

Check Out What's Happening in Mason City & North Iowa! April 17-24, 2025

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April 17, 2025

Sip & Paint – Pottery on the Plaza, 14 S Federal Ave., Mason City (641-530-2088/potteryontheplaza@gmail.com) Come alone or grab your besties & come paint pottery from 5-7PM at the shop! Your \$10 ticket includes complimentary wine & light snacks. Feel free to bring in your own beverages/food if you wish! Pottery is to be purchased in the shop the day of the event. For more information, visit https://www.potteryontheplaza.com.

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Art Bugs – Charles H. MacNider Art Museum, 303 2nd St SE, Mason City (641-421-3666/macniderart.org) Art Bugs is an art class from 6-7PM for the smallest of artists to explore a variety of mediums. April's theme is Bunny Hops so Easter and spring crafts will be the focus. Art Bugs is for children ages 2-4 with an adult caregiver. Cost is \$15. macniderart.org/product/art-bugs-b-ages-2-4-with-adult-caregiver/.

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Opening Reception for the 45th Annual Cerro Gordo Photo Show – Charles H. MacNider Art Museum, 303 2nd St SE, Mason City (641-421-3666/macniderinformation@masoncity.net) Join the MacNider Art Museum for an opening reception and awards ceremony for the 45th Annual Cerro Gordo Photo Show, starting at 6PM. This exhibition is intended to promote interest in photography as art, to stimulate greater levels of quality and creativity in photography, to share examples of area work with the public, and to provide a forum for area artists. For more information about the show, visit macniderart.org/exhibitions/upcoming-exhibitions/45th-annual-cerro-gordo-photo-show/

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Pajama Storytime – Clear Lake Public Library, 200 N. 4th St., Clear Lake, (641-357-6133/clplib@cltel.net) Throw on your pajamas, bring a stuffie if you'd like, and come join the Clear Lake Public Library for a fun night of story time in the Story Time Room (Meeting Room A) from 6-6:30 PM on the third Thursday of the month. Pajama Storytime is for children up to 5 years old. For more information or to explore more library events, visit www.cllibrary.org/library-calendar/or https://www.facebook.com/events/299344086574296.

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<u>Brix Comedy Open Mic Night With The Other Guys</u> – 28 E State St., Mason City (brixwinemc@gmail.com) Get ready for a night of laughs at Brix Wine & Whiskey! Comedy Open Mic Night is where local comedians and first-timers take the stage to bring the jokes. Whether you're performing or just there for the fun, it's the perfect way to enjoy great drinks and great company. The fun begins at 6 PM on the first and third Thursday of the month! For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/BrixWineAndWhiskey.

April 17, 2025

Name That Tune — Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com) Join Fat Hill Brewing from 7-9PM for another exciting night of Name That Tune! The DJ will play tunes and your team will give your best guesses in order to have fun and win some prizes. The March theme is 1970s. There is no team fee or team registration required. 21+ event. For more information visit https://www.fathillbrewing.com/listofevents/536898816109924

April 18, 2025

Nintendo Skate With Mario and Pikachu – Roller City, 600 2nd St NW, Mason City (641-423-2000/myrollercity@gmail.com) Join Roller City from 5-9PM for a night of all things Nintendo! Take a photo with Super Mario and Pikachu, and enjoy a night of roller skating, themed games and snacks, and more! Admission is \$9 admission and skate rental is \$3. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/8761496953919231. For more information about Roller City, visit https://myrollercity.com.

April 18, 2025

Live Music With Joe & Vicki Price – Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N. Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com) lowa blues institutions Joe & Vicki Price are bringing Mason City their rollicking brand of roots and blues. Their music has been described as a "righteous, joyful, foot-stomping jubilee." Joe & Vicki will play from 7-10PM and there is no admission fee. For more information, visit fathillbrewing.com/eventsmasterlist/joeprice or fathillbrewing.com/FatHillBrewing.com/FatH

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Neil Simmons at BRIX – Brix Wine & Whiskey, 28 E State St., Mason City (brixwinemc@gmail.com) Neal Simmon takes the stage at Brix Wine & Whiskey on Friday, April 18th at 8:00 PM for a night of great music. Expect a fun mix of covers and the original tunes fans have come to love. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/663190739738688.

