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## NOVEMBER EVENTS IN COCHISE COUNTY

**COCHISE COUNTY, Ariz.** (Oct. 16, 2008) – Cochise County's communities offer a host of events in November. Celebrate the **Festival of Arts** at Holy Trinity Monastery and the **Thanksgiving Fiesta of Books** in Benson. Visit Sierra Vista and experience the **Buffalo Soldier Historic Tour** and the annual **Festival of Trees**. Explore historic homes during **Bisbee's Historic Home Tour**. Enjoy the crisp fall and the serenity at Holy Trinity Monastery's **Fall Festival of the Arts**, and see what the Clanton gang is up to during the **15<sup>th</sup> Annual Clanton Days Rendezvous**.

### **Oct. 31 to Nov. 2, 19th Annual Festival of Color - Hot Air Balloon Rally, Sierra Vista**

A sky filled with color. Sierra Vista school flights on Fri, flights from Veteran's Park Sat and Sun, and the evening Balloon Glow. All events weather permitting.

When: Balloon Glow 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
Where: Veterans' Memorial Park, 3105 E. Fry Blvd.  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520-456-6279 or [www.festivalofcolor.org](http://www.festivalofcolor.org)

### **Nov. 8, Sierra Vista Airport Open House and Fly-In, Sierra Vista**

"Young Eagles" will get a chance to spread their wings in this annual event. Free private plane rides for youngsters ages 8-17 with a signed consent form from a parent or guardian.

When: 7-11 a.m.  
Where: Sierra Vista Airport  
Admission: Free; Pancake and Mexican breakfast (7-10 a.m.), \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 12  
Info: 520-458-5775 or [jladuke@ci.sierra-vista.az.us](mailto:jladuke@ci.sierra-vista.az.us)

### **Nov. 8 & 9, Holy Trinity Monastery Fall Festival of the Arts, St. David**

Experience the Arizona autumn at Holy Trinity! More than 150 arts & crafts booths welcome visitors to the community of St. David.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Where: St. David (south of Benson)  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520 720-4642 ext 22 or <http://www.holytrinitymonastery.org>

### **Nov. 14-16, Annual Clanton Days Rendezvous, Tombstone**

The notorious Clantons are back celebrating their annual reunion. Join the costume contest, take the historic walking tour and hold your breath during the original ghost tour.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Where: Various locations, call for details  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520-457-3929 (Tombstone Visitor Center) or [www.tombstonearizona.com](http://www.tombstonearizona.com)

**Nov. 14-15, Annual Western History Symposium and Book Exposition, Tombstone**

Meet your favorite Western history authors at Schieffelin Hall for book signings. Symposiums will include discussions on notable topics such as Billy the Kid, Pat Garret and the Death of Ike Clanton.

When: Call for schedule

Where: Schieffelin Hall

Admission: Free

Info: Rita Ackerman 602-316-9461 or [ackermanresearch@qwest.net](mailto:ackermanresearch@qwest.net).

**Nov. 15, Guided Tour of Buffalo Soldier Historical Sites, Sierra Vista**

Learn about the accomplishments and history of Fort Huachuca's famous Buffalo Soldiers. Guided bus tours to historic post sites will be given by members of the Southwest Association of Buffalo Soldiers.

When: 11:15 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: Visitor's Center, 3020 East Tacoma St.

Admission: Adults \$12; children under age 12 free

Info: 520-417-6960 or [www.visitsierravista.com](http://www.visitsierravista.com)

*Note: The post is an active military installation. Visitor passes are available to US citizens at the Main Gate with a valid driver's license, vehicle registration and proof of insurance (or rental vehicle agreement). All passengers over 13 must have photo identification.*

**Nov. 23, Thanksgiving Fiesta of Books, Benson**

Singing Wind Bookshop hosts a medley of regional authors of history, fiction, natural history and children's books. The setting for this event is a bookstore housed within a working ranch.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Where: 700 W. Singing Wind Road

Admission: Free

Info: 520-586-2425

**Nov. 24 to Dec. 6, 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Trees, Sierra Vista**

The Festival of Trees fills the Mall at Sierra Vista each Christmas, creating a beautiful winter wonderland of uniquely decorated trees, wreaths, gingerbread houses, and, new this year, stockings! Awards will be given in various categories.

