FEATUR ED COMMUNITY EVENTS

OCTOBER

Enjoy the monthly collection of featured free/affordable events that are going on around the New River/Roanoke valleys. Let me know if you hear of any other culturally relevant events happening in November so that we can try to have a strong presence out in the community! The majority of the events below are open to families, partners, and children. The events below are not sponsored by The VT Office for Inclusion & Diversity unless stated otherwise.

10/7 LATE NIGHTS: THE ART OF SALSA

Great music, dancing, drinks, and art - it's a celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month with Salsa Noke! Get your hips moving from 6-7 pm with guided dance lessons from Edgar Ornelas, then put your moves to the test on the dance floor. Bring your favorite dancing partner, or make new friends for the evening.

2PM-10PM
Riverfront Park, Lynchburg, VA

5PM-9 PM
Taubman Museum of Art, Roanoke

10/8 ONE FAMILY R&B FESTIVAL

Come out this Saturday to our R&B festival, featuring Jacquees, Switch, Rome, Nellie Tiger Travis, Levelle and Paul Anthony with TripleMan Team. Enjoy food and live music, the gates open at 2PM, the show starts at 4PM.
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10/10 **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY CELEBRATION**

Join us as we learn about and celebrate the historical and contemporary contributions of Indigenous Peoples within our region, across the country, and the globe. Contact missy86@vt.edu for questions.

10/12 **NPHC YARD SHOW**

NPHC will celebrate their dynamic organizations with a Yard Show. This exciting and engaging event will highlight incredible talent from members and organizations. Cashapp $NPHCVT or contact Taylor Whitehurst for tickets.

7:30 PM
Moss Arts Center

10/12 "**ANDARES**"

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3PM - 4:30PM
Solitude House, 705 West Campus Drive

10/10
Squires Haymarket Theater

October 12, 2022
**10/13 COMEDY SHOW WITH DERAY DAVIS**

Comedian Deray Davis will be performing in the Commonwealth Ballroom at Virginia Tech. The doors open at 6 and the show begins at 6:30 PM. Tickets can be purchased [here](#).

**8:30 AM**

Holtzman Alumni Center

**10/15 VT HOMECOMING BLACK ALUMNI TAILGATE**

Join the Black Alumni Society at Homecoming! We're celebrating Black Hokies and starting the countdown to the 2023 Black Alumni Reunion. Catch up with friends and make your plans for the spring.

**12-4 PM**

Elmwood Park, Roanoke

**10/16 ANNUAL ROANOKE GO FEST**

This is an annual celebration of everything outdoors. Our activities are unique, human-powered recreational and sustainability activities that support the outdoor community.
10/20 SPEED NETWORKING DPN

Join Radford University President Bret Danilowicz Thursday Oct. 20th for another fun Diverse Professionals Network event. This will be a great chance to meet and connect with new people in the area! Join us afterwards for Radford's Got Talent. RSVP REQUIRED!

10/22 SINKLAND FARMS PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Hayrides to a 10-acre pumpkin patch, make your way through a mind boggling corn maze, Kids Zone Games with a barrel train ride, giant slide, kids zip line, and visit with Sinkland Farms animals. Enjoy beer and wine on the terrace. Black Caucus group photo at 2:30PM.

2:00 PM
Moss Arts Center

10/23 "AIR PLAY"

In Air Play, circus meets science — umbrellas fly, fabrics soar over the audience, balloons swallow people, and snow swirls, filling the stage. With stunning images, Air Play bounces on the edge of definition: part comedy, part sculpture, part circus, part theatre. Great for all ages, Air Play creates beauty and inspires laughter across cultures.
**10/28: FREE AFRICAN DANCE CLASS**

Traditional West African Dance offers the opportunity to move and learn new rhythms with fun activities, interesting movements, positive self-expression and captivating beats. It combines wellness and exercise in a way that relieves stress within a “no judgment zone”. All faculty, staff, and students of any skill level are welcome to learn something new and become more fit.

**4:30-5:30 PM**
McComas Gym Studio B, Virginia Tech

**10/29  DARK WOODS HAUNTED TRAIL**

The Dark Woods is a stroll through the woods you will never forget. Enter the mile long trail through the twisted grove of pines and gnarled oaks. Visitors watch your back, you’ll never know which way the terror will hit you. True to form, The Dark Woods is not for children under 10 or the faint of heart. Experience an outdoor terror that is simply too big to house indoors.

**7:30-11 PM**
228 Shire Ln., Radford
OCTOBER

VIRGINIA TECH FACULTY & STAFF CAUCUS

UPDATES

AMERICAN INDIAN & INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' ALLIANCE

Indigenous People's Day

Indigenous Peoples' Day honors the past, present, and futures of Native peoples throughout the US. The holiday recognizes the legacy and impact of colonialism on Native communities, and it also celebrates the cultures, contributions, and resilience of contemporary Native peoples.

4-7 PM
Blacksburg Municipal Park, Blacksburg

APIDA CAUCUS

FIRST GENERAL BODY MEETING AND SOCIAL GATHERING OF THE 2022-2023 SEMESTER
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2022 @ 4 PM EST
LOCATION: BLACKSBURG MUNICIPAL PARK

ABOUT THE EVENT
The APIDA (Asian Pacific Islander Desi American) Caucus at Virginia Tech serves faculty, staff and graduate students of APIDA backgrounds and is open to all people who support the APIDA community. Our first in-person social event and general body meeting of the 2022-2023 academic year will be held at Blacksburg Municipal Park, on Friday, October 21, 2022. We invite you to stay afterward for our social event. For more info contact Theo Lim at tclim@vt.edu

AGENDA:
APIDA Caucus Business Meeting: 4 - 5:30 PM EST
Social: 5:30 - 7 PM EST
Foods and drinks will be provided

Register: bit.ly/3CM6xMa

BLACK FACULTY & STAFF CAUCUS

Come enjoy Taco Tuesday every second Tuesday of the month with VT's Black Caucus! This month we're meeting at El Bronco in Christiansburg, VA.

4:30-6:00 PM
El Bronco, Christiansburg