

# Community Broadcasters, LLC.

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4th Quarter 2023

## Additional events/issues receiving LIVE on-location coverage or airtime/support:

October 17 – Sumter American Legion Fair

October 18,19,20 – McLeod Hospital Children’s Miracle Network Radiothon. 3 day on location fundraiser generated over \$140,000 in donations for the local children’s hospital.

November 8 – Thanksgiving Give-A-Thon. All day live broadcast to raise funds for Sumter United Ministries.

November / December – Season of Giving. Solicit donations to provide Christmas list items to families in need via the Youth Mentors and Boys & Girls Club of the Pee Dee.

November 29 - December 3 – Ton of Toys toy drive – Mudflap and Palmer did 3 day live broadcast to collect toys for children in partnership with Florence Lions Club.

December 14 – Share The Warmth blanket donation drive. Collected coats, scarves, gloves, socks, etc. for people in need in Sumter.

Live coverage of High School Football games: Sumter High School, Wilson Hall, Thomas Sumter Academy, Hartsville High School, West Florence, South Florence, Wilson

## Additional Issues:

Chamber Link Program. Weekly forum provided to Sumter and Florence Chamber’s.

DAV

Distracted Driving Prevention

Earth Justice

Foundation Fighting Blindness

St. Judes

Stand Up 2 Cancer

Susan G Komen Foundation

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Sun Oct 1, 2023

### 10am - 4pm Fall Plant & Flower Festival [3/3]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Browse and buy from local arts and crafts vendors at this undercover inside event. Free parking and admission. Food vendors will be on-site. Artisan space is still available! Call 843-665-5154 or email dguilfoil@scda.sc.gov.

### 2:30pm - 5:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [21/34]

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### 5pm - 8pm Gospel in the Park [5/5]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Gospel in the Park series returns Sunday, May 7 from 5 pm to 8 pm in Pride Park in Hartsville. Get your lawn chairs ready, come out for a shouting good time.

Mon Oct 2, 2023

### 6pm - 8pm Adult Pottery

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Tue Oct 3, 2023

### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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### 12pm - 6pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [23/35]

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Two Sessions at 10am and 5:30pm

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### 7pm - 9pm Sumter Ballroom Dance Club

**Where:** 155 Haynsworth Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

We meet each week to promote and learn ballroom dance, except on holidays. We concentrate on one style of ballroom dance for 6 - 8 weeks. Lesson and practice time each week. Styles include Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, EC Swing, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba, Bolero, Salsa, Samba, WC Swing, Shag and a few line dances for fun! No partner necessary. Come dance! (803) 968-4760 Check us out on Facebook!

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us for Trivia every Wednesday night, except holidays. Some nights are themed, while others are general. Come check it out and play! More info on their Facebook page. (803) 774-4425 sumteroriginalbrewery@gmail.com sumteroriginalbrewery.com

Thu Oct 5, 2023

### 10am - 6pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [25/35]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 11am - 11am Chamber's Fall Golf Tournament

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join the Florence Chamber for a day of golf at the Florence Chamber of Commerce's Fall Golf Classic at the Traces Golf Club on Thursday, October 5. Lunch begins at 11 a.m. and tee off at 12 p.m. Register by calling the Chamber at (843) 665-0515 or you can register online.

### 12pm - 6pm Lake City Farmers Market [1/21]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Lake City Farmers Market is open Thursday from 12 to 6 p.m. Enjoy seasonal produce, plants, artisan jewelry, strawberries, homemade baked goods, local honey, and one-of-a-kind crafts. Located in the air-conditioned Bean Market.

### 3pm - 4pm Downtown Book Club

**Where:** Sumter County Library, 111 N Harvin St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Meets the first Thursday of every month at the Main Branch of the Sumter County Library, 111 North Harvin Street

### 6pm - 7pm Acrylic Painting

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 6pm - 9pm Porches of Sumter

**Where:** Sumter Historic District, 13 N Main St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us for one of Downtown's most anticipated events! Porches of Sumter 2023 will be bigger and better than before, featuring some old favorites, as well as homes and cooks never before seen on the tour. Once again, we will have local cooks and caterers located on porches and patios throughout Sumter's beautiful downtown historic district. Sample wonderful food and beverages while enjoying live entertainment! Gather your friends and join us for a wonderful evening of food, fun, and fine southern hospitality!

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

**Where:** 11 Moise Dr, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

This is not a critique group, it's an enjoyment group. Bring a poem or chapter of your book to read, or something you are working on. Artists and crafters bring some of your work to share. If you prefer, just come to listen and see the work of others. You are welcome to bring a guest. If you need help concerning any aspects of writing or publishing those with experience will try to help. For More Information email Susan. Please put Writers Group in the email subject line. [labellerouge@hotmail.com](mailto:labellerouge@hotmail.com)

Fri Oct 6, 2023

### 10am - 11am Needle Nuts [5/6]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join the Darlington Library on the first Friday of every month at 10 a.m. for Needle Nuts. Bring your current knitting, crochet, or cross-stitch project. Create with others while making new friends.

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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Sat Oct 7, 2023

### All day Pamplico Cypress Festival

Sat Oct 7, 2023

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The annual Pamplico Cypress festival is today. Bring the family out for a day of fun and memories. Stay tuned for more details.

### 8am - 12pm E-waste drop off at Public Works

**Where:** 1289 North Main Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Residents may drop off their E-waste from 8 a.m. to Noon on the first Saturday of each month at the Public Works Department located at 1289 North Main Street. E-waste items include computers, monitors, printers, TVs, VCRs, desktop copiers, CDs, DVDs, fax machines and microwaves. In addition, residents may take E-waste to the E-waste collection facility located at the Sumter County Landfill, Monday to Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 803-436-2241.

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Come visit every Saturday year-round for a great selection of locally grown fruits and vegetables, pasture-raised meats, food trucks, specialty coffee, and a varied assortment of unique arts and crafts. By shopping at the American Legion Farmers Market, you are supporting local farmers and businesses. For more details visit [www.americanlegionfarmersmarket.com](http://www.americanlegionfarmersmarket.com)

### 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 10am - 1pm HMRA Farmers Market [12/16]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Historic Marion Revitalization Association Farmers Market is open on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday, March through November.

