoholic drink at the restaurant bar, don't be surprised when the bartender asks you to order some food with your drink. In Utah, restaurants may only serve alcoholic beverages with food. Customers don't have to order food each time they buy another drink. The beer sold in grocery stores and gas stations, and tap beer is a bit weaker in Utah, limited to 3.2% alcohol content by weight (4.0% by volume), about 0.5% less than a typical American domestic beer. You can buy full-strength beer, along with liquor and wine, in a state-operated liquor store. Please remember to tip your servers and drink responsibly! The Utah State Liquor Store in Springdale is located inside the Switchback.

#### SPRINGDALE'S FEATURED RESTAURANTS FROM ZION GUIDE

Restaurant (Listed by address from ZNP Enti	Address rance)	Phone	<b>Drinks/Vegan</b> (W)ine, (B)eer, (M)ixed Drinks (E)spresso, (V)egan items on menu	Hours	WI-FI
Red Rock Grill	1 Zion Lodge	435-772-7760	W, B, M, E, V	6:30-10:30am, 11:30am-3pm, 5-10pm daily	Yes
Zion Canyon Brew Pub	95 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0336	W, B, V	Noon-10pm daily	Yes
Happy Camper Market	95 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-7805	B, V	8am-8pm daily	Yes
Thai Sapa	145 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0510	W, B, E, V	11:30am-9:30pm daily	No
Perks Coffee Shop	147 Zion Park Blvd	435-668-0446	E	7am-4pm daily	No
Café Soleil	205 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0505	W, B, M, E, V	7am-9pm daily	No
Spotted Dog Cafe	428 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0700	W, B, M, E, V	7-11am, 5pm-9pm daily	Yes
Whiptail Grill	445 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0283	W, B, V	Noon-9:30pm daily	Yes
Bamboo Chinese Restaurant	828 Zion Park Blvd	435-703-2882	V	11:30am-10pm daily	Yes
Zion Pizza & Noodle	868 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3815	W, B, V	4pm-10pm daily	No
Oscar's Cafe	948 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3232	W, B, E, V	7am-9pm daily	No
Switchback Grille Restaurant	1149 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3700	W, B, M, E, V	5-8pm daily	No
Jack's Sports Grill Restaurant	1149 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3700	W, B, M, V	Noon-9pm daily	No
Bit & Spur Restaurant & Saloon	1212 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-3498	W, B, M, E, V	5pm-11pm daily	Yes
Park House Café	1880 Zion Park Blvd	435-772-0100	W, B, V	8am-2pm daily	Yes

See detailed restaurant listings for Springdale and the greater Zion National Park area at ZionGuide.com.

## Welcome To Zion from Zion Guide!

#### Safety Tips For Zion

#### **Emergencies**

For 24-hour emergency response, call 911 or (435) 772-3322. The Zion Canyon Medical Clinic is located in Springdale near the south entrance to the park. For hours, please call (435) 772-3226. Other medical clinics are located in Hurricane. The nearest hospitals are in St. George, Cedar City, and Kanab.

## Hydrate and use refillable water bottles

It is easy to get dehydrated while hiking and walking in the desert, so pack along extra water, and be sure to take rest and water breaks on long hikes. There are a number of places to refill your water bottles in Zion National Park

including the visitors' center and Zion Lodge as well as a new hydration station at the Springdale bus stop in front of The Bumbleberry Inn and Zion Canyon Brew Pub.

#### Be cautious near steep cliffs

Falls from cliffs on trails can result in death. Loose sand or pebbles on stone are very slippery. Be careful of edges when using cameras or binoculars. Never throw or roll rocks because there may be hikers below you. Stay on the trail. Stay back from cliff edges. Observe posted warnings. Please watch children.

#### Watch for flash floods

All narrow canyons are potentially hazardous. Flash floods, often caused by storms miles away, are a real danger and can be life threatening. You are assuming a risk when entering a narrow canyon. Your safety is your responsibility.

#### Tips To Minimize Your Impact

#### Pack it in, pack it out & use recycling bins

Each month, Zion National Park pays many thousands of dollars to haul away waste collected from garbage cans and recycling bins. Your experience and that of everyone who visits Zion Canyon can be improved by never littering and making sure you pick up any trash you see along the way. Recycling bins are placed strategically throughout Zion Park, and it is highly encouraged for everyone to use them.



#### Please stay on the marked trails

Hiking off trails can lead to loss of vegetation, soil compaction, erosion, and unsightly scars on the landscape. Remember, if you bring it in, please pack it out.

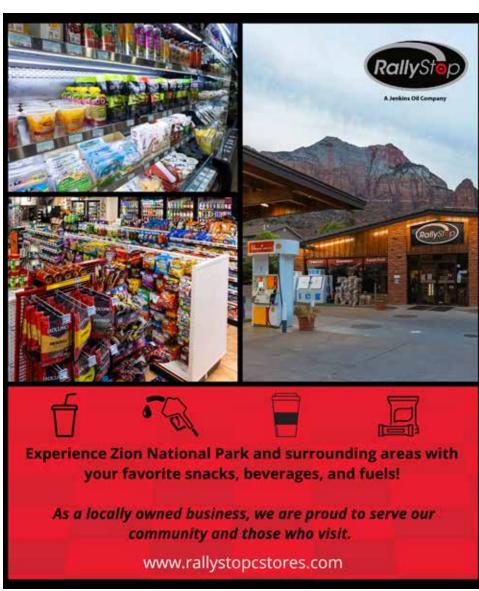
#### Go before you go

It is always a good idea to use the restroom before you begin a hike since facilities are limited to select locations. If you do need to take care of your business, please pack it back out.

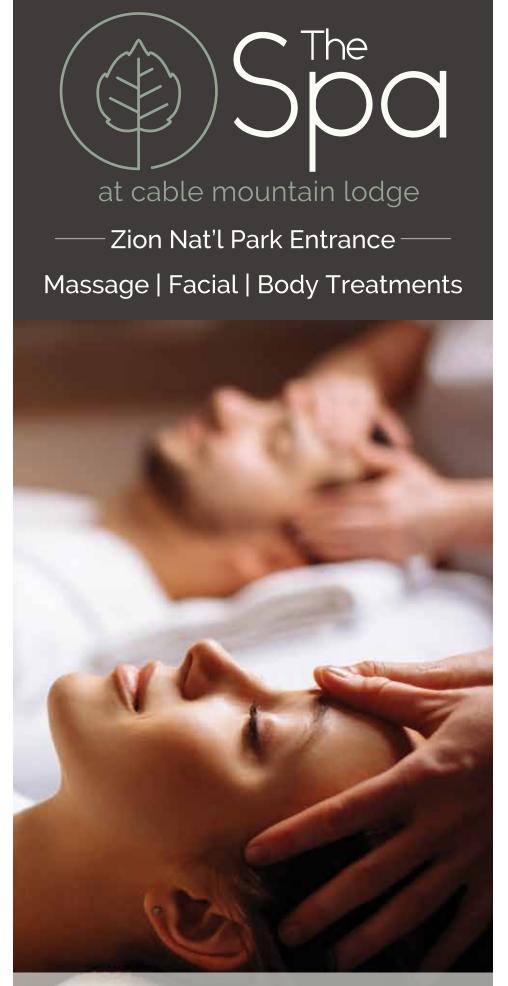
Feeding, harming, or capturing wild animals is illegal and can cause injury or death to the animal. Animals can become aggressive beggars when fed.

