

Lots to do in Downtown Holland



ON-GOING 2010 EVENTS

DUTCH GALLERIES EXHIBIT JANUARY 1-DECEMBER 31 Holland Museum

Extensive collection, illustrating 600 years of Dutch art and culture including paintings, fine furniture, delftware, silver and original Dutch costumes.

HOLLAND FARMERS MARKET Weds & Sat, May 12-Nov 27 Sat, December 4 & 11, 8am-4pm Eighth Street Market Place

Get the area's freshest produce and much more. Street performers, food vendors, special events and weekly activities too!

MARKET CHEF SERIES Sat, May 15-Sept 11, 10am Eighth Street Market Place

Area chefs demonstrate how to create delightful dishes from fresh Market ingredients.

KIDS MARKET ACTIVITIES Weds, June 2-August 25 10am-Noon Eighth Street Market Place

Fun, educational and free activities for kids at the Market.

STREET PERFORMER SERIES June 10-August 26 Thursday Nights, 6-8pm

Artists of all backgrounds fill the streets of Downtown Holland with every performance art imaginable.

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES June 11-August 27 Friday nights, 6:30-8:30pm Kollen Park

A diverse concert series to knock your socks off!

2010 EVENTS

COLLEGIATE INVITATIONAL ICE SCULPTING COMPETITION

Fri, January 8, 6-8pm
Sat, January 9, 12:30-4:30pm

Sculptors use everything from chainsaws to blowtorches to transform blocks of ice into glistening works of art.

GIRLFRIENDS WEEKEND

Fri-Sun, March 5-7
A weekend in Downtown Holland with just your best gal pals!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Sat, March 13, Noon
Irish parade featuring bagpipers, Irish dancers and more!

GROOVEWALK

Sat, April 24, 9pm-1am
Music at over ten downtown pubs, eateries and other places.

FIESTA

Fri & Sat, April 30-May 2
Eighth Street Market Place
Features annual Fiesta queen and king contest, lowrider car show, Latino entertainment, carnival, various exhibitors and everyone's favorite: lots of food!

TULIP TIME FESTIVAL

May 1-8
A spring festival of beauty with the display of millions of tulips and a celebration of Dutch heritage and culture. Three parades, klompen dancing, music and variety shows, Dutch market, trolley tours, children's events, fireworks and much, much more.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Mon, May 24, 9:30am
Centennial Park
A traditional parade that ends with a ceremony to honor deceased veterans in the cemetery at the Civil War monument.

THE CARVE III

Sat, July 17, 10am
Eighth Street Market Place
Check out the action as participants carve sculptures out of fresh produce from the Market.

VINTAGE BOAT SHOW

Sun, July 18, 1-5pm
Holland Museum
A showcase of vintage boats.

ART IN THE PARK

Sat, August 7, 9am-5pm
Centennial Park
Michigan's premier juried arts and crafts show.

SIDEWALK SALES

Thurs, August 12, 9am-9pm
Fri, August 13, 9am-9pm
Sat, August 14, 9am-4pm
Head Downtown for the biggest sale of the year! Over 100 merchants means thousands of great deals!

SALSA SHOWDOWN

Sat, August 21, 11am
Eighth Street Market Place
Participants are challenged to create their best salsa using fresh Market ingredients.

MICHIGAN WORKS

TRUCK PARADE
Mon, September 6, 9:30am
Nearly 50 trucks from area employers make their way through Downtown. The event celebrates West Michigan's great employers, their workforce and their collaborative relationships.

LE STYLE DE VIE

Sat, September 11, 5-10pm
Butch's Dry Dock
A runway fashion show with the finest fashions and accessories, a worldly array of fine wines and appetizers and entertainment, all for a good cause.

TULIPANES LATINO

ART & FILM FESTIVAL
Sat-Sun, September 11-12
Centennial Park
A celebration of Latino art and culture through film, visual arts, music, dance, poetry and more!

LIVE MANNEQUIN NIGHT

Fri, September 17
Live mannequins pose throughout the storefronts and sidewalks of Downtown. Vote for your favorite!

AUTUMNFEST

Sat, September 18, 7pm
New Holland Brewing Co.
Live music, BBQ cook-out and annual release of seasonal beer.

DOWNTOWN HOLLAND

WEDDING WALK
Fri & Sat, October 1-2
Upscale bridal show held throughout Downtown Holland.

FIRE TRUCK PARADE

Sat, October 2, 10:30am
Antique and modern fire trucks parade down 8th Street.

FALL FAMILY FUNDAY

Sat, October 2, 10am
Eighth Street Market Place
Celebrate fall with pumpkin painting, pumpkin pie eating contests and other fun fall activities!

GROOVEWALK

Sat, October 16, 9pm-1am
Music at over ten downtown pubs, eateries and other places.

GALLERY WALK

Fri, November 5, 6-9pm
Sat, November 6, Noon-4pm
Visit the galleries of Downtown Holland, each featuring activities and on-site artists.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Sat, November 20, 6-9pm
Over 1,800 luminaries line Downtown's cobblestone sidewalks. Stroll the heated streets filled with carolers, roasting chestnuts, Santa and one-of-a-kind shopping.

PARADE OF LIGHTS

Tues, November 30, 6:30pm
Santa arrives, escorted by bands, floats and vehicles all decked out in holiday lights.

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our downtown events,
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