

2025 ANNUAL EVENTS



ONGOING

Birding Tours: Expert birder leads tours at Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge. Schedule at friendsofblackwater.org

Choptank River Lighthouse Tours:

Free, self-guided tours. Long Wharf Park, Cambridge. May-Oct, 9:30am-5:30pm daily; Nov-April, by appointment, call 410-463-2653

Farmers Market: Long Wharf, Cambridge. *Thursdays, April-November, 3-6pm*

Cambridge Ghost Walks: Tour Maryland's most haunted street. *chesapeakeghosts.com*

Handsell: Historic site celebrating three cultures open for self-guided tours dawn to dusk. *restorehandsell.org*

Horn Point Lab Tours: Behind-the-scenes look. *Tuesdays 10am in the summer*

Night Sky Tours: See the night sky through an astronomical telescope. *Monthly*. **Email BlackwaterSkyTour@gmail.com**.

Choptank Riverboat Cruises: Sightseeing cruises, crab feasts, more. Schedule at **suicide-bridge-restaurant.com**. *April-October*

Second Saturday/Art Walk: Shops and galleries stay open late. Downtown Cambridge. 2nd Saturday each month, 5–8pm

Skipjack Nathan of Dorchester Sails: Sail on a traditional oystering vessel. Long Wharf, Cambridge. Reserve at **skipjack-nathan.org**. *Most Saturdays, May-October*



SPRING

HARRIET TUBMAN DAY: Harriet Tubman Visitor Center holds special programs in honor of Tubman, who was born in Dorchester County. *March 8, 2025*



Spocott Windmill Open House: Tour historic windmill and buildings. *April 19, 2025*

Chicone Village Day: Celebration of Native American history and culture. Near Vienna. *April 26, 2025*

Burning of the Vines: Layton's Chance Winery hosts a huge bonfire of last season's grapevines. *May 3, 2025*

May the 4th Fest Street festival with art, drinks, music, tacos. Downtown Cambridge. May 3, 2025

Pride of Baltimore in Cambridge: Tall ship offers dock tours. *May 16-18, 2025*

Cambridge Classic Powerboat Regatta: Watch boats race up to 170 mph. Watch from Great Marsh Park. *May 17-18, 2025*

Bluegrass Festival: At Old Salty's Restaurant on Hoopers Island. *May 17, 2025*

W.T. Ruark Fishing Tournament: Open to kids and adults. Benefits Hoopers Island Volunteer Fire Company. *June 2, 2024*

Old Trinity Church 350th: One of the country's oldest churches has anniversary event. *June 14, 2025*



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SUMMER

Fireworks: Watch the show over the Choptank River from Great Marsh or Long Wharf Park. *July 4, 2025*

Thunder on the Choptank: Powerboat races on the Choptank River. Watch from Great Marsh Park. *July 19-20, 2025*

Kids Fishing Derby: Mid-Shore Fishing Club hosts. Long Wharf, Cambridge. *Aug. 9, 2025*

Groove City Culture Fest: Street fest celebrating African-American culture. Cambridge. *Aug. 16, 2025*

Boat Docking Contests: Watch boat captains show their stuff. Taylors Island *Aug. 24. Hoopers Island Sept. 7. Suicide Bridge Restaurant Sept. 14*

Native American Festival: Traditional dancing, drumming, crafts, food. Vienna. Sept. 13, 2025

FALL

Choptank Heritage Skipjack Race: Watch icons of the Chesapeake Bay race. Cambridge. Sept. 27, 2025

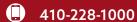
Taste of Cambridge: Enjoy tastes by the area's best chefs. Plus music, fun for kids. Downtown Cambridge. *Sept. 27, 2025*

Dorchester Center for the Arts Showcase: Community arts festival. Cambridge. Sept. 28, 2025

Hurlock Fall Festival & Train Rides: Small town festival and rides on a historic train. *Oct. 4, 2025*

Find out more!

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2 Rose Hill Pl., Cambridge

Harvest Festival at Layton's Chance Winery: Grape stomping, hayrides, pony rides, music. *Oct. 5, 2025*

Nanticoke River Jamboree: Nature exhibits, re-enactors, food, craft vendors, children's period games, more. Near Vienna. Oct. 11, 2025

Fun Dog Show: Parade of dogs and owners. Lots of fun categories. *Oct. 18, 2025*

Kite Festival at Sailwinds Park: Fun for all ages with kite-flying, fun for kids. Cambridge. *Oct. 19, 2025*

Toast & Toasted: Layton's Chance hosts bonfire, s'mores, and wine. *Nov. 7, 2025*

Cambridge Coin Show: Buy, sell, and trade rare coins, currency, tokens, and medals. *Nov. 15, 2025*

Christmas Train Garden: Train display created by Rescue Fire Company. Cambridge. *Dec. 1-31, 2025*

Vienna Christmas Parade & More: Watch a small-town parade,

meet Santa, more. Nov. 29, 2025

Cambridge-Dorchester Christmas Parade: One of Maryland's largest nighttime holiday parades. Cambridge. Dec. 6, 2025

Hurlock Christmas Parade:

Dec. 13, 2025

Vienna Luminaries & House

Tours: Colonial town brings on the holiday charm. Vienna. *Dec. 20, 2025*

RACES & ENDURANCE EVENTS

Run Fur Their Lives 5K Fun Run/Walk: April 19, 2025

Six Pillars Century Cycling Tour: May 10, 2025

Cambridge Crab Run: May 11, 2025

IRONMAN 70.3
Eagleman Triathlon:

June 8, 2025

IRONMAN

Gerry Boyle Firecracker Kids' Triathlon: July 4, 2025

IRONMAN Maryland Triathlon: *Sept. 20, 2025* Wild Goose Chase Women's Cycling Event:

Sept. 13-14, 2025

GFNY Maryland Cycling Event: Oct. 5, 2025