

In celebration of National Historic Preservation Month,
the following events are being held in the Albany area throughout
May 2024

**Hidden History Scavenger Hunt
(through May 30)**

Have fun exploring Albany hunting architectural treasure. Forms are available at The Natty Dresser, Albany Visitors Association and Albany Downtown Association and include photos of Downtown architectural elements to identify. Completed forms must be returned to The Natty Dresser by 5 p.m. Thursday, May 30.

All correctly completed entries will be put into a drawing for a prize. A winner will be announced on May 31.

Albany Farmers' Market every Saturday, 9 a.m. - 1p.m. Purchase hand-picked produce, fresh flowers, baked bread, local eggs/meats and more at Albany Farmers' Market. 4th & Ellsworth, City Hall parking lot. locallygrown.org. Free.



"Vintage Scroll Work" by Cathy Webb.

Thursday, April 25

Walking Tour in Hackleman District, FOHA Annual Meeting, 6 p.m. Members of Friends of Historic Albany (FOHA) will be discussing historically significant residents and structures during a one-hour walking tour through part of the Hackleman Historic District. The tour begins at 6 p.m. in front of the former Oregon Electric Railroad Depot (old Ciddici's Pizza), 133 5th Ave. SE, and will end at the Albany Regional Museum, 136 Lyon St. SW. It will be followed by FOHA's annual public meeting at the museum, where attendees can enjoy the museum's exhibits from 7 to 8 p.m.

May 3- 25

Albany Civic Theater, one of the oldest, best-known community theaters in Oregon, is an all-volunteer, nonprofit theater that takes pride in producing a year-round season of top-quality comedies, dramas and musicals chosen to appeal to a wide range of audience tastes, and to provide exciting creative opportunities for local actors, technicians and theater lovers. In May ACT presents "Karlaboy" directed by Jillian Alden. 111 First Avenue West, Albany 541- 928-4603. albanycivic.org.

Historic Albany, Oregon; Our Legacy, Our Future.

Preservation Opportunities Year-round

Tour Historic Districts

Seems Like Old Times, a self-guided walking/driving tour will guide you through three districts on the National Register of Historic Places with over 800 buildings, historic churches and museums. Available online and at the Albany Visitors Association. 541-928-0911, albanyvisitors.com, as well as on the Albany Explorer app., Free.

Albany Regional Museum

Open Tuesday through Saturday: 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. A fun collection of Albany memorabilia, photos and artifacts make the museum a must see. 136 Lyon St. S, Albany. 541-967-7122. armuseum.com. Admission \$5.00, Seniors: \$3.00, free for members, kids under 3 and Veterans.

Albany's Historic Carousel & Museum

Open Wednesday through Sunday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. 503 1st Ave W, Albany. 541-497-2934. albanycarousel.com. Free Admission, ride token \$2

Thompson's Mills State Heritage Site

The Boston/Thompson flouring mill east of Shedd is the oldest water-powered mill in Oregon. Daily tours of the mill are held during regular hours 9a.m.-4p.m. 541- 491-3611. tmpsonline.org and oregonstateparks.org. Free.

Antique & Collectable Shopping

Enjoy shopping antique & collectible shops in Historic Downtown Albany. albanydowntown.com

Covered Bridge Tour

Step back in time as you travel through the covered bridges of Linn County. Pick up a self-guided tour at the Albany Visitors Association or download the Albany Explorer app on your smartphone.

Downtown Movie Night

Enjoy a movie in the restored Pix Theater, Open 7 days a week. Pix Theater. 321 2nd SW, Albany. 541-926-7499. albanypix.com. \$.

Albany Civic Theater

Located in the Historic Regina Frager Auditorium. 111 1st Ave. W., PO Box 82, Albany. 541-928-4603. albanycivic.org. \$

Deluxe Shoe Shine - The Natty Dresser

Step back in time and preserve your shoes with a shine at this old-fashioned haberdashery. The Natty Dresser. 124 Broadalbin St SW, Albany. 541-248-3561. TheNattyDresser.com. \$10.

