

# MAY 2024

## San Luis Obispo Calendar of Events

### **Bike to the Future SLO County** May 1-30

May is Bike Month across San Luis Obispo County! Let's Bike to the Future in 2024! Whether you bike for fun, fitness, or transportation, Bike Month is an invitation to connect with your community at events organized by local businesses, organizations, and people like YOU! Plus, you can log your trips at [iRideshare.org](https://www.rideshare.org) to earn a free t-shirt and get entered to win weekly prizes.

See website for schedule of events.

805-597-8054 / [www.rideshare.org/program/bike-month](https://www.rideshare.org/program/bike-month)

### **SLO International Film Festival Encore Week** May 1-5

We are bringing the magic of the SLO Film Festival to North County for an exclusive week of screenings!

Park Cinemas, Downtown Paso Robles

805-546-3456 / [www.slofilmfest.org](https://www.slofilmfest.org)

### **Cruisin' Morro Bay Car Show** May 2-4

Starting Thursday evening, rare cars will begin arriving in Morro Bay for registration. On Friday, secure a spot on Main Street for Cruise Night at 6pm as classic and other rare cars cruise past. Continue the "Show & Shine" on Saturday between 9am and 4pm and talk with the car owners.

Morro Bay Blvd & Main St

805-235-8708 / [www.morrobaycarshow.org](https://www.morrobaycarshow.org)

### **Shabang – Music, Arts & Camping Festival** May 3-4

Spotlighting local breakout talent, artisan vendors, and artists of all kinds, Shabang is an unforgettable weekend rendezvous to Central Coast paradise. Shabang unites and amplifies the Central Coast community through an immersive music festival experience. We celebrate the talents of artists and musicians as well as foster a community built on inclusion and creativity.

Dairy Creek Golf Course, SLO [www.shabangslo.com](https://www.shabangslo.com)

### **Atascadero Tamale Festival** May 3-4

Start this year's Tamale Festival with a fun "Fiesta Friday" where you can enjoy early tamale shopping, live music, fireworks & "Sip & Shop". On Saturday, get ready for everything you've come to expect from this annual event favorite: a variety of delicious traditional, gourmet and sweet tamales from local restaurants, margaritas, merchandise vendors, live music, "best" tamale, tamale eating and pet costume contests, photo opportunities, and more!

Fri 5:30-8pm, Sat 11am-7pm / Downtown Atascadero

805-470-3490 / [www.atascaderotamalefest.com](https://www.atascaderotamalefest.com)

### **Cambria Bee, Butterfly & Bat Faire** May 5

To help bring attention to the plight of bees and other pollinators, Beautify Cambria has hosted an annual Bee Faire (now the Bee & Butterfly Faire) with support from the Cambria Historical Society. This is a free event with a silent auction. Bee-related products are available for purchase, speakers inform on topics including backyard beekeeping, gardening for pollinators, humane hive removal and more, a spectacular photo exhibit reveals the beauty of bees and butterflies in stunning detail, and there are plenty of kid-friendly activities.

12-4pm / Cambria Historical Museum

805-927-1934 / [www.beautifycambria.org](https://www.beautifycambria.org)

### **Sip 'n' Saunter Downtown SLO** May 5

Explore downtown San Luis Obispo's diverse lineup of retailers while tasting some of the finest food and beverages the Central Coast has to offer. Local wineries, beverage providers, restaurants, and caterers from around SLO County will serve tastings and small bites at downtown retail locations.

1-4pm / Higuera Street

805-541-0286 / [www.downtownslo.com](https://www.downtownslo.com)

### **Art in the Park at Dinosaur Caves** May 5

Featuring over 50 artisan vendors, food booths, music and amazing views right on the cliffs in Pismo Beach. Bring the whole family. You'll find local photography, wood art, ceramics, glass art, paintings, jewelry, handmade clothing, local authors, handcrafted bath and beauty products, and so much more! Support our local vendors and bring a piece of the Central Coast back home.

10am-4pm / Shell Beach, Pismo Beach

[www.artintheparkshellbeach.com](https://www.artintheparkshellbeach.com)

### **Spring Garden Tour** May 5

The tour will feature a selection of residential and commercial gardens, carefully chosen to showcase the best of Grover Beach's flora and fauna. The Spring Garden Tour is a self-guided tour, and admission is free for all. Once the gardens are selected, a map will be made available on the City of Grover Beach website after Friday, April 19th.

1-3pm / Grover Beach

805-473-4550 / [www.grover.org](https://www.grover.org)

### **Mother Son Dance** May 10

This year's Luau-themed event promises to be a night to remember. The night will include drinks, a catered dinner by a local business, a DJ to get you dancing, and even a photobooth to capture those special moments.



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Space is limited to 50 couples, so make sure to register early.  
5-7pm / Grover Beach Community Center  
805-473-4550 / [www.grover.org](http://www.grover.org)

### **San Luis Obispo Out of the Darkness Walk** May 11

This gathering will support the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's education, research, and survivor support programs. In addition to raising awareness and funds to fight suicide, the walks give those who attend a chance to connect with others and know they are not alone, whether they walk in memory or in support of a loved one or in honor of their own mental health journey.

10am-12:30pm / Cal Poly: University Union Plaza  
805-756-6142 / <https://supporting.afsp.org>

### **Warbirds Wings & Wheels Car Show** May 11

Car show with show cars parked in and around warbird airplanes and down taxiway. Average 250 to 300 cars. Craft vendors, food vendors, Firestone Walker Beer, Eberle Wine, bounce houses and face painter for kids, raffle prizes, 50/50 drawing. Great family fun day. All museum buildings and displays open to all.

