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**Virginia War Museum**  Thursday-Saturday  9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  757-247-8523

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WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS WEEK
FEBRUARY 11 - 17, 2021

SPECIAL EVENTS AND PERFORMANCES AT NEWPORT NEWS ATTRACTIONS AND PERFORMING ARTS VENUES

FEBRUARY 11TH

PICTURE PERFECT VALENTINES
City Center at Oyster Point
February 11; Noon – 8 p.m.
Take a “Picture Perfect” Valentine’s Day photo at City Center at Oyster Point! Pose in front of the six-foot tall, floral-covered LOVE letters and the Eiffel Tower of Flowers at the corner of Town Center Drive and Fountain Way. Step inside the Gazebo of Love and Light in front of Fountain Plaza II for the “perfect pose or proposal”. Attendants will be on site to ensure social distancing. Be sure to post with #lovenn! 700 Town Center Drive, 757-926-1400. Click here for more information.
**FEBRUARY 12TH**

**PICTURE PERFECT VALENTINES**  
City Center at Oyster Point  
February 12; Noon – 8 p.m.  
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**SCENES FROM QUARANTINE**  
Peninsula Community Theatre  
February 12 – March 1  
Streaming via YouTube  
An online selection of original Scenes written by local theatre artists to keep our audiences engaged during this trying time. Three pieces consisting of: “NIOBE ON THE BEACH” written by Dana Margulies Cauthen – A story of Quinn who packs up her baby’s things as Nana watches and prepares to take him away. Perhaps forever? “OUT THERE” written by Laura Maney – Totally realistic characters are trapped in a totally realistic mall when totally realistic zombies invade the town. Finally, A “RUDDIGORE” QUARTET PARODY, written by Jeff Joyner. 10251 Warwick Boulevard, 757-595-5728. Click [here](#) for more information.

**HAMPTON ROADS HISTORY: GEORGE WASHINGTON AND VIRGINIA CANALS**  
The Mariners’ Museum and Park  
February 12; Noon – 1 p.m.  
VIRTUAL LECTURE
Join us for a virtual lecture with author and historian John V. Quarstein, director emeritus of the USS Monitor Center. Quarstein will give a presentation on the critical role of waterways to the economy in the Tidewater area and how George Washington was one of the biggest advocates for the Commonwealth. Viewers are welcome to send him any comments or questions during the presentation, and John will answer them following his talk.  
**About the lecture:**  
Bays, rivers, and creeks were key transportation elements for the economic growth of Tidewater Virginia. However, as Virginia expanded westward, a man-made waterway, like those in use in England and Holland, was needed to facilitate movement of people and supplies. George Washington became one of the greatest advocates for the Commonwealth’s canal development. The first transportation canal in the United States was the Dismal Swamp Canal. Washington saw the need to connect eastern North Carolina, which did not have a deep water port, to the Chesapeake Bay. He surveyed the route himself, recognizing the need to connect the Ohio River Valley with eastern Virginia. Washington knew that whichever state first made that connection would become an economic powerhouse. While the Chesapeake & Ohio and the James River & Kanawha canals were efforts to achieve this goal, they were underfunded, and were unable to cross the Allegheny Mountains to make that connection. Instead, New York underwrote the canal construction which was able to use the Mohawk River Valley to reach Lake Erie, allowing New York City to become the leading port on the East Coast.  
100 Museum Drive, 757-596-2222. Advance registration is required. Click [here](#) for more information.
**FEBRUARY 13TH**

**PICTURE PERFECT VALENTINES**  
City Center at Oyster Point  
**February 13; Noon – 8 p.m.**  
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**EXPLORATION ICE AGE: UNEARTHING EXTINCTIONS**  
Virginia Living Museum  
**February 13 – April 11**  
The sixth mass extinction is happening right now! Called the Quaternary Extinction, it includes the loss of the animals found in North America at the end of the ice age, such as saber-tooth cats, mammoths, and mastodons. Many of their relatives are still around today – some even live in a habitat along the Virginia Living Museum’s outdoor trail. It is predicted around one million animal and plant species are currently threatened with extinction. Discover how you can help the outlook of our future biodiversity by unearthing extinctions of the past in this temporary exhibit. Extinctions are not just historical events, they are also happening right now. To protect Earth’s biodiversity in the present day, we can look to the past to learn how ancient life survived. 524 J. Clyde Morris Boulevard, 757-595-1900. Click [here](#) for more information.

**LIVE STARTURDAY NIGHT**  
Virginia Living Museum  
**February 13; 7:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.**  
The Virginia Living Museum STARGAZING goes virtual on FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM! Join us at 7:30 p.m. live for 30 minutes to talk with Dr. Kelly Herbst about what’s going on in the evening sky right now and how you can find things for yourself! We will be using Starry Night Dome planetarium software (many thanks to Spitz, Inc. for giving us access to this great resource!) so we are guaranteed to be able to do some “observing” no matter what the weather is like…and then you can take what you learn outside and do a little stargazing for yourself whenever the sky in your area permits! And please bring your questions! We’re excited to have this chance to interact with you again! 524 J. Clyde Morris Boulevard, 757-595-1900. Click [here](#) for more information.