Albany Fire Station 11

Stop in at the Downtown Albany fire station and get a up-close look at the 1927 American LaFrance fire engine and other items of interest on display in the front lobby. Fire Station #11. 611 Lyon St SE., Albany. cityofalbany.net. Free

Linn County Genealogical Society

An extensive assortment of historical and genealogical holdings is available for members and the general public in the Albany Public Library when volunteers are available to staff the room-call in advance. 2450 14th Ave, Albany. 541-791-1618. lgsoregon.org. Free

The Linn County Historical Museum

Open Tuesday - Saturday 11am - 4pm Housed in a relocated railroad depot and railroad cars at 101 Park Avenue in Brownsville. 541.466.3390 linnparks.com/museums. \$

For information contact the Albany Visitors Association

122 Ferry St. SW, 541-928-0911. albanyvisitors.com. @visitalbany or Facebook. Scan the QR code to download the Albany Explorer app on Google Play or iTunes



Saturday- Sunday May 4 & 5

Carriage Me Back. Return to the Gilded Age as Brownsville presents its annual Carriage Me Back celebration, recounting life as it was in 1894. Take a carriage ride around town while enjoying skits based on history (with a little artistic license) before being dropped off at the Moyer House for more entertainment. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$5 for kids under 12. A full carriage of 20 people is \$225. Reservations are recommended. For information call the Linn County Historical Museum at 541-466-3390.

Tuesday, May 7

1st Avenue History Walking Tour, 6 p.m. The tour will begin at Burkhart Square (next to Albany Civic Theater) 101 1st Ave. SW. The tour is free but there is a suggested \$5 donation per person to benefit the Monteith House Museum. Sponsored by The Natty Dresser

Wednesday, May 8

The Albany Regional Museum presents History Bites, 12:00p.m.- 1:00 p.m. 136 Lyon St. SW. This ongoing series is being offered the second Wednesday of each month at noon. This month's presentation will be, "Historic windows and doors? Oh my!" featuring Chris Gustafson of Vintage Window Restoration. Admission is free. Light refreshments will be served.

2nd Avenue History Walking Tour, 6 p.m. The tour will begin at Burkhart Square (next to the Civic Theater) 101 1st Ave SW. The tour is free but there is a suggested \$5 donation per person to benefit the Monteith House Museum. Sponsored by The Natty Dresser.

Saturday, May 11

Albany Tweed Ride, 10 a.m. Starts at The Natty Dresser, 124 Broadalbin St. SW. Don your finest tweed attire and take a bicycle tour of Albany & National Historic Districts. Arrive by 9:30 to enter the best bike contests. The ride starts at 10. The tour features stops to talk about historic buildings and sights, as well as a word or two about menswear. Bring a bottle if it looks like it is going to be a warm day for a water break along the way. The ride ends at the Albany Vintage Bicycle Show and Swap Meet, hosted by Deluxe Brewery.



"Tweed Riders" by Oliver J Anderson

Food and drink will be available for purchase at the brewery, and riders are welcome to bring a picnic lunch, as the brewery allows outside food.

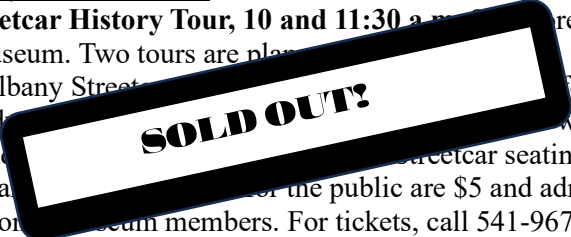
Albany Vintage Bicycle Show & Swap Meet, 1 to 5 p.m. Show is at, and sponsored by, Deluxe Brewing, 635 Water Ave. NE. Admission for spectators is free and \$5 per bicycle if you wish to enter any in the show. For information on how to register your bike or other questions, call 541-928-7699.



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Saturday, May 11th Continued

Albany Streetcar History Tour, 10 and 11:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Albany Regional Museum. Two tours are planned for Saturday. Guests will hop aboard the Albany Streetcar for a narrated tour by Bill Maddox. The tour will feature humorous and interesting facts. Streetcar seating is limited and reservations are required. For the public are \$5 and admission is free to Albany Regional Museum members. For tickets, call 541-967-7122.



Cumberland Church Celebration Open House, 12 to 2 p.m. Marking 132 years of the historic church, which was dedicated May 5, 1892. Enjoy tours, cake and history of this wonderful building, which is being renovated and will be home to the Cumberland Community Events Center.

Monteith House Living History Activity, 12 to 2 p.m. Step into 1850 on the second Saturday of each month at the historic Monteith House Museum, 518 2nd Ave. SW, and take part in activities such as woodworking, pioneer doll making, baking biscuits, making butter, and others. Each time will be something new. Register in advance by calling 541-220-0421.

Downtown Art Walk, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Enjoy the talent of Albany artists as you stroll through historic Downtown Albany. Many will be on hand demonstrating their crafts or selling their works at various locations. .

