



Top 10 August Events

- 1. Community Concert Series, Wednesday nights through August 29, Rochester Hotel Secret Garden, 5pm.** A locals' favorite! There's no better place to be on a Wednesday evening than the Secret Garden listening to great music. The \$10 cover benefits La Plata County non-profit organizations. The concert series continues each Wednesday through the summer and is supported by a grant from the Community Foundation. View the full schedule here: <http://www.swcommunityfoundation.org>.
- 2. Muck & Mire Mud Adventure Race, August 4 at Purgatory Resort, starting at 9am.** A fun event for the whole family. Get muddy and conquer the more than 20 obstacles on this adventure race. It's a day to remember. Information and to register: <https://runsignup.com/Race/CO/Durango/muckandmire>.
- 3. Durango says, 'Thank You!' party, August 5 at the Powerhouse Science Center, 5-8pm.** The Powerhouse has offered its facility to host this community party to honor and thank the people who put in countless hours to protect our homes during the 416 Fire. Free BBQ, drinks, music, and outdoor games, sponsored by Durango Land and Homes and the Bank of the San Juans. For more information: <https://powsci.org/blog/2018/07/26/durango-says-thank-you/>
- 4. La Plata County Fair, August 8-12 at the La Plata County Fairgrounds.** An annual tradition for the entire family. The Fair features live animals, exhibits, pies, quilts, and more. Fairgoers should check out the prized livestock raised by our local 4-H youth. No fair would be complete without traditional carnival rides and decadent carnival food. A local favorite event not to be missed is the Demolition Derby. Tickets for this sell out quickly, so get yours in advance or pick up one the morning of the event. There is so much to do at the fair, you just might want to visit more than once! For a full schedule click here: http://co.laplata.co.us/government/departments/fairgrounds/county_fair/
- 5. Friday at the Fair with Sundance Head, August 10 at the La Plata County Fairgrounds, 6:30pm.** Come out for live music at the Fair! This year's concert features Sundance Hill, a winner of the television show "The Voice." Local country group The Cannondolls opens the show. Gates open at 6:30pm. Tickets: \$20 for general admission and \$35 for reserved seating, available for advance purchase at the Durango Welcome Center at 802 Main Ave. and online at www.durangoconcerts.com More information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/232805000638429/>

6. **KSUT's 25th Annual Members' Party & Silent Auction, August 10 at Ska Brewing, 5:30pm.** Support your local Public Radio Station! Bid on hundreds of auction items including outdoor gear, ski packages, concert & festival packages, artwork, clothing and much more. Tickets: \$25, which includes food and beer from Ska. This is a 21-and-older event. Information and tickets: <http://www.ksut.org/>
7. **Asleep at the Wheel, August 12 at the Community Concert Hall at FLC, 7:30pm.** A popular favorite returns to Durango with hot Western Swing. Core members currently touring are founder Ray Benson (lead guitar, vocals), David Sanger (drums), and Eddie Rivers (steel guitar, sax), joined by Jay Reynolds (sax, clarinet), Katie Shore (fiddle, vocals), Dennis Ludiker (fiddle, mandolin), Connor Forsyth (keyboard, vocals) and Josh Hogg (bass). Local bluegrass band Stillhouse Junkies open the show. The Dance floor will be open. Click here to purchase tickets: <https://durangoconcerts.tix.com/Event.aspx?EventCode=1078357>
8. **Meltdown on the Mesa, August 18, Durango Mesa Park, starting at 1pm.** Enjoy the sounds of bluegrass up on Ewing Mesa. This event features seven local bluegrass bands and benefits the Durango Bluegrass Meltdown. Gates open at noon and music begins at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$25 and include parking and camping. Kids 12 and younger are free! Tickets available in advance at Animas Trading Company and online. More information at: <http://www.durangomeltdown.com/meltdown-on-the-mesa/>
9. **San Juan Brewfest, August 25, Buckley Park, starting at 1pm.** The Brewfest is the premier beer tasting event in the Four Corners with more than 50 breweries offering up their craft beers. It is a beer lover's paradise. The Brewfest also features two great bands, The Yawpers and Strange Americans. Food will be available for purchase during the event. Tickets for this event traditionally sell out, so get your ticket in advance. Information and tickets here: <http://sanjuanbrewfest.com/>
10. **Shop Local Red Balloon Event, August 31-September 3, Downtown Durango.** Come Downtown for a full weekend of shopping, activities and events. More than 30 businesses are scheduled to participate. Shop, dine and enjoy Labor Day weekend in Downtown Durango. Full details available at www.downtowndurango.org/shoplocal

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