#### Please leave it how you found it

It is illegal to remove anything from Zion National Park, including flowers, rocks, or anything else that you might find. Do not write or carve on natural surfaces.







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#### Top Things To Do In Zion

#### Get some great hiking in

Zion National Park is known for its scenic landscape and unrivaled hikes. No matter your fitness level, there are hikes here for you. Please go to ZionGuide.com to see the details on many area hikes.

#### Spend a day in Springdale

Springdale is unique to our national park system in that it is almost completely surrounded by Zion National Park. So when you're in Springdale, you're right in the middle of Zion Canyon.

#### Catch an event

Not only does Zion Brew Pub have live music every Saturday, the property also hosts a handful of events throughout the year, as do the Bit and Spur restaurant, Tanner Amphitheater, Bumbleberry Inn, Wildcat Willies, and several other locations.

#### Try a guided tour

Jeep, helicopter, ATV, canyoneering, horseback riding, or mountain biking, guided tours are all available. Many of these tours take you outside Zion National Park boundaries and give you a unique perspective on Zion's canyons and plateaus from surrounding areas of southern Utah. Check out ZionGuide.com for listings and ads.

#### Visit the east side of Zion and spend a day in Kanab

The east side of Zion is generally less crowded, making hikes more accessible and private. These are some of the most enjoyable hikes in the canyon. You can spot wildlife you won't see elsewhere in the canyon. The city of Kanab, situated east of the canyon, is full of unique attractions, like the Little Hollywood Movie Museum and the Best Friends Animal Sanctuary.

#### Take lots of pictures, leave only footprints

Be sure you've got extra charged batteries, smartphone cables, and memory cards so you can capture all the magic of Zion National Park. Additionally, there are numerous photo tour and guiding companies to assist you. Thank you for visiting the Zion National Park area.

#### Tips To Maximize Enjoyment

#### Go on a less crowded hike

The most visited Zion hikes have a lot of competition. If you'd rather not feel like you're in the line at a theme park, consider seeking out a less traveled path. Check out our feature, Less-Traveled Zion Hikes, in this issue.

#### To avoid the crowds, go early or late in the day

Consider getting up extra early or trekking out midday after the initial rush has flooded in

#### Consider coming back again in the low season

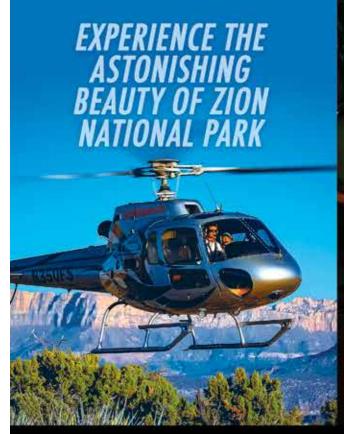
Starting in the late fall, the number of visitors to Zion Canyon starts to dwindle, and by December it's significantly less than in the heat of the summer. It is simply a different experience to see Zion in the winter with the snow-capped monoliths. Most hikes are still accessible and are less crowded. You can also drive to the Temple of Sinawava parking lot. The shuttles stop running from November until March.

#### Check out Kolob Canyons & Kolob Terrace Road

With gorgeous open spaces and plenty of dirt roads to explore, Kolob Terrace Road is one of Zion's best kept secrets. You'll notice the air getting cooler as you gain elevation, and you'll find plenty of beautiful views worth stopping at for a quick photo op. The Kolob Terrace Road turnoff is in Virgin, so watch for signs. Portions of the Kolob Canyon District of Zion National Park are reached via Exit 40 on Interstate 15.









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## Zion National Park Shuttle Info

#### **2023 UPDATES FOR ZION NATIONAL PARK SHUTTLE SYSTEM**

#### **Zion Canyon Shuttle System**

No ticket, permit, or reservation needed to ride the park shuttle or enter Zion National

You do not need a permit or reservation to visit most areas in Zion Canyon.

You do not need a permit or reservation to ride a park shuttle.

You do not need a permit or reservation to enter the park.

You do need to pay the park fee.

You do not need a permit to hike the Narrows from the Temple of Sinawava going upstream in the Virgin River.

High water may prevent travel in the Narrows, so check the park's current conditions before you start your day.

Everyone who hikes from Scout Lookout to Angels Landing needs to have a permit. Learn more about the Angels Landing Pilot Permit Program.

#### **Important Shuttle Bus Information**

The Zion Canyon Line, or park shuttle, runs from the visitor center up the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive to destinations like the Zion Lodge and trailheads, including Emerald Pools, West Rim Trail, and Temple of Sinawava, where hikers depart for the Narrows. There are two shuttle routes, and both are free. See our Park Information Guide for a map of the park shuttle.

The Springdale Shuttle, or town shuttle, is located in the Town of Springdale. It stops at 9 locations in town and picks up and drops off visitors at the park's pedestrian/bike entrance.

#### **Background**

The shuttle system was established in 2000 to eliminate traffic and parking problems, protect vegetation, and restore tranquility to Zion Canyon. In 2017, park shuttles estimated more than 6.3 million riders. In 1997, visitation was 2.4 million and increasing.

#### When The Shuttle Is In Operation

Zion Canyon Scenic Drive (the road that starts north of Canyon Junction) is closed to private vehicles when park shuttles are operating. The park is a large place; even when shuttles are running, you can drive a personal vehicle on the Zion Mt. Carmel Highway (which connects State Route 9 through the park), the Zion Mt. Carmel Tunnel, the Kolob Terrace Road, and Kolob Canyons Scenic Drive.

During most years, shuttles run:

Daily from March through November.

On weekends in February and March.

For the holiday season, near the end of December.

If you want to visit the Zion Canyon Scenic

Drive without riding a shuttle, you can use a bicycle or visit during the winter. The National Park Service posts updated schedule information on this webpage every season. We also update the shuttle schedule and a map of other roads in our park information guide.

#### **How To Use The Shuttle System**

The Zion Canyon Shuttle connects the Zion Canyon Visitor Center to stops on the Zion Canyon Scenic Drive. Shuttles leave every few minutes and go either north or south. You can exit the shuttle at any open stop.

Check the map to see what to expect in the park. You may get on and off at any available shuttle stop. Most

visitors start shuttle trips at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, but if you are staying at the Zion Lodge, you can board the shuttle there. You cannot board a shuttle to go up the canyon (north) at Canyon Junction.

Read our Park Information Guide to see updated information about the open or closed stops.



If you drive to Zion, remember that National Park Service parking lots often fill early in the day. Paid Parking is available in the town of Springdale. If you leave your car in Springdale, you can ride the free Springdale Line shuttle to enter the park.