When: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: Mall at Sierra Vista, 2200 El Mercado Loop

Admission: Free

Info: 520-417-4990

**Nov. 28, Festival of Lights, Bisbee**

The holiday season officially begins with a merry lighting ceremony and celebration in front of the Copper Queen Library. Santa will arrive in Old Bisbee on a flashy fire truck with goodies for all children.

When: 6 p.m., Nov. 28

Where: Copper Queen Library

Admission: Free

Info: 520-432-6016

**Nov. 29, Old Bisbee Holiday Bazaar, Bisbee**

Spend the afternoon and evening in Historic Old Bisbee for a holiday shopping adventure. Shop owners offer holiday decor, special sales, food, and street performers to add to your shopping experience.

When: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Where: Historic Old Bisbee  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520-432-3554 or 1-800-2BISBEE

**Nov. 29, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Chairs Auction, Bisbee**

Local artists use various mediums to make ordinary chairs into artistic works. Attendees can bid on the chairs in the silent auction format. Sponsored by the Bisbee Women's Club, all proceeds go to charity.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Where: TBD  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520-432-3721 or 1-866-2BISBEE

**Nov. 28 & 29, Historic Home Tour, Bisbee**

Bisbee residents open their homes to give visitors a look at the town's distinctive architectural history. Docents answer questions about the unique structures and décor.

When: 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday  
Where: Bisbee  
Admission: \$12 in advance adults, \$3 in advance children, \$15 adults, \$5 children after Nov. 26  
Info: Bisbee Visitor Center, 520-432-3554 or 1-866-2BISBEE

**Nov. 29 & 30, Bisbee Gem & Mineral Show**

Marvel at a display of magnificent gems & minerals for your pleasure or your purchase. Located at the Queen Mine Tour, a short walk from Historic Bisbee.

When: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Where: Queen Mine Tour  
Admission: Free  
Info: Queen Mine Tour, 520-432-2071 or Bisbee Visitor Center, 520-432-3554

***ONGOING***

**WWII -- Honoring Local Veterans, Sierra Vista**

The Henry F. Hauser Museum presents the stories of World War II veterans from the San Pedro Valley and those who have settled in the area. Discover the war's impact on Ft. Huachuca and Arizona.

When: Wednesdays 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Fridays 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Where: 2950 E. Tacoma St.  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520-417-6960 or [www.visitsierravista.com](http://www.visitsierravista.com)

**Arizona Folklore Preserve, Sierra Vista**

This wonderful series spotlights artists and musicians of Arizona who are vocal historians of its legacy and history. Featuring Dolan Ellis, Arizona's Official State Balladeer and other invited guest artists.

When: 2 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays  
Where: 44 E. Ramsey Canyon Road  
Admission: \$15 Adults, \$6 students 17 and under, reservations required  
Info: 520-378-6165 or [www.arizonafolklore.com](http://www.arizonafolklore.com)

**Farmers Market, Sierra Vista**

When: Noon – 4 p.m. Thursdays through November  
Where: Northwest Corner of Wilcox Drive and Carmichael Avenue  
Admission: Free  
Info: 520-378-2973 or [vallimac@cox.net](mailto:vallimac@cox.net)

*Located in southeastern Arizona, Cochise County is one of the most culturally, historically and geographically diverse areas in the American Southwest. Its legendary communities—Benson, Bisbee, Douglas, Tombstone, Sierra Vista and Willcox—were strategically located less than a day’s journey by stagecoach and are now just a short drive from one another.*

*For more information about Cochise County, contact the Cochise County Tourism Council at 1-800-862-5273 or visit their website at [www.explorecochise.com](http://www.explorecochise.com).*

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