

# MARCH 2019

## San Diego County Calendar of Events

### **San Diego Bird Festival Feb. 27-Mar. 3**

We're celebrating the birds and habitats of our county, which offer some of the best birding in the U.S. Know that your experience is giving something back to the birds: the proceeds of this festival support the education, conservation, and sanctuary programs of San Diego Audubon Society. See website for schedule. / Marina Village Conference Center  
858-273-7800 / [www.sandiegoaudubon.org](http://www.sandiegoaudubon.org)

### **The Flower Fields Mar. 1-May 12**

The nearly fifty acres of Giant Tecolote Ranunculus flowers that make up the Flower Fields at Carlsbad Ranch in Carlsbad, California, are in bloom for approximately six to eight weeks.  
9am-6pm / The Flower Fields of Carlsbad [www.theflowerfields.com](http://www.theflowerfields.com)

### **Spring Home/Garden Show Mar. 1-3**

Extravaganza of inspiring real "Garden Masters" landscapes, hands-on demos, home-improvement products and services exhibitors, educational seminars, plant sales and face-to-face consultations with top experts.  
Fri & Sun 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-6pm / Del Mar Fairgrounds  
858-350-3738 / [www.springhomegardenshow.com](http://www.springhomegardenshow.com)

### **San Diego Yoga Festival Mar. 1-4**

Celebrates humanity and health offering nonstop yoga and healing classes open to all people, of all ages and all levels of yogic understanding.  
10 Evergreen Avenue, Imperial Beach [www.sandiegoyogafestival.com](http://www.sandiegoyogafestival.com)

### **Gaslamp Mardi Gras Mar. 1-2 & 5**

20+ FREE club admissions, Live music, DJ, Dancing, Masquerade themed festivities, New Orleans inspired menu, Hosted welcome libations, Extended Happy Hour. This is a 21+ event.  
Fifth Avenue, Downtown San Diego [www.clubvippsd.com](http://www.clubvippsd.com)

### **Coronado Historical Assoc. Grand Jubilee Mar. 2**

Join us in celebration of 50 years. Black tie attire suggested.  
5-9pm / Hotel del Coronado [www.coronadohistory.org](http://www.coronadohistory.org)

### **Finish Chelsea's Run 5K Mar. 2**

The event will feature a competitive 5K race and fun run/walk, family festival, children's activities, team competition, entertainment and refreshments.  
6:30-11am / Balboa Park [www.chelseaslight.org](http://www.chelseaslight.org)

### **Boys & Girls Club of Vista's Mardi Gras Diamond Gala Mar. 2**

Guests will enjoy a cocktail reception, sumptuous dinner, member entertainment, live music, games and both live and silent auctions. The money raised at the Gala enables the Club to provide engaging and enriching out of school experiences for the kids.  
5:30-11pm / Sheraton Carlsbad Resort & Spa [www.bgcvista.org](http://www.bgcvista.org)

### **San Diego Undy Run/Walk Mar. 2**

A family-friendly run/walk created by the Colon Cancer Alliance. Participants receive a pair of boxer shorts and are encouraged to run in underwear-themed outfits to get people talking about this often tabooed disease.  
7am-12pm / 2750 North Mission Bay Drive [www.undyrunwalk.org](http://www.undyrunwalk.org)

### **Coronado Cares Mardi Gras Casino Night Mar. 2**

Food, gaming tables, silent auction, raffle and music. Coronado Cares - works to promote animal welfare, to provide resources for proper animal care and to reduce the number of homeless animals.  
6-10pm / Coronado Cays Yacht Club [www.coronadocares.org](http://www.coronadocares.org)

### **CRSSD Festival Mar. 2-3**

Electronic music festival featuring three stages and 36+ performers. Craft beer, mixed drinks, food, and more.  
San Diego County Waterfront Park [www.crssdfest.com](http://www.crssdfest.com)

### **St. Patrick's Day Half Marathon Mar. 3**

UST&FA certified half marathon and 5k, and the Green Mile for kids and adults with special needs, Tribes & Clans Competition and Beer Garden.  
6:30am-12pm / Downtown El Cajon [www.stpatricksdhalf.com](http://www.stpatricksdhalf.com)

