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### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **ARGO MILL AND TUNNEL TOURS**

The Argo Mine Tour offers an educational and hands-on experience perfect for children and families. Kids can learn about Colorado's rich gold mining history, explore historic buildings and tunnels, and even try gold panning themselves. The tour is interactive and paced to keep young attention spans engaged, making history fun and tangible.

# **Highlights for Families:**

- Guided underground mine tunnel tour
- Gold and gem panning activities
- Engaging historical exhibits

http://argomilltour.com





#### **GEORGETOWN LOOP RAILROAD**

This scenic narrow-gauge railroad offers an exciting, kid-friendly ride through the Rocky Mountains. The historic steam or diesel train winds through forests and over high trestles, offering stunning views and a fun, relaxing pace. Special themed rides (like Pumpkin Fest or Santa's North Pole Adventure) are especially popular with families.

# **Highlights for Families:**

- Scenic train ride through mountainous terrain
- Optional mine tour combo packages
- · Themed rides throughout the year

http://georgetownlooprr.com

### **ACTIVITIES**

### **COLORADO RAFTING-AVA**

# Clear Creek Gold Rush Rafting - AVA Rafting

The Gold Rush rafting trip is a fantastic introduction to whitewater rafting for families. This 1/3-day adventure features Class III rapids, providing excitement without overwhelming younger participants. As you navigate the river, you'll pass by the historic Argo Mine and Tunnel, adding an educational element to the experience. Wildlife enthusiasts may also spot bighorn sheep, otters, and eagles along the way.

# **Trip Highlights:**

- Duration: Approximately 2.5 hours
- Class III rapids suitable for beginners
- Minimum age: 6 years
- All necessary gear provided: life jackets, wetsuits, splash jackets



<sup>\*</sup>Image may not be accuarate to your experience

**CAMPS & PROGRAMS** 

#### **CLEAR CREEK COUNTY LIBRARY**

With locations in Idaho Springs and Georgetown, Clear Creek County Library has a variety of free summer programs.

- Color Our World Summer Reading Program
- Storytime- The library district offers various storytime sessions and creative workshops throughout the summer
- Mountain Jams-Families can enjoy live music at the Mountain Jams Summer Concert Series, held on Saturday afternoons at Library Park Stage in downtown Georgetown.
- Idaho Springs Teen Summer Reading Program



For more information: <a href="http://ccld.org">http://ccld.org</a>



#### **CLEAR CREEK METRO REC CENTER**

Offers a variety of events, activities, classes, and camps for children and youth. The price ranges based on the activity, scholarship opportunities are available on their website.

- Adventure Camp June 2- Aug 1
- Kids Night Out- 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month \$25/child
- Teen Drop-In Basketball
- Swimming
- Magic the Gathering Fridays \$15/day
- Youth Dollar Days June 1- August 8
   Monday thru Friday. 10am-5pm. \$1 Admission

For more information: <a href="http://clearcreekrecreation.com">http://clearcreekrecreation.com</a>

**CAMPS & PROGRAMS** 



# THE ROCK HOUSE- SUMMER PROGRAMS

When school's out, the Rock House opens its doors for Summer Fun Wednesdays—a safe, welcoming place for Clear Creek County students in 6th–12th grade to hang out, share dinner, and enjoy an evening of fun.

# Every Wednesday from 5:00-7:00 PM

- Outdoor sports like volleyball and basketball
- Water games
- · S'mores by the bonfire
- Air hockey
- Foosball
- Pool
- Board games

For more information visit: <a href="https://www.clearcreekrockhouse.org">https://www.clearcreekrockhouse.org</a>

# FOOTHILLS VOLLEYBALL SKILLS CAMP- CLEAR CREEK HIGHSCHOOL

When: August 4th-7th, 2025

#### Times:

- 9:30am-Noon for kids entering 4th- 6th grades
- 1pm-4:30pm for those entering 7th-9th grades

Cost: 4th-6th graders- \$80 7th-9th graders- \$100 (Cost includes a camp T-shirt)

**Where:** CCHS gym, 185 Beaver Brook Canyon Road, Evergreen

**What:** Volleyball skills camp. CCHS coaches, as well as the high school team will be teaching and coaching all sessions. Please bring a water bottle, wear athletic clothing, knee pads and court shoes.



