



Valleyfest 2026

September 25-27, 2026

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Valleyfest, Spokane Valley's premier community festival, returns September 25-27, 2026, with three days of family-friendly events, live entertainment, community activities, and opportunities to celebrate the people and organizations that make the Spokane Valley region special. Events take place at Mirabeau Point Park, CenterPlace Regional Event Center, and throughout the Spokane Valley, beginning with the Hearts of Gold Parade on Friday evening.

Featured Events on Friday, September 25

Hearts of Gold Parade – 7:30 p.m.

Sprague Avenue | University Road to Perrine Road | Spokane Valley, Washington

A Valleyfest tradition recognizing people and organizations who give back to the community. The parade features animals, custom and classic cars, floats, bands, clowns, Miss Spokane Valley Royalty, and more. Sprague Avenue closes to vehicles at 6:00 p.m. between University Road and Pines Road.

Featured Events on Saturday, September 26

Valleyfest 5K/10K River Run – 8:00 a.m.

Mirabeau Trailhead 1 / Centennial Trail | The timed 5K and 10K races start and finish at Mirabeau Trailhead 1 across from CenterPlace Regional Event Center. Timed by Negative Split; not a Bloomsday qualifying event.

Step UP for Down Syndrome Walk – 9:00 a.m. A community event supporting people throughout the Inland Northwest whose lives have been touched by Down syndrome.

Valleyfest Chess Tournaments – 9:00 a.m. A featured Saturday activity on the 2026 schedule.

Fishing in the Park – 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Hosted by Northwest Angler | Children under 14 of all experience levels are invited to fish. Equipment and technical help are provided, and fish caught are donated to charity.

Astronomy at Valleyfest – Saturday

Mirabeau Point Park | The Spokane Astronomical Society brings telescopes for an opportunity to explore the sky.

STEAM Showcase – 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Businesses, schools, and STEAM students gather for hands-on experiences in science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics.

CultureFest – 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mirabeau Point Park | A celebration of the region's diverse cultures through music, dance, art, food, and hands-on experiences.

Disc Dogs – 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

CenterPlace North Lawn | Canine athletes and handlers compete in exciting disc dog demonstrations and competitions.

Swinging in the Valley – 6:00 p.m.

CenterPlace Regional Event Center | LiteFeet hosts an evening dance competition featuring All American Swing Strictly, Country Swing Jack & Jill, and Line Dancing, with cash prizes.

Movie Night – 7:15 p.m. CenterPlace North Lawn | An evening movie under the night sky.

Featured Events on Sunday, September 27

Valleyfest Car Show – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The Car Show features classic rock music, a beer garden and food, with the awards ceremony at 2:00 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Valleyfest Children's Foundation, which provides scholarships for qualified students.

PawFest – 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mirabeau Point Park | A celebration for four-legged family members featuring pet-focused activities a costumed pet Parade at 2p.m., and community connections.

Totfest – 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mirabeau Point Park | A family-friendly event with activities, entertainment, and community organizations serving families.

CultureFest – 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Mirabeau Point Park | CultureFest continues Sunday with cultural performances, demonstrations, and opportunities to learn and connect.

Live Entertainment & Community Activities

Valleyfest will feature live entertainment across its Meadow Festival Stage, Family Stage, and West Lawn Stage at CenterPlace. The 2026 lineup includes local and regional musicians, dance groups, cultural performers, youth performers, and community presentations. Additional hands-on activities and demonstrations will take place throughout the festival grounds.

Free Family Festival

Valleyfest is a free community festival made possible through volunteers, community partners, sponsors, and donations. Free activities and experiences throughout the weekend are designed to bring families together while showcasing arts, education, science, recreation, and the diverse talent of the Spokane Valley region.

Parking

Free STA shuttle service will run continuously on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. from the Spokane Valley Mall, Mirabeau Station Park & Ride, and nearby parking areas to Valleyfest activities. Parking is also available at CenterPlace Regional Event Center and Pinecroft Business Park.

The mission of Valleyfest is to produce community-driven, safe, family-oriented, visually dramatic festivals. Valleyfest exposes the talent that enriches the Spokane Valley region and celebrates the visual and performing arts, education, science, and recreation so the entire community can experience them.

For more information, visit <https://valleyfest.org>.