### **San Diego Comic Fest Mar. 7-10**

Indulge your love of comics, science fiction, and films, and meet an array of professional creators in a casual atmosphere and an intimate scale that allows fans to mingle directly with professionals and exhibitors.  
Four Points by Sheraton San Diego [www.sdcomicfest.org](http://www.sdcomicfest.org)

### **Best Coast Beer Fest Mar. 9**

You'll get to taste beer from nearly 100 of the West Coast's craft breweries, enjoy the sweet sounds of local bands and possibly enjoy a sensible lunch from our food truck alley. Plus, every ticket sold supports Cuck Fancer and helps a cancer patient.  
1-5pm / Embarcadero Marina Park South [www.bestcoastbeerfest.com](http://www.bestcoastbeerfest.com)

### **SeaWorld's Seven Seas**

#### **Craft Beer & Food Festival Mar. 9-Apr. 28**

Featuring craft beer from favorite local breweries, plus fresh international cuisine infused with local, sustainable ingredients and unique signature flavors from around the world. Price included with park admission.  
SeaWorld San Diego [www.seaworld.com/san-diego](http://www.seaworld.com/san-diego)

### **International Mariachi Festival Mar. 10**

An opportunity to come together and celebrate San Diego's Mexican heritage through Mariachi music, colorful traditional ballet folkloric dancing, and a grand celebration of the arts, culture and culinary delights.  
11am-7pm / Bayside Park, Chula Vista [www.mariachifest.com](http://www.mariachifest.com)



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### The Green Zone at the Mariachi Festival Mar. 10

A large area at the event that brings together dozens of organizations that promote sustainable programs, products, and services to help you make a positive impact on the environment and improve your quality of life.  
11am-7pm / Bayside Park, Chula Vista [www.mariachifest.com](http://www.mariachifest.com)

### San Diego Half Marathon & Padres 5K Mar. 10

Half Marathon, The 2-Person San Diego Half Marathon Relay, Padres 5K, Kids Mile and Virtual Runner. See for yourself why it's "more than just a race!" The San Diego Half Marathon is a premier, nonprofit event organized by runners in our community, for our community.  
6:55am-12pm / Petco Park [www.sdhalfmarathon.com](http://www.sdhalfmarathon.com)

### San Diego Latino Film Festival Mar. 14-24

Media Arts Center San Diego's prestigious and internationally recognized festival celebrates the best films by Latinos and/or about the Latino experience. Screenings of more than 160+ movies as well as the Sabor Latino – Food, Beer & Wine Fest, celeb appearances, Virtual Reality Lounge, Sonido Latino concerts, 25th Anniversary Awards Ceremony Gala. AMC Fashion Valley Mall [www.sdlatinofilm.com/25thsdiff](http://www.sdlatinofilm.com/25thsdiff)

### Irish 4 A Day Mar. 15-17

Truly a one-of-a-kind celebration and unlike any other "pub crawls"! So all you jolly lasses and lads, get your tickets now and get ready to party in true Irish fashion!  
Fri 6pm-2am, Sat & Sun 1pm-2am / Gaslamp Quarter  
619-944-8900 / [www.irish4aday.com](http://www.irish4aday.com)

### Hell Fire Fat Tire Mar. 16

A challenging mountain bike race, varied terrain, elevation and panoramic views. For 2019, this event is only open to Active Duty, their families, retirees and DoD employees.  
6:30am-12pm / Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton  
[www.mccscp.com/hellfire](http://www.mccscp.com/hellfire)

### St. Patrick's Day Parade & Festival Mar. 16

Join more than 30,000 attendees in our celebration featuring a parade with over 120 entries. Following the parade, an event-filled Irish Festival in Balboa Park (Sixth and Maple) features live entertainment on 3 Stages.  
9am-6pm / Sixth Ave & Laurel St., San Diego  
619-301-4829 / [www.stpatparade.org](http://www.stpatparade.org)

### St. Patrick's Day 10K Run Mar. 16

Before you head out for pints of Guinness, take a short jaunt around Mission Bay Park at the St. Patrick's Day 10K Run and 2-4 Mile Run/Walk. Awesome Medals to all Finishers. Domino's Pizza and Beer at the finish. High quality tech shirt. 10K Awards to top 3 in each age division.  
7:45am / Mission Bay Park [www.kathyloperevents.com](http://www.kathyloperevents.com)