### 2pm - 4pm Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play [22/26]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join Heroes Hideout for its Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play every Saturday. The entry fee is \$10. Participants receive two OTS Packs with every entry, a Double prize sport. The rounds are based on attendance. There is a Top 4 Prize payout.

### 2:30pm - 3:30pm Read To Me: Therapy Dogs

**Where:** Sumter County Library, 111 N Harvin St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come read to our local therapy dogs. They love a good story!

### 4pm - 10pm Southeastern Bluegrass Association Concert [5/7]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Southeastern Bluegrass Association of South Carolina will hold monthly concerts on the first Saturday of every month. The doors open at 4 p.m.

Come on out for jamming, socializing, and open mic. Light snacks and soft drinks are available for purchase. Admission is \$10, \$7 for members, \$5 for students, and free for children 12 and younger.

### 8pm - 10pm Dillon Screen on the Green [4/4]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Dillon's Screen on the Green is Saturday! There will be lots of activities for the entire family as well as food trucks. The movie will begin just as soon as it gets dark enough, so I am shooting for about 8:45 pm. Bring your blankets, chairs and coolers, kick back, and enjoy a wonderful movie under the stars with family and friends. Upcoming movies are July 15 - The Lion King (2019), August 12 - I Wanna Dance with Somebody, September 9 - Lightyear, and October 7 - The Little Mermaid (Live Action)!

## Sun Oct 8, 2023

### 2:30pm - 5:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [22/34]

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Heroes Hideout is starting a Pokémon League on Sundays. The entry is \$5. Pack per win.

### 3pm - 5pm Free Public Show [3/8]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Dooley Planetarium has a show scheduled for today. Stay tuned for more details. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show's start time. Late entry into the planetarium is not allowed. When the doors are opened, it floods the entire room with light and ruins the experience for the entire audience. Programs generally run 45 minutes and include a live portion that covers what is visible in the current sky. Dooley Planetarium does not charge for its programs. Seating for these show is on a first-come, first-seated basis.

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## Mon Oct 9, 2023

### 4pm - 7pm DCHI Pop Up Market [5/6]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Dillon County Health Initiative (DCHI) Pop Up market dates are the 2nd Monday during the months of May through October.

### 6pm - 8pm Adult Pottery

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Tue Oct 10, 2023

### 9am - 1pm Hartsville Farmers Market [1/7]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Farmers Market sponsored by Main Street Hartsville will be set up on East Carolina Avenue. The farmers market will feature vendors with wholesome, homegrown and handmade unique items, gifts, and other fun activities. The market is open on the 2nd Saturday April-December from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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### 3:30pm - 4:30pm Between the Line Book Club

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

"Band of Sisters," by New York Times bestselling author Lauren Willig will be discussed. Club meets at Wesmark Branch of the Sumter County Library, 180 West Wesmark Blvd

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### 3pm - 4pm Bits and Pieces Puzzle Club

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us and other members of the community to work on jigsaw puzzles from the library's collection (or bring your own!) This club is designed to be a great way for adults to relax. Club meets at Wesmark Branch, 180 West Wesmark Blvd.

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

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### 6:30pm - 8:30pm Crochet Night for Childhood Cancer

**Where:** First Church of God, 1835 Camden Hwy, Sumter, SC 29153, USA  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us as we make caps, hats, beanies and toboggans for kids battling cancer in the Carolinas. If you knit crochet or want to learn, we would love to have you join us. Hats will be sent to Children's Cancer Partners of the Carolinas - serving over 1,850 children in North and South Carolina. Supplies Provided

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Fri Oct 13, 2023

### 10am - 6pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [30/35]

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### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC  
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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 3:30pm - 4:30pm Family Movie Night

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Family Movie Time @ Wesmark Aug 11, 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Wesmark Branch, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA Come join us on the 2nd Friday of every month to enjoy a fun family adventure!

### 5pm - 9pm Kingtree Pic Pickin' Festival [1/2]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Bring your family and friends to the annual Kingtree Pig Pickin' Festival Friday and Saturday. There will be food trucks, live music, a Farmers Market, arts and crafts vendors, and of course the Cook-Off! The Pig Pickin' parade begins at 10 a.m. Saturday. Stay tuned for more details.

### 5:30pm - 9pm Downtown Florence's Festival of Frights

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Downtown Florence is kicking off the Halloween season with the first Downtown Florence's Festival of Frights to be held annually on the second Friday of October. Put on your best Halloween costumes and bring the kids out for trick-or-treating, a kid's costume contest, and music from DJ VooDoo Child from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Then from 7 to 9 p.m., adults can enjoy live music from 80s cover band, Miracle Max & the Pet Monsters, and an adult costume contest. Food vendors, beer, and plenty of spooktacular fun will be at this free-admission event!

Sat Oct 14, 2023

### 9am - 5pm 2023 Pee Dee Area Coin Show

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Pee Dee Coin Club, the non-profit sponsor of the show, is excited to announce that about 25 vendors will be on site to buy, sell, or trade United States, World, and Ancient coins and currency. A vendor will also be on site to sell numismatic supplies. Parking and admission are free. Food service will be available. Children are welcome to attend. All children, who we call Young Numismatists, will receive a "goodie bag" for attending. Several vendors will be available to provide free appraisals on your old coins as well. Bottom line...Come to the coin show. Have fun buying, selling or trading. Add something to your collection, or just come check out the show. Maybe buy a unique Christmas present for yourself or a family member, like a birth year coin or proof set. And register for one of our raffle prizes, which include a \$5 gold eagle coin, a silver eagle, and a silver proof set.

