



# 2025 Calendar of Events



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All dates/events are subject to change.

**SEPTEMBER 6th - Fall Cruisin' The Boards Car Show** 50th anniversary of the OC Classic Car & Street Rod Show. Will feature classic cars from 1989 and older displayed on the boardwalk from 6th - 14th street, noon – 5:00 p.m. For more information visit [cruisintheboards.com](http://cruisintheboards.com) or email [blinkerfluidproductions@gmail.com](mailto:blinkerfluidproductions@gmail.com).

**SEPTEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> – Under The Streetlamp Performing with The Ocean City POPs** The music of Frankie Vallie & The Four Seasons and beyond! The gents of Under the Streetlamp reunite with Maestro Vince Lee and the Ocean City Pops for a Doo Wop extravaganza! Featuring former stars of the hit show Jersey Boys. Under the Streetlamp is an electrifying ensemble of Broadway luminaries and world-class musicians who light up the night with an unforgettable blend of classic doo-wop, Motown and rock and roll hits. 7:30 p.m. at the Music Pier. Tickets available at [oceancityvacation.com/boxoffice](http://oceancityvacation.com/boxoffice).

**SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> - Corvette Show** Over 400 cars exhibited. One of the largest shows of its kind in the East. Models from almost every year Corvettes were manufactured comprise this colorful show. Displayed on the boardwalk from 6<sup>th</sup> Street – 14<sup>th</sup> Street, 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information call 609-457-0081. Register at [boardwalkcorvettesac.com](http://boardwalkcorvettesac.com).

**SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> - 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony** "A Day to Remember" will include music, prayer and reflections on the memory of lives lost and on the community spirit that was renewed in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the Pentagon and the World Trade Center. All are encouraged to attend. 6:00 p.m., location TBD.

**SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> - Ocean City Airport Festival** Annual festival at the Municipal Airport, 26<sup>th</sup> & Bay Ave. 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Features include a ground display of unusual airplanes ranging from World War II Planes to Classics and Warbirds. The event will feature a parachute jump from Team Fastrax.

**SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> – Carmina Burana Performed By The Ocean City POPs** Once again, the Ocean City Pops closes its summer season with a bang! Carmina Burana, which begins and ends with the powerful and famous "O Fortuna", is one of the greatest symphonic choral works ever written. Maestro Vince Lee and the Ocean City Pops will join forces with the Rowan University Chorus and the Atlantic City Ballet for this extraordinary, three-organization collaboration. Don't miss this incredible evening of powerful music and energetic dance! 7:30 p.m. at the OCHS Bill & Nancy Hughes Performing Arts Center. Tickets available at [oceancityvacation.com/boxoffice](http://oceancityvacation.com/boxoffice).

**SEPTEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> - Parachute Pyrotechnic Show** consists of several highly trained and specially licensed Team Fastrax™ demonstrators exiting the aircraft 6,000 feet above Ocean City's Beach & Boardwalk. Brilliant white or multi-colored projectile pyrotechnics are then ignited and flown in formation, creating a dazzling display for spectators on the ground. 8:00 p.m. jump with a landing on the 7<sup>th</sup> St Beach. Viewable along the entire Boardwalk.

**SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup> - Boardwalk Aerobatic Airshow** 1:00 p.m., 6<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Streets over the ocean. Thrill to some of the best stunt pilots and aerobatic champions in the world plus military demonstrations.

**SEPTEMBER 20<sup>th</sup> - Ocean City, NJ Jeep Invasion** Jeeps will fill the boardwalk between 5th Street – 14th Street, noon - 5:00 p.m. For more information visit [NJJeepInvasion.com](http://NJJeepInvasion.com) or email [blinkerfluidproductions.com](mailto:blinkerfluidproductions.com).

**SEPTEMBER 21<sup>st</sup> - OCNJ Half Marathon, 5k & 10 Mile Non-Competitive Walk/Run** NO RACE DAY registration for the Half Marathon. Registration opens February 2025. Sign up early to save on registration fees. [www.ocnj.us/Race-Events](http://www.ocnj.us/Race-Events)

**SEPTEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> - MS City to Shore Ride** with 7,000 cyclists raising \$5.6 million – promises to be the best cycling experience on the east coast. This ride is fully supported with catered rest stops, bike support and SAG transportation. For more information call: 1-800-445-BIKE or visit [mscycling.org](http://mscycling.org)

**OCTOBER 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> - Boardwalk & Downtown Merchant "Discount Days"** 6<sup>th</sup> Street– 14<sup>th</sup> Street on the boardwalk and Asbury Ave.

**OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup> – Ocean City Fire Department Open House** OCFD hosts their annual open house for fire prevention week at the Firehouse Headquarter at 550 Asbury Avenue, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Rain date October 10<sup>th</sup>.

**OCTOBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> - RING OF FIRE** From Johnny Cash's iconic songbook comes a unique musical journey through love and faith, struggle and success, rowdiness and redemption, and the healing power of home and family. Told through over two dozen of his greatest hits—including "I Walk The Line," "A Boy Named Sue," "Folsom Prison Blues," and the title song "Ring of Fire"—performed by a multi-talented cast that paints a musical portrait of The Man in Black in a foot-stompin', crowd-pleasin' salute to the musical legend. Though he is never impersonated, the show paints an authentic musical portrait of his remarkable life, showcasing the passion, grit, and heart that defined his journey. With every note, RING OF FIRE takes audiences on an exciting ride, climaxing in a concert experience that will both move and exhilarate. This memorable tribute to Johnny Cash's legacy is a powerful reminder of the enduring impact of his music. The small cast version of RING OF FIRE, features five cast members who also play the instruments throughout the show! 7:00 p.m. October 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 p.m. October 12<sup>th</sup> at the Music Pier. All tickets \$20. Tickets available at [www.oceancitytheatrecompany.com](http://www.oceancitytheatrecompany.com)

**OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup> - Fall Block Party** 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from 5<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> Streets on Asbury Ave. Over 400 crafters, food vendors, music and more.

**OCTOBER 11<sup>th</sup> – Drone Show** Watch as drones in the sky create dazzling images synchronized to music over the beach and boardwalk. Best viewing is south of 6<sup>th</sup> street. 9:00 p.m. start time.

**OCTOBER 12<sup>th</sup>- Making Strides Against Breast Cancer of OCNJ** Join over 5,000 walkers for our 18th annual OCNJ Making Strides – a celebration of courage & hope to end breast cancer as we know it, for everyone. For three decades, these walks have grown into the nation's largest & most impactful breast cancer movement – providing a supportive community for breast cancer survivors & metastatic breast cancer thrivers, caregivers, and families. Learn more at [www.MakingStridesWalk.org/OceanCityNJ](http://www.MakingStridesWalk.org/OceanCityNJ). Walk starts at 10:00 a.m. at the Civic Center.

**OCTOBER 12<sup>th</sup>- Spooks N' Kooks Costume Surf Contest** Open groms, open adults, tandem, sign in at 10:00 a.m. on 7<sup>th</sup> Street Beach. Entry Fee: \$20 gift card to ShopRite or ACME, all proceeds benefit the Ocean City Food Cupboard. No wave date: October 13<sup>th</sup>.

**OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup> –Porsche Boardwalk Reunion-** Porsches will be displayed from 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. on the Boardwalk from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 14<sup>th</sup> Street. Over 350 Porsches of all models and years between 1954 and 2021 are expected. Free Tech Sessions on Porsche related topics open to all at the Music Pier.

**OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> – HADESTOWN** Presented by the OCTC Junior Company, this intriguing and beautiful folk opera delivers a deeply resonant and defiantly hopeful theatrical experience. Following two intertwining love stories – that of young dreamers Orpheus and Eurydice, and that of immortal King Hades and lady Persephone – HADESTOWN invites audiences on a hell-raising journey to the underworld and back. Inspired by traditions of classic American folk music and vintage New Orleans jazz, Mitchell's beguiling sung-through musical pits industry against nature, doubt against faith, and fear against love. October 18 at 7:30 p.m. and October 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the Music Pier. All seats \$15, general Admission - no assigned seating as this production is being performed with a thrust stage. Tickets available at [www.oceancitytheatrecompany.com](http://www.oceancitytheatrecompany.com)

**OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup> – John R. Elliott HERO Walk and 1 Mile Fun Run** raises awareness about the importance of safe and sober designated drivers, and to honor and remember those who have lost a loved one to a drunk driver. We encourage victim families, students of all ages, individuals, community groups, families, and businesses to create or support teams to support the HERO Campaign's efforts to save lives. Check-In 9:00 a.m. 1 Mile Fun Run: 10:00 a.m., Awards and Ceremony: 10:30 a.m., Walk begins at 11:00 a.m. Register today at [www.herowalkrun.org](http://www.herowalkrun.org)

**OCTOBER 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> - Dog Days** Leashed dogs will be permitted on the boardwalk from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Sunday. All are welcome and encouraged to bring their favorite furry canine friend. Activities for Saturday include dog-specific vendors along the boardwalk, photo-op stations on the boardwalk, and the Humane Society of Ocean City's "Pet of the Year" Announcement.

**OCTOBER 25<sup>th</sup> - HSOC "Howl-O-Ween" Parade** Hosted by the Humane Society of Ocean City. Contestants are encouraged to dress themselves and their pooch in zany, fun Halloween costumes in the spirit of the season. Registration begins at 2:00 p.m. at the Sports & Civic Center. The parade begins at 3:00 p.m. and the procession is from 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Street on the Boardwalk.