### San Diego shamROCK Mar. 16

Frolic through a clover field with your green Bud Light beer or Tullamore Dew whiskey libation as 6 blocks of the Gaslamp Quarter get covered with over 50,000 square feet of emerald green astroturf!  
2pm / 5th Avenue [www.gaslampfoundation.org/shamrock](http://www.gaslampfoundation.org/shamrock)

### Tip Top Run 5K/10K Leprechaun Dash & Bash Mar. 16

Each registered participant will receive: Lunch from Tip Top Meats, t-shirt, swag bag, medal and bib. World Water Day festival entry, exhibitors & vendors, games, crafts, live music, beer garden, and "be seen being green" costume contest.  
7:30am / 1580 Cannon Road, Carlsbad  
760-804-1969 / [www.aguahedionda.org](http://www.aguahedionda.org)

### Sabor Latino Food, Beer & Wine Fest Mar. 16

enjoy unlimited food tastings inspired by celebrated Latino chefs, as well as unlimited beer and wine tastings provided by some of the best craft breweries and wineries from San Diego and Baja California! We'll also have live music and live art showcases all day as well as a "BEST DISH" contest!  
1-5pm / Fashion Valley Mall [www.sdlatinofilm.com/25thsdiff](http://www.sdlatinofilm.com/25thsdiff)

### San Diego Cake Show Mar. 16-17

"Red Carpet Cakes" A weekend with celebrity chef appearances, raffles, cake competitions, classes by world-renowned cake artists, shopping from the top caking vendors, and free stage demos.  
10am-5pm / Del Mar Fairgrounds  
[www.sandiegocakeshow.com](http://www.sandiegocakeshow.com)

### Cherry Blossom Festival Mar. 22-24

Visitors are able to enjoy the Japanese custom of hanami - appreciating the beauty of cherry blossom flowers. Each day will be accompanied by food vendors, cultural performances and demonstrations, and family friendly activities!  
10am-6pm / Japanese Friendship Garden of San Diego  
619-232-2721 / [www.niwa.org/cbf19](http://www.niwa.org/cbf19)

### Father Daughter Day in Julian Mar. 23

Lunch at one of your favorite Julian eateries, delicious fudge, a keepsake corsage, old-time photos and more, all designed to create an unforgettable experience for daddy's little girl. End the day with a country-style father-daughter dance at Fort Cross Old Timey Adventures.  
11am-4pm / Julian [www.visitjulian.com](http://www.visitjulian.com)

### Wanderlust 108 Mar. 23

This day is all about community, bringing together a 5K run/walk, an outdoor yoga experience, and a guided meditation. Following the triathlon, you can partake in one scheduled activity, grabbing a healthy, organic lunch, stopping by Wanderlust's True North Cafe.  
6:30am-2:30pm / Embarcadero Marina Park South  
[www.wanderlust.com](http://www.wanderlust.com)

### Light the Water Lantern Festival Mar. 23

Enjoy local food trucks, vendors, and carefully curated live music. Just as the sun dips behind the horizon, we unify our hopes and dreams as we launch thousands of water lanterns onto the water to illuminate the night.  
4-8pm / Santee Lakes Recreation Preserve [www.1000lights.com](http://www.1000lights.com)

### Bark in the Park Fund Raiser Mar. 23

Bring your family and dog for a day of fun to help raise funds for Live Oak Dog Park. Dog walk, contests, booths, demonstrations, food, crafts, gear, dog training, silent auction, raffle and more!  
10am-2pm / Live Oak Dog Park, Fallbrook  
760-731-1041 / [www.liveoakdogpark.org](http://www.liveoakdogpark.org)

### Julian Daffodil Show Mar. 23-24

Visit to marvel at daffodils on display and have any questions about daffodils answered by National Daffodil Society experts. It will also feature Children's Art - Water Colors of Daffodils. Admission is free!  
10am-4pm / Julian Town Hall [www.daffodil.org/#Julian](http://www.daffodil.org/#Julian)

### SD Hot Chocolate 15K & 5K Road Race Mar. 24

Goodie bags, free race photos and scrumptious post-race treats are just three reasons you'll want to sign up. Benefits Make-A-Wish®, a national charity that creates life-changing wishes for children with critical illnesses.  
6:45am / Petco Park, Park Boulevard  
[www.hotchocolate15k.com/sandiego](http://www.hotchocolate15k.com/sandiego)