**FEBRUARY 14TH**

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**February 15th**

**Virtual Maritime Mondays**
The Mariners’ Museum and Park  
February 15; 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.  
Hop online for a reading adventure every Monday!  
Fun for both children and caregivers, enjoy an interactive book reading with Lauren T. Furey, manager of visitor engagement. Designed for children from 18 months to 8 years, Lauren takes you and your little champions on a journey to show how we are all connected to the world’s waters. Be sure to register in advance, and join us for a new book every week!  
**This Week’s Book:**  
*If Dominican Were A Color* written by Sili Recio and illustrated by Brianna McCarthy  
The colors of Hispaniola burst into life celebrating the joy of being Dominican. This exuberantly colorful, softly rhyming picture book beautifully illustrates a mami’s words to her daughter on what Blackness looks like across her home country. 100 Museum Drive, 757-596-2222. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Restaurants and Clubs**

**Patrick Ryan**  
Hilton Tavern Brewing Co.  
February 11; 5 p.m.  
10184 Warwick Boulevard  
(757) 873-2337  

**Bourbon O’Clock**  
With Diego Gomez  
Manhattan's NY Deli & Pub  
February 11; 6 p.m.  
601 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 873-0555  
[www.manhattansdeli.com](http://www.manhattansdeli.com)

**Open Mic Night**  
Hoss’s Deli  
February 11; 9 p.m.  
806 Old Oyster Point Road  
(757) 596-9104  
[www.hosssdeli.com](http://www.hosssdeli.com)

**Jazz Friday**  
The Train Station  
February 12; 6 p.m.  
2295 Harbor Road  
(757) 247-7512  
[www.thetrainstation757.com](http://www.thetrainstation757.com)

**Kaboombox**  
Manhattan's NY Deli & Pub  
February 12; 6 p.m.  
601 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 873-0555  
[www.manhattansdeli.com](http://www.manhattansdeli.com)

**Travis Morrison**  
Hilton Tavern Brewing Co.  
February 12; 6 p.m.  
10184 Warwick Boulevard  
(757) 873-2337  
FELICIA HOYOS  
Tradition Brewing Company  
February 12; 6:30 p.m.  
700 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 592-9393  
www.traditionbrewing.com

KICKBACK  
Hoss’s Deli  
February 14; 9:30 p.m.  
806 Old Oyster Point Road  
(757) 596-9104  
www.hosssdeli.com

POPWIRE  
Hoss’s Deli  
February 12; 9 p.m.  
806 Old Oyster Point Road  
(757) 596-9104  
www.hosssdeli.com

PHIL POTEAT  
Manhattan's NY Deli & Pub  
February 15; 6 p.m.  
601 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 873-0555  
www.manhattansdeli.com

LANE RICE  
Tradition Brewing Company  
February 13; 3 p.m.  
700 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 592-9393  
www.traditionbrewing.com

BILLY JOE TRIO  
Hoss’s Deli  
February 15; 9:30 p.m.  
806 Old Oyster Point Road  
(757) 596-9104  
www.hosssdeli.com

JAN AND ZANE  
Manhattan's NY Deli & Pub  
February 13; 6 p.m.  
601 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 873-0555  
www.manhattansdeli.com

PATRICK RYAN  
Hilton Tavern Brewing Co.  
February 16; 5 p.m.  
10184 Warwick Boulevard  
(757) 873-2337  
www.facebook.com/HiltonTavernBC/

JONNY WALKER  
Hilton Tavern Brewing Co.  
February 13; 6 p.m.  
10184 Warwick Boulevard  
(757) 873-2337  
www.facebook.com/HiltonTavernBC/

JIM MASTERS  
Hilton Tavern Brewing Co.  
February 17; 5 p.m.  
10184 Warwick Boulevard  
(757) 873-2337  
www.facebook.com/HiltonTavernBC/

NICK WEBER  
Tradition Brewing Company  
February 13; 6:30 p.m.  
700 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 592-9393  
www.traditionbrewing.com

BETTIE T  
Tradition Brewing Company  
February 13; 6:30 p.m.  
700 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 592-9393  
www.traditionbrewing.com

PLAY IT AGAIN KARAOKE  
Hoss’s Deli  
February 13; 8 p.m.  
806 Old Oyster Point Road  
(757) 596-9104  
www.hosssdeli.com

JAN AND ZANE  
Manhattan's NY Deli & Pub  
February 17; 6 p.m.  
601 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 873-0555  
www.manhattansdeli.com

BEACH TRIVIA  
Tradition Brewing Company  
February 17; 7 p.m.  
700 Thimble Shoals Boulevard  
(757) 592-9393  
www.traditionbrewing.com
ZEN MOJO
Hoss’s Deli
February 17; 8 p.m.
806 Old Oyster Point Road
(757) 596-9104
www.hosssdeli.com