

Northern Shenandoah Valley's 250th Anniversary Celebration

Winchester/Frederick County

July 1, 5:15pm

Revolutionary War Guided Walking and Trolley Tour Cost is \$25 per person, advance registration is required on Eventbrite. 20 N. Loudoun Street, Winchester.

July 3, 12pm-10pm:

Belle Red, White, and Boom! City of Winchester Parks and Recreation event with fireworks. Jim Barnett Park, 1001 E. Cork Street, Winchester.

July 4, 8am-10pm: (Parade at 5pm, Fireworks at dusk)

Middletown Fourth of July Celebration Main Street and Middletown Community Park, 2nd St, Middletown.

July 4, 10am:

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July 4, 8am-10pm:

Reading of the Declaration of Independence Shenandoah Valley Civil War Museum, 20 N. Loudoun Street, Winchester.

July 4, 10am-5pm:

Exhibition Opening: Revolutionary Valley Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, 901 Amherst St, Winchester.

July 4, 10am-4pm:

Free admission to Abram's Delight Museum, George Washington's Office Museum, and Stonewall Jackson's Headquarters Museum.

July 4, 12:00 pm-9:30pm: (Laser light show at 9:00 pm)

VA250 Old Town Jubilee Vendors, food, family-friendly activities, and live entertainment, and a laser light show. Old Town Winchester, 20 N. Loudoun St, Winchester.

July 4, 5-10:30pm: (Fireworks at 9:15pm, DJ at 10pm after fireworks)

July 4 Celebration at Sherando Park Vendors, live music, fireworks display Sherando Park, 255 Lakeview Circle, Stephens City.

July 11, 2:00 pm:

"A Perfect Frenzy" Book Talk with Andrew Lawler Handley Library, 100 W. Piccadilly Street, Winchester.

July 11, 12pm-11pm: (Fireworks at 8:30pm)

VA250 Fireworks Celebration Food, wine, music, games, and ending with fireworks James Charles Winery, 4063 Middle Road, Winchester.

July 25, 5pm:

George Washington's House of Burgesses Election Come vote for Colonel George Washington in his first election win. Shenandoah Valley Civil War Museum, 20 N. Loudoun Street, Winchester.

August 8, 12-4pm:

Trolley Tour of Daniel Morgan sites in Winchester and Clarke County
Cost is \$25 per person, advance registration is required on Eventbrite. Tour starts and ends at the Winchester-Frederick County Visitors Center, 1400 S. Pleasant Valley Road, Winchester.

August 28 - September 7:

Hungry for History Annual event with Colonial themed programs including historic dancing, food, cooking, special history talks, special restaurant menus and Colonial style beer. Multiple locations in Winchester, Frederick County and Clarke County.

September 2-5:

VA250 Mobile Museum Experience "Out of Many, One" Interactive, hands-on, museum on wheels that brings key stories of Virginia's rich history. Museum of the Shenandoah Valley, 901 Amherst St, Winchester.

Please scan the QR code for more information on these and other events:

Visit VISITWINCHESTERVA.COM for more details



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In Shenandoah County:

July 3

New Market Independence Day Celebration - New Market Community Park - 5pm-9:30pm

Join us for an evening of live entertainment, great food, youth and adult activities and of course FIREWORKS.

July 4

Strasburg Independence Day Celebration - Strasburg Park - 6pm-10pm

Join us at the park for live music, bounce houses, food trucks, and other family-friendly activities—then end the night with fireworks

Woodstock Independence Day Fireworks Show - Shenandoah County Fairgrounds - Gates 8:30pm Show 9:30pm

Annual fireworks show at the Shenandoah County Fairgrounds. Gates open at 8:30 pm, show starts around 9:30 pm. Free entry!

Bryce Fest - 1982 Fairway Drive, Basye - 12pm-10pm

Celebrate Independence Day at the family-friendly Bryce Fest that includes local vendors and crafts, food, lawn games, live music and dancing, a fireworks display, and more!

July 8, 6:00pm:

Reading of the Declaration of Independence - Court Square, Woodstock

In conjunction with other communities across America, we will be reading the Declaration of Independence on the front steps of the Shenandoah County Courthouse to commemorate the first known time it was read in public.

