This Weekend in Montague and Downtown Turners Falls. March 21-25. Please Share!

Thursday, March 21

Bilingual Music & Movement

Montague Center Library

17 Center Street, Montague Center, 10am-10:45am

Sing and move with Tom & Laurie! Made possible by a grant from the New Salem Academy. Through Mar 28th!

Thursday, March 21

Early Album Release: FLETCHER

Music Connection, 187 Avenue A, 4pm

Come hear the album, get a free poster (while supplies last) and enter to win a FLETCHER TOTE BAG stuffed with a FLETCHER FLAG AND POSTER! Plus you'll be able to take the album home early!

March 21-23

Turners Falls High School Spring Musical

CHICAGO (Teen Edition)

222 Turnpike Road, \$12/\$15

Thurs-Fri-Sat at 7pm, plus 2pm Sunday

Directed by Kimberly Rose. The 1975 American musical tells the story of two showgirls, Roxie Hart and Velma Kelly, who resort to crime to achieve stardom and then recruit the help of a greasy defense attorney to help them literally get away with murder.

Thursday, March 21

Nate Martel

Millers Falls Pub, 25 E Main Street, 7pm

Nate is back with all of your favorite remixes! Come down for Meat Raffles and stick around for the entertainment! https://www.facebook.com/events/412147018164336

Friday, March 22

Shakespeare in the Classroom!

Shea Theater, 9:30am-3:30pm

"Shakespeare in the Classroom!" is a dynamic 5-hour workshop tailored for English and drama teachers, part of the Montague Shakespeare Festival. This Fiona Ross-led session aims to provide teachers with cutting-edge tools and strategies for teaching Shakespeare in a fun and approachable way that goes beyond conventional glossaries. Facilitated by Fiona Ross of the Royal Shakespeare Company. \$500. https://montagueshakespearefestival.com

Friday, March 22

Kidleidoscope Story Hour - Frogs

Great Falls Discovery Center, 10:30-11:30am

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.

Friday, March 22

Nice & Easy Walk

Great Falls Discovery Center, 1-2pm

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. https://greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org

Friday, March 22
Danny and Greg
Pioneer Brewery, 7pm
https://www.facebook.com/events/378148281670682

Friday, March 22
North Bay Dead Alliance
The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., 9:30pm
Featuring Karen Shaw and Friends, for a night of Grateful Dead, Cale, Kimock, and more. https://www.facebook.com/events/382927598003050

Friday, March 22 Karaoke with Dirty Johnny Between the Uprights, 23 Avenue A, 9pm

Saturday, March 23

Making Shakespeare Your Own:

A Personal Approach to the Bard, 1-3pm, \$25

ZOOM Workshop Part of the Montague Shakespeare Festival

Whether you're a seasoned Shakespeare enthusiast or new to his works, this workshop is designed to demystify the Bard's language, helping you discover how to make his words sound as natural and relevant today as they were centuries ago. Nia Lynn, with her extensive background in voice coaching and Shakespearean performance, will guide you through techniques to lift Shakespeare's words off the page and bring them to life in a way that is uniquely yours. https://montagueshakespearefestival.com

Saturday, March 23

Artist Reception: Design My Library Work by Sheffield Third Graders Great Falls Discovery Center, 1-3PM

For all ages. In an effort to include young people in the conversation regarding the Building Project to either expand the Carnegie Library or build a new library on a different site, local elementary students from the Gill-Montague Regional School District were asked to consider what a new (or renovated) library would look like. The assignment was led by art teacher Jocelyn Castro-Santos, in collaboration with Youth Services Librarian Angela Rovatti-Leonard, from the Montague Public Libraries. The Great Falls Discovery Center is kindly displaying the students' artwork in their hallway gallery.

