

This Weekend in Montague and the Turners Falls Cultural District. February 8-11. Please Share!

February 8-18

Pub General Valentine Pop Up

27 East Main St., Millers Falls 11am-6pm

Fresh flower bouquets by Adria Lowry unique Floral Design of Northfield, Chocolate from Erving Station, Candles, Wine, Cookies from Keene Cookie Company plus Valentine decor and gifts.

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Thursday, February 8

Hot Chocolate Social

Millers Falls Library, Bridge St., 3-4pm

Need a moment to breathe? Could you use some adult conversation? Interested in meeting new people or chatting with your neighbors? Join Abbey at the Millers Falls Library for some hot chocolate and crafts.

Thursday, February 8

Five Villages Fire &Flow

Common Hall, Montague Center, 6:30pm

Friday, February 9

Kidleidoscope Story Hour – Porcupines

Great Falls Discovery Center, 10:30am

For ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult. Learn more about our wildlife neighbors in the Connecticut River Watershed. Program includes a story, activities, and crafts. Activities are indoors and outdoors, weather permitting. Siblings and friends welcome. Meet in the Great Hall. <https://greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org>

Friday, February 9

Nice and Easy Walk

Great Falls Discovery Center, 1pm

For our *Food, Farms, and Factories* Fourth Friday Series the topic is American Shad. An Easy-paced, 1 to 2-mile guided walk, along the Canalside Rail Trail or downtown Turners Falls, geared for seniors, but open to all. Enjoy natural and local history highlights along the way. Dress for winter weather, sturdy footwear, and bring water. Inclement weather cancels. Meet at the Main Entrance.

Friday, February 9

“Love Letters”

Common Hall, Montague Center, 5:30pm

Written by A.R. Gurney in 1988, the play was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. It explores the relationship between Melissa Gardner and Andrew Makepeace Ladd III through their correspondence over nearly 50 years. At times humorous, at times poignant, the play is often presented around Valentine's Day. Starring Montague's own Marina Goldman and John Bechtold! Fundraiser for the Friends of the Montague Public Libraries. \$20 suggested donation. Baked goods, Valentine crafts for sale. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1426928101510116/>

February 9-10

Resilience Rising:

Fundraiser for NELCWIT

Ja Duke, Industrial Blvd., 6pm

Join us for a night of community and live theater! We will make our way through Broadway favorites as we raise money for NELCWIT. This event will feature many special guests from our beautiful community and is underwritten by Greenfield Savings Bank. Ticket \$25/\$15/\$12. Rated: G Running time: 90 minutes (one intermission) Note: Strobe and Special Lighting Effects will be used. <https://www.jaduketheater.com>

Friday, February 9

Danny Hescoock and Holly Mae

Pioneer Valley Brewery, 7pm

Danny and Holly will be here tonight with all your favorite covers! This is an event you won't want to miss!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/313314741106365>

Friday, February 9

Somatic Grief Ritual

Montague Retreat Center, 7pm

Nessa & Omar have hosted 2 events like this in the Hudson Valley and Brooklyn and have experienced the deep healing and release that has emerged from gathering in this way. Live musical support by Jason Cohen. Together they are preparing a safe & brave container to allow the truth of our embodied experiences to come to the surface and be transmuted in a healthy and transformative way. Tickets: \$25Advanced/\$30 Day of. No refunds will be issued. Ritual 7:30-9:30. Free form dance 9:30-10:30pm. Sign Up:

<https://events.humanitix.com/somatic-grief-ritual>

Friday, February 9

Health Lewis (Country)

North Village Smokehouse

32 Federal St., Millers Falls, 7pm

Friday, February 9

The Shea Presents: River of Dreams and American Elton

"Piano Man meets Rocket Man!"

Shea Theater, 8pm, \$30/\$35

ABOUT RIVER OF DREAMS: Band leader, John Cozolino, looks and sounds just like Billy Joel and is a true replica and amazing classically trained pianist earning two honorable mentions on billboard songwriting contests. River Of Dreams brings the most talented group of musicians on the entire East Coast. ABOUT AMERICAN ELTON: American Elton AKA Bill Connors has portrayed The Rocket Man from Hawaii to England, San Francisco to Florida. Featured on America's Got Talent and currently in "The greatest Piano

Men" Show in Vegas, He has also performed "Lucy In The Sky with Diamonds" at the official Liverpool Celebration of Sgt. Pepper's 50th Anniversary. <https://sheatheater.org>

Friday, February 9

Boston Comedy Club

Brick and Feathers, 78 11th St., 8pm

Three comics perform in our Taproom, join the fun! Tickets \$20/\$25. Don't wait! It will probably sell out:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/boston-comedy-club-at-brick-and-feather-brewing-turners-falls-ma-tickets-736868462407>

Friday, February 9

Karaoke with Dirty Johnny

Between the Uprights, 23 Avenue A, 9pm

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Marsala Jazz

The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., 9:30pm

Experience molten psych jazz - kitchen open till 9, bar till 1am. \$5 suggested donation with 100% of the money going to the performers. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1774938542932315>

Saturday, February 10

Valentine's Day Cookie Walk

First Congregational Church

4 North St., Montague Center 10am-1pm

Buy a container and pick out cookies-plus Valentine's Day crafts and flowers.