Learn more Traffic and Travel Tips before you arrive, and tune your radio to 1610 AM for more information.

Zion Shuttle Schedule	Until Sep. 17	Sep. 18-Nov. 4
First bus into the canyon from the Zion Canyon Visitor Center	6:00 am	7:00 am
Last shuttle leaves the Visitor Center	7:00 pm	5:00 pm
Last bus out of the canyon from the Temple of Sinawava	8:15 pm	<i>7</i> :15 pm

Springdale Shuttle Schedule Until Sept. 17 Sep. 18-Nov. 4

First shuttle leaves the Majestic View Lodge (Stop 9) 7:00 am 8:00 am

Last shuttle leaves Zion Canyon Village (Stop 1) 8:00 pm 7:00 pm

Find more info on the shuttle system at nps.gov.

#### ZION PARK PUTS NEW ELECTRIC SHUTTLE BUSES INTO SERVICE

Five new battery-electric buses entered service this week at Zion National Park. These are the first of an entirely new fleet of electric buses Zion will acquire using a \$33 million grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

"The Zion Canyon Shuttle System has a bright future," Jeff Bradybaugh, Superintendent of Zion National Park, said. "We are building on past successes that were enabled by the perspective and resources provided by partners like Zion Forever, the National Park Foundation, U.S. Department of Transportation, the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), Utah Clean Cities, the Town

of Springdale, and our neighbors in Washington, Kane, and Iron Counties."

These battery-electric buses will replace the park's propane-powered vehicles – some of which have been in service for over 20 years.

#### A Little Background

In 2000, three years ago, the National Park Service began providing free shuttle service in Zion Canyon and the Town of Springdale. The National Park Service developed this system in consultation with our neighbors in the Town of Springdale, Federal Highway Administration, and Utah Department of Transportation engineers, state, county,

and municipal partners' input. Shuttle buses provide service for millions of riders a year and have successfully reduced

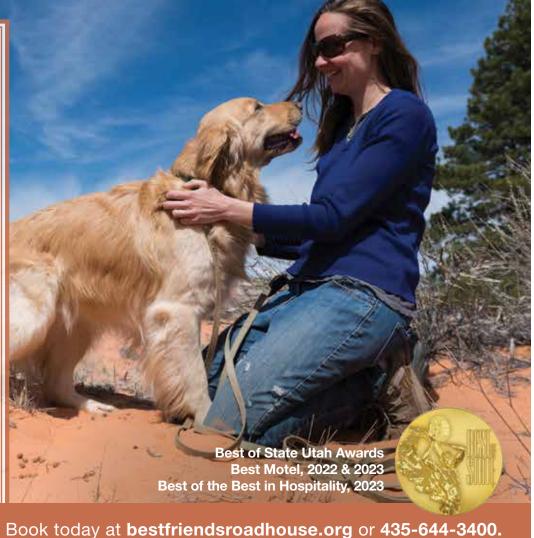
traffic congestion and crowding so visitors can enjoy Zion Canyon. Zion recorded the system's 90 millionth boarding in the summer of 2023.

Since the shuttle system began operation, the number of visits recorded at Zion has risen from about 2.4 million in 2000 to a record 5 million in 2021. With the number of visits still consistently exceeding those recorded before the start of the COVID-19 pandemic,

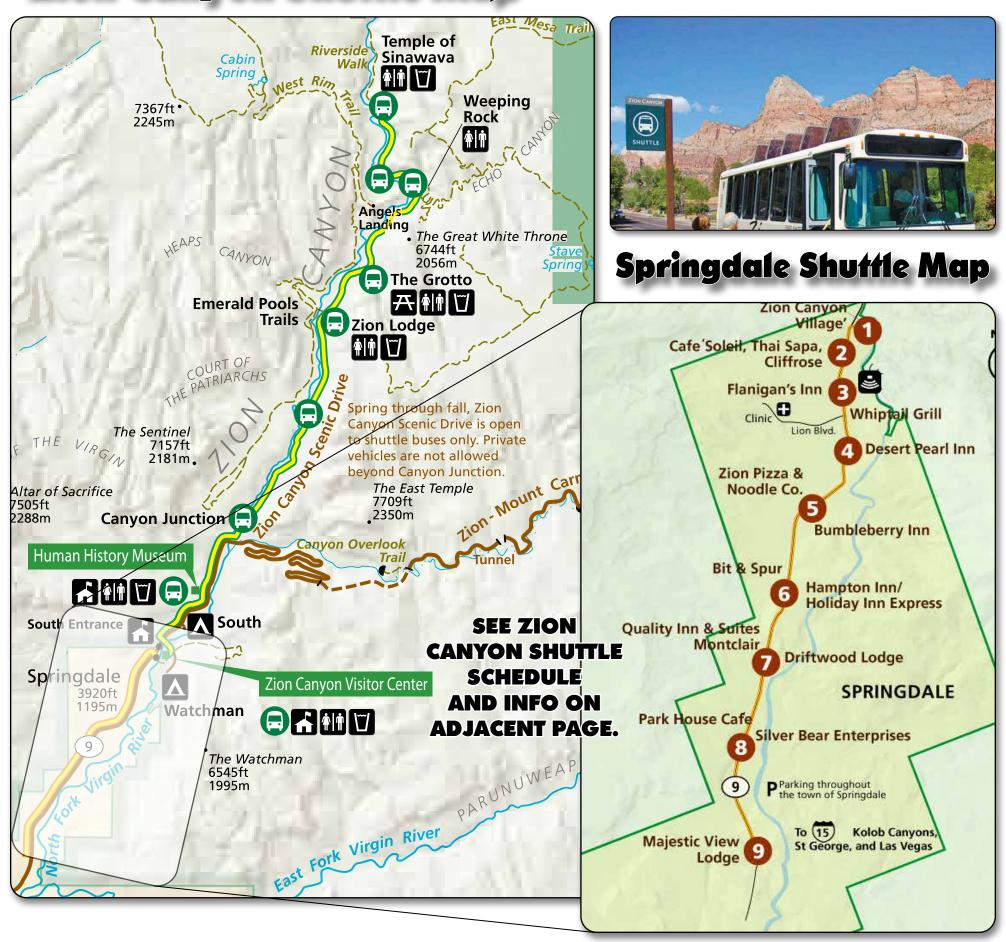
Zion is making other improvements that will sustain the system's success into the future. www.nps.gov/zion