https://gofan.co/event/3592420? schoolld=C016296

### **EVENTS**

# **4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATIONS**

#### Georgetown-

- Old Fashioned Parade in the morning,
- In the afternoon enjoy a BBQ benefitting Georgetown Community Center in City Park.
- **Silver Plume** Ice Cream Social 2pm-4pm in Dinger Park benefitting People of Silver Plume.
- Idaho Springs- 1pm-9pm Enjoy Miner Street Market, Live Music & Lawn Games at Citizen's Park, end the night with Fireworks above the Charlie Tayler Water Wheel.





# Idaho Springs

- 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration July 4-5th
- ELKS Mining Days Event July 12-13
- 1400 Block Party on Miner July 16-All Day
- Sunday Music on Miner-Every Sunday
- Fall Harvest Festival- September 27
- Pancake Breakfast at the Alice Schoolhouse
   September 1 8am -11am

#### Georgetown

Plein Air Art Exhibit- July 25 & 26
 All events are open to the public:

For more infomation on these and other events in Clear Creek visit: <a href="https://visitclearcreek.com/events/">https://visitclearcreek.com/events/</a>



#### OUTDOOR



#### **TRAILS & HIKES**

# Clear Creek Greenway

Mostly paved trail that follows the path of Clear Creek through historic towns like Idaho Springs. The trail offers easy access to picnic spots, fishing areas, and beautiful mountain views,

#### Silverdale Trail on Guanella Pass

Just off Guanella Pass, the Silverdale Trail features gentle loops and short climbs, with chances to spot wildlife and splash in small streams.

### Peaks to Plains Trail

Stretching through Clear Creek Canyon, the Peaks to Plains Trail is a well maintained multi-use path ideal for walking, biking, or a stroller-friendly adventure.

#### **PARKS**

# Idaho Springs-

- Courtney Ryley Cooper- Alongside Clear Creek in Idaho Springs. Enjoy a picnic at the pavilion in the center of the park, or enjoy the playground. Restroom facilities are available.
- Virginia Canyon Mountain Park-The Trek Trails at VCMP include, approximately 12 miles of trails, including walking-only trails and downhill only mountain bike trails. VCMP is open 1 hour before sunrise to 1 hour after sunset.

#### Silver Plume-

 Dinger Park is equipped with a playground for children and a covered picnic pavilion with tables. Memorial Day through Labor Day Weekends the restrooms at Dinger Park, 310 Main Street, Silver Plume, CO 80476 are clean and are open daily from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

#### Georgetown-

- Foster's Place Playground located in City Park including wooden play structure built to resemble an old mining town.
- Georgetown Lake includes a 2-mile trail around the lake, benches, and wildlife viewing areas.

### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **VAIL STABLES**

Get ready for big fun at Vail Stables, where kids, parents, and even grandparents can enjoy the magic of the mountains—on horseback!

- Pony Rides & Gentle Trails
- Horse Camps for Kids & Teens
- Family Trail Rides
- Special Activities Just for Kids
  - Pony painting
  - Mini riding lessons
  - Scavenger hunts
- · Happy G.O.A.T Hours





# GLENWOOD CAVERNS ADVENTURE PARK

Looking for a fun-filled family day? Glenwood Caverns Adventure Park is the mountain-top playground that's perfect for kids, teens, and parents alike!

- Scenic Gondola Ride
- Cave Tours
- Little Feet Playland
- Gemstone panning
- Rollercoasters

# **ACTIVITIES**

### **EPIC DISCOVERY AT ADVENTURE RIDGE**

Epic Discovery at Adventure Ridge atop Vail Mountain is your go-to summer adventure for kids, teens, and parents!

- Forest Flyer Mountain Coaster
- Eagle's Nest Tubing Hill & Marmot Mini Tubing
- Little Eagle Kids Zipline
- Bungee Trampoline
- Paramount Peak Climbing Wall
- Gore Creek Mini Golf

For more Information: www.vail.com/explore-the-resort/activities-and-events/epic-discovery



### **CAMPS & PROGRAMS**

### **MOUNTAIN REC KIDS DAY CAMP**

Mountain Rec's state-licensed day camp offers full- and half-day options for kids ages 5–12,

Dates: June 9-August 15 at Edwards, Eagle, and Gypsum locations.