April 19, 2025

Clear Lake Earth Day Youth Mile, 5K and 10K races – Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, 205 Main Ave., Clear Lake (641-357-2159/info@clearlakeiowa.com) Kick off the 2025 racing season with Clear Lake's Earth Day Youth Mile, 5K & 10K races. The Youth Mile will begin at 8:30AM and the 5K & 10K races will begin at 9AM. Youth Mile participants will make 3 loops around City Park, finishing by the seawall. The 5K & 10K races begin lakeside at the Main Avenue boat ramp. Runners will make one loop around City Park before heading out along South Shore Drive. Once runners reach the designated 5K or 10K turnaround, they'll head back toward City Park, turning left at Main Avenue to finish in front of the Lady of the Lake. Registration is \$30 in advance or \$35 after March 28 for the 5K and 10K races and \$15 for the Youth Mile. For more information, visit

https://runsignup.com/Race/IA/ClearLake/EarthDay5k10k or https://clearlakeiowa.com/events/earth-day/.

April 19-20, 2025

Mason City Kennel Club Dog Show – North Iowa Events Center, 3700 4th St SW, Mason City (masoncitykennelclub@hotmail.com) The Mason City Kennel Club will host its annual 2-day American Kennel Club (AKC) All Breed Dog Shows, Obedience Trials, and Rally Obedience Trials April 19-20 from 8:30AM-5PM at the North Iowa Events Center's All Seasons Building. More than 600 dogs from all over the United States and Canada are entered in these shows, representing some of the more than 200+ different breeds recognized by the American Kennel Club. The shows are held in the All Seasons Building, and grooming is in the Olson Building. Only entered dogs are allowed on show grounds. Admission is \$2, kids under 12 years are free. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100077516740573

April 19, 2025

Kids' Club – Charles H. MacNider Art Museum, 303 2nd St SE, Mason City (641-421-3666). Kids' Club is creative, hands-on fun for ages 5-12, and is absolutely free thanks to the sponsorship of First Citizens Power Savers. The April Kids' Club will be Saturday, April 19 from 9-11AM and this month's theme is Hop Along! Registration is required, so please call the Museum at 641-421-3666. Online registration opens April 1. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/1570275143591899 or https://macniderart.org/sample-page/kids-club/.

April 19, 2025

Willowbrook Mall Rabbit Show - Willowbrook Mall, 1631 4th Street SW, Mason City (<u>641-424-4002/gjs.schloemer@yahoo.com</u>) Hippity hop over to the Willowbrook Mall on Saturday, April 19th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM for the Annual Rabbit Show! Whether you're a rabbit enthusiast or need supplies for your bunny, this event has it all. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/1320691572571795/.

April 19, 2025

Easter Eggstravaganza Market – Music Man Square, 308 S Pennsylvania Ave, Mason City (641-424-2852/mmsquare@themusicmansquare.org) Get in the Easter spirit at the Easter Eggstravaganza Market from 10AM-5PM. There will be photos with the Easter Bunny, an indoor egg hunt at 2PM followed by a kids raffle, an adult raffle at 4PM and lunch in the main room starting at 11AM. For more information, visit https://www.themusicmansquare.org/calendar.

April 19, 2025

Scrabble Saturday – Clear Lake Public Library, (200 N 4th St, Clear Lake (641-357-6133/clplib@cltel.net) Join the Clear Lake Public Library on the third Saturday of each month for a couple of hours of wordsmithing from 11AM-1PM. Whether you're a seasoned Scrabble enthusiast or just learning, this is a great opportunity to meet other word lovers and engage in some FREE friendly competition. For more information, visit https://clearlake-ia.whofi.com/calendar/event/5364788.

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Indoor Farmers Market – Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N. Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com) Missing farmers market season? Visit the taproom from Noon-3 to pick up all of your favorites. Market tip: bring cash and a shopping bag! Vendor list coming soon! For more information, visit https://www.fathillbrewing.com/eventsmasterlist/springmarket-z8adk-cfmbd-8sejx or https://www.facebook.com/FatHillBrewing.

