

AROUND THE STATE

GET OUTTA TOWN AND EXPLORE LOUISIANA'S UNIQUE FESTIVALS AND CELEBRATIONS

Here in Louisiana, festivals are a way of life, celebrating everything from highland games to kite-flying and vibrant cultural traditions. No matter your interest, there's a festival for you. So mark your calendar and enjoy the cooler weather while it lasts!

SCOTTISH TARTAN FESTIVAL

📍 *Minden, LA* (4 hr Drive)

April 12

Leashed pets welcome. Wristbands required for all vendor sales. Limited seating so bring lawn chairs or blankets. Scottish, Irish, Welsh or Celtic attire encouraged! Doors open at 10am. Highland Games start at 1pm.

Miller Quarters, 198 Gleason Street

🌐 scottishtartanfestival.com

LOUISIANA LAO NEW YEAR FESTIVAL

📍 *Broussard, LA* (< 1.5hrs)

April 18-20

A vibrant celebration of Laotian culture featuring traditional music, dance, food, and spiritual ceremonies.

7913 Champa Avenue

📍 [LouisianaLaoNewYear](https://www.facebook.com/LouisianaLaoNewYear)

FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL DE LOUISIANE

📍 *Lafayette, LA* (<1.5hr Drive)

April 23-27

Each April, Downtown Lafayette comes alive for a 5-day cultural celebration. Festival International boasts top-notch music from around the world, gourmet food, handcrafted artworks and so much more!

315 Lee Avenue

🌐 festivalinternational.org

2ND ANNUAL GALVEZ RUM FESTIVAL

📍 *Jackson, LA* (25 min Drive)

April 26, 1pm-8pm

Enjoy scheduled rum tastings, daiquiris, and cocktails available for purchase all day, featuring our rum bottled on-site. LIVE MUSIC with Lil' Dee & The Zydeco Train, Papo Y Son Mandao, and talented songwriters: Gabriel Bass, Casey Barlow, Claire Kellar, Dee Fleming, Jaimz Woodard, Gavin McKinley, Nancy Roppolo, & Jessie Burkes! Food vendors, games, and more!

1848 Charter Street

🌐 galvezrum.com/upcoming-events/



KITE FEST LOUISIANE

📍 *Port Allen, LA* (<1hr Drive)

April 26-27

Great family fun is always on tap at the annual Kite Fest Louisiane', where the skies are filled with kites of all sizes and shapes. A kite-making workshop and kite designing are just some of the activities for children. Bring the entire family, some lawn chairs and enjoy a day of kite flying, Louisiana food booths and indoor flying performed by indoor flying champions. On Saturday night, band Waters Edge takes the stage from 4pm-8pm with fireworks and a kite night flight immediately following! Admission is Free.

3383 Rosedale Road

🌐 westbatonrouge.net/kite-fest-louisiane/



MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU FESTIVAL

📍 *Houma, LA* (<2hr Drive)

May 3

Louisiana's ultimate Star Wars theme event: costume contests, marketplace, Wookiee calling contest, Kessel Run and more.

221 Venture Blvd

🌐 mayfourthfest.org

RAYNE FROG FESTIVAL

📍 *Rayne, LA* (<1.5hr Drive)

May 9-10

Visit the Frog Capital of the World for the 53rd Annual Frog Festival and enjoy music, delicious food, arts and crafts show, carnival rides, frog cook-off, frog-eating contest, folklore tent, frog racing and jumping, and more!

206 Frog Festival Drive

🌐 raynefrogfestival.com





FELICIANA Wildflower Festival

2ND ANNUAL FELICIANA WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL

📍 *Clinton & Jackson, LA (25 min Drive)*

June 7, 8am-4pm

- Vendor booths with flowers, garden & other items
- Food vendors
- Educational classes / presentations
- Games, crafts, & activities for children
- Shop participating nearby businesses

Downtown Clinton near the historic courthouse and in historic downtown Jackson.

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SUNFLOWER FESTIVAL AND TRAIL

📍 *Gilliam, LA* (<4.5hr Drive)

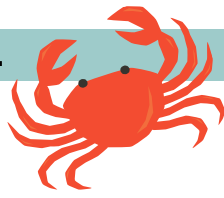
June 14

Enjoy the beautiful trails lined with sunflowers (great for photo ops) with vintage tractors, a stunning harvest mural, and live music by local groups and a blues band. Explore arts and crafts, children's activities, contests, and visit the Library/Museum for cookbooks, heritage books, and more.

In Gilliam and along Highway 3049 north of Shreveport

🌐 redrivercrossroadshistorical.org/sunflowertrail/

HOLLY BEACH CRAB FESTIVAL



📍 *Cameron, LA* (<3hr Drive)

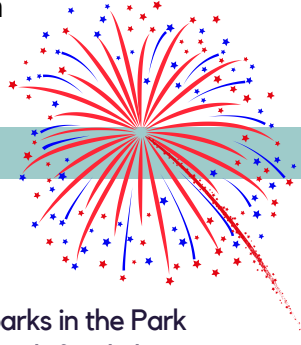
June 13-15

Fresh seafood, live music, and family fun come together on Louisiana's "Cajun Riviera." Enjoy crab-inspired dishes, arts and crafts, and activities for all ages at this coastal celebration!

2412 Heron Street

📘 YourHollyBeachConnection

SPARKS IN THE PARK



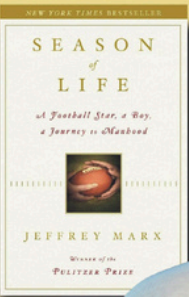
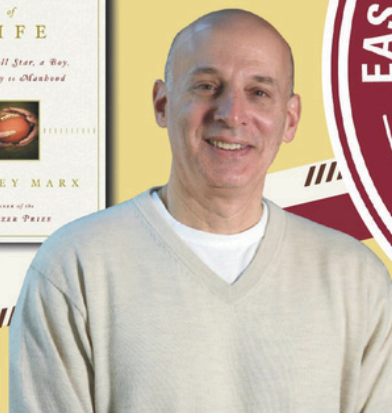

📍 *Covington, LA* (<1.5hr Drive)

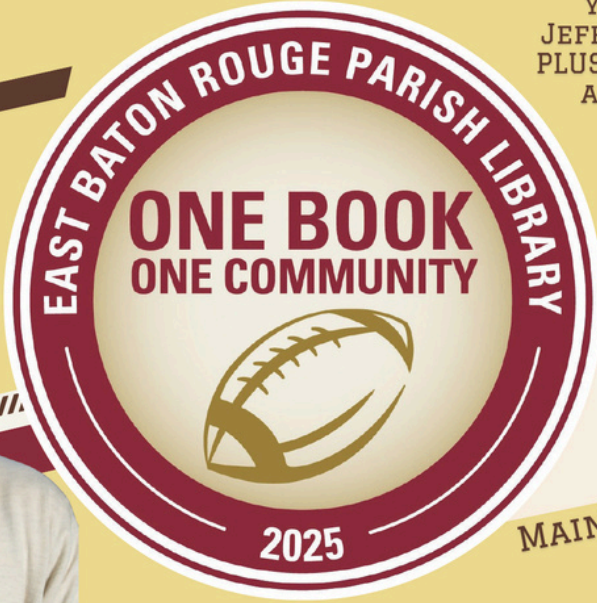
June 28

Get ready for Covington's Annual Sparks in the Park celebration! A jam-packed day filled with family live music, hot dog and pie eating contests, kids' activities, and a spectacular fireworks show! Entry is free for all.

Bogue Falaya Park: 213 Park Drive

🌐 gocovington.org/event/sparks-in-the-park-2025



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