

For a lot of people, music festivals can be too overwhelming. Hordes of people rushing from stage to stage to see their favorite artists, cramped camping areas and trash everywhere can be a recipe for anxiety. Luckily, **Pickathon** exists. The annual music festival — which takes place in Happy Valley, and caps ticket sales at 3,500 people, according to its Facebook — is a dream come true for people who love music but hate the usual festival culture that comes with it. Camping is first-come, first-serve in the woods of the 80-acre Pendarvis Farm, giving patrons the option to set up camp with a group of friends near the heart of the festival, or get some solitary time on the outskirts. Unlike other music festivals, Pickathon also makes a conscious effort to eliminate waste by using reusable plates, cups and utensils, taking advantage of solar power and, of course, strongly pushing recycling and composting. Over the four-day fest, artists will play at least two sets, giving fans the chance to choose their own adventure and curate the perfectly diversified schedule, or see their favorite artists more than once. This year, the lineup includes the always wonderful and always soulful **Charles Bradley & His Extraordinaires** and noisy and lovable alt-rock Gods **Dinosaur Jr.** among many, many other acts. Pickathon takes place from Aug. 3 to 6. For more info or to purchase tickets, visit pickathon.com. — *Meerah Powell*



Free Fishing Weekend continues, see 6/3

Heaven Can Wait 5K Run & Walk, benefitting Sara's Project, a breast health education & outreach partnership, eclecticedgeracing.com.

MONDAY, 6/5

Casks for a Cause, 20% of all cask sales go to the Greater Oakridge Area Trail Stewards (GOATS), first Monday of each month, Brewer's Union Local 180, 48329 E. 1st St., Oakridge, 541-782-2024. FREE.

TUESDAY, 6/6

Just a Number: Aging & Intergenerational Friendship, by Jenny Sasser & Simeon Dreyfus, 6:30pm, Life by Design NW, 1626 SE Water Ave., ste.208, Portland. FREE.

WEDNESDAY, 6/7

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents What We Want from the Wild, by Adam Davis, 7pm, Hood River County History Museum, 300 E. Port Marina Dr., Hood River. FREE.

Sisters Rodeo, today through 6/11, 549-0121, sistersrodeo.com, 67637 Highway 20, Sisters. Prices vary.

Portland Rose Festival, today through 6/11, many parades & events, rosefestival.org.

Singer-songwriter-satirist Roy Zimmerman performs "funny songs about ignorance, war, & greed" to benefit community radio station KPOV 88.9 FM in Bend, Volcanic Theatre Pub, bendticket.com, KPOV members call station at 541-322-0863 for member code. \$15-\$20.

THURSDAY, 6/8

Fermentation Celebration, Old Mill District, Bend, bendconcerts.com, \$20.

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents The Space Between Us: Immigrants, Refugees, & Oregon, by Manuel Padilla, Vanport Square Studio, 5229 N.E. MLK Blvd., ste. 102, Portland. FREE.

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents What's in a Label? Thinking about Diversity & Racial Categories, by Ann Su, noon, City of Portland Water Bureau, 1120 S.W. 5th Ave., Room 600, Portland. FREE.

Portland Rose Festival continues, see 6/7.

Sisters Rodeo continues, see 6/7.

FRIDAY, 6/9

Moody Blues, Edgefield Amphitheater, 6:30pm, all ages, edgefieldconcerts.com. \$49-\$103.

Portland Rose Festival continues, see 6/7.

Sisters Rodeo continues, see 6/7.

SATURDAY, 6/10

Art in the Park, Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 10am-4pm, Sisters Creekside Campground, Deschutes National Forest, 504 S. Locust St., Sisters, 541-420-0279.

89th annual Scandinavian Midsummer Festival, music, dancing, Nordic food, vendors, beer garden, kids area, games, 11am-6pm, Scandinavian of the Year at 1pm, raising of the Midsummer Pole, 2pm, Oaks Park, 7805 SE Oaks Park Wy., Portland. \$8-\$17, kids 11 & under FREE.

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents Too Busy to Rest: Boundaries & Balance in a Nonstop World, by Lisa Naas Cook, 2pm, Lucky Labrador Tap Room North Tap Room, 1700 N. Killingsworth St., Portland. FREE.

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents Fish Tales: Traditions & Challenges of Seafood in Oregon, by Jennifer Burns Bright, 2pm, Curry Public Library, 94341 3rd St., Gold Beach. FREE.