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Come visit every Saturday year-round for a great selection of locally grown fruits and vegetables, pasture-raised meats, food trucks, specialty coffee, and a varied assortment of unique arts and crafts. By shopping at the American Legion Farmers Market, you are supporting local farmers and businesses. For more details visit [www.americanlegionfarmersmarket.com](http://www.americanlegionfarmersmarket.com)

### 9am - 10am Book Nook

**Where:** Sumter County Gallery of Art, 200 Hasel St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Second Saturday Classes at Sumter County Gallery of Art are for ages 4-12 Members \$20 Non members \$25 For more information and registration click here Books can be a portal to a whole new world, and a book nook is the perfect way to bring some of our favorite literary worlds to life in a miniature way.

### 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

### 10am - 3pm Carolina Back Country Harvest

**Where:** Sumter County Museum, 122 N Washington St Suite A, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Time travel to the early 1800s. See costumed interpreters demonstrating skills like blacksmithing, spinning and weaving, cooking over an open fire, and more. Children can play with period games and toys. All museum facilities, including the Temple Sinai Jewish History Center, will be open for free from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information click on this link

### 10am - 9pm Kingtree Pic Pickin' Festival [2/2]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Bring your family and friends to the annual Kingtree Pig Pickin' Festival Friday and Saturday. There will be food trucks, live music, a Farmers Market, arts and crafts vendors, and of course the Cook-Off! The Pig Pickin' parade begins at 10 a.m. Saturday. Stay tuned for more details.

### 10am - 3pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [31/35]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Steven F. Gately Gallery is hosting artist Robert Garey in his A Retrospective exhibit

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 1pm - 3pm Florence County Museum's Family Day [3/5]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

From toddlers to grandparents, Family Days with the Florence County Museum are sure to offer something for everyone. Join them the second Saturday of each month from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. No registration is required. This event is free of charge

### 1pm - 3pm Florence County Museum's Family Day [4/6]

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### 2pm - 4pm Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play [23/26]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join Heroes Hideout for its Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play every Saturday. The entry fee is \$10. Participants receive two OTS Packs with every entry, a Double prize sport. The rounds are based on attendance. There is a Top 4 Prize payout.

### 2:30pm - 3:30pm Read To Me: Therapy Dogs

**Where:** Sumter County Library, 111 N Harvin St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come read to our local therapy dogs. They love a good story!

### 4pm - 5pm Oktoberfest

**Where:** North Main Street, N Main St, Sumter, SC, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Come join us for Sumter's largest street party and celebrate the revitalization of our downtown. The proceeds benefit Sumter United Ministries, a program that has organically grown to assist the community with crisis relief, home repair, a homeless shelter, education assistance and medical services. This is their largest annual fundraiser; and we feel passionate about supporting this great cause! The event will be hosted on October 14, 2023, on Main Street. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets can be purchased through our website via Eventbrite. The event starts at 5pm with German music playing on Main Street until 8:30pm. DJ Howie D's Entertainment DJs will continue the party in La Piazza. More information and tickets: <https://sumteroktoberfest.com/>

### 6pm - 8:30pm Films at the Farm

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Kickoff Halloween with MFBG during Films at the Farms. Bring your chair and enjoy a night in the garden while watching a Halloween-themed flick on the BIGGG screen! Look forward to a concession stand stocked with popcorn, candy, and MOORE! Gates open at 6 pm. Showtime is 7 pm-8:30 pm. This is a FREE event. Instead of admission, 1 canned good per attendee is encouraged. All canned goods will be donated to the Greater Lake City Community Resource Center!

### 7pm - 9pm Hartsville's Screen on the Green [5/5]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The City of Hartsville is excited to announce its Screen on the Green dates and movies for 2023. Everyone is welcome, movies are family-friendly, and admission is always free. The movies will start at dusk in Burry Park. They encourage attendees to bring blankets and/or lawn chairs for their comfort during the movie!

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Sun Oct 15, 2023

### 2:30pm - 5:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [23/34]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Heroes Hideout is starting a Pokémon League on Sundays. The entry is \$5. Pack per win.

### 3:30pm - 4:30pm South Carolina Breakfast Club - KSMS

**Where:** Sumter Aviation, 2945 Airport Rd, Sumter, SC 29153, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Every other Sunday since 1938 pilots and aviation enthusiasts have met for breakfast at an airport somewhere in South Carolina and a few surrounding states missing only events during World War II when aircraft fuel was not available. Pilots are a resourceful bunch and figured out how to fly by running their airplanes on car gas. The Breakfast Club resumed meetings two years later and continues to this day.

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Wild Weekends

**Where:** Lynches River County Park, 5094 County Park Rd, Coward, SC 29530, USA

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us every Saturday and Sunday for live animal meet-and-greets! We'll introduce you to one of our animals and allow you the opportunity to meet that animal up close. Animal presentations are every Saturday at 11:30am and 3:00pm and Sundays at 2:00pm Stop by and say hello to your favorite critter!

**Tue Oct 17, 2023**

### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

**Where:** Sumter Opera House, 21 N Main St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Summer Cinema Series @ SOH presents LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE!! Movie times will be 10 AM, 1 PM, and 7 PM. Movie Admission is \$2 and may be purchased in advance. Popcorn & Water can be purchased on site for \$1 each. No outside food or drink allowed. If you have a group interested in attending, please call our Box Office at 803.436.2616 so we can obtain contact information and get a full tally for admission, popcorn, and water

### 12pm - 6pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [32/35]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Steven F. Gately Gallery is hosting artist Robert Garey in his A Retrospective exhibit

### 3pm - 4pm Movie Time at Wesmark

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come and enjoy a new movie every month! This event is intended for audiences 18+. Branch Library is located at 180 West Wesmark Blvd.

### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Abstract Painting

**Where:** Sumter County Gallery of Art, 200 Hasel St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Youth Classes at Sumter County Gallery of Art are for 8 years old and up Members \$110 Non members \$120 For more information and registration click here Abstract painting is more than just color on canvas. In this acrylic painting class, learn a new technique each week and master the art of the abstract. You might find it's more of a challenge than you think!

### 5:30pm - 6:30pm City Council

**Where:** 21 N. Main Street, Sumter, SC 29150

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Council Chambers are located on the 4th floor located in the historic Sumter Opera House at 21 N. Main Street, Sumter. Regular City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday's of each month at 5:30 PM. For more information and agendas, visit <http://www.sumtersc.gov/city-council>.

