Baker County

Visitors to Baker County will find a bountiful arts and cultural scene. Each year, newcomers celebrate the arts and mingle with local artists at a multitude of galleries showcasing some of the finest works of local and regional artists.

Popular annual arts and cultural festivals include the monthly First Friday Art Walk, the Baker Misters Daisy Days, numerous artist art sales, and of course the one-of-a-kind Great Salt lick Art Auction.

Baker County also hosts numerous music festivals, performances, and live theater productions by the Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre and the Mizukuda Children’s Theatre. For those visitors wanting to hone their own artistic skills, various art classes and community art center with a wide range of offerings for all levels of experience.

For more information about the arts in Baker County, visit the Baker County Visitors Center at www.bakercountymuseum.org. Or stop by the Baker County Chamber of Commerce for a full calendar of art events.

Baker County Annual Events


Haines: Stampede Review: 2nd of July in Haines and Community arts in the Park.

We Like ‘Em Short Film Festival: Named Oregon’s Best Film Festival of 2014. Always the 3rd weekend in August—Thursday through Sunday, Baker City.

Oregon Trail Wagon Encampment at Oregon Trail Interpretive Center: Labor Day weekend.

Fine Arts Festival: Two day fall music festival in the Wallowas, always the 3rd weekend in September, Baker City.

Baker Artist Studio Tour: The first full Saturday—Sunday weekend in October.

Taste of Baker—Iron Chef Dutch Oven Cookoff: The first Saturday in October, Baker City.

Union County

Union County is home to Eastern Oregon University and its arts and cultural life of northern Oregon.

The city of La Grande offers unique arts and culture opportunities for community members and visitors alike. The symphony orchestra, live theater, and numerous art festivals all contribute to Union County’s unique arts community.

Art Center East, a local arts service organization, provides year-round artistic experiences at its historic Campbell Library building. Their artistic offerings include a gift gallery, monthly art exhibits, art classes for children and adults, cultural events, workshops, and community ensemble opportunities.

More information about Art Center East can be found at www.artcenterwest.org. Or stop by the Union County Chamber of Commerce for complete visitor information. 675 Depot Street, Union County Chamber of Commerce.

Union County Annual Events

Art Center East: Ongoing scheduled classes, art exhibits, and cultural events. La Grande.

Dimond Art Glass: Artist Tom Dimond’s glass blowing studio has a retail gallery. La Grande.

La Grande Shakespeare Company: A newly established theatre company with year-round performances. La Grande.

Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra: Concerts in March, May, and November at McGovern Theater at Eastern Oregon University. As well as a year-round round chamber concert series.

Ladd Marsh Bird Festival: Birders get special access to wildlife areas, as well as opportunities to engage with local artists.

Festival of the Arts: September 3-4, at the city’s historic Campbell Library building. Featuring live music, art, vintage car show, and more.

Cowboy Reel Fair & Art Festival: Live music, art and crafts, gifts, hot air balloon rides, and more. 3rd weekend in August, Owego.

Wallowa County

Wallowa County is known for its beautiful landscapes, friendly people, and local artistry. It was home to the Wallowa band of Nez Percé Indians. In recent years, the arts have blossomed with galleries and historic buildings.

Throughout the diverse geography of Wallowa County, you’ll find art shops, bronze statues, and businesses that serve up fine art, fine food, and locally crafted beads and spirits.

Enjoy concerts, cultural experiences, or attend rodeos and powwows. Register for a trip at Summer Stock or the Joseph City Center for Arts and Culture. Stop by the Joseph City Center for information.

Wallowa County Annual Events

OK Theatre: Concerts and performances throughout the year.


Wallowa County Annual Events

Summer Concert Series: Thursday evening throughout the summer. Enterprise.

Summer Stock: The 2nd week in July Wallowa Lake.

Rodeo Celebration: The 3rd weekend in July Wallowa.

Summer Classic Festival: A three day classical music, art, and literature series. The last weekend in August, various locations in Wallowa County.

Maxwell Annual Gathering: August, Wallowa.

Juniper Jam: Labor Day weekend, Enterprise.

Hells Canyon Mule Days: The 2nd weekend in September, Enterprise.

Wallowa Valley Festival of Arts: The 3rd weekend in September, Joseph.

Airfest: The last weekend in September, Wallowa Lake.

Ruby Peak Film Festival: November, Enterprise.

Community Christmas Concert at Joseph City Center: The Sunday before Christmas, Joseph.
NORTHEAST OREGON ARTS TRAIL
TOP SITES

1. Art Center East: Art exhibits, classes, and cultural events, La Grande

2. The Nightingale Gallery: The Nightingale Gallery and McKenzie Theater at Eastern Oregon University, regular art exhibits and performances by professional and student artists, La Grande

3. Elgin Opera House: See the recently renovated historical Opera House and enjoy a show, Elgin

4. Flora
   - Rim Rock Inn
   - The Flora School House

5. TW Bronze and Parks Bronze Foundries: Where Bronze Art is made! Enterprise

6. Main Street Enterprise:
   - Fangled Wild Carrot
   - Favorite Finds on Main
   - The Oil Theatre
   - The Bookish/CityLight Gallery
   - Wallowa County Courthouse–Veteran’s Memorial
   - The Fishtrap House

7. Joseph’s Main Street, North: The town of Joseph is full of art nooks and nooks.
   - Aspen Grove Gallery
   - The Joseph Center for Arts and Culture
   - Walloway’s Natural History Discovery Center
   - Joseph Art Walk - bronze on Main Street

8. Joseph’s Main Street, South:
   - Joseph Art Walk - bronze on Main Street
   - Lambert’s Trading Post
   - To Zost
   - Mascall Heritage Interpretive Center
   - Beccon’s
   - The Sheep Shed
   - Edge of the Wilderness Gallery
   - Mary’s Uptown Art
   - Valley Bronze Gallery
   - Stewart Jones Designs
   - Phinney Gallery

9. Halfway Whimsical Artists Co-op:
   - Check out Halfway’s cute Artist Co-op Gallery

10. National Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center: Presenting performances and demonstrations about the Oregon Trail Experience along with excellent displays that bring the Oregon Trail to life, Baker City

11. Downtown Baker City Galleries & Historic Baker City: Visit Historic Baker City and peruse all the local galleries, shops and a remarkable turn of the century historic Main Street.
   - Peterson’s Gallery and Chocolatier
   - Short Term Gallery
   - Copper Bell Winey
   - Castle Gallery
   - Earth and Vine Wine Bar and Gallery
   - Denker Galleries

12. Eastern Oregon Regional Theatre: Enjoy plays at a great local theatre company in downtown Historic Baker City

13. Crossroads Carnegie Art Center:
   - Baker City’s Community Art Center, classes, exhibits, and events

14. Iris Bean Gallery: Enjoy the work of the nationally renowned artist in her gallery, Sumpter

For an interactive map, visit NEOregonArts.org

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