April 19, 2025

Crayola Easter Bunny at Willowbrook Mall – Willowbrook Mall, 1631 4th Street SW, Mason City (641-424-4002/gjs.schloemer@yahoo.com) Hop on over to Willowbrook Mall to meet the Crayola Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 19th from 12:00–2:00 PM. The Crayola Easter Bunny will be making a special appearance during this fun-filled Easter celebration—don't forget to bring your cameras to snap some adorable photos. Kids will enjoy sweet treats and festive fun. https://www.facebook.com/events/969805648597407

April 19, 2025

Easter Egg Hunt – NIACC, 500 College Drive, Mason City (641-421-3673 / recreation@masoncity.net) Hop on over to North Iowa Area Community College for an egg-citing afternoon with Mason City Parks & Recreation! Kids of all ages are invited to bring their own baskets and join the hunt for colorful eggs filled with surprises. The fun kicks off at 12:00 PM, so don't be late! After the hunt, stick around for photos with the Easter Bunny—a perfect chance to capture a springtime memory. No registration required. Just show up ready to hop, hunt, and have a great time! https://www.facebook.com/events/692409316797590

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"Amazing Iowa" Presentation and Book Signing – Birdsall's Ice Cream, 518 N. Federal Ave, Mason City (641-423-5365 /marc.birdsalls@gmail.com) Local author (and Birdsall's co-owner) Michelle Sprout Murray will be at Birdsall's to give a short presentation about her new book Amazing Iowa. There will be copies of the book available for purchase and to be signed. About the book: Whether you're a native, a recent resident, or just passing through, these stories of the weird, wild, and wonderful people and places of the great state of Iowa are waiting for you. Take a peek inside and you'll find people you've heard about in the news . . . as well as those you should have heard about. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/569927289473966

April 19, 2025

Easter Egg Hunt – St. James Lutheran Church, 1148 4th Street SE, Mason City (641-423-4702 / pastorjeni@mchsi.com) Join us on the lawn of St. James for our annual Easter Egg Hunt, 2 PM-3 PM. We will have tons of eggs, door prizes, crafts, and photo ops with the Easter Bunny and other characters. All are invited! https://www.facebook.com/events/968050642184988

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Live Music With Brian Herrin – Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N. Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com) Brian Herrin is a classically trained singer-songwriter now living in Iowa. Originally from Illinois, he has shared the stage with such acts as The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Vertical Horizon, Tonic, Carly Rae Jepsen, Sister Hazel, Jordan St. Cyr and CLOVERTON. Brian will play from 7-10PM and admission is free. For more information, visit https://www.fathillbrewing.com/eventsmasterlist/2024/2/2/brian-herrin or https://www.facebook.com/FatHillBrewing. **M**

April 19, 2025

Mason City Classic-Pro Bull Riding & Barrel Racing – North Iowa Events Center, 3700 4th St SW, Mason City (641-423-3811/office@northiowafair.org). The Mason City Classic-Pro Bull Riding & Barrel Racing is back at the North Iowa Event Center at 7 PM for some heart-pounding, bone-crushing action! Come on out to see the best bull riders, bulls and barrel racers in the Midwest. It's thrill a minute entertainment for the entire family. Doors open at 4:30PM for advanced ticket buyers and 5PM for general admission. Tickets are \$25 for anyone 5 or older; children 4 and younger are free. For advance tickets, visit https://ricebullridingcompany.com/mason-city-apr-19 or 4C's Western Wear in Mason City. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/2058102674641696. V T

April 20, 2025

Public Skate – Mason City Arena, 111 S. Washington Ave., Mason City (641-421-3673/arena@masoncity.net) Come on out to the Mason City Arena for Public Skate events from Noon-3 PM on April 20th and 27th! Bring your friends and family for a fun afternoon on the ice. The cost to skate is just \$5 per person, with skate rentals available for an additional \$3. The arena is the perfect place to enjoy a fun and active day. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to hit the ice! https://www.facebook.com/masoncityarena

April 20, 2025

Bookstore Story Time – Three Bells Books, 14 S. Commercial Alley, Mason City (hello@threebellsbooks.com) Bring the kiddos to the bookstore on Sunday afternoons from 2-2:20 PM for weekly story time! Three Bells staff will read two books to the kids each Sunday. After story time, the kids get a little gift from the store and a chance to look around the kids area. Multiple copies of each book read will be available for purchase. This is a free event. All children must be supervised by an adult. All ages are welcome as long as they would enjoy it and be able to listen. For more information visit threebellsbooks.com/events or facebook.com/events/991570005885675.