### 6pm - 7pm Talk and Book Signing

**Where:** Sumter County Museum, 122 N Washington St Suite A, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join award-winning author Susan Beckham Zurenda for a book signing and discussion of The Girl From The Red Rose Motel. Talk and book signing followed by reception with refreshments Members \$5, public \$10 To register, click on this link

**Wed Oct 18, 2023**

### 10am - 6:30pm Special Storytime with Lydia Carnesdale

**Where:** Lee County Public Library, 200 N Main St, Bishopville, SC 29010, USA

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Two Sessions at 10am and 5:30pm

### 10am - 12pm The Wednesday Ride

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Join other horseback riders each Wednesday for a laid back ride at the park. The ride distance is planned to be 3.7 miles, starting and ending at the arena. Meeting Place: Arena What to Bring: horse, bug repellent, water bottle Cost: Free Additional Dates: - Wednesday, Mar 1, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 8, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 15, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 22, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 29, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 5, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 12, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 19, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 26, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

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**Where:** 155 Haynsworth Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

We meet each week to promote and learn ballroom dance, except on holidays. We concentrate on one style of ballroom dance for 6 - 8 weeks. Lesson and practice time each week. Styles include Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, EC Swing, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba, Bolero, Salsa, Samba, WC Swing, Shag and a few line dances for fun! No partner necessary. Come dance! (803) 968-4760 Check us out on Facebook!

### 7pm - 7pm Trivia Night

**Where:** 2 S. Main Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us for Trivia every Wednesday night, except holidays. Some nights are themed, while others are general. Come check it out and play! More info on their Facebook page. (803) 774-4425 [sumteroriginalbrewery@gmail.com](mailto:sumteroriginalbrewery@gmail.com) [sumteroriginalbrewery.com](http://sumteroriginalbrewery.com)

Thu Oct 19, 2023

### 10am - 6pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [34/35]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Steven F. Gately Gallery is hosting artist Robert Garey in his A Retrospective exhibit

### 12pm - 6pm Lake City Farmers Market [1/21]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Lake City Farmers Market is open Thursday from 12 to 6 p.m. Enjoy seasonal produce, plants, artisan jewelry, strawberries, homemade baked goods, local honey, and one-of-a-kind crafts. Located in the air-conditioned Bean Market.

### 1pm - 2pm Florence County Book Club: Book Lovers

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Library's Book Club for Adults announces its selection for October 19, 2023. The book selection for October is Book Lovers by Emily Henry. This New York Times bestselling author of Beach Read and People We Meet on Vacation, presents Nora Stephens, a by-the-book literary agent whose life is books--she's read them all. Nora is a heroine for her clients, for whom she lands enormous deals as a cutthroat literary agent, and to her beloved little sister Libby. Libby begs Nora for a sisters' trip away, but instead of picnics in meadows, or run-ins with a handsome country doctor or abulging-forearmed bartender, Nora keeps bumping into Charlie Lastra, a bookish brooding editor from back in the city. The Book Club meets in person monthly on the third Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Founders room. The library welcomes new participants to join in the lively book discussions. Registration is required to participate. To register, or for additional information, email book club coordinator Debbie Quesada at [debbiequesada@florencelibrary.org](mailto:debbiequesada@florencelibrary.org), or call 843-413-7074.

### 5:30pm - 9pm SC Jazz Festival [1/4]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The annual SC Jazz Festival is Oct 19-22. Come out and celebrate Dizzy's 106th birthday. Stay tuned for more details

### 6pm - 7pm Acrylic Painting

**Where:** Sumter County Gallery of Art, 200 Hasel St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Adult classes at Sumter County Gallery of Art are for 15 years old and up. Members \$110 Non members \$120 Click this link for more information and registration [In this acrylic class, participants will learn various painting techniques to create stunning imagery. From landscape paintings to still life, this class will explore different subjects in a variety of different methods. With plenty of opportunities for experimentation, this is a perfect class for any skill level!](#)

### 6pm - 7pm Order of the Purple Heart

**Where:** 529 N Wise Dr, Sumter, SC 29153, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The General George L. Mabry Jr. Military Order of the Purple Heart meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Combat Veterans Building, 529 N. Wise Drive. The meetings are held to foster an environment of goodwill and camaraderie among combat wounded Veterans as well as to promote patriotism, assist with finding resources and to provide services to all Veterans and their families. For more information: (803) 983-3770

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

**Where:** 11 Moise Dr, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

This is not a critique group, it's an enjoyment group. Bring a poem or chapter of your book to read, or something you are working on. Artists and crafters bring some of your work to share. If you prefer, just come to listen and see the work of others. You are welcome to bring a guest. If you need help concerning any aspects of writing or publishing those with experience will try to help. For More Information email Susan. Please put Writers Group in the email subject line. [labellerouge@hotmail.com](mailto:labellerouge@hotmail.com)

Fri Oct 20, 2023

### 10am - 6pm Robert Garey: A Retrospective Exhibit [35/35]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Steven F. Gately Gallery is hosting artist Robert Garey in his A Retrospective exhibit

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 6pm - 9pm Hartsville Downtown Block Series [3/3]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Downtown Block Party Series is back! Make Downtown Hartsville your destination to get your groove on with live music, family, friends, and more! Yummy vendors will be under the East College Avenue lights just for you. May 19: Level 10 Band sponsored by Sonoco. June 16: 803 Band. August 18: Terence Lonon and the Untouchables, sponsored by Duke Energy. September 15: Black Water Band sponsored by the City of Hartsville. October 20: Analog Saints sponsored by Coker University.

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Sat Oct 21, 2023

### 8am - 11pm SC Jazz Festival [3/4]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The annual SC Jazz Festival is Oct 19-22. Come out and celebrate Dizzy's 106th birthday. Stay tuned for more details

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

### 9am - 4pm Family Harvest Festival

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Pee Dee State Farmers Market is hosting its annual Harvest Festival Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. Visitors can expect children's activities! And the biggest and best pumpkin selection anywhere in the Pee Dee!

