

{ ON THE TOWN }

Be There

In-person events are back in full swing! Here are 10 that are filled with fun, laughter and entertainment — and will help you safely return to normal.



Oct. 16 & 17

Don't be a square—unless you're heading to the **ROSE SQUARED ART SHOW** at Brookdale Park in Bloomfield. Back for its 22nd year, the program has adopted the theme "Art for the Body & Home" for 2021 and will feature jewelry, clothing, ceramics and more created by local artists and crafters. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day, rain or shine. Additional details can be found at rosesquared.com.

Oct. 21

Bird's the word at the Hilltop Reservation in North Caldwell, where a guided **FALL BIRDING** program will take place from 8:30 to 11 a.m. The easy walk through the nature preserve will give birders of all ages the chance to explore the meadow habitats for fall migrants. The group will meet at Mountain Avenue and Courtner Lane before departing. The fee is \$10 for New Jersey Audubon members and \$15 for nonmembers. For more information, visit njudubon.org.



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Oct. 26

Canadian-American singer Paul Anka will do it his way when he presents **ANKA SINGS SINATRA:**

HIS SONGS, MY SONGS, MY WAY at the Mayo Performing Arts Center in Morristown, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Anka will honor Jersey's own Frank Sinatra by belting out old Blue Eyes' classics—many of which influenced the singer's own career. Tickets start at \$69. For more information, visit mayoarts.org.



Oct. 31

Before you overindulge with chocolate and candy, get in a morning run at the

HALLOWEEN HALF MARATHON in Morris Township, beginning at 9 a.m. Run like the ghouls are chasing you to win one of the prizes awarded to the top three male and female finishers overall and in each age group. Or just run fast enough to get a free post-race slice of pizza provided by Columbia Inn Food Truck. Registration starts at \$85 and can be completed at superheroracing.com.



Nov. 3-7

Anna and Elsa are coming to town, and let's just say there's going to be a lot of ice—**DISNEY ON ICE**, that is. Everyone's favorite characters from Frozen, Aladdin, Toy Story, Moana and other Disney hits take the ice

for a total of 10 shows at the Prudential Center in Newark. Tickets start at \$26. For a full schedule and to purchase tickets, visit disneyonice.com.

Nov. 6 & 7

Have a holly, jolly November at the **HOLLY BERRY CRAFT & GIFT SHOW** presented by the Woman's Club of Upper Montclair. Get all your holiday shopping done early and in one place. More than 45 vendors will sell their handcrafted goods from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is \$2. For more details, visit womansclubofuppermontclair.org.



Nov. 11

Enjoy an evening of cocktails, dinner and prizes while raising money for a good cause at the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation's **CHEERS TO A CURE** event. This year's program, which takes place at 7 p.m. at The Crystal Plaza in Livingston, will honor RC Andersen Construction & Contracting of Fairfield. Tickets start at \$250, and tables and sponsor packages are available. Find out more and reserve your seats on the events page at crohnscolitisfoundation.org.



Nov. 13

If you're one who listens to holiday music as early as October, the **BROOKSIDE COMMUNITY CLUB HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE** is calling your name. Featuring locally sourced goods like pottery, scarves, dolls and candles, this pop-up boutique has everything you need to complete your holiday checklist. The event is FREE and runs from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Visit brooksideclub.org for additional information.



Nov. 14

All aboard! As the weather gets colder and you start dreaming of a white Christmas, jump on the **POLAR EXPRESS TRAIN RIDE** to make your dreams come true. Riders can enjoy hot chocolate and cookies while singing carols and participating in other holiday activities. Santa might even make a special guest appearance with gifts for good boys and girls. The train leaves Whippany Station at 11:30 a.m., and tickets range from \$48 to \$70. Kids under the age of 2 ride for FREE provided they can sit on his or her guardian's lap. For more information, visit whippanythepolarexpressride.com.



NOV. 25

Whether or not you're worried about all the Thanksgiving calories that await, the **CHATHAM TURKEY TROT** is the perfect way to start the holiday. Now in its 13th year, the event features a 1-mile run and a full 5K. The first run of the day kicks off at 8:30 a.m. Pre-registration for the 1-mile run is \$20 while pre-registration for the 5K is \$25. Same day registration for all races is \$30. Sign up by Nov. 10 to receive a commemorative T-shirt. Get moving and head to thechathamturkeytrot.org to register now.



*Editor's note: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, all events are subject to cancellations or changes. Attendees are encouraged to observe local safety guidelines.