# **Campers Activities:**

- Arts & Crafts,
- Active Games,
- Sports,
- and More.



For more Information visit: <a href="mailto:mountainrec.org/program/rec-kids-day-camps/">mountainrec.org/program/rec-kids-day-camps/</a>



# VAIL PUBLIC LIBRARY-KIDS PRGRAMS

- Storvtimes
  - Bilingual Saturday Storytime (English/Spanish)
  - Weekday Storytimes by age group (Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 11am)
- Tech Studio / Makerspace
  - Open 3–5 pm on Wed & Thurs
  - Activities: VR experiences, 3D printing, stop motion with greenscreen, programming, banana musical devices, Lego absurdity projects
- StoryWalk® at Bighorn Park
- Kids Create: Arts & Crafts

For more information visit Vail Public Library Kids & Teens page <u>vaillibrary.com/kids-teens</u>

### **CAMPS & PROGRAMS**

# **DEWEY DABBLES IN ART-SUMMER CAMPS**

Summer Themed Art Camps (Ages approx. 6–12) 4-week sessions, Mon-Fri, 8:30 am-3:30 pm

- July 7-11: Ocean Life & Shark Week
- July 14-18: Great Outdoors (Camping & Glamping)
- July 21-25: Movies & Cartoons
- July 28-Aug 1: Let's Experiment
- Aug 4-8: Out of This World Outer Space
- Aug 11-15: Back-to-School Week

For more information visit: <u>deweydabblesinart.com</u>



#### **EVENTS**

# **4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATIONS**

#### Avon-Salute to the USA

- Date: Thursday, July 3rd, 2025
- o Time: 5:00 p.m. 10:30 p.m.
- Location: Harry A. Nottingham Park
- Kids Activities, Food, bouncy houses, face painting and more.
- For more information <u>www.avon.org/414/Salute-to-the-USA</u>

# Gypsum-Fireworks

- o Date: Thursday, July 3rd, 2025
- Time: 7:30 pm 10:00 pm
- Location: Lundgren Amphitheater Field

### Vail- Vail America Days

- Parade 10:00 am
- Live Music on multiple stages 10 am-2:00 pm
- Patriotic Concert 2:00 pm
- Fireworks Show 9:45 pm
- For more information go to discovervail.com/fourth/





# **SUMMER EVENTS**

- Vail Farmer's Market- Every Sunday
- **Gypsum Days** July 17-19, 2025
  - Parade
  - 5K run/walk
  - Fireman's Pancake breakfast
  - Youth talent show
  - Carnival rides
  - Visit townofgypsum.com

#### Eagle County Fair and Rodeo - July 21-26

- Carnival and Vendors
- Rodeo
- Live Music
- Visit eaglecountyfairandrodeo.com

#### • Vail Dance Festival - July 25 - August 5

 For information on scheduled performances and festival events visit: <a href="https://vaildance.org/">https://vaildance.org/</a>

### OUTDOOR

#### **TRAILS**

# • Gore Creek Trail & Gore Valley Trail

Winding through Vail, these scenic trails offer gentle paths along Gore Creek, perfect for families to enjoy wildflowers, shaded forests, and occasional wildlife sightings, all with easy access from town.

# Shrine Ridge Trail

This moderately easy hike leads to panoramic alpine views, vibrant wildflower meadows, and a peaceful high-altitude ridge—an ideal adventure for families looking for big scenery without a strenuous climb.

# Upper Piney Lake Trail

Set against the stunning backdrop of Piney Lake, this trail is a favorite for its gradual incline, beautiful lake views, and a chance to spot moose and waterfalls along the way —great for kids and parents alike.

# • 5 Senses Trail (Beaver Creek Mountain)

Designed especially for children, this interactive, sensory-focused trail invites families to touch, smell, see, hear, and even taste nature through fun, educational signs and a short, accessible path through the forest.