Brookings Second Saturday Art Walk, ongoing Saturdays, take a stroll & enjoy the art galleries & art related venues, 3-6pm, downtown Brookings. FREE.

Maupin Madness Poker Run ad Bike Show, proceeds go to Outdoor Adventures With Military Heroes & Operation Homefront, 521 Deschutes Ave, Maupin, 541-993-7797. \$5-\$15.

Cape Mountain Trail Runs, 10 miles, 4 miles, Florence, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Helvetia Half Marathon, Hillsboro, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Portland Saturday Market continues, see 6/3.

Portland Rose Festival continues, see 6/7.

Sisters Rodeo continues, see 6/7.

SUNDAY, 6/11

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents The Space Between Us: Immigrants, Refugees, & Oregon, by Manuel Padilla, 2pm, Tigard Public Library, 13500 S.W. Hall Blvd., Tigard. FREE.

Medicinal & Edible Plant Walk, today & 8/13, stroll through North Mountain Park to learn more about the abundance of edible & medicinal plants found there, ages 12 & up, 3-4:15pm, 620 N. Mountain Ave., 541-488-6606, ashlandparksandrec.org. \$8.

John Mellencamp with Jewel & Carlene Carter, 6:30pm, Les Schwab Amphitheater, Bend, bendconcerts.com. \$55-\$124.50.

Dirty Half Marathon, Bend, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Cape Mountain Trail Runs, 10 miles, 4 miles, Florence, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Helvetia Half Marathon, Hillsboro, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Albany Challenge, team obstacle challenge, Albany, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Brookings Concerts in the Park, Joe Craven & the Sometimers, folk & world music, 1-3:30pm, Azalea Park, Brookings. FREE.

Portland Rose Festival continues, see 6/7.

Art in the Park continues, see 6/10.

MONDAY, 6/12

Gordon Lightfoot, 8pm, Elsinore Theater, Salem, tickets.uoregon.edu.

Casks for a Cause continues, see 6/5.

TUESDAY, 6/13

Pride Kick-Off Party benefiting Pride Northwest & Portland Pride, 6-8:30pm, Lagunitas Community Room, 237 N.E. Broadway St. ste. 300, Portland, pridenw.org. \$10-\$15.

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents Homeless in the Land of Plenty, by Ryan Stroud, 6:30pm, West Slope Community Library, 3678 S.W. 78th Ave., Portland. FREE.

Conversation Project Community Discussions presents Mind the Gaps: How Gender Shapes

our Lives, by Jade Aguilar, 1:30pm, Oregon Food Bank, 7900 N.E. 33rd Dr., Portland. FREE.

THURSDAY, 6/15

Concerts in the Park with Ashland City Band, every Thursday today through 8/10, 7-8pm, Butler Bandshell in Lithia Park 1195 E. Main St., Ashland. FREE.

13th annual Oregon Garden Brewfest, new activities include camping & a Father's Day 5K, kicks off with Brewer's Tasting Dinner, today through 6/18, The Oregon Garden, Silverton, oregongarden.org/events/brewfest.

FRIDAY, 6/16

What The Festival, three-day music, art, film & interactive festival held during the Summer Solstice weekend, today through 6/20, Fri. 10am-Mon. 10am, Wolf Run Ranch, Dufur, whatthefestival.com.

Cider Summit PDX, the region's largest hard cider tasting festival, today 3-8pm & tomorrow, 12-5pm, VIP session starts at 2pm, The Fields Park, 1099 NW Overton St., Portland, cidersummitnw.com/portlandeventinfo.html.

The Feast of Will, dinner, performances sponsored by Ashland Lions Club & Oregon Shakespeare Festival, 6pm, Lithia Park, 15 S. Pioneer St, Ashland, 541-482-4331, osfashland.org. \$15.

The Lost Dutchman's Mining Association 3-day pay to dig gold mining event, Burnt River Camp, located between Durkee & Bridgeport, camping & gold mining. Learn to pan & highbank, keep all the gold you find, burntrivercamp@gmail.com. \$100 per participant 16 & up (non-participant spouses & kids free).

Epic Oregon Relay, 187M, eclecticedgeracing.com. Cost varies.

Oregon Garden Brewfest continues, see 6/15.

SATURDAY, 6/17

Blooms & Butterflies Garden Celebration, Elkton Community Education Center, 10am-4pm, 541-584-2692, elktonbutterflies.com. FREE, donations appreciated.

Sandcastle Contest, Cannon Beach, 10am-8pm, contest, judging, music, bonfire, cannonbeach.org.