10am-4pm / Estrella Warbirds Museum, Paso Robles  
805-238-9317 / [www.ewarbirds.org](http://www.ewarbirds.org)

### **Mother's Day Concert** May 11

Featuring the Damon Castillo Band. This concert will kick off the 2024 Pacific Breeze Concerts in the Park Series.

1-4pm / Dinosaur Caves Park, Pismo Beach  
805-773-7063 / [www.pismobeach.org](http://www.pismobeach.org)

### **Paso Robles Olive and Lavender Festival** May 11

Experience a delightful blend of Paso Robles' finest olive and lavender offerings as you meet local farmers and discover their diverse range of olive oils along with local & regional lavender farmers bringing all your favorite farm fresh lavender products. The local olive community is offering tastings and demonstrations. For an additional fee, enjoy sips and delights from local crafters of wine, beer and spirits.

10am-5pm / Downtown City Park  
805-238-4103 / [www.pasoroblesdowntown.org](http://www.pasoroblesdowntown.org)

### **Comix Fair** May 11

Local comic book artists, a vendor showcase, photo booth, board games and more - all inside the library! Our mini-comics convention is free and family friendly. Wear your favorite costume!

9am-1pm / San Luis Obispo Library  
<https://sanluisobispo.librarycalendar.com>

### **Celebrate Moms at the Zoo** May 12

Enjoy Mother's Day surprises and an opportunity to explore the Zoo and its unique inhabitants!

10am-2pm / Charles Paddock Zoo  
805-461-5080 / [www.charlespaddockzoo.org](http://www.charlespaddockzoo.org)

### **Mother's Day Tea** May 12

This Charming family friendly tea date is sure to please that special someone in your life on Mother's Day! A wide selection of tea, lemonade, tea sandwiches, scones, and desserts will be served. Charming crafts and other activities will keep your party entertained throughout the day.

1:30-4:30pm / Heritage House Museum Garden, Arroyo Grande  
805-489-8282 / [www.arroyogrande.org](http://www.arroyogrande.org)

### **2024 Expo @ The Expo** May 15

The annual EXPO at the Expo brings together more than 100 local exhibitors and puts them in front of 2,000 attendees in what has become the largest business tradeshow on the Central Coast. Not only is this an opportunity to gain exposure to the general public, but also to connect with other local businesses, find services that you may need and inform others how you can support their business.

4-7pm / Alex Madonna Expo Center  
805-786-2670 / <https://slochamber.org>

### **Paso Wine Fest** May 16-19

Experience 100+ wineries, live entertainment, artisans, winemakers, distilled spirits, VIP exclusives, and elevated brand experiences at the Saturday, May 18 Grand Tasting. Continue your Paso Wine experience at 100+ individual winery events throughout the weekend.

[www.pasowine.com/winefest](http://www.pasowine.com/winefest)

### **Makers at the Market - Spring Fest** May 18

25+ amazing Makers and Mini Makers, Live music, Workshops, Food and drink specials, Fun for the whole family!

11am-4pm / SLO Public Market  
805-215-3892 / [www.slopublicmarket.com](http://www.slopublicmarket.com)

### **Armed Forces Day at the Zoo** May 18

All Active Duty Armed Forces men, women and their immediate families (spouses and children) receive free admission to the Zoo. Bring your valid military ID to enjoy a visit to the only Zoo on the Central Coast.

10am-5pm / Charles Paddock Zoo  
805-461-5080 / [www.charlespaddockzoo.org](http://www.charlespaddockzoo.org)

### **World Turtle Day** May 23

Learn more about turtles and the unique roles they play in their ecosystems.

10am-5pm / Charles Paddock Zoo  
805-461-5080 / [www.charlespaddockzoo.org](http://www.charlespaddockzoo.org)

### **Heritage Day** May 25

Enjoy live music by Bob Benjamin, savor local food and drinks, explore family activities like rope making and butter churning, shop from local small businesses, and discover the mining exhibit at the Cambria Historical Museum. Admission to this event is free.

11am-4pm / Cambria Historical Museum  
805-927-2891 / [www.cambriahistoricalsociety.com](http://www.cambriahistoricalsociety.com)

### **Art In The Park** May 25-27

Every year Morro Bay Art Association holds Art in the Park Festivals on Memorial Day, July 4, and Labor Day weekends as their annual fundraisers. The proceeds help fund children's art classes, provide scholarships and other programs throughout the year.

10am-5pm / Morro Bay Park  
[www.morrobayartinthepark.com](http://www.morrobayartinthepark.com)

### **Portuguese Holy Spirit Festa** May 26

This year's event includes a procession from Reis Family Mortuary to the Mission for the 9am mass.

8-11am / Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa  
805-781-8220 / [www.missionsanluisobispo.org](http://www.missionsanluisobispo.org)

### **Atascadero Memorial Day Ceremony** May 27

The Atascadero Veterans Memorial Foundation is hosting the annual Memorial Day Ceremony.

11am-12pm / Faces of Freedom Memorial  
805-466-2044 / [www.visitatascadero.com](http://www.visitatascadero.com)

### **Pismo Beach Classic Car Show** May 31

Live music, vendors, a charity cruise, award ceremony and of course classic cars through downtown, the Pismo Pier and Plaza. The show happens the first weekend in June, is open to all makes and models of cars, and is free to the public. Judging for this event is peer-judging based on attention to detail, interior, engine compartment, undercarriage, etc. We also award a special "Gold Class" limited to the top ten best of the best. These are hand-picked and held to a higher standard.

9am-9pm / Pismo Beach  
[www.theclassicatpismo.com](http://www.theclassicatpismo.com)