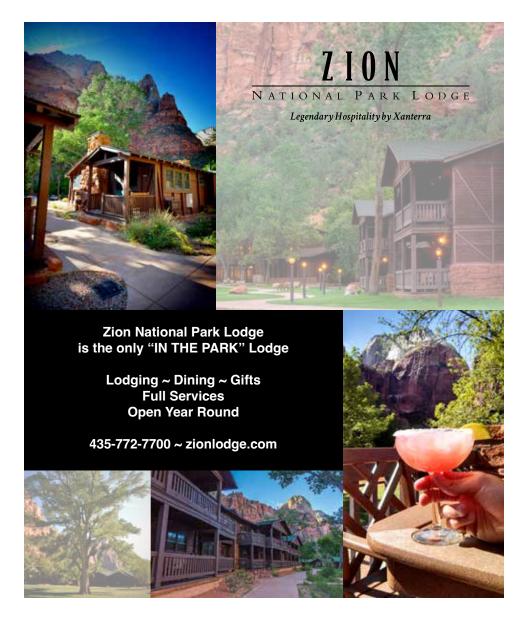


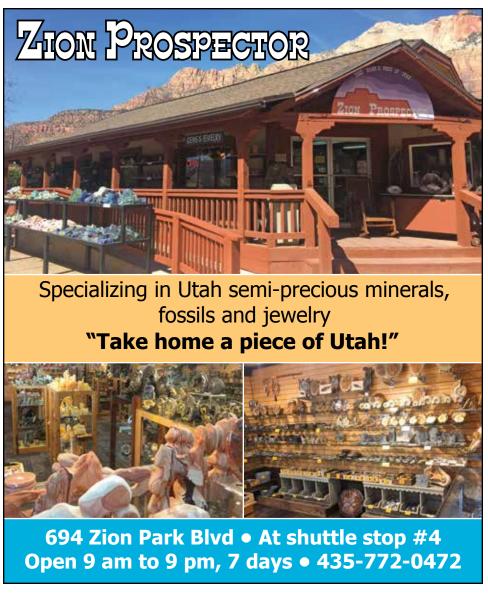




## Zion Canyon Shuttle Map







## Zion Area Annual Events Calendar

May-Oct. Kanab Outdoor Market Nursery stock, baked goods, local artistry, jewelry, crafts and goods, free bounce house and balloons for

Kanab 10K

A beautiful course sanctioned by USA Track and Field along Hwy 89 from Moqui Cave to the Kanab City Park.

May Amazing Earthfest Southern Utah's festival of learning, arts, and outdoor adventure.

Jacob Hamblin Days Festival A fun festival to celebrate the pioneer and Western

heritage of Kanab and Kane County. June-Aug. DSU Summer Concert Series

Enjoy a variety of live performances by bands, orchestras and solo artists. Located at the O.C. Tanner Amphitheater, just outside of Zion National Park.

**Maynard Dixon Country Campout** June A 5-day gathering of artists and art lovers insterested in the history of Western art and current Western painting.

Kanab 4th of July Celebration Celebrate the nation's Independence Day small-town style in charming Kanab, Utah! Parade, vendors, entertainment and festivities throughout the day into the evening.

July Springdale 4th of July Celebration Celebrate Independence Day with the Springdale community. Kick off with a parade followed by a barbecue, live music and activities for the whole family. Celebrate the state of Utah with a pioneer dinner. Get ready for the fourth annual Kabob-a-Que.

**Pioneer Day Celebration** Games, Dutch oven dinner at the park and a great costume parade celebrating pioneer heritage.

Symphony at the Grand Canyon August Symphony of the Canyons performs on the patio at the North Rim Lodge. Bring a picnic dinner and listen as the sun sets over the Grand Canyon.

Kane County Fair Offering many wonderful events for the whole family. Most of the events are free so dont miss out.

Western Legends Round-up August Kanab's celebration of film, music, poetry, and Western heritage.

September Big Water Dinosaur Festival Celebrating past and present dinosaur discoveries in the

Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument. September Demolition Derby Cars, trucks and "figure 8s" with up to 18 cars demolition

derby with events for the entire family, including the Power Wheels Derby for kids and the wife-carrying contest! September Carmel Mtn. Music and Art Festival

and Car Show

Check out fancy cars and enjoy live entertainment, vendors, food and kid-friendly activites.

September Glendale Heritage Apple Festival The Glendale Heritage Apple Festival was started to celebrate Pioneer Heritage and the many talents that

September Duck Creek End of Summer Bash 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Duck on In Saloon in Duck Creek Village. Come spend your Labor Day Weekend in Duck Creek enjoying live music.

September Zion Canyon Music Festival Enjoy the beautiful fall season in Zion as the canyon is filled with music. The Zion Canyon Music Festival

features music, art and an exquisite backdrop. Red Rocktoberfest October Art, food, live music and poetry, dancing, wagon rides,

photography, games and activities for the kids, all on the

main drag in Kanab. German food and activities. Zion Rocktoberfest Celebrate the start of fall in Zion mixed with traditional

Oktoberfest aspects. The event will feature live rock and folk music and many other activities.

Nov.-Dec. Zion Joy to the World Enjoy a wonderland of events in a weekend celebratina winter. Be a part of a community tree lighting, craft fairs, musical events and the fourth annual Light Parade.

November Butch Cassidy 10K Run

This 10K/5K scenic race brings together community, and not just with running. Stay after for some Grafton fun with what is promised to be a party. November K-town Turkey Trot 5K

Taking place in Kanab on Thanksgiving morning, bring the whole family for this early morning fun run/walk to make room for that delicious dinner later in the day!

November Plein Air Art Invitational a part of a week of lectures and demonstrations from some of the finest plein air artists in the country. Enjoy painting sales, exhibits and workshops.

November Christmas Light Parade and An annual light parade on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Gourmet s'mores school held on Main Street followed by music, caroling, hot cocoa and a wishing lantern launch.

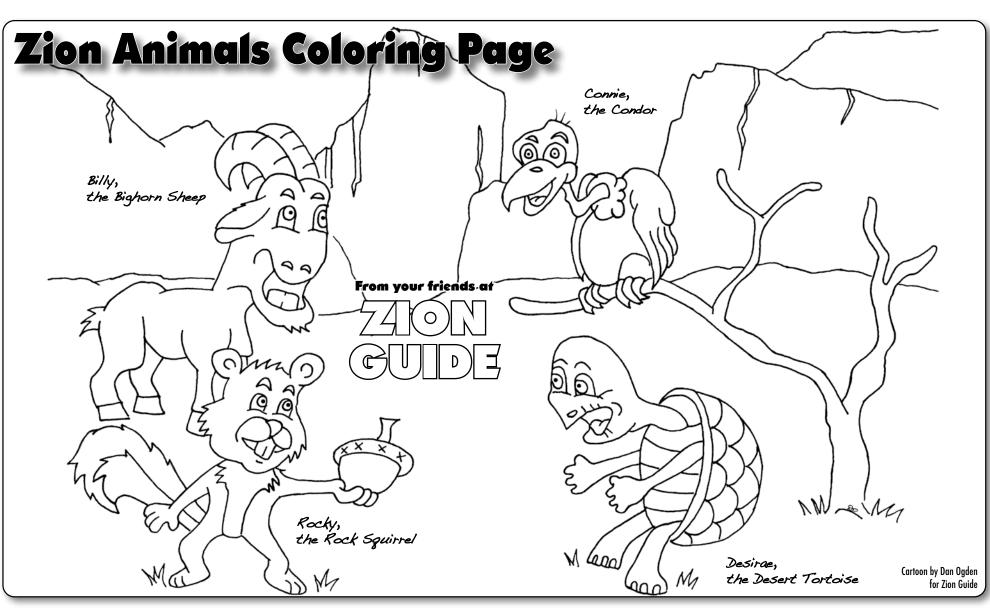
November Zion Canyon Arts and Crafts Fair Visit Zion for the 26th annual arts and crafts fair put on by Z-Arts. Spend the weekend touring the different vendors and craft booths.

