**Schedule of Events**

**Rhododendron Festival**
May 2019 • Beckley, West Virginia

**May 5 - Miss, Teen, Mrs. & Children's Pageants**
- Beckley-Raleigh County Convention Center
  Info: 304-252-4769

**May 3 – July 12:**
Beckley Art Center Exhibit - Members Exhibit, open Wed-Sat

**Saturday, May 11:**
- Walk/Run by Active SWV, Kids Run 10:30 am, 5k walk/run at 11 am, WWHS track.
- Sweet Treats / Raleigh County Schools Day of Arts & Music, with the Southern WV Preparedness Fair, Beckley Intermodal Gateway (B.I.G.) Plaza, music starts at 10:30 am; dessert-tasting 11:00 am–2:30 pm, $5 for 5 samples, supports the United Way of SWV
- May-June - The Amazing Castle exhibit at the Youth Museum, $2

**Sunday, May 13 – Sunday, May 26:**
- Active Southern WV Facebook Photo Contest - take a hike on one of the trails near Beckley & submit your photo of WV’s State Flower to the 2019 Rhododendron Festival event page with hashtag #WVRhodofest19 by May 26 for a chance to win a prize with the most likes – the contest is for amateur photographers only.
- Rhododendron Coloring Contest sponsored by Coloring Club at the Raleigh County Library, pick up coloring sheet at the library & turn in by May 23. Coloring sheets also available at McFamily Nights at McDonald's.
- Beach Blast Activities at Lake Stephens, Crossroads Mall
- Southern WV Business and Adventure Expo
- Tamarack Dinner Theatre

**Sunday, May 19:**
View Rhododendrons at Grandview / Join a park ranger for 1-mile walk to see rhododendron blooms, learn about plant life at the park, & take in views at Main & North Overlooks, 3 pm at Grandview Visitor Center
photo- National Park Service Ranger Abby

**Friday, May 24:**
Friday in the Park, 11:30 am–1 pm, Word Park, music Painting class – Rhododendron-themed, 110 Marshall, 6-9pm, $35

**Saturday, May 25:**
- New River Park Pool and Historic Black Knight Pools opens for the season
- RhodoBoogie Car & Bike Show Beckley Intermodal Gateway, 5-8 pm, music by "Buddy Allen and Cheat River Band"; dancing; Car Show registration from 5-6pm (vehicle fee $10); awards & door prizes; Vendors

**Sunday, May 26:**
View Rhododendrons at Grandview
Final day to submit photos for the Active SWV Rhododendron photo contest

**Monday, May 27:**
Memorial Day Holiday

**Thursday, May 30:**
WV Miners Baseball, Linda K. Epling Stadium

**Friday, May 31:**
Friday in the Park, 11:30 am–1 pm, Word Park - Southern WV Business and Adventure Expo, Crossroads Mall - Beach Blast Activities at Lake Stephens - Tamarack Dinner Theatre
Join a National Park Service park ranger for a walk to see rhododendron blooms & learn about the diversity of plant life at the park. The easy one-mile walk includes outstanding views at the Main Overlook & North Overlook. Visit the park anytime during the month of May to explore on your own.

Rhododendron walk with a park ranger - Meet at Grandview Visitor Center at 3 pm on Sunday, May 19.

Rhododendron Walks
at Grandview

Rhododendron Festival & Event Info:
Beckley Events
304-256-1776
Websites: Beckley.org
or www.beckleyevents.com

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Festival Partners:
City of Beckley Parks & Recreation, Beckley Exhibition Mine, Youth Museum & Wildwood
304-256-1747 • beckley.org
National Park Service
304-465-6511; nps.gov
Beckley Art Center
304-253-9226; 600 Johnstown Road;
beckleyartcenter.org
110 Marshall
304-634-8367, on Facebook
Active Southern WV
304-254-8488; activeswv.org
Raleigh County Recreation (Lake Stephens)
304-934-5323; lakestephenswv.com

2018 Photo contest entry from Emily Wilkinson
The Rhododendron Festival is a member of the WV Association of Fairs & Festivals

Visitor Info & Brochure Sponsor:

Beckley Raleigh County Convention & Visitors Bureau

May 2019
Over 20 events including:
Art Shows & Classes
Concerts & Car Show
Sweet Treats Dessert Event
Founders Day History Event
Scenic Walks at Grandview
Recreation

Lodging and Visitor Information
800-847-4898 or 304-252-2244
RaleighCountyEvents.com