Tuesday, May 14

1912 SE Young & Son Building Tour, 3 p.m. Meet at The Natty Dresser's Broadalbin Street entrance, 124 Broadalbin St. SW. The tour will include artifacts from previous tenants, and behind the scenes at the Natty Dresser. You will learn about the building's original owner and the architect who made it happen. After the tour you can stick around and explore the Natty Dresser and get a sample of cheesecake from Beloved Cheesecakes which is located inside the building.

Friday, May 17 – Sunday, May 19

Linn County Lamb and Wool Fair.

The oldest fair of its kind in Oregon includes sheep shows, fiber arts, crafts and Northwest Champion Sheep Dog Trials. Scio Fairgrounds, 38764 N Ash St, Scio, OR 97374. Lambfair.com



"Lambing Season" by Cathy Flowers

Wednesday, May 22

History Through Headstones Tour, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Sponsored by Albany Regional Museum in partnership with Riverside Cemetery, the 14th annual History Through Headstones self-guided tour features docents presenting the historical contributions of local medical practitioners. This event is free to attend. Can't make it on May 22? No worries! Signage will remain up at Riverside Cemetery following this event with QR codes. Once you scan the QR code with your smart phone, you will have access to a narration of the lives of this year's subjects. Questions: call the Museum at (541) 967-7122

Thursday, May 30 – Sunday, June 2

115th Annual Lebanon Strawberry Festival. This remarkable festival has something for everyone, from Saturday night fireworks display and the World's Largest Strawberry Shortcake to a parade and entertainment. Cheadle Lake Park, 37919 Weirich Dr, Lebanon, OR 97355. lebanonstrawberryfest.com



"Cathey House" by Oliver J. Anderson

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Friday, May 3~ First Friday

First Friday at the Albany Regional Museum: Preserving your Family Photos, 4:30 to 7p.m. – Attendees are invited to bring 10 family photos to learn how to digitally preserve them during a clinic by Collections & Exhibits Manager, Amy Bozorth. **This clinic is free and so is admission to the museum all day on May 3rd!** Bring a USB and take your pictures home!

Albany Downtown Wine Walk, 4 to 8 p.m. – Enjoy tasting along with the ambiance and atmosphere of beautiful Historic Downtown Albany. Tickets are on sale at the Albany Visitors Association, 122 Ferry St. SW, for \$20 and include a glass and five tasting tickets. *Cash or check only for advance sales.* Tickets will be sold on the day of the event at the Wine Walk Welcome Booth at 1st Ave & Ferry St. The event, which supports the Rotary Club of Albany, includes more than 20 wineries hosted at downtown merchants. 541-928-0911

The Gallery Calapooia First Friday Reception. 6-8 p.m. Gallery Calapooia is located in the historic Flinn Block, an 1887 French Second Empire building on 1st Avenue. The 19th century building has a beautiful cast iron façade and a spacious interior with old brick walls, making it a wonderful setting to view fine art. 222 1st Ave. W Albany. Regular gallery hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 11a.m.-6 p.m. 541-971-5701 Free.



"Gallery Calapooia" by Lonna Capaci

Saturday, May 4:

Guided Birding Tour at Thompson's Mills, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Join experienced birders Bill Freeland and Madelyn Antinucci at Thompson's Mills State Heritage Site, located 2 miles east of Shedd, to learn what is happening in the avian world this spring and how to observe and record your findings. Binoculars are recommended; a few will be available to loan. Wear comfortable waterproof boots and dress to be outside for at least an hour, walking one mile on flat ground. To register, go to stateparks.oregon.gov and click on Events Calendar under the heading Things To Do. Free tours of the mill will be available as well. Meet in the parking lot next to the restrooms. For more information, call 541-227-8873.

This event repeats May 11th and May 18th at the same time and location.



"The Vault" by Bennett Edwards

National Historic Preservation Month
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“People Saving Places”



“Preservation Month was designed to raise awareness about the power historic preservation has to protect and enhance our homes, neighborhoods and communities – the places that really matter to us. It provides an opportunity to celebrate the diverse and unique heritage of our country’s cities and towns and enables all of us to become involved in the growing preservation movement.”

For more information visit preservation.org.

Albany has gained quite a reputation as a must-see destination for people who love historic buildings. The city contains over 800 historic homes, commercial buildings, churches and museums. Thirteen classic architectural styles are represented in Albany, giving it a reputation as having the most varied collection of historic architecture in Oregon. Everything from the simplicity of the early Federal to the eclectic and fanciful Queen-Anne styles grace Albany’s three nationally registered historic districts. Many local events are planned to showcase Albany’s historical attractions, instill community pride, promote heritage tourism and share the social and economic benefits of historic preservation.

A complete 2024 calendar of events is available at



www.albanyvisitors.com

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