December Windsor Castle by Night

Held at historic Pipe Springs National Monument, the Castle by Night is an opportunity to enjoy a historic recreation of an 1860's early settlement by candlelight and music.

December Z-Arts Gala

Dress up for a night of food, dancing, mingling and an art auction. This annual gala is hosted by Z-Arts and is open to the public.





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## Zion National Park Hiking Info

#### THE LOCALS' GUIDE TO HIKING PREPAREDNESS

National parks are seeing an uptick in helicopters carrying unfortunate hikers out of precarious situations.

In 2017, the National Park Service reported 324 search-and-rescue operations. which means 324 extremely unpleasant vacation experiences — nearly one a day. In 2014, the reported number was almost half that. The majority of those rescues occurred in Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks, and most hikers who end up getting into trouble are either in their 20s or are older

Despite our highly skilled and dedicated rescue teams' valiant efforts, not everyone made it out of their predicaments safely. Twelve people lost their lives in Utah's national parks in 2017 alone.

It's hard to imagine one wanting a vacation amid the splendor of our national parks to involve search and rescue teams or a close encounter with death.

Zion National Park is often referred to as an outdoor Disneyland. But this is the wilderness, and it's far less forgiving than any theme park. Here are some tips for how to safely enjoy your time in Zion Canyon.

You lose more water through perspiration than you realize, and if you are used to a more moist climate — and nearly any climate is less arid than southern Utah you can become dehydrated quickly without realizing it.

The National Park Service recommends that hikers bring one gallon of water per hiker per day. There are fill stations throughout Springdale and the park that provided filtered water at no charge.

Natural water sources in the park such as creeks and streams are not reliable sources of clean drinking water. If you find yourself in a situation wherein you need water but have none, it is strongly advised that any locally-sourced water intended for consumption first be filtered, boiled for at least 10 minutes, or treated with iodine

Wear appropriate clothing

While most paths and trails are well maintained, this is the great outdoors, and a little loose gravel or slickrock can lead to injury - or worse. Think of appropriate footwear as an insurance policy - and if you are a little nervous, a hiking stick never hurts. Also, dress lightly if it's going to be hot, but be sure to use appropriate sun protection like sunscreen and largebrimmed hats, because suffering from sunstroke or severe sunburn during an already taxing hike can be brutal.

Hike at your skill level, and don't take

Trails in Zion range from short and easy to long and challenging. Don't overestimate your ability and endurance level. And don't engage in horseplay or other activity that might endanger yourself or others. Some of Zion's hikes are steep, and you wouldn't be the first person to tumble down a hill — or worse, fall off a cliff. Zion is beautiful, but it's also dangerous, so respect yourself and

others by respecting the terrain.

 $Leave\ wildlife\ alone$ 

Animals instinctively avoid humans, but the area is home to everything from poisonous snakes to mountain lions. Never approach local wildlife - and never try to feed them. This can result in injury to visitors, and numerous visitors have required stitches after attempting to hand-feed animals. But when humans feed wildlife, it's also not good for the animals, who are already best suited to feed themselves.

Hike sober

Sometimes relatively stationary outdoor activities like boating or camping involve enjoying an adult beverage or two. But when you're hiking the varied terrain of our national parks, you don't want your coordination, balance, or judgment to be impaired to any extent. Zion Canyon, Springdale, and Kanab are home to several fine restaurants and bars — but visit them for a cocktail after your hike, not before.

### PERMIT PROCESS FOR HIKING ANGELS LANDING IN ZION

Apply to hike Angels Landing

SPRINGDALE, Utah - Planning a visit to Zion

National Park this summer? Are you hoping to hike

Permits' have been awarded except for Day-Before

- You can apply for a permit the day before your planned hike. This lottery opens every day at 12:01 a.m. and closes at 3 p.m. Mountain Time (MT).
- · For Day-before Lottery applications, visit www. recreation.gov and click on Permits.

You can also apply by calling recreation.gov at (877) 444-6777 from 10 AM - 11:59 PM EST every day except for Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's

The lottery schedule is posted at www.recreation. gov then click on permits, and we will share news releases and social media updates when we open those permit lotteries.

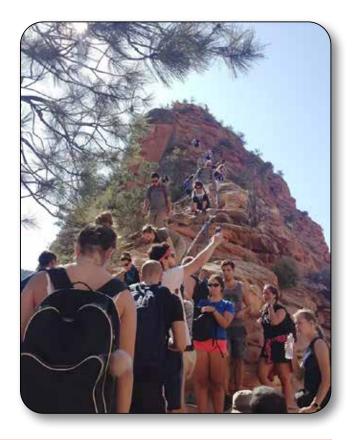
About Zion's Angels Landing Pilot Permit

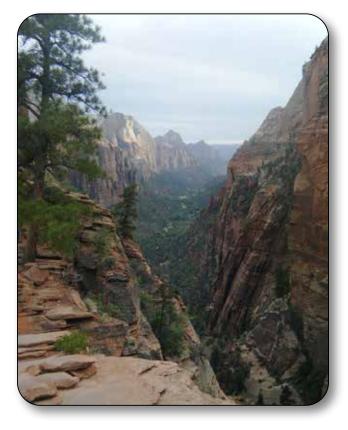
Everyone hiking past Scout Lookout to Angels Landing needs to have a permit. This means you need a permit to hike on the half-mile section of the trail with chains. Hikers do not need a permit to go to Scout

This is a pilot program, and the National Park Service (NPS) will monitor and adjust it as needed.

Angels Landing is one of many places people enjoy hiking in Zion National Park. The park recorded about 2.8 million total visits in 2011 and nearly 4.5 million in 2019. As the number of people who visit Zion continues to rise, the NPS is preparing a plan designed to provide high-quality visitor experiences and sustainably manage park resources. The Angels Landing Pilot Permit Program will inform that planning process.

For a list of great hikes, check out our 'Popular' and "Less-Traveled" hikes here within the Zion Guide. Always check the weather forecast before hiking in canyons. Please visit www.nps.gove for the latest updated information.





Angels Landing? Everyone who hikes Angels Landing must have a permit. Starting this year, you must apply for a permit to hike at Angels Landing, and you can now visit www.recreation.gov and click on Permits.

"We expect many visitors will want to apply for a permit, so we made our process accessible, flexible, and fair." Superintendent Jeff Bradybaugh said. "Lotteries were the right fit for Angels Landing because they give certainty about application periods and flexibility so that people can fill out the application when it's convenient for them."