Saturday, March 23 MELT (4th Saturdays)

Montague Retreat Center, 177 Ripley Road

Live Music, Ecstatic Dance, Cacao Ceremony, Yoga, Sound Healing, Live Painting. For our March offering we welcome Voxmana w/ Natalia Clavier from Thievery Corporation & Andrei Matorin. "After connecting in New York City's underground music scene, Natalia Clavier and Andrei Matorin joined forces to birth VOXMANA. Together, they produce what they like to call "Intentional Dance Music" or IDM, electronic dance music that creates a context for healing. Fusing their multi-cultural backgrounds Clavier and Matorin mix everything from electronic,

world music, jazz and blues to Argentine folklore and Brazilian MPB in a unique cocktail, brewing sonic medicine for all types of audiences. Their music is a call to celebrate life on the dance floor and awaken through deep embodied journeys with infectious grooves." SCHEDULE: Doors at 6pm. 6:30PM Biodanza. Closed container from 6:30-8pm. 8:30pm: Cacao Ceremony. 9pm: Voxmana. 10:45pm: James Bird 10:45pm. \$30. MORE INFO+TIX: https://heartbeatcollective.org

Saturday, March 23

All COOPED Up! Music Concert

great Falls Discovery Center, 7-9pm

The Franklin County Musicians Cooperative (COOP) features solo artists, established duos, and small group performers who perform an unpredictable mix of folk, rock, country, Celtic, jazz and swing. For all ages. With Performance by Small Change, Michael Nix, Pat & Tex LaMountain, Joe Graveline, Russ Thomas, R & D, Orlen, Gabriel, & Avery, Steph Marshall, Charlie Conant, Sheryl Stanton, Jim Eagan, and Austin & Elliott Suggested donations of \$6-\$15. Children are free. Meet in the Great Hall. https://coopconcerts.org

Saturday, March 23

Lil Big with Jen Tobey on Drums

Pioneer Valley Brewery, 7pm

BJ Korona is back with his band Lil Big featuring Jen Tobey on Drums! You don't want to miss this fun band and to have Jen back in her hometown!

Saturday, March 23

The Shea Theater Presents: The Best of the 70s A Celebration of the Greatest Music of All Time! Shea Theater Arts Center, 7pm. SOLD OUT!

Saturday, March 23

Myk Freedman and Jesse Olsen Bay PLUS

Myrtle Street Klezmer

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

Myk (guitar) and Jesse (drums) play Crooked Standards: Exploring the American jazz songbook through the lense of The modern American experience. Get ready to experience All the Things You Are including mass carnage and bright moments in the most unexpected places while The Autumn Leaves might happen a few months late. http://mykfreedman.com/. Followed by at 10:30pm MYRTLE STREET KLEZMER: One of the Valley's favorite party/dance bands. https://www.klezmer.com/myrtle-street-klezmer This show will feature a suggested donation of \$10, with 100% of the money going to the performers.

Sunday, March 24

Knitted Stuffed Animal Workshop

The Stash House, 320 Avenue A, 2-4pm

This beginner friendly knitting project will have you making adorable plush animals in no time! This workshop will cover... how to cast on, how to knit in garter stitch, how to cast off, how to transform a knitted square into an animal (rabbits, chicks or sheep, just in time for spring!) All materials included, and you'll leave with a pair of knitting needles and some yarn to keep working at home! \$40, 2 hours, limited to 6 people. https://www.swansonsfabrics.com/sign-up

Sunday, March 24

Food, Farms, and Factories Documentary: The Montague Mill Bookmill, 440 Greenfield Rd., Montague Center, 6-7pm

An oral history time capsule from 1991 of the Martin Machine Company, once in operation in the location now known as the Montague Bookmill. Restored from VHS by the Montague Historical Society. For teens and adults. Supported by the Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center, RiverCulture, the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association, the Department of Conservation and Recreation, and Montague Public Libraries. Sponsored by Mass Humanities, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and the National Endowment for the Humanities. https://greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org

Monday, March 25
Shea's Lounge Variety Open Mic, hosted by Woody
Shea Theater Lobby, All kinds of acts welcome! Doors and signups: 6:30pm Acts at 7pm. This series is brought to you by Greenfield Savings Bank!