### 10am - 1pm HMRA Farmers Market [13/16]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Historic Marion Revitalization Association Farmers Market is open on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday, March through November.

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 12:45pm - 3:45pm Metropolitan Opera Live in HD: Dead Man Walking

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Metropolitan Opera 2023-2024 Live in HD season has been announced. Enjoy the live experience of opera in a local cinema setting.

### 2pm - 4pm Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play [24/26]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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### 2:30pm - 3:30pm Read To Me: Therapy Dogs

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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Sun Oct 22, 2023

### 2pm - 5pm SC Jazz Festival [4/4]

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### 2:30pm - 5:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [24/34]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 3pm - 5pm Free Public Show [4/8]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Dooley Planetarium has a show scheduled for today. Stay tuned for more details. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show's start time. Late entry into the planetarium is not allowed. When the doors are opened, it floods the entire room with light and ruins the experience for the entire audience. Programs generally run 45 minutes and include a live portion that covers what is visible in the current sky. Dooley Planetarium does not charge for its programs. Seating for these show is on a first-come, first-seated basis.

### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Wild Weekends

**Where:** Lynches River County Park, 5094 County Park Rd, Coward, SC 29530, USA

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

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**Description:**

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Tue Oct 24, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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**Description:**

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Wed Oct 25, 2023

### 5am - 6am Relay for Alzheimer's

**Where:** Shaw Air Force Base, Shaw AFB, SC 29152, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Relay for Alzheimer's is a run/walk used to help spread the awareness of this horrible disease, along with raising money for the studies to find a cure. Please join us October 4th wherever you are by running/walking in honor of those who are/have faught Alzheimer's. I am taking the Walk to End Alzheimer's, because my father was diagnosed in 2011 and I have seen first hand how horrible this disease is. Not only for the patient, but for the family as well. Imagine having regular conversation with your parent one day, and the next they can barely speak a simple sentence. My father just turned 59 this year and with him being so young I learned that you truly never know what life has in store for you and you should live your life to the fullest. Please help us raise awareness, whether you would like to donate or join our team to do the walk. Currently, more than 5 million Americans have Alzheimer's and that number is expected to grow to as many as 16 million by 2050. Our future is at risk unless we can find a way to change the course of this disease. Together, we can end Alzheimer's disease. Please make a donation to advance the care, support and research efforts of the Alzheimer's Association. Thank you for joining the fight against Alzheimer's!

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

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Thu Oct 26, 2023

### 12pm - 6pm Lake City Farmers Market [1/21]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Lake City Farmers Market is open Thursday from 12 to 6 p.m. Enjoy seasonal produce, plants, artisan jewelry, strawberries, homemade baked goods, local honey, and one-of-a-kind crafts. Located in the air-conditioned Bean Market.

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

**Where:** 11 Moise Dr, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Fri Oct 27, 2023

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Come visit every Friday year-round for a great selection of locally grown fruits and vegetables, pasture-raised meats, food trucks, specialty coffee, and a varied assortment of unique arts and crafts. By shopping at the American Legion Farmers Market, you are supporting local farmers and businesses. For more detail visit [www.americanlegionfarmersmarket.com](http://www.americanlegionfarmersmarket.com)

### 7pm - 9pm Friday Night Flicks [6/6]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join Amazing Grace Park for a family-friendly movie! Bring a blanket and folding chair to watch a movie on the lawn. A local food truck will be onsite for dinner!

Sat Oct 28, 2023

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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### 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

### 10am - 1pm HMRA Farmers Market [14/16]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Historic Marion Revitalization Association Farmers Market is open on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday, March through November.

### 2pm - 4pm Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play [25/26]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join Heroes Hideout for its Yu-Gi-Oh! Saturday Play every Saturday. The entry fee is \$10. Participants receive two OTS Packs with every entry, a Double prize sport. The rounds are based on attendance. There is a Top 4 Prize payout.

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**Where:** Sumter County Library, 111 N Harvin St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come read to our local therapy dogs. They love a good story!

Sun Oct 29, 2023

### 2:30pm - 5:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [25/34]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Heroes Hideout is starting a Pokémon League on Sundays. The entry is \$5. Pack per win.

### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Wild Weekends

**Where:** Lynches River County Park, 5094 County Park Rd, Coward, SC 29530, USA

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us every Saturday and Sunday for live animal meet-and-greets! We'll introduce you to one of our animals and allow you the opportunity to meet that animal up close. Animal presentations are every Saturday at 11:30am and 3:00pm and Sundays at 2:00pm Stop by and say hello to your favorite critter!

Tue Oct 31, 2023

### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

**Where:** Sumter Opera House, 21 N Main St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Summer Cinema Series @ SOH presents LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE!! Movie times will be 10 AM, 1 PM, and 7 PM. Movie Admission is \$2 and may be purchased in advance. Popcorn & Water can be purchased on site for \$1 each. No outside food or drink allowed. If you have a group interested in attending, please call our Box Office at 803.436.2616 so we can obtain contact information and get a full tally for admission, popcorn, and water

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Wed Nov 1, 2023

### 10am - 6:30pm Special Storytime with Lydia Carnesdale

**Where:** Lee County Public Library, 200 N Main St, Bishopville, SC 29010, USA  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:** Two Sessions at 10am and 5:30pm

### 10am - 12pm The Wednesday Ride

**Where:** Lee State Park, 487 Loop Rd, Bishopville, SC 29010, USA  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
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### 3pm - 4pm Bits and Pieces Puzzle Club

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
Join us and other members of the community to work on jigsaw puzzles from the library's collection (or bring your own!) This club is designed to be a great way for adults to relax. Club meets at Wesmark Branch, 180 West Wesmark Blvd.