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## Less-Traveled Zion Hikes

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Hiking is popular in Zion National Park, and popular hikes are seeing record visitation at peak days and times. For a less congested trek, consider these less-traveled hikes.

#### **Northgate Peaks**

By Don Gilman

The Northgate Peaks trail in the Kolob Terrace section of Zion National Park is an amazing trail with spectacular views. The trail itself is nearly flat, making it a perfect hike for families.

To reach the Northgate Peaks trailhead, take State Route 9 to the town of Virgin. Turn left onto Kolob Terrace Road. Drive for 15.7 miles through increasingly spectacular country until the short spur road (on the right) for the Wildcat Trailhead is reached. Drive a few hundred feet to the large parking area.

The trail heads east across grassy plains and stands of Ponderosa Pine with dynamite views of the towering Pine Valley Peak to the west. Soon the trail will be fully in the forest with limited views. After 0.9 miles, the junction with the Hop Valley trail is reached. Continue east, and 0.1 miles further, the junction with the Northgate Peaks Trail is reached. Head south on this trail for another 1.1 miles until the end of the official trail is reached at a rocky basalt bluff with epic views of the Northgate Peaks to the east and west and of North Guardian Angel to the south.

For families with young children, this makes an excellent turnaround spot.

#### Gifford Canyon

By Bo Beck

Gifford Canyon offers a nice stroll through a sandy wash and is very charming when water is running. This hike is nearly 3 miles long and will take about 2 hours to finish.

To start this hike, park in the lot located immediately east of the Zion/ Mt. Carmel Tunnel. The trail begins at the backside of the restrooms at the back of the parking lot. There will be a steep, sandy path to climb down before you enter Pine Creek slot. Follow the path upstream for almost 75 feet, and look for a 15-foot wall of slickrock. You can scramble up the rock or look for the beaten path on the backside of the rock.

On top of this wall is a narrow dirt path that is crowded by rock



Chinle Trail

and vegetation. It winds around the mountain to a dead end with a beautiful view of the mountain where the Canvon Overlook Trail is located, opposite is Gifford Canyon.

The path will lead past stone bridge and to another minor slickrock climb. At the end of the canyon, there is a circle of cliffs preventing further exploration without climbing up the sandstone.

#### Chinle Trail

By Greta Hyland

Chinle Trail is an off-the-beatenpath trail located in the lower elevation west desert wilderness area, offering wide vistas, desert landscapes, and a reprieve from the more touristy trails in the park. Though it's a long trail, it's a mellow hike that can be cut off whenever you feel like turning around. It's a great hike with kids because it's not treacherous, slippery, or steep. Avoid it after snow or rain as it will be muddy.

The Chinle Trailhead starts outside of Zion, south of Springdale. If you are coming from St. George, the turn is about a block before you hit the apple orchard and stand as you leave Rockville off of State Route 9. There is a parking area off the right of Anasazi Way near the Anasazi Plateau housing development. If you hit houses, you missed it. And yes, the trail starts below the housing development and takes you right through it. Don't worry though, it doesn't last

Shortly after you get through the housing development, you will hit a sign letting you know you are entering the Zion Wilderness. At this point, you can breathe a sigh of relief, because you have gotten away from civilization to enjoy nature, and chances are that you won't see another soul until you return to your

#### Many Pools - Temporarily Closed By Candice Reed

The route is moderate with a gentle uphill climb to an alcove, but plan for a strenuous hike if you continue to the East Rim.

The route begins right off the highway. Drive to the pullout near the second drainage on the north side of the State Route 9, about 0.8 miles after the smaller tunnel. Walk carefully along the road about 150 yards and drop down into a sandy bowl on the north side of SR-9. There is a trail for a short distance, and then the sand turns into large flat stones that you can pick and choose to walk on, depending on your sense of balance. A short distance off the road, filled pools carved into the rocks appear. Ponderosa Pines and Juniper trees twisted by the wind are a good backdrop to the reds and whites ribboned through the rocks.

#### **Overlook Trail**

By Charlotte Emett

The Overlook Trail is a short, beautiful hike located on the east side of Zion National Park, just outside the Mt. Carmel tunnel. The hike is about one mile roundtrip, and it usually takes people about an hour. It is definitely one of the easier hikes in Zion, but it's still considered a moderate-level hike due to a few exposed areas and sandstone pathways, which can be slippery.

The Overlook trailhead lies right outside of the Mt. Carmel tunnel by the ranger booth. Exit the tunnel too quickly and you'll miss it.

It begins with a staircase carved out of the sandstone leading up and away from the road. Soon, you'll be walking along the side of the mountain and looking down into a thin crevice known as Pine Creek Canyon. At about halfway, you'll walk across a bridge that wraps around a corner and leads to an area of recessed rock wet with the moisture that caused it to erode and be filled with ferns growing out of the sandstone.

#### The East Rim Trail

By Bo Beck and Tanya Milligan

After positioning a vehicle or making shuttle arrangements at the Weeping Rock parking lot, watch for the small "trailhead" sign along the Zion-Mt. Carmel Highway, immediately west of the east entrance booth.

This trail is said to be one of the most scenic in all of Zion National Park and is on many lists as one of the best hikes in Utah. This trek begins on the east side of the park and climbs over 1.400 feet to the rim. This hike begins with a backdoor view of Checkerboard Mesa as it skirts Clear Creek for a short time and steadily and gently climbs through a juniper and pine forest. On top of the mesa, scenery gets interesting as a spectacular view of Echo Canyon takes center stage.

The downhill finish is spectacular, keeping an almost constant view of some of Zion's greatest landmarks, including Angels Landing, Organ, Great White Throne, and in the distance is Cathedral Mountain.

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## Popular Zion Hikes

#### Trail Closures (as of Nov. 2022)

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Warning: These hikes are very popular and often overcrowded. While they are well worth doing, expect them to be a little congested.

If you are feeling up to some of the more difficult hikes, try some of these popular hikes.

#### Angels Landing via West Rim Trail

Possibly the most popular hike in Zion, Angels Landing takes around four hours to complete, covers just under 5 1/2 miles, and requires a permit to hike. As you work your way up the 1,488-foot change in elevation, you'll want to look out for long drop-offs. This hike is not for young children or people with a fear of heights. Be sure to enjoy, but be careful along the last section of the hike, which is a steep, narrow ridge to the summit. The hike starts at The Grotto.

#### Observation Point via East Rim

This hike climbs through Echo Canyon to a viewpoint of Zion Canyon and offers access to Cable Mountain, Deertrap, and East Mesa trails. Plan for at least half of a day as this hike takes around five hours to complete and stretches over 8 miles. The 2,148-foot change in elevation from start to finish has long drop-offs, so be careful. Like Hidden Canyon Trail, this hike starts at Weeping Rock.

#### The Narrows via Riverside Walk

A full-day hike at 8 hours, the Narrows can pose extra dangers depending on the weather. High water levels can prevent access to the Narrows, so be sure to check with the visitor center before beginning this 9 1/2-mile hike. You'll start this hike at Temple of



"Observation Point Revisited" - photo by David J West.

