



Thompson Okanagan Festival & Events 2009-2010

Chronological

Sun Peaks Resort (Kamloops)

Winter Ice-Wine Festival

January 13-18, 2009

January 12-17, 2010

Spectacular wines with latest releases in an alpine setting at Sun Peaks Resort. Five days of education & recreation. Seminars, dinners and consumer tasting showcasing ice-wines.

For more information, call 250-578-7842

www.sunpeaksresort.com

Vernon

Vernon Winter Carnival

February 6-15, 2009

January 29-February 7, 2010

2008 marks the 48th Annual year the Vernon Winter Carnival.

There are over 80 events over 10 days of fun for everyone including the 17th annual Hot Air Balloon Fiesta.

For more information, call 250-545-2236

www.vernonwintercarnival.com

Kamloops

Kamloops Cowboy Festival

March 12-15, 2009

The biggest and best festival of it's kind in Canada

For more information, call 250-579-5667

www.bcchs.com

Penticton

Okanagan Fest-Of-Ale

April 3-4, 2009

April 2-3, 2010

One of the largest festivals of it's kind in B.C. featuring over 75 breweries.

For more information call 250-492-4355

www.fest-of-ale.bc.ca

Kelowna/Penticton

Okanagan Spring Wine Festival

April 30 - May 9, 2009

April 29 - May 8, 2010

Enjoy a perfect occasion of wine and cuisine at over 100 events throughout the valley in warm spring sunshine.

For more information, call 250-861-6654

www.thewinefestivals.com

Osoyoos/Oliver

South Okanagan Similkameen Meadowlark Festival

May 14-18, 2009

May 13 - 16, 2010

The Festival is comprised of approximately 100 events around the valleys.

Explore, experience and discover the landscapes of this richly diverse and beautiful area while participating in the many field tours led by experienced outdoor leaders.

For more information, outreach@osca.org

www.meadowlarkfestival.bc.ca

Penticton

Penticton Northwest Elvis Festival

June 26-28, 2009

June 25-27, 2010

A fun filled weekend featuring many pro/amateur tribute artists celebrating the life and music of the king..Elvis Presley.

For more information, info@pentictonelvisfestival.com

www.pentictonelvisfestival.com

Kelowna

Okanagan Lavender Discovery Days

July 4 / August 1, 2009

Celebrate the lavender harvest at a beautiful farm overlooking Okanagan Lake.

For more information, call 250-764-7795

www.okanaganlavender.com

Merritt

Merritt Mountain Music Festival

July 9-12, 2009

July 8-11, 2010

For one week, the Country Music Capital of Canada hosts some of the biggest names in country music and over 150,000 fans.

For more information, call 604-525-3330

www.mountainfest.com

Kamloops

Kamloopa Pow Wow

July 31 - August 2, 2009

July 30-Aug 2, 2010

This is a spectacular expression of Secwepemc heritage in the **Kamloops** area with vibrant displays of storytelling, song, and dance.

For more information, call 250-372-8000

www.tourismkamloops.com

Silver Star Resort (Vernon)

Okanagan Summer Wine Festival

August 6-8, 2009

August 5-7, 2010

Experience an intimate weekend at Silver Star Resort with wine education, arts, music and mile high outdoor recreation.

For more information, call 250-861-6654

www.thewinefestivals.com

Valemount/Dunster

Robson Valley Music Festival

August 21-23, 2009

August 20-22, 2010

The festival is one of the newest and coolest grass roots, multi genre music fests held in BC. Held in the heart of the pristine and remote Robson Valley, the venue is only a short drive from Mount Robson, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

For more information, call 250-968-4411

www.robsonvalleymusicfestival.com

Salmon Arm

Salmon Arm Roots and Blues Festival

August 14-16, 2009

August 13-15, 2010

Against a backdrop of towering mountains, the festival features a variety of rhythm and blues artists from across North America.

For more information, call 250-833-4096

www.rootsandblues.ca

Sorrento (Shuswap)

Sorrento Bluegrass Festival

August 29, 2009

August 21, 2010

One day and 10 hours of bluegrass artists from around North America.

For more information, call 250-675-2421

www.musicworkshops.ca/festival.htm

Armstrong

Armstrong Interior Exhibition and Fair

September 2-6, 2009

September 1-5, 2010

The 110th annual event will feature exhibitors, animals, a midway and stampede over the course of six days. This is the largest fair of its kind in the Thompson Okanagan.

For more information, call 250-546-9406

www.armstrongipe.com

Barriere (North Thompson)

North Thompson Fall Fair and Rodeo

September 5-7, 2009

September 4-6, 2010

Located 45 minutes north of Kamloops, the fair celebrates 60 years of community displays, shows, entertainment and rodeo skills.

For more information, contact@fallfair-rodeo.com

www.fallfair-rodeo.com

Penticton

Penticton Hot Jazz Festival

September 11-13, 2009

September 10-12, 2010

One of the Okanagan's premiere cultural music events, the Peach City hosts jazz artists from around the continent.

For more information, jazzsociety@shaw.ca

www.pentasticjazz.com

Rock Creek

Rock Creek & Boundary Fall Fair

September 19-20, 2009 September 18-19, 2010

The biggest little fair in B.C. that attracts up to 12,000 visitors! Agricultural displays, farm animals, midway and live entertainment.

For more information, please call 250-446-2465

www.rockcreekfallfair.ca

Penticton/Kelowna

Okanagan Fall Wine Festival

October 1-11, 2009 September 30-October 10, 2010

The annual fall wine festival is an experience for all who love fabulous wine accompanied by great food and unique events around the Okanagan valley.

For more information, call 250-861-6654

www.thewinefestivals.com

Oliver

Festival of the Grape

October 4, 2009 October 3, 2010

An outdoor one day consumer tasting event featuring many of the Okanagan wineries. Grape stomp, food vendors and live entertainment.

For more information, call 250-498-6321

tourism@sochamber.ca

Chase (Shuswap)

Adams River Salmon Run

October 9-18, 2009 October 9-17, 2010

Experience the miracle of British Columbia salmon completing their 4 year life cycle as millions of brightly coloured fish return to die.

For more information, secretary@salmonsociety.com

www.salmonsociety.com

Kamloops

British Columbia Wildlife Park Wildlights

December 11-January 2, 2009 December 10-January 1, 2010

Experience the magic of the season and witness hundreds of thousands of brightly coloured lights decorating wildlife sculptures. See bonfires, entertainers, ride the wildlife express train and hear carollers throughout the park.

For more information, call 250-573-3242

www.bczoo.org

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