**OCTOBER 25<sup>th</sup> - Halloween Costume Skate** The Ocean City Skate Park at Fifth Street and Asbury Avenue will celebrate Halloween 4:00p.m. to dusk. Skateboarders are invited to come dressed for the holiday. There will be prizes for best costume and best trick, and candy for the participants.

**OCTOBER 29<sup>th</sup> - OC Chamber of Commerce's Annual Welcome Night** 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Ocean City Sports & Civic Center. Meet OC groups, businesses & organizations! Free event!

**OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup> - Halloween Parade** 7:15 p.m. on Asbury Ave. from 6<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Sponsored by the Ocean City Exchange Club. For more information visit [ochp.blogspot.com](http://ochp.blogspot.com)

**NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> - Trail of Two Cities 5K/Walk** 9<sup>th</sup> St. Bridge from Ocean City to Somers Point. Pre-registration and race day. 8:00 a.m. Start. For more information & registration [ocnj.us/race-events](http://ocnj.us/race-events) contact: [lrumer@ocnj.us](mailto:lrumer@ocnj.us) or call 609-525-9317.

**NOVEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> - Veterans Day Program** 11:00 a.m. inside the Tabernacle, 550 Wesley Avenue.

**NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> - Winterfest by the Sea** The Chamber of Commerce presents their Fifth Annual Winterfest By The Sea Holiday Shopping Extravaganza. The event takes place inside the Civic Center. Craft vendors, food vendors and strolling Santa will be present. Shopping hours are 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup> - "Earlier than the Bird" Downtown Shopping Extravaganza** 8:00 a.m. to noon. Get out earlier than the bird and jump start your holiday shopping the weekend before Thanksgiving. Shop in your pajamas for early bird shopping specials.

**NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup> - Horse & Carriage Rides** noon to 3:00 p.m., 6th & Asbury Ave.

**NOVEMBER 27<sup>th</sup> - Annual Fast & Furriest 5k Turkey Trot** down the OC Boardwalk. Sponsored by the Humane Society of Ocean City. For more information call 609-398-9500 ext. 4 or visit [hsocnj.org](http://hsocnj.org)

**NOVEMBER 28<sup>th</sup> - Christmas in the Downtown – "Our Miracle on Asbury Avenue"** 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Join the merchants & Chamber in kicking off an old-fashioned Downtown Christmas to culminate at 5:00 p.m. for the arrival of Santa Claus!

**NOVEMBER 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> - Horse & Carriage Rides** noon to 3:00 p.m., 6th & Asbury Ave.

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**NOVEMBER 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> - Photos with Santa** 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Music Pier.

**DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Parade** 6:00 p.m. on Asbury Avenue from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Registration information at [ocnj.us/christmas-parade](http://ocnj.us/christmas-parade).

**DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> – Santa in the Downtown** 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Soifer Park.

**DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> – Train Show** at the Music Pier. 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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**DECEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> – THE WIZARD OF OZ YOUTH EDITION** Presented by the OCTC Junior Company, "The Wizard of Oz: Youth Edition" is a stage adaptation of the classic story tailored for young performers. It's a one-hour version of L. Frank Baum's novel, featuring characters and songs from the beloved 1939 film. The story follows Dorothy's journey to the Emerald City with her friends, the Scarecrow, Tin Man, and Lion, as they seek help from the Wizard to return home. December 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m. and December 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at the Music Pier. All tickets \$15. Tickets available at [www.oceancitytheatrecompany.com](http://www.oceancitytheatrecompany.com)

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**DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup> - First Night New Year’s Eve Celebration** - A complete schedule of entertainment leading up to fireworks at midnight. More details at [www.FirstNightOCNJ.com](http://www.FirstNightOCNJ.com)

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026- First Day Shopping Extravaganza** Welcome the New Year by shopping for tremendous bargains in Downtown Ocean City, Asbury Avenue from 6<sup>th</sup> Street to 14<sup>th</sup> Street.

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026- First Day 5k Boardwalk Run** Pre-register at [ocnj.us/race-events](http://ocnj.us/race-events) or race day 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at the Music Pier. Race kicks off at 1:00 p.m.

**JANUARY 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026- First Day at The Beach** 2:00 p.m. at the Music Pier. Join us for Ocean City’s first dip in the ocean for the New Year.

**Location Addresses:**

- Music Pier: 825 Boardwalk & Moorlyn Terrace
- Sports & Civic Center/ Carey Stadium: 6<sup>th</sup> Street & Boardwalk
- Community Center (Aquatic & Fitness Center, Library, Arts Center, Historical Museum, Senior Center): 1735 Simpson Avenue
- Ocean City Tabernacle: 550 Wesley Avenue
- Hughes Performing Arts Center: E 6<sup>th</sup> Street (located in Ocean City High School)

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