

Ventura Harbor Village

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ARTS, CRUISES, CAR SHOWS, & MORE

AUGUST IS AMAZING AT VENTURA HARBOR!

Ventura Harbor Village is the coolest place to be in the August summer sun, open 7 days a week with free parking for sea-side shopping, and dining while overlooking boats, access to the Channel Islands National Park, pristine beaches, and ocean excursions. Events through August include live entertainment, Harbor Cruises, 5K Walks, Yoga Classes, Artists in Action, and Car Shows. Ventura Harbor Village always has something for all ages & interests!

Fun on the Water!

Laugh while learning aboard Ventura Boat Rentals narrated Harbor Cruises. Located at the Just for Dreamers dock in Ventura Harbor Village, the 40 minute narrated boat rides depart hourly, Noon- 5:00 pm. Rent a kayak, pedal-boat, sail boat, or surf bike to explore the Harbor with family and friends! Visit www.VenturaBoatRentals.com for Harbor Cruise and rental rates.

For an evening out, join **Island Packers Special Summer Cruises** and enjoy local musicians performing live while savoring food from Harbor Village restaurants. Themed Dinner Cruises include select dinner, one free beverage, live music and two for one tickets for Ventura Harbor Comedy Club. No host cash beer and wine bar is available for purchase. See the Harbor and the Ventura Keys on Island Packers “Taste of Ventura Harbor Village” while indulging in light appetizers catered by Spinnaker Steak and Seafood Broiler, The Greek at the Harbor, Milano’s Italian Restaurant, and Andres Wine and Tapas Bar. Visit www.IslandPackers.com for scheduled dates, cost, and additional information.

The Great Outdoors!

Try **Gentle Outdoor Yoga**, a 30-minutes class sure to relax the mind and rejuvenate the body, offered Saturdays at 11:00 AM on the Village Main Lawn overlooking the boats in the harbor. Wear comfortable clothing and a mat will be provided if needed no reservations required, \$5 to attend, through Labor Day.

Hit the shores at **Harbor Cove Beach** and enjoy the laid back lifestyle of the Ventura Harbor. **Lifeguard services** are available now through September 5th, Labor Day, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Ample showers and FREE parking are just a few perks of Harbor Cove Beach. Located next to the Harbor Cove Beach is the **Channel Islands National Park Visitor Center** with FREE daily admission from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. With a newly opened tidal pool exhibit located inside the visitor's center and the recently released Channel Islands movie "A Treasure in the Sea" narrated by Kevin Costner, visitors can learn about the National Park, located right off the banks of our coastline!

Enjoy the scenery for a great cause at the American Cancer Society's 2nd annual **Making Strides Against Breast Cancer 5k Walk** in the Ventura Harbor. Beginning at 8:00 am on Saturday, August 13th teams of walkers will complete a 5k course winding through the Ventura Harbor and promenade and take part in activities before and after the walk. For more information about the Ventura County Making Strides event call Monica Ward at (805) 644- 4237 or visit www.makingstrides.acsevents.org/ventura.

Pet Friendly Fun!

Art Night in the Harbor offer patrons a FREE event highlighting local artists throughout the Village, with live music and demonstrations, every third Thursday of the month from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. **Art Night in the Harbor** August 18th has a special focus on pet portraits, and pet photos. Humans and four-legged friends alike enjoy a chance to meet the artists, view art, photo ops, stroll the promenade, shop and enjoy culinary delights on pet friendly patios as the sun sets over the Harbor. For more information, call the Buenaventura Art Association at (805) 644-2750 or (805) 648-1235 or visit www.buenaventuragallery.org.

For more pet pampering, take part in **Doga, Yoga for Dogs**, the last Saturday of every month, at 10:30 am. See this relaxing yoga class go to the dogs August 27, September 24 & October 29. Show your pup some love and zen and learn this unique form of yoga on the Village Main Lawn, cost \$5.

Arts Delight!

The Harbor Village Gallery hosts **Kids' Creations** Sundays through Labor Day Weekend, from Noon – 2:00 pm. Kids' Creations offers FREE crafts & art projects for kids! For more information contact the Harbor Village Gallery at (805)644-2750.

Visit the Ventura Harbor Village for the 3rd annual **Arts in the Park**, presented by the Ventura Chamber of Commerce, on August 20th from 10:00 am – 6:00 pm and August 21st from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm! The festivities include fine arts, live music, arts and crafts, "Chalk Art for Charity" benefiting FOOD Share, and student art contest! Call 805-643-7222 for more information.

For musical creativity, head over to the Village Carousel Stage from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm Sundays through Labor Day Weekend for the **Summer Sounds Concert Series**. Stop in Harbor restaurants for family fun and live reggae, blues or jazz, on summer nights.

Travelers Treats!

Buicks, Oldsmobile, Pontiacs, and GMC Pickups, both vintage and modern, will be on display on the Ventura Harbor Village Main Lawn for car enthusiasts of all ages to enjoy Saturday, August 28th, 10:00 am – 3:30 pm! The **Chiefs Along the Channel Car Show** is presented by The Channel Islands Chapter of the Pontiac-Oakland Club International includes live music, raffle prizes, a 50/50 drawing, and final award ceremony. For more information and registration forms contact Tom Maloney, President, 805-443-9219. FREE parking and admission for spectators.

For easy access to shopping, dining, and family fun at the Village, catch the summer **Ventura Harbor Water Taxi** from Marina Park to the Ventura Harbor Village. Sponsored by the Ventura Port District, Ventura Boat Rentals, and Ventura Boatyard, “Toot-Sea” runs on Saturdays and Sundays 11:00 am to 7:00 pm through Labor Day Weekend. Cost, \$4 adults, \$3 kids (11 & under), one-way. For additional pick up on summer weekdays call (805) 498-6682.

Event details are available at VenturaHarborVillage.com or by calling 805-477-0470, ext. 5. Ventura Harbor Village is located at 1575 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura, CA 93001.

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