Sinawava.

#### Kolob Arch via La Verkin Creek Frail

Getting to Kolob Arch via the La Verkin Creek Trail follows Timber and La Verkin creeks and connects to the trail to Kolob Arch, one of the world's largest freestanding arches. A full-day hike, it will take around 8 hours to finish the 14-fourteen mile trip. This hike starts at Kolob Canyons Road.

If you are looking for something more moderate, try some of these midrange hikes.

#### Kayenta Trail

This two-hour hike starts at the Grotto and goes for two miles. You'll gain 150 feet in elevation, and the trail does have long drop-offs. This unpaved climb connects the Grotto to the Emerald Pools trails.

#### Canyon Overlook Trail

Starting at Zion-Mt. Carmel

Highway, this one-hour hike provides a 163-foot gain in elevation over the course of a mile. This rocky and uneven trail ends at a viewpoint for Pine Creek Canyon and lower Zion Canyon. While this trail is mostly fenced, there are long drop-offs.

#### Taylor Creek Trail

You'll begin this five-mile hike at Kolob Canyons Road. It should take around 4 hours to complete and provides a 450-foot gain in elevation. Larger groups may need to split up, as this hike limits 12 people to a group. It follows the Middle Fork of Taylor Creek past two homestead cabins to Double Arch Alcove.

#### **Timber Creek Overlook Trail**

A quick hike, the Timber Creek Overlook Trail covers just one mile and 100 feet in elevation gain. It can be done in about 30 minutes. The trail follows a ridge to a small peak with views of Timber Creek, Kolob Terrace, and Pine Valley Mountains. Those looking for something less strenuous should check out these easy hikes.

#### Pa'rus Trail

Starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this two-hour hike covers 3 1/2 miles and rises 50 feet in elevation. A paved trail that follows the Virgin River from the South Campground to Canyon Junction, Pa'rus Trail is wheelchair accessible and is open to both bicycles and dogs.

#### Archeology Trail

Also starting at the Zion Canyon Visitor Center, this short half-hour hike covers just under half a mile and rises 80 feet in elevation, making it a short but steep trail. This trail offers trailside exhibits and views of several prehistoric buildings.

#### **Grotto Trail**

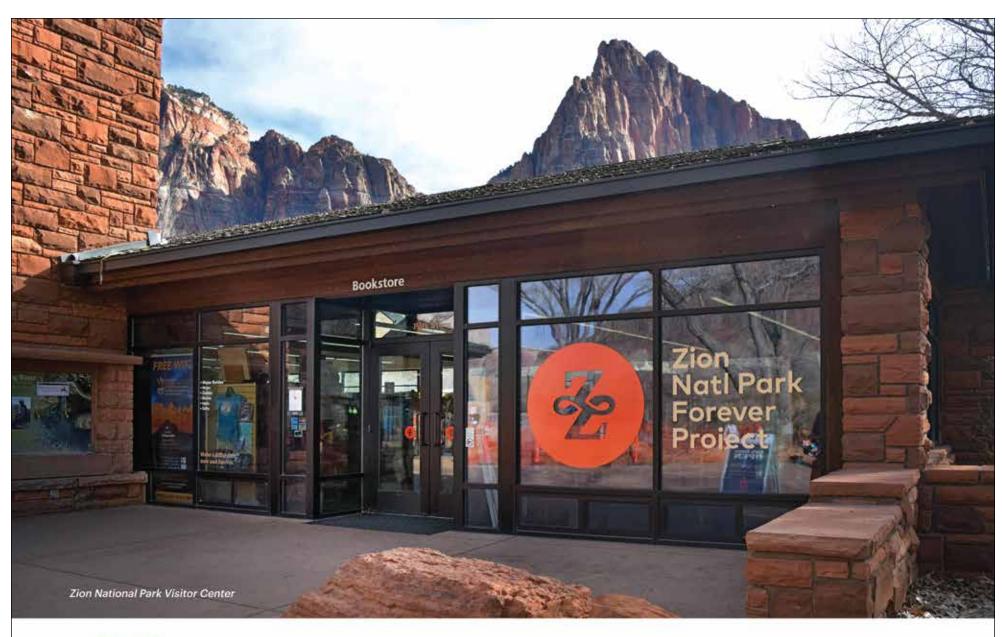
Starting at Zion Lodge or the Grotto, this trail connects the two locations and can be combined with the Middle Emerald Pools and Kayenta trails to create a 2 1/2-mile loop. The non-loop version should take about 30 minutes and rises 35 feet over one mile.

#### Riverside Walk

Starting at Temple of Sinawava, this 1 1/2-hour hike cover just over two miles and rises 57 feet in elevation. While it is wheelchair accessable, there are minor drop-offs. The trail, which is paved, offers trailside exhibits as it follows the Virgin Rivet along the bottom of a narrow canyon.

#### Lower Emerald Pool Trail - Temporarily Closed Due To Falling Ice

This paved trail leads to the Lower Emerald Pool and waterfalls. It also connects to the Middle Emerald Pools Trail. It should take about an hour and covers just over one mile with 69 feet in elevation gain.





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**BAKER** - Baker Reservoir is a small lake on the Santa Clara River four miles north of Veyo on Utah State Route 18. It is a 63-acre lake with an average depth of about 20 feet. Many people come to the reservoir to camp at one of its 10 campsites and to fish. The reservoir is stocked with rainbow trout and contains brown trout, green sunfish, crayfish, redside shiner, and mountain sucker. It has picnic areas and vault toilets. There is a fee for visiting the reservoir and no boat ramp.

**BRYCE CANYON** - Bryce Canyon National Park is a scientist's laboratory and a child's playground. Because Bryce transcends 2,000 feet of elevation, the park exists in three distinct climatic zones: spruce/fir forest, ponderosa pine forest and pinion pine/juniper forest. This diversity of habitat provides for high biodiversity. Here at Bryce, you can enjoy over 100 species of birds, dozens of mammals, and more than a thousand plant species. (435) 834-5322.

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**DEAD HORSE POINT** - Dead Horse Point State Park is perhaps Utah's most spectacular state park. Dead Horse Point is a promontory of stone surrounded by steep cliffs near Moab. The overlook at Dead Horse Point is 6,000 feet above sea level. Two-thousand feet below, the Colorado River winds its way from the continental divide in Colorado

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ENTERPRISE - There are two reservoirs in the Bull Valley Mountains 10 miles southwest of the town of Enterprise. The main one is Upper Enterprise Reservoir, about 250 acres with an average depth of about 50 feet, while Lower Enterprise Reservoir is 79 acres. Many come to the reservoir to camp, fish hike, and boat. The Honeycomb Campground



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**LAKE MEAD** - Lake Mead National Recreation Area offers a wealth of things to do and places to go year-round. Its huge lakes cater to boaters, swimmers, sunbathers and fishermen, while its desert rewards hikers, wildlife photographers, and roadside sightseers. It is also home to thousands of desert plants and animals adapted to survive in an extreme place where rain is scarce and temperatures soar. (702) 293-8990.

