

Fourth of July Weekend! July 3-6 in Montague and Downtown Turners Falls! To get this information in your inbox, sign up for the RiverCulture newsletter:

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EXHIBITION: [Photography by Scott Strong Hawk Foster](#)

Great Falls Discovery Center

Scott Strong Hawk Foster is a Native American photographer whose proud roots include Hassanamisco Nipmuc, Mohegan, and Cherokee lineage. His exhibit captures travels throughout the ancestral homelands of the Native American Peoples of New England Reception Saturday, July 19.

Wednesday, July 2

Half Shaved Jazz

The Rendezvous, 8:30pm

Thursday, July 3

Nice and Easy Walk

Great Falls Discovery Center, 10am

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 along the way. Dress for the weather with sturdy footwear and bring water. Inclement weather cancels. Meet at the main entrance.

Thursday, July 3

Bonfire

Montague Ball Field, 6pm

Sponsored by Montague Center Fire Association. Food by donation. Live music by Michelle May and Heath Lewis. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1312381714227331>

Thursday, July 3

[Movie in the Park: Song of the Sea](#)

Pesekeomskut Park, FREE!

7:15pm Irish Fiddle by Kenny Butler. 7:45pm: Song of the Sea. Animated Fantasy (2014)

SYNOPSIS: Song of the Sea follows the story of a 10-year-old Irish boy named Ben who discovers that his mute sister Saoirse, whom he blames for the apparent death of his mother, is a selkie who has to free faerie creatures from the Celtic goddess Macha. Like other Saloon films, the film was hand-drawn. Hot dogs and drinks by donation in support of the Turners Falls Thunder music booster. Sponsored by Montague Parks and Rec and

RiverCulture.

Friday, July 4

TSNA Drop-In

2 Montague Ave, Lake Pleasant. 9am-1pm

Looking for a peaceful place to connect, reflect, or enjoy good company? Join us for Drop-In Fridays at The National Spiritual Alliance, across from the Lake Pleasant Post Office.

Friday, July 4

Great Falls Discovery Center is OPEN

Eagle Day! All ages. Enjoy Independence Day by celebrating the eagle, our national bird. Join us at our eagle investigation station outside the center on our grounds. We'll have artifacts and crafts as we imagine the freedom of flight. In case of rain, join us inside the center.

Friday, July 4

Drew Paton

The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., 6:30pm

Saturday, July 5

Great Falls Farmers Market

Peskeompskut Park, 9am-1pm

Fresh produce, flowers, handmade stuff.

Saturday, July 5

Used Book Sale

Carnegie Library, 10am-1pm

Hardcover, paperback, children's books, DVD's and puzzles.

Saturday, July 5

[David Brule and His Irish Band](#)

Element Brewery, 3-6pm

Saturday, July 5

[Saturday Evening Service: Contemplative Music and Words](#)

2 Montague Ave, Lake Pleasant

5-7pm. National Spiritual Alliance. Presented by Beverly Ketch, this special installment of our Saturday Evening Series features a beautifully curated lineup: Bobbie, Tony

Pasquarosa, and Sella Kola — three artists exploring the edges of contemplative music, resonance, and ritual. This gathering is part of an ongoing series that offers space for listening, reflection, and gentle connection through music and word. Whether you're drawn to devotional sound, ambient textures, or simply quiet togetherness, this evening welcomes you just as you are.

**Saturday, July 5**

[Rocco Desgres/Teen Driver](#)/Nilsa No One

The Rendezvous, 78 Third St., 9pm

ROCCO DESGRES: Analog synthesizers return to Massachusetts for the album release show! Grab a copy of the new album a month before it comes out! TEEN DRIVER: Western mass punk/post-punk. Latest EP, NO AC! out as tapes/digital on Bandcamp, NILSA NO ONE (Austin) Pop music for people who hate pop music.

**Sunday, July 6**

[rice- An American Band](#)

Peskeompskut Park, 7-9pm

The sound they create? True American Rock and Roll. rice - an American Band was born in the summer of 2014 as a few friends got together to jam and liked the results. Pretty quickly the band was gigging out- and the rice was cooking! The current lineup is anchored by Christopher Ellis on the drums and Mike Wood on bass and vocals, Brian DiMartino on guitar, and Phil Simon is on guitar and vocals and special guests appear on occasion to join the band. The lineup is fluid and ever developing with the band concentrating on original material while adding in some distinctive covers. Free! ponsored by RiverCulture.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1702836227263777>

**Monday, July 7**

Montague Community Band

Peskeompskut Park, 7pm

Great music played by your friends and neighbors, in beautiful Turners Falls. "Let's Dance"

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Wednesday July 9**

[Troy Ramey at the Shea Theater, 7:30pm](#)

Folk/Americana/heartland country artist, performs with his band in an intimate, storyteller-style show, weaving each original song with the story behind it.

Sunday, July 19

[Do it Now](#)

Peskeompskut Park, 2pm

John Isaac Sheldon, Tony Vacca, and Paul Richmond provide a powerful fusion of music, words and percussion in this enthralling show which is part hippy-trip, political commentary and part sensory journey. Equal parts magic carpet ride, mesmerizing sound-web and outspoken words. What these guys do just might be the perfect industrial-strength elixir for our times. Bring a lawn chair and a picnic.

Sunday, July 17

[Judy Collins at the Shea Theater](#)

\*Almost Sold Out\*

Thursday, July 19

[Wet Tuna + Vimana at Peskeompskut Park](#)

6:30pm. Vermont free-folk journeyman Matt Valentine joins Montague- based “Heavy Jazz” trio Vimana for a free psychedelic show. Bring a picnic and enter into the fuzz. Sponsored by RiverCulture.

Saturday, July 19

[Ladysmith Black Mambazo at the Shea](#)

In the mid-1980s, American singer/songwriter Paul Simon famously visited South Africa and incorporated the group's rich harmonies into his renowned Graceland album – a landmark recording considered seminal in introducing World Music to mainstream audiences. A worldwide phenomenon, Ladysmith Black Mambazo has won more GRAMMY Awards (five), and received more GRAMMY Award nominations (nineteen), than any World Music group in the history of recorded music.