### **OUTDOOR**

#### **BETTY FORD ALPINE GARDENS**

A stunning five-acre alpine oasis at 8,200 ft, just a short walk or shuttle ride from Vail Village—open dawn to dusk year-round.

- Children's Garden & Discovery Cart: A
   playful area across from the main
   entrance where kids can explore
   vegetable beds, wander scenic paths,
   play at "Betty's Market"
- Seasonal Scavenger Hunts: Daily from 10 AM-3 PM in summer
- **Education Center:** Ideal for curious kids, with microscopes, tabletop games, interpretive displays, rotating exhibits and multilingual facilitation.



# LAKE

#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **TOP OF THE ROCKIES**

Experience a thrilling, family-friendly zipline adventure at 11,200–11,500 ft elevation near historic Leadville—all ages (60–260 lb) welcome, with a 2-hour Standard Mountain Tour featuring six side-by-side cables (over 8,000 ft total) and a spectacular finale on the "Big Nugget" triple line that lands atop a 100-ft Sky Tower offering jaw-dropping views of Mt. Massive and Mt. Elbert

For more information visit: <a href="https://www.topoftherockieszipline.com/">www.topoftherockieszipline.com/</a>





### **LEADVILLE RAILROAD**

Looking for a fun and educational summer outing the whole family will love? Hop on the Leadville Railroad, where kids, teens, and parents alike can enjoy a 2-hour roundtrip ride through Colorado's highest peaks. Comfortable open-air cars make it easy to spot wildlife, breathe in fresh alpine air, and snap plenty of family photos.

For more information visit: <a href="https://leadvillerailroad.com">https://leadvillerailroad.com</a>

# **LAKE**

# **EVENTS**

# **4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATIONS**

#### • Leadville-

- Firecracker Fun Run 8:30 am
- Fourth of July Parade 10:00 am
- o Airport Cookout 11am- 1:00 pm
- Lions Club Fireworks Display at Dusk
- For more information go to www.leadvilletwinlakes.com





### **SUMMER EVENTS**

# Leadville Boom Days

- o Dates: August 1-3
- Parade
- Mining Events
- Car show
- Live Music
- and More

For more information visit: <u>leadvilleboomdays.org</u>

# LAKE

### **OUTDOOR**

#### **TRAILS**

# Timberline Lake Trail

- Easily Accessible, 4.3 mi round-trip hike
- Creek crossings, shaded spots and an alpine lake.

# Turquoise Lake Trail

 Multiple Trailheads with easy paved access from town. Mostly flat.

# Leadville Fish Hatchery Nature Trail

- Easy and stroller-friendly 1 mile loop
- Restrooms onsite and close parking

#### Mineral Belt Trail

- Wheelchair and Stroller accessible
- o Flat asphalt 11.6 mi loop
- Interactive mining history signs





# **PARKS**

#### Huck Finn Park

- Skatepark
- Ice rink
- Playground
- Tennis Courts
- Restrooms

### Kiddie Corral

- Children's playground
- Picnic tables
- Restrooms

# Lake County Community Park

- Rodeo arena
- · Children's playground
- Indoor restrooms

#### Zaitz Park

- Benches
- Picnic tables
- Public Restrooms

# **ACTIVITIES**

### **COUNTRY BOY MINE**

Country Boy Mine in Breckenridge is a fantastic, family-friendly historic attraction offering a mix of educational and hands-on outdoor fun—perfect for kids and youth. Here's a snapshot of what families can enjoy:

- Underground Mine Tour
- Gold Panning in Eureka Creek
- Outdoor Scavenger / Treasure Hunt
- Axe-Throwing & Seasonal Add-Ons
- Animal Encounters & General Store



For more information visit: <a href="https://countryboymine.com/">https://countryboymine.com/</a>



# **EPIC DISCOVERY AT BRECK**

- Alpineer Challenge Course
- Alpine Slide
- Bungee Trampoline
- Gemstone Panning
- Gold Runner Coaster
- Gold Summit Climbing Wall
- Lil Climbers Ropes Course
- Mini Golf

For more Information: www.breckenridge.com

### **CAMPS & PROGRAMS**

#### **ART SPOT IN SILVERTHORNE**

The Art Spot in Silverthorne is a welcoming space for kids, families, and creatives of all ages to explore, learn, and make art together! Whether you're trying pottery for the first time or just looking for a fun drop-in activity with the kids, there's something for everyone.