**LAKE POWELL** - In Glen Canyon National Recreation Area is one of the world's great places for houseboating! The 186-mile-long lake offers sandy beaches, cool blue water, and exceptional red-rock scenery. It is excellent for boating, skiing, kayaking, and fishing. Boat or hike to Rainbow Bridge, or explore any of its many canyons or sand dunes. (928) 608-6200.

**PINE VALLEY -** Pine Valley Reservoir is a beautiful place for fishermen to fish brook trout and rainbow trout. The reservoir is near the Pine Valley Recreation Complex, which has over 150 campsites with picnic and restroom facilities. This area is greener than most other parts of southwestern Utah with pine and pinion trees, and many come to enjoy camping and hiking. It is west of the town of Central. (435) 652-3100.

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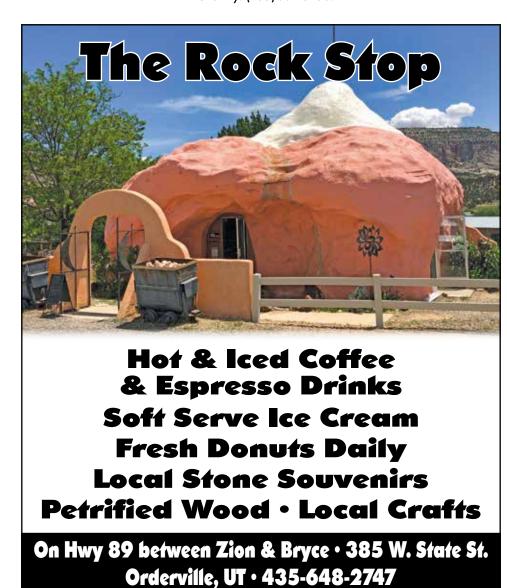
**SAND HOLLOW** - Looking to fish? Swim? Ride your ATV in the sand? Do all that and more at Sand Hollow State Park, located between St. George and Hurricane. Bring your boat, a picnic, and some fishing gear for a fun day on the reservoir, or watch the kids swim while you relax on the beach. Load up your RV or tent and settle in for a nice campout, or ride your ATV in the dunes of Sand Mountain. (435) 680-0715.

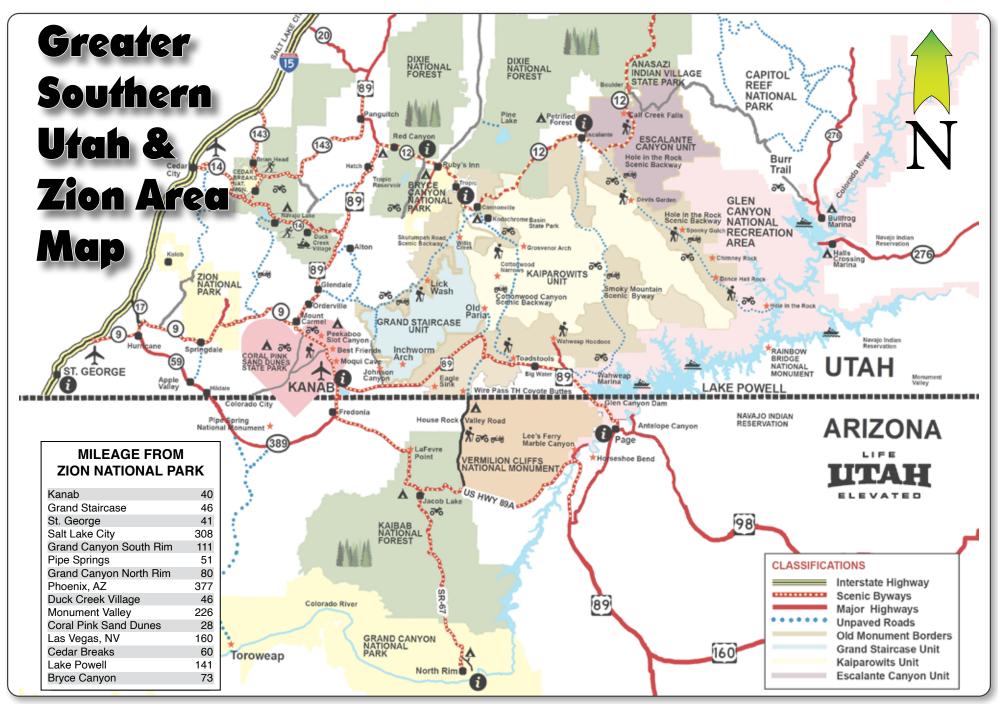


**SNOW CANYON** - Named after early Utah leaders Lorenzo and Erastus Snow, Snow Canyon State Park begins just outside of Ivins and stretches northward. Spectacular scenery includes towering red and white sandstone cliffs, black lava formations, and even a waterfall that appears during heavy rain. Snow Canyon offers 16 miles of hiking trails, beautiful sand dunes, technical rock climbing sites, horseback riding, year-round camping, nature studies, and wildlife viewing. This park is a favorite for locals and visitors alike. (435) 628-2255.

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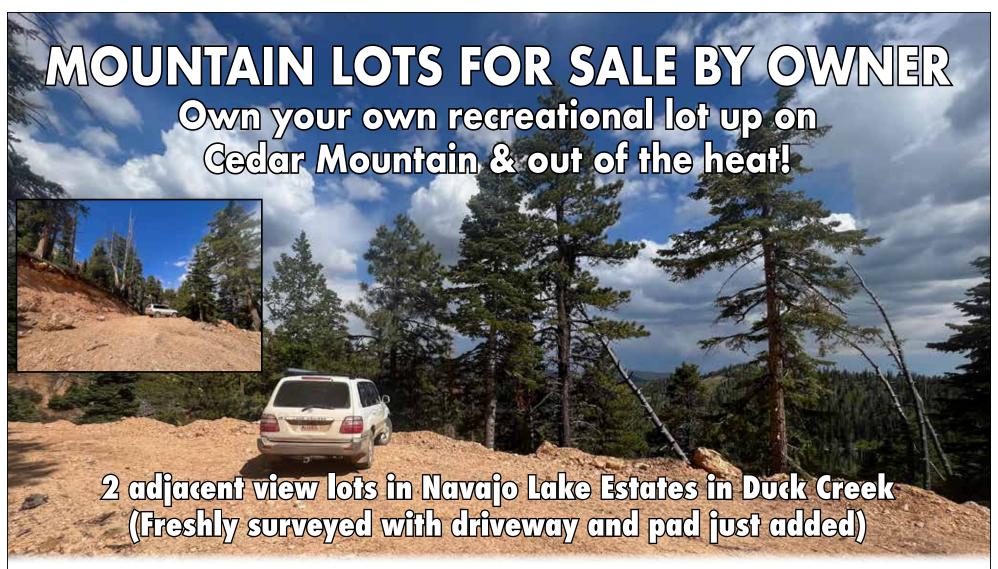
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