July 11

Strasburg History Day at the Strasburg Museum - 10am

Focusing on the history of Strasburg, VA and the pottery industry that dominated the town in the 19th century, this event will feature special programs and displays.

July 25, 6:00pm:

Patriotic Concert by Lynchburg Symphony Orchestra Big Band - Orkney Springs Hotel, 217 Shrine Mont Circle Orkney Springs

Celebrate America's 250th with the Lynchburg Symphony Orchestra's 16-piece Big Band as they perform patriotic favorites and timeless classics in an evening filled with music, memories, and fun at Orkney Springs. To purchase tickets and learn more information, visit musicfest.org.

July 31-Aug 1

Shenandoah Valley Germanic Heritage Museum

Celebrates 250 of the Declaration of Independence
Saturday:10am-3pm Sunday:12pm-3pm

Colonial period encampments, living history displays, crafts, and operating outdoor bake oven at historic Hottel-Keller Memorial Homestead.

Sep 15

Using Ground Penetrating Radar at Historic Cemeteries

at St. Paul's Heritage Center, Edinburg - 7pm
Mark Ludlow will present on his findings.

Aug 31 - Oct 12

"We the People" Exhibit at the Edinburg Mill Museum

Exhibit exploring diversity of the immigration experience and their impact on VA's history and identity.

Visit Shenandoah250.org for times and locations!

In City of Harrisonburg:

Now - July:

Plains District Memorial Museum in Timberville displays an exhibit that focuses on the Native Americans in the area and the forts built to protect the settlers who lived there before the War of Independence. 1 - 4 PM Thursday-Sunday

July 2 5-9:30pm:

Downtown Harrisonburg VA250 community celebration with a free Levitt AMP concert, a local opening band, Harrisonburg's biggest fireworks show yet, giveaways, food vendors, free activities and more.

July 4:

A reading of the Declaration of Independence on the Old Courthouse steps. 80 Court Square Harrisonburg

July 4:

We the People of the Valley: A celebration 250 years in the making! Celebrate Independence Day with a family-friendly event packed with patriotic spirit organized by Massanutton Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and Rockingham County Schools. 9 am-12:30 pm; Spotswood High School

July 5:

Bridgewater Historical Society hosts a walking tour of S. Main St., highlighting the homes and mill location of the town's founders, John and Jacob Dinkel. Historical information will be on display and refreshments served. 1-4 pm.

July 6 5:30pm:

Rockingham Union Lodge No. 27 in downtown Harrisonburg hosts a presentation called a **"250 Years of Independence: Freemasonry's Involvement, Fact or Legend?!"** second floor of 114 S. Main St

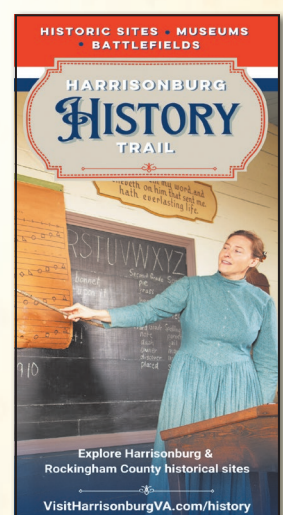
July 4-Dec. 2026:

The Virginia Quilt Museum Exhibit Stitching Together History - 250 Quilts Commemorating the Commonwealth of Virginia.

July 13-August 24:

UN/BOUND VMHC Traveling Exhibit

Visit this free exhibit which tells the story of free Black Virginians from 1619-1865 at Massanutten Library in Downtown Harrisonburg. (Provided by the Virginia Museum of History & Culture.



In Warren County:



July 3 5:30-6:30PM:

4-H Independence Day Celebration - Celebrate the 40th Annual Independence Day Fireworks at the Northern Virginia 4-H Center! Join us for an extraordinary evening of family fun featuring a variety of local food trucks and a special performance by the American Legion Community Band.

July 4 9:00AM:

The Declaration of Independence - The Sons of the Revolution, Colonel James Wood II Chapter will present a reading of the Declaration of Independence at the Warren County Courthouse

October 3 10-6pm:

Liberty Day: Heritage Celebration at Rockland Park

Enjoy the best of fall with pumpkin, hot cider, vendors, food trucks, live music throughout the day, alongside a touch of living history with fun demonstrations and hayrides.