

# Weekends in Leonardtown

## LEONARDTOWN 1ST FRIDAYS

*First Friday of Every Month • 5pm-8pm*

Leonardtown hosts unique events, including live music, poetry readings, book signings, cooking classes, and more, with shopping specials around the town.

[firstfridaysleonardtown.com](http://firstfridaysleonardtown.com)

## SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

*May 18-Sep. 7*

This new series features artists, bands, and more held on Saturday evenings and additional days throughout the summer.

[leonardtownmusicfest.com](http://leonardtownmusicfest.com)



Find many more upcoming local events listed on our website!

[visitsmarysmd.com](http://visitsmarysmd.com)

# St. Mary's County

# EVENTS GUIDE

2019



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## JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

June 15 • Free • 12-8pm  
John G. Lancaster Park. Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement. Music, family entertainment and activities. [ucaconline.org](http://ucaconline.org)

## BEERFEST

June 22 • Admission • 12-6pm  
Historic St. Mary's City. Join the annual celebration of brews, food, and music! Sample select craft brews, local cuisine, artisans, demos, activities, and live music. [stmaryscitybeerfest.org](http://stmaryscitybeerfest.org)

## 20TH ANNUAL POTOMAC JAZZ & SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

July 12-14 • Sat., 12-8pm; Fri. & Sun., various times  
Enjoy jazz, seafood and stunning waterside views with a variety of activities for jazz enthusiasts! To celebrate our 20th year, we're adding a special FREE Friday concert celebration in Leonardtown and Sunday jazz brunches and activities in downtown Historic Leonardtown in addition to the Saturday festival at St. Clement's Island Museum. [potomacjazzandseafoodfestival.com](http://potomacjazzandseafoodfestival.com)

## SOUTHERN MARYLAND BOAT CLUB SUMMER REGATTA

July 26-28 • Free • 9am-3pm  
Vintage racing boats hearken back to a bygone era and put on quite a show as they compete in various heats on the waters of Breton Bay. [southernmarylandboatclub.com](http://southernmarylandboatclub.com)

## GOVERNOR'S CUP YACHT RACE

Aug. 2-3 • Free Hosted at St. Mary's College of Maryland, join the oldest and longest overnight race on the Chesapeake. The race starts in Annapolis and ends in St. Mary's City. [smcm.edu/events/govcup](http://smcm.edu/events/govcup)

## BEACH PARTY ON THE SQUARE

Aug. 3 • Free • 4-9pm  
Fun in the sun in downtown Leonardtown! Say goodbye to summer with sand volleyball, live bands, fire truck hose downs, strolling entertainers, and so much more. [leonardtown.somd.com](http://leonardtown.somd.com)

## SHAKESPEARE IN THE CITY

Aug. 9-15 • Admission • 7:30-10pm  
Join us at Historic St. Mary's City with a picnic and lawn chair spending an evening enjoying one of Shakespeare's beloved masterpieces. [hsmcdigshistory.org](http://hsmcdigshistory.org)

## INDIAN DISCOVERY DAY

Sep. 14 • Admission • 10am-4pm  
Explore the life, ways, and culture of Maryland's first people through hands-on activities at Historic St. Mary's. [hsmcdigshistory.org](http://hsmcdigshistory.org)

## ST. MARY'S COUNTY FAIR

Sep. 19-22 • Admission  
Thu., 3pm-9pm; Fri. & Sat., 9am-9pm; Sun., 9am-6pm.  
Celebrate St. Mary's heritage at this traditional county fair, located at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds. Livestock, home arts, flowers, field crops, 4-H, carnival, exhibits, and so much more. [smcfair.somd.com](http://smcfair.somd.com)

## RIVERSIDE WINEFEST AT SOTTERLEY PLANTATION

Oct. 5-6 • Admission • Sat., 12-6pm; Sun., 12pm-5pm  
Celebrate the best of Maryland wines with over 20 Maryland wineries, live music, local food, cooking demos, local beer tastings, and artisan marketplace. [www.sotterley.org](http://www.sotterley.org)

## BLESSING OF THE FLEET

Oct. 7 • 11am-10pm  
St. Clement's Island Museum. This family-friendly festival features live music, family entertainment and activities, crafters, Southern Maryland food, free boat excursions, local wine tastings and tours of St. Clement's Island, Blackstone Lighthouse, and St. Clement's Island Museum. [7thdistrictoptimist.org](http://7thdistrictoptimist.org)

## 53RD ANNUAL U.S. OYSTER FESTIVAL

Oct. 19-20 • Admission  
Sat., 10am-6pm; Sun., 11am-6pm.  
Celebrate the opening of oyster season on the Chesapeake Bay and take part in one of the oldest and most popular oyster festivals in the United States; the annual U.S. Oyster Festival featuring the U.S. National Oyster Shucking Championships and National Oyster Cook-Off. [usoysterfest.com](http://usoysterfest.com)

## WORLD CUP FINALS

Oct. 31-Nov. 4 • Admission  
8am-10pm  
Maryland International Raceway. The largest motor sports event in Maryland, featuring Import vs. Domestic drag racing, car show, over 400 cars from around the world, and more. [racemdir.com](http://racemdir.com)

## CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE & TREE LIGHTING

November 29 • 4:30pm-8:30pm  
Join the town of Leonardtown as we light up one of the largest Christmas trees in the area! Enjoy festive fun, local food, and entertainment.

## HOLIDAY EXHIBIT, CHRISTMAS DOLL, AND TRAIN EXHIBIT

December 1-31 • Admission  
12pm-4pm  
Located at both St. Clement's Island Museum and Piney Point Lighthouse Museum and Historic Park. Enjoy family-friendly holiday exhibits, where visitors can view holiday stories, lighthouse library boxes exhibit, antique and collectible trains, toys, and dolls. [www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums](http://www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums)

## MARYLAND DAY

Mar. 24-25 • Free  
Historic St. Mary's City and St. Clement's Island celebrate Maryland's founding with ceremony, pageantry, speeches, and free admission to living history and museum exhibits.

## XTREME DRAGBIKE ASSOCIATION - SPRING NATIONALS

Apr. 26-28 • Admission  
The XDA kicks off the season at Maryland International Raceway located in Mechanicsville, Maryland with the 25th annual Spring Nationals and Awards Ceremony. Over 700 professional, sportsman, and grudge motorcycle drag racers in competition. [racemdir.com](http://racemdir.com)

## HOLLYWOOD BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

May 11 • Admission • 12-8pm  
Featured musicians perform at this fun bluegrass festival on the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds. Food and more available. [hvrs.org](http://hvrs.org)

## ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND HERITAGE DAY

June 1 • Free • 10am-3pm  
Discover St. Clement's Island State Park and its history as the site of Maryland's first colonial landing in 1634. This free event invites everyone to visit the St. Clement's Island Museum. [www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums](http://www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums)