# What you'll find at The Art Spot:

- Family-friendly classes, camps & youth programs
- Drop-in studio access (ceramics, painting, woodworking & more)
- Workshops for all skill levels—including Spanish-language options
- Gallery & gift shop with work from 100+ local artists
- · Events, markets & community gatherings year-round
- Affordable memberships, reduced rates & walk-in visits welcome
- Open Tues-Sat 11am-8pm | Sun 10am-4pm

For more information visit artspotsilverthorne.org



# **CAMPS & PROGRAMS**

# BRECK CREATE SUMMER CAMP & CLASSES

- Week long Summer Camps (ages 6-12) Dates
  - Starting: July 14, 28 & August 11
  - Everyday Materials Every Day
  - Creative Kids
  - Building Cardboard Worlds
  - Starting Your Story
- Toddler Art (ages 1–5)
  - 30-minute parent-and-me session on Friday mornings throughout July and August
- Older Kids and Teens
  - Intro-to-DJing
  - Teen mosaics
  - Junk-to-gems workshops
- Drop-in Classes and Workshops
  - Printmaking
  - Ceramics
  - Mixed-media
- And so much more!







#### **MOUNTAIN TOP EXPLORIUM**

- **Summer Day Camps** (ages 5–11, rising K–5th)
  - Weekly themed camps from June-August
  - Full-day (8:30 AM-5:30 PM) with hiking, kayaking, science & art
  - Flexible sign-ups: single days or full weeks
- Kids Night Out (ages 5-10)
  - Every Thursday evening
  - Includes playtime, dinner & creative activities
- Night at the Museum Sleepovers
  - o Dates: July 24
  - Evening hike, museum fun & indoor camping

For more information visit mountaintopbreck.org

### **EVENTS**

### **4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY CELEBRATIONS**

#### Frisco Fabulous 4th-

- Colorado Kids' Fishing Derby 8-9am
- o Pancake Breakfast 8-11 am
- Parade on Main Street 1 pm
- For more information go to Frisco4th.com

# • Breckenridge-

- o Parade on Main Street 10:00 am
- Chalk Art Contest 10am-1:00 pm
- Dog Fashion Show 2- 3:00 pm
- and more visit
   <u>breckcreate.org/community/july-</u>
   4th

#### Silverthorne

- NRO Presents 4<sup>th</sup> of July Spectacular
  - Rainbow Park 10am -12pm





#### **SUMMER EVENTS**

#### Dillon

- Dillon Farmer's Market- Every Friday
- Marina Mutt Show- September 1
  - Time: 12-3pm

#### Frisco

- Kids Sandcastle Competition-August 10
  - Time: 10am -12pm
  - Registration is required

#### Keystone

- Bluegrass & Beer- August 2-3
  - Crafts & Face Painting
  - Cave of Confusion
- o Oktoberfest- August 30
  - Kids Crafts
  - Root Beer Hoisting Competition

#### Silverthorne

- First Friday August Block Party
  - Where: 4<sup>th</sup> Street Silverthorne CO
  - Time: 4:30-8:30pm

### **OUTDOOR**

#### **TRAILS**

#### The Peaks Trail

o Moderate trail with scenic forest views.

# Sapphire Point

 Easy, stroller-friendly loop with stunning lake and mountain views.

#### Rainbow Lake

- Short and easy trail through forest and wetlands to a lake.
- Ideal for young children and beginner hikers.

#### Old Dillon Reservoir

- Gentle uphill trail with panoramic views of Dillon Reservoir and the mountains.
- Short hike, perfect for kids with lots of photo opportunities.

# Lily Pad Lake

 Moderate trail with gradual incline through forest to a lily pad-covered lake.





#### **PARKS**

#### Frisco Adventure Park

- Bike Park
- Skate Park
- Check Wagon Rides

### PlayGarten-Silvethorne

- Playground & Toddler Zone:
  - Slides, Swings & Climbing Structures
- Open Turf & Sports Wall:
  - Grassy play area
  - Giant MultiBall interactive
- o Arcades & More