April 21, 2025

Beer Choir – Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com) Join the fun with the River City Beer Choir! Members of the Una Vocis Choral Ensemble have formed the River City Beer Choir and the best news is that you're all invited to sing with them once a month with a drink in your hand. This fun and casual group will meet every third Monday of the month at Fat Hill Brewing from 7-8 PM. They're using the Beer Choir Hymnal, which has various drinking songs and folksy melodies with alternate lyrics. There will be sheet music provided. No need to sign up or register, just show up. Ages 21+. Bring your friends! This is a free event. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/981002723514163/981002763514159

April 22, 2025

Squishies – Charles H. MacNider Art Museum, 303 2nd St SE, Mason City (641-421-3666/macniderart.org) Squeeze out some creativity in this class from 1-4PM. The kids will sculpt some amazing food, video game art, and their own creations into squishies from foam and paint them. Squishies is for children ages 9+ or 7-8 with an adult helper; cost is \$30. For more information or to register, visit https://macniderart.org/product/squishies-ages-9-7-8-with-an-adult-helper/. To learn more about the museum, visit https://www.facebook.com/MacNiderArtMuseum.

April 22, 2025

Earth Day Scavenger Hunt – Lime Creek Nature Center, 3501 Lime Creek Rd, Mason City (641-423-5309) Celebrate Earth Day with an exciting scavenger hunt beginning at 5PM! Explore nature, learn about the environment, and discover the beauty of Lime Creek during an evening of adventure and celebration of our planet! This program is free to attend. Please register by calling 641-423-5309, by April 17 at 4 PM. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/629477429560907. To learn more about Lime Creek Nature Center, visit https://cerrogordo.gov/conservation/lime_creek_nature_center/.

April 23, 2025

Baby and Toddler Storytime – Mason City Public Library Storytime Room, 225 2nd St SE, Mason City (641-421-3668) Babies, toddlers, and their caregivers are welcome to join the Mason City Public Library for stories, songs, movement, early literacy tips, bubbles, and fun! Storytime will be held in the MCPL Storytime Room from 10-10:30AM, is free and is geared toward children ages 4 and younger. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. For more information, visit http://www.mcpl.org or https://www.mcpl.org or https://www.mcpl.org or https://www.facebook.com/events/7978398192254792/.

April 23, 2025

Preschool Storytime – Clear Lake Public Library, 200 N. 4th St., Clear Lake, (641-357-6133/clplib@cltel.net) Story time for children ages 3-5 and their families is held from 10:30-11AM every Wednesday, year-round. Story time consists of stories, body movement activities, songs, and rhymes, helping children grow the skills they need to become lifelong readers. Young children and their grown-ups are invited. For more information visit https://www.facebook.com/events/1161935385654425/1161935388987758/.

April 23, 2025

LEGO Day at the Library – Clear Lake Public Library, Clear Lake Public Library, 200 N. 4th St., Clear Lake (641-357-6133/clplassist@cltel.net) On the fourth Wednesday of every month, all ages are invited to gather in the meeting room for a few hours of building fun from 2-4PM. Come and go program. Free and no registration required. https://www.facebook.com/events/2291075734617925/2291075754617923/. To learn more about the library, visit www.clpl.org.

April 23, 2025

MCPL LEGO Club – Mason City Public Library Foundation Room, 225 2nd St SE, Mason City (641-421-3668) Join the Mason City Public Library for tons of LEGO fun from 3-4PM on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month! Try your hand at a LEGO Challenge, build with your friends, and have a great time! This event is for ages 6-11 only. All materials and a snack will be provided. For more information, visit

https://www.facebook.com/events/1145437983213668/. To learn more about the library, visit https://www.mcpl.org.