### 7pm - 9pm Sumter Ballroom Dance Club

**Where:** 155 Haynsworth Street, Sumter, SC  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
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### 7pm - 7pm Trivia Night

**Where:** 2 S. Main Street, Sumter, SC  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
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Thu Nov 2, 2023

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

**Where:** 11 Moise Dr, Sumter, SC 29150, USA  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
This is not a critique group, it's an enjoyment group. Bring a poem or chapter of your book to read, or something you are working on. Artists and crafters bring some of your work to share. If you prefer, just come to listen and see the work of others. You are welcome to bring a guest. If you need help concerning any aspects of writing or publishing those with experience will try to help. For More Information email Susan. Please put Writers Group in the email subject line. labellerouge@hotmail.com

Fri Nov 3, 2023

### 10am - 11am Needle Nuts [6/6]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
Join the Darlington Library on the first Friday of every month at 10 a.m. for Needle Nuts. Bring your current knitting, crochet, or cross-stitch project. Create with others while making new friends.

### 10am - 11am Needle Nuts [7/7]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
Join the Darlington Library on the first Friday of every month at 10 a.m. for Needle Nuts. Bring your current knitting, crochet, or cross-stitch project. Create with others while making new friends.

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**  
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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Sat Nov 4, 2023

### 8am - 12pm E-waste drop off at Public Works

**Where:** 1289 North Main Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Residents may drop off their E-waste from 8 a.m. to Noon on the first Saturday of each month at the Public Works Department located at 1289 North Main Street. E-waste items include computers, monitors, printers, TVs, VCRs, desktop copiers, CDs, DVDs, fax machines and microwaves. In addition, residents may take E-waste to the E-waste collection facility located at the Sumter County Landfill, Monday to Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 803-436-2241.

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

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**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come read to our local therapy dogs. They love a good story!

### 4pm - 10pm Southeastern Bluegrass Association Concert [6/7]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Southeastern Bluegrass Association of South Carolina will hold monthly concerts on the first Saturday of every month. The doors open at 4 p.m. Come on out for jamming, socializing, and open mic. Light snacks and soft drinks are available for purchase. Admission is \$10, \$7 for members, \$5 for students, and free for children 12 and younger.

Sun Nov 5, 2023

### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Wild Weekends

**Where:** Lynches River County Park, 5094 County Park Rd, Coward, SC 29530, USA

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us every Saturday and Sunday for live animal meet-and-greets! We'll introduce you to one of our animals and allow you the opportunity to meet that animal up close. Animal presentations are every Saturday at 11:30am and 3:00pm and Sundays at 2:00pm Stop by and say hello to your favorite critter!

Tue Nov 7, 2023

### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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Wed Nov 8, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 10am - 12pm The Wednesday Ride

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### 7pm - 7pm Trivia Night

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Thu Nov 9, 2023

### 6:30pm - 8:30pm Crochet Night for Childhood Cancer

**Where:** First Church of God, 1835 Camden Hwy, Sumter, SC 29153, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us as we make caps, hats, beanies and toboggans for kids battling cancer in the Carolinas. If you knit crochet or want to learn, we would love to have you join us. Hats will be sent to Children's Cancer Partners of the Carolinas - serving over 1,850 children in North and South Carolina. Supplies Provided

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

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Fri Nov 10, 2023

### 9am - 1pm Hartsville Farmers Market [1/7]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Farmers Market sponsored by Main Street Hartsville will be set up on East Carolina Avenue. The farmers market will feature vendors with wholesome, homegrown and handmade unique items, gifts, and other fun activities. The market is open on the 2nd Saturday April-December from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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### 3:30pm - 4:30pm Family Movie Night

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Family Movie Time @ Wesmark Aug 11, 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Wesmark Branch, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA Come join us on the 2nd Friday of every month to enjoy a fun family adventure!

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Sat Nov 11, 2023

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillary Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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### 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

### 12pm - 3pm Florence County Museum's Family Day [4/5]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

From toddlers to grandparents, Family Days with the Florence County Museum are sure to offer something for everyone. Join them the second Saturday of each month from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. No registration is required. This event is free of charge

### 12pm - 3pm Florence County Museum's Family Day [5/6]

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Sun Nov 12, 2023

### 1:30pm - 4:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [27/34]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Heroes Hideout is starting a Pokémon League on Sundays. The entry is \$5. Pack per win.

### 3pm - 3pm Free Public Show [5/8]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Dooley Planetarium has a show scheduled for today. Stay tuned for more details. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show's start time. Late entry into the planetarium is not allowed. When the doors are opened, it floods the entire room with light and ruins the experience for the entire audience. Programs generally run 45 minutes and include a live portion that covers what is visible in the current sky. Dooley Planetarium does not charge for its programs. Seating for these show is on a first-come, first-seated basis.

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Mon Nov 13, 2023

### 4pm - 7pm DCHI Pop Up Market [6/6]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Dillon County Health Initiative (DCHI) Pop Up market dates are the 2nd Monday during the months of May through October.

Tue Nov 14, 2023

### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 3:30pm - 4:30pm Between the Line Book Club

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

"Band of Sisters," by New York Times bestselling author Lauren Willig will be discussed. Club meets at Wesmark Branch of the Sumter County Library, 180 West Wesmark Blvd

Wed Nov 15, 2023

### 10am - 6:30pm Special Storytime with Lydia Carnesdale

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Thu Nov 16, 2023

### 5:30pm - 6:30pm Free Public Tours [4/4]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

An in-depth, docent-led tour is a great way to obtain a better understanding of any of our exhibits. Regularly scheduled docent-led tours take place every third Thursday of the month at 5:30 pm. A tour of any one of our galleries lasts approximately thirty minutes. For a list of dates and subject matter, please see the docent-led tour schedule.

### 6pm - 7pm Order of the Purple Heart

**Where:** 529 N Wise Dr, Sumter, SC 29153, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The General George L. Mabry Jr. Military Order of the Purple Heart meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Combat Veterans Building, 529 N. Wise Drive. The meetings are held to foster an environment of goodwill and camaraderie among combat wounded Veterans as well as to promote patriotism, assist with finding resources and to provide services to all Veterans and their families. For more information: (803) 983-3770

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Fri Nov 17, 2023

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Sat Nov 18, 2023

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

### 10am - 1pm HMRA Farmers Market [16/16]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** The Historic Marion Revitalization Association Farmers Market is open on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Saturday, March through November.