Saturday, February 10

Where are all the Animals Hiding?

Great Falls Discovery Center, 10:30am

For ages 3-6+ with a parent or guardian. How do animals stay snug and warm for winter? Come investigate hidden winter animal homes through stories, crafts, and activities. Meet in the Great Hall. Weather permitting, we may explore outside. Bundle up! <https://www.facebook.com/events/1449453995635897>

Saturday, February 10

Beer and Cookie Parings

Pioneer Valley Brewery, 5pm

It's that time of year! Girl Scout Cookies! Come check out what beers go best with which cookies.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1180757459559179>

Saturday, February 10

Open Mic

Common Hall, Montague Center, 6:30pm

The evening also will be filled by diverse music performed by Valley musicians. All types of performers are encouraged to participate – musicians, poets, singers, dancers, storytellers. Performers should sign in before 6:15PM. Time slots may be determined at random. Come prepared to perform for 10-20 minutes. Masks encouraged but optional. BYOB food and drink.

Saturday, February 10

Trae Sheehan- Show #6!

Element Brewery, Millers Falls, 7pm

Live, Independent, Original Music. Cover - Suggested donation of \$5-10

Saturday, February 10

Don LaCoy

Pioneer Valley Brewery, 7pm

Great music along with fun times and beer. No Beer. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1575972593177023/>

Saturday, February 10

E1 Presents: Legend

The Ultimate Journey Experience

Shea Theater, 8pm, \$25/\$35

The Ultimate Journey Experience BY LEGEND delivers an uncompromising energetic show based around five talented musicians. Lead vocals performed by Michael Ledesma, singer, song writer, producer, guitarist, and frontman for some of the top tribute bands in America. they are a guaranteed crowd pleaser... have a dynamic performance...absolute entertainment at its best!

Saturday, February 10

ROCKITQUEER- Queer Dance Party

The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., 9:30pm

Bring your bad queer self on down to the Voo for rebirth/reunion/reignition/re-liftoff. LeFox will be behind the decks bringing all of that Queer Love and Magic they are known for. In honor of RockitQueer they will be bringing out the Queer anthems you love along with their signature blend of House and NuDisco. Lez Go!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1325100334875275>

Sunday, February 11

Pancake Breakfast

Montague Elks, Turners Falls, 9am-11am

Come support the TFHS and GFMS Theater trip to London with a delicious breakfast: Pancakes and sausage, coffee and juice. All the money raised will go to these students cost of the trip. Tickets at the door \$10 Adults, \$5 for kids under 10.

Sunday, February 11

Who Do You Love?

Valentines for Wildlife

Great Falls Discovery Center, 10am-5pm

For all ages. Make Valentines to give to the ones you love, keep for yourself, or give to your favorite wildlife biologist—all in honor of your favorite animal. Meet at the Welcome Desk.

Sunday, February 11

Sunday Matinee Documentary Series

Great Falls Discovery Center, 2pm

Part of the Food, Farms and Factories series of events. "Root Hog or Die by Rawn Fulton and Newbold Noyes is a portrait of a living remnant of this once pervasive but rapidly vanishing way of life. Filmed in 1973 in hill towns across Western Massachusetts and Southern Vermont, it follows the cycle of the farming year from spring to winter. In its course we visit with an array of elders, who reflect on farming's deep natural patterns, share their family histories and personal memories, and ponder the inevitable forces of technological and social change they have endured. The bittersweet nature of their challenges is manifest, as is the quiet pride they take in their lives as farmers."-Documentary Educational Resources. Meet Rawn Fulton for a discussion after the film. Snow date: 2/18.

Sunday, February 11

Free to Love Fundraiser-and Francia's bday celebration!

The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., 8pm, \$30

This Valentine's Day themed event welcomes singles and partners for an evening of music, mingling, sweet treats and games - all while raising funds for the empowering work of Free to Run! Tickets include entertainment, activities and light refreshments. Event Highlights:

Flute of champagne per guest! Cupcake dessert! Professional DJ with dancing!

Fun games throughout the evening! Silent raffle with \$1 tickets! Photo booth with props!

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1171698454246133>