April 23, 2025

Bingo – Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com) Perk up an otherwise humdrum weekday evening with an invigorating game of bingo from 7-9PM! One card at a time per person. Free to play but please consider buying a drink or two (and tipping your server) to help keep events like this going. There will be 15 rounds of bingo. Small prizes from local businesses for each round except for the 1st and 15th, which feature bigger prizes. Must be 21+ to play. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/FatHillBrewing/events or https://www.fathillbrewing.com/listofevents.

April 23, 2025

Wednesday Night Trivia – Brix Wine & Whiskey, 28 E State St., Mason City (brixwinemc@gmail.com) Test your trivia knowledge while enjoying regional beers, ciders, seltzers and mixed drinks. The fun starts at 7PM and admission is free. For more information, visit facebook.com/BrixWineAndWhiskey.

April 24, 2025

North Iowa Housing Conference – The Music Man Square, 308 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Mason City (641-424-2852/mmsquare@themusicmansquare.org) A premier event dedicated to exploring the latest trends, challenges, and innovations in the housing sector from 9AM-4PM. This conference will bring together experts, policymakers, and industry professionals to share insights and discuss strategies for addressing current housing needs. For more information, visit https://www.facebook.com/events/2322807374754267.

April 24, 2025

Cards & Creativity – Clear Lake Public Library, 200 N. 4th St, Clear Lake (641-357-6133/clplassist@gmail.com) Cards & Creativity meets from 1-2PM every Thursday that the library is open. This is a weekly opportunity to meet up with others to play games or engage in your creative outlet of choice. You can work on fiber art, writing, music, drawing, or anything else that inspires you! We'll provide coloring supplies and cards for you to use! For more information about the Clear Lake Public Library, visit https://www.facebook.com/ClearLakePublicLibraryIA.

April 24, 2025

North Iowa Green Expo & Farmers Market – Surf Ballroom, 460 N Shore Dr., Clear Lake (641-357-2159/info@clearlake.org) This free public event from 4-7PM is all about wellness, saving you money, connecting with others, and helping the planet, Plus, there are food samples and a cash bar. This jam-packed event will feature a variety of local food producers selling their food and vendors representing outdoor adventuring, solar, smart homes, conservation, wellness, sustainable business services or products, non-profit organizations and more! For more information, visit

https://www.facebook.com/events/1368265927640532 or https://earthdayclearlake.org/events/green-expo/.

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April 24, 2025

Creative Writing – Mason City Public Library, 225 2nd St. SE (641-421-3668) Meet in a casual no-pressure environment from 5:30-6:30PM on the last Thursday of the month to express yourself through writing. There is no registration required for this free event. For adults and older teens. For more information about the library, visit https://www.mcpl.org/.

April 24, 2025

Puzzle Race - Fat Hill Brewing, 17 N Federal Ave., Mason City (contact@fathillbrewing.com)

Puzzles are relaxing, calming, and meditative, right? Nope, not the Fat Hill versions! Grab your friends, family, or a couple of random strangers and join us for an adrenaline-fueled high-energy puzzle race on April 24 and you could win big! How does it work? Each puzzle race team will get an identical 300-piece puzzle to put together and when "go" is declared, all the teams start assembling. The first team to finish their puzzle is crowned puzzle race champs and gets a \$50 Fat Hill gift card to celebrate their victory. Please arrive before or around 7 PM on puzzle race night to get your puzzle and drinks and settle in. The starting whistle will sound at 7:15 PM. For more information, visit https://www.fathillbrewing.com/eventsmasterlist/race-tefdr.

April 24, 2025

Open Mic Night at Brix – Brix Wine & Whiskey, 28 E State St., Mason City (brixwinemc@gmail.com) Whether you are a veteran or new to the stage come show us your musical talent in an incredibly supportive environment. Mics are open starting at 7PM every second and fourth Thursday of the month. Admission is free. For more information, visit facebook.com/BrixWineAndWhiskey.