### 2:30pm - 3:30pm Read To Me: Therapy Dogs

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Sun Nov 19, 2023

### 1:30pm - 4:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [28/34]

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### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Wild Weekends

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Tue Nov 21, 2023

### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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**Description:**

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### 3pm - 4pm Movie Time at Wesmark

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come and enjoy a new movie every month! This event is intended for audiences 18+. Branch Library is located at 180 West Wesmark Blvd.

### 5:30pm - 6:30pm City Council

**Where:** 21 N. Main Street, Sumter, SC 29150

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Council Chambers are located on the 4th floor located in the historic Sumter Opera House at 21 N. Main Street, Sumter. Regular City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday's of each month at 5:30 PM. For more information and agendas, visit <http://www.sumtersc.gov/city-council>.

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Wed Nov 22, 2023

### 10am - 6:30pm Special Storytime with Lydia Carnesdale

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**Description:** Two Sessions at 10am and 5:30pm

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Thu Nov 23, 2023

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

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Fri Nov 24, 2023

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC  
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**Description:**  
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Sat Nov 25, 2023

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**Description:** Heroes Hideout is starting a Pokémon League on Sundays. The entry is \$5. Pack per win.

### 3pm - 3pm Free Public Show [6/8]

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:** Dooley Planetarium has a show scheduled for today. Stay tuned for more details. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show's start time. Late entry into the planetarium is not allowed. When the doors are opened, it floods the entire room with light and ruins the experience for the entire audience. Programs generally run 45 minutes and include a live portion that covers what is visible in the current sky. Dooley Planetarium does not charge for its programs. Seating for these show is on a first-come, first-seated basis.

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Thu Nov 30, 2023

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Fri Dec 1, 2023

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### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Sat Dec 2, 2023

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### 8am - 12pm E-waste drop off at Public Works

**Where:** 1289 North Main Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Residents may drop off their E-waste from 8 a.m. to Noon on the first Saturday of each month at the Public Works Department located at 1289 North Main Street. E-waste items include computers, monitors, printers, TVs, VCRs, desktop copiers, CDs, DVDs, fax machines and microwaves. In addition, residents may take E-waste to the E-waste collection facility located at the Sumter County Landfill, Monday to Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 803-436-2241.

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### 4pm - 10pm Southeastern Bluegrass Association Concert [7/7]

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**Description:**  
The Southeastern Bluegrass Association of South Carolina will hold monthly concerts on the first Saturday of every month. The doors open at 4 p.m. Come on out for jamming, socializing, and open mic. Light snacks and soft drinks are available for purchase. Admission is \$10, \$7 for members, \$5 for students, and free for children 12 and younger.

Sun Dec 3, 2023

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Thu Dec 7, 2023

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Fri Dec 8, 2023

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**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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## 3:30pm - 4:30pm Family Movie Night

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Family Movie Time @ Wesmark Aug 11, 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM Wesmark Branch, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA Come join us on the 2nd Friday of every month to enjoy a fun family adventure!

Sat Dec 9, 2023

## All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

**Where:** 822 W. Liberty Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 S. Artillery Road, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

### 12pm - 3pm Florence County Museum's Family Day [5/5]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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### 2:30pm - 3:30pm Read To Me: Therapy Dogs

**Where:** Sumter County Library, 111 N Harvin St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come read to our local therapy dogs. They love a good story!

Sun Dec 10, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

**Where:** 822 W. Liberty Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 1:30pm - 4:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [31/34]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 3pm - 3pm Free Public Show [7/8]

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**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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### 4:30pm - 5:30pm Wild Weekends

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**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us every Saturday and Sunday for live animal meet-and-greets! We'll introduce you to one of our animals and allow you the opportunity to meet that animal up close. Animal presentations are every Saturday at 11:30am and 3:00pm and Sundays at 2:00pm Stop by and say hello to your favorite critter!

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Mon Dec 11, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

**Where:** 822 W. Liberty Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Tue Dec 12, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

**Where:** 822 W. Liberty Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

**Where:** Sumter Opera House, 21 N Main St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Summer Cinema Series @ SOH presents LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE!! Movie times will be 10 AM, 1 PM, and 7 PM. Movie Admission is \$2 and may be purchased in advance. Popcorn & Water can be purchased on site for \$1 each. No outside food or drink allowed. If you have a group interested in attending, please call our Box Office at 803.436.2616 so we can obtain contact information and get a full tally for admission, popcorn, and water

### 3:30pm - 4:30pm Between the Line Book Club

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

"Band of Sisters," by New York Times bestselling author Lauren Willig will be discussed. Club meets at Wesmark Branch of the Sumter County Library, 180 West Wesmark Blvd

Wed Dec 13, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

**Where:** 822 W. Liberty Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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### 10am - 6:30pm Special Storytime with Lydia Carnesdale

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Two Sessions at 10am and 5:30pm

### 10am - 12pm The Wednesday Ride

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join other horseback riders each Wednesday for a laid back ride at the park. The ride distance is planned to be 3.7 miles, starting and ending at the arena. Meeting Place: Arena What to Bring: horse, bug repellent, water bottle Cost: Free Additional Dates: - Wednesday, Mar 1, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 8, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 15, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 22, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 29, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 5, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 12, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 19, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 26, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 3pm - 4pm Bits and Pieces Puzzle Club

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us and other members of the community to work on jigsaw puzzles from the library's collection (or bring your own!) This club is designed to be a great way for adults to relax. Club meets at Wesmark Branch, 180 West Wesmark Blvd.

### 7pm - 9pm Sumter Ballroom Dance Club

**Where:** 155 Haynsworth Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

We meet each week to promote and learn ballroom dance, except on holidays. We concentrate on one style of ballroom dance for 6 - 8 weeks. Lesson and practice time each week. Styles include Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, EC Swing, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba, Bolero, Salsa, Samba, WC Swing, Shag and a few line dances for fun! No partner necessary. Come dance! (803) 968-4760 Check us out on Facebook!

### 7pm - 7pm Trivia Night

**Where:** 2 S. Main Street, Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us for Trivia every Wednesday night, except holidays. Some nights are themed, while others are general. Come check it out and play! More info on their Facebook page. (803) 774-4425 sumteroriginalbrewery@gmail.com sumteroriginalbrewery.com

Thu Dec 14, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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### 6:30pm - 8:30pm Crochet Night for Childhood Cancer

**Where:** First Church of God, 1835 Camden Hwy, Sumter, SC 29153, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us as we make caps, hats, beanies and toboggans for kids battling cancer in the Carolinas. If you knit crochet or want to learn, we would love to have you join us. Hats will be sent to Children's Cancer Partners of the Carolinas - serving over 1,850 children in North and South Carolina. Supplies Provided

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

**Where:** 11 Moise Dr, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

This is not a critique group, it's an enjoyment group. Bring a poem or chapter of your book to read, or something you are working on. Artists and crafters bring some of your work to share. If you prefer, just come to listen and see the work of others. You are welcome to bring a guest. If you need help concerning any aspects of writing or publishing those with experience will try to help. For More Information email Susan. Please put Writers Group in the email subject line. labellerouge@hotmail.com

Fri Dec 15, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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Sat Dec 16, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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### 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

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Sun Dec 17, 2023

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

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Mon Dec 18, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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Tue Dec 19, 2023

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### 3pm - 4pm Movie Time at Wesmark

**Where:** West Sumter Library, 180 W Wesmark Blvd, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come and enjoy a new movie every month! This event is intended for audiences 18+. Branch Library is located at 180 West Wesmark Blvd.

### 5:30pm - 6:30pm City Council

**Where:** 21 N. Main Street, Sumter, SC 29150

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

The Council Chambers are located on the 4th floor located in the historic Sumter Opera House at 21 N. Main Street, Sumter. Regular City Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday's of each month at 5:30 PM. For more information and agendas, visit <http://www.sumtersc.gov/city-council>.

Wed Dec 20, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

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Thu Dec 21, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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### 6pm - 7pm Order of the Purple Heart

**Where:** 529 N Wise Dr, Sumter, SC 29153, USA  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**

The General George L. Mabry Jr. Military Order of the Purple Heart meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Combat Veterans Building, 529 N. Wise Drive. The meetings are held to foster an environment of goodwill and camaraderie among combat wounded Veterans as well as to promote patriotism, assist with finding resources and to provide services to all Veterans and their families. For more information: (803) 983-3770

### 6:30pm - 9pm Sumter SC Poets' and Artists' Group

**Where:** 11 Moise Dr, Sumter, SC 29150, USA  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight  
**Description:**

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# Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Fri Dec 22, 2023

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Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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## 12pm - 5pm American Legion Farmers Market

**Where:** 2 South Artillery Drive Sumter, SC

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

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Sat Dec 23, 2023

## All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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## 9am - 1pm American Legion Farmers Market

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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## 9am - 1pm City Center Farmer's Market

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

## 2:30pm - 3:30pm Read To Me: Therapy Dogs

**Where:** Sumter County Library, 111 N Harvin St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Come read to our local therapy dogs. They love a good story!

Sun Dec 24, 2023

## All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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## 1:30pm - 4:30pm Pokémon Sunday League [33/34]

**Calendar:** Florence Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Heroes Hideout is starting a Pokémon League on Sundays. The entry is \$5. Pack per win.

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Mon Dec 25, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

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Tue Dec 26, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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### 10am - 11am Lyle, Lyle Crocodile

**Where:** Sumter Opera House, 21 N Main St, Sumter, SC 29150, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Summer Cinema Series @ SOH presents LYLE, LYLE, CROCODILE!! Movie times will be 10 AM, 1 PM, and 7 PM. Movie Admission is \$2 and may be purchased in advance. Popcorn & Water can be purchased on site for \$1 each. No outside food or drink allowed. If you have a group interested in attending, please call our Box Office at 803.436.2616 so we can obtain contact information and get a full tally for admission, popcorn, and water

Wed Dec 27, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

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### 10am - 6:30pm Special Storytime with Lydia Carnesdale

**Where:** Lee County Public Library, 200 N Main St, Bishopville, SC 29010, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:** Two Sessions at 10am and 5:30pm

### 10am - 12pm The Wednesday Ride

**Where:** Lee State Park, 487 Loop Rd, Bishopville, SC 29010, USA

**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events

**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join other horseback riders each Wednesday for a laid back ride at the park. The ride distance is planned to be 3.7 miles, starting and ending at the arena. Meeting Place: Arena What to Bring: horse, bug repellent, water bottle Cost: Free Additional Dates: - Wednesday, Mar 1, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 8, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 15, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 22, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Mar 29, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 5, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 12, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 19, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm - Wednesday, Apr 26, 2023 from 10:00am to 12:00pm

## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

### 7pm - 9pm Sumter Ballroom Dance Club

**Where:** 155 Haynsworth Street, Sumter, SC  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

We meet each week to promote and learn ballroom dance, except on holidays. We concentrate on one style of ballroom dance for 6 - 8 weeks. Lesson and practice time each week. Styles include Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, EC Swing, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba, Bolero, Salsa, Samba, WC Swing, Shag and a few line dances for fun! No partner necessary. Come dance! (803) 968-4760 Check us out on Facebook!

### 7pm - 7pm Trivia Night

**Where:** 2 S. Main Street, Sumter, SC  
**Calendar:** Sumter Festivals & Events  
**Created by:** Eric McKnight

**Description:**

Join us for Trivia every Wednesday night, except holidays. Some nights are themed, while others are general. Come check it out and play! More info on their Facebook page. (803) 774-4425 [sumteroriginalbrewery@gmail.com](mailto:sumteroriginalbrewery@gmail.com)

Thu Dec 28, 2023

### All day Fantasy of Lights

Fri Dec 1, 2023 - Sun Dec 31, 2023

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## Florence Festivals & Events, Sumter Festivals & Events

Sat Dec 30, 2023

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Sun Dec 31, 2023

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