

Welcome fall! Albion, Michigan falls are full of community events, local celebrations, and enjoying the *hopefully* crisp weather. The weekends are packed and the memories are being made. Be sure to explore the September calendar, and save the date for some larger events coming later this year.

Upcoming Community Events

- September 12th, Bids 'N' Stuff: Big Top! Big Fun!
- September 13th - 19th, Albion's World Fest Week
- September 18th & 19th, Festival of the Forks
- September 26th, Healthy Babies Day

Full community calendar available inside!



Inside!

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To submit feedback, events, or story ideas, contact Cassidy Porter, ambassador@albionfoundation.org



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Experience the Music of Québec, Canada with Albion's World Fest!

Get ready, Albion, for the enticing sounds of Mélisande [électrotrad] – an energetic Québécois artist fusing centuries-old traditional songs with state-of-the-art electronic instruments, engaging vocals, and high energy instruments like drums, fiddle, jaw harp, and banjo.



Mélisande is the 2026 Albion's World Fest performer joining us September 13th – 19th, 2026!

Albion's World Fest is a program of the Bohm Theatre that celebrates various cultures with a vibrant performing arts residency that brings world renown music ensembles from across the globe to community spaces in Albion, Michigan.

Developed from the long-running World Fest program of Arts Midwest, this weeklong residency focuses on fostering cross-cultural understanding and appreciation by connecting local audiences of all ages with internationally acclaimed artists.



Previous World Fest workshop at Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum.

Each workshop and performance expands beyond listening to amazing music, it is an engaging, educational experience with the performers discussing their instruments, their traditions, and the meanings behind their music.

Story continues inside!



Previous World Fest workshop at Forks Senior Center.

Throughout the week workshops occur in the Marshall Public Schools and in Albion community spaces like the Forks Senior Center, Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum, and more. The immersive experience concludes with the culminating public concert on Saturday, September 19th at 4PM in the Bohm Theatre during the Festival of the Forks.

Save the Date! Community Workshops:

Thursday, September 17th | Albion Arts Center | Free

Thursday, September 17th | 10:30AM - 11:15AM | Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum | Free

Thursday, September 17th | 3PM - 4PM | Forks Senior Center | Free

Saturday, September 19th | 4PM | Final Concert at Bohm Theatre | \$5 Admission

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Grant Round #2 Grantees Albion Community Foundation

MACI Youth Fund

- Charitable Union - \$500 - 2026 Back to School Albion Event
- Marshall Public School - \$500 - Opportunity High School STEM Program: Lab Supplies and Competitions
- There's Enough - \$500
- Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum - \$500 – Take Care with Peanuts Exhibit

Rotary Club of Albion Charitable Fund

- Charitable Union - \$1,000 - 2026 Back to School Albion Event
- South Michigan Food Bank - \$3,000 - Mobile Market in Albion Community
- Marshall Public School - \$2,000 - Opportunity High School STEM Program: Lab Supplies and Competitions
- Albion Arts Commission - \$1,000 - Albion Arts Center
- MI Path Home - \$3,000 - Albion Housing Needs Assessments & Emergency Repair Seed Program
- Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum - \$1,000 – Take Care with Peanuts Exhibit

Andersons Albion Charitable Fund

- Charitable Union - \$500 - 2026 Back to School Albion Event
- Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum - \$500 – Take Care with Peanuts Exhibit

Team 1 Plastics Corporate Donor Advised Fund

- Charitable Union - \$500 - 2026 Back to School Albion Event
- Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum - \$750 – Take Care with Peanuts Exhibit
- Daughters of the American Revolution - \$750 - Honoring American Revolutionary War Veterans

Jack L. Hoaglin Family Fund

- Charitable Union - \$1,500 - 2026 Back to School Albion Event
- Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum - \$1,500 – Take Care with Peanuts Exhibit

The final grant round for 2026 is open! Deadline to apply is **5PM September 15th, 2026**. For more information or questions contact foundation@albionfoundation.org.



September 18th & 19th, 2026

Join the Greater Albion Chamber & Visitors Bureau in the annual Festival of the Forks. Since 1967, Albion has been sharing our heritage and celebrating our community!



Here’s a peek at the weekend’s schedule:

Friday, September 18, 2026

3PM - 7PM | Cruise-In & Car Show in Memory of Deb Myers | 50s & 60s Music, Artists, Exhibitors, Businesses, Nonprofits, Food Vendors, and Food Trucks throughout Downtown Albion

4PM - 7PM | Ice Cream Social at St. James’ Episcopal Church

5PM - 7PM | Juried Art Exhibition & Reception at Albion Arts Center

6:30PM | Run Albion - Forks 5K Race

7PM | Kick-Off Party sponsored by Albion Malleable Brewing Co.

Saturday, September 19, 2026
9AM - 9:30AM | The Foundry Mile

10AM | 2026 Festival of the Forks Parade along Superior Street through Ash Street

10AM - 5PM | Artists/Exhibitors, Business, and Nonprofits set-up along Superior & E. Erie Streets

11:30AM - 12:30PM | Live Aerial Art Performance in partnership with Fluence Arts Organization & Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum featuring Ashley Miller at Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum

12PM - 5PM | Juried Art Exhibition at Albion Arts Center

7PM | 2026 Festival of the Forks Grand Finale Concert at Victory Park's Band Shell featuring Albion College's Marching Band

For more scheduled events and details visit festivaloftheforks.org/schedule



MOVE REMINDER!

The Albion Community Foundation, Albion Economic Development Corporation, and Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau are now located in Albion College’s Ludington Center, 101 N Superior Street, in downtown Albion. This move is not a merger rather a collaboration to create a vibrant hub of community entities all working to better the Albion community.



Pickleball Class



ALBION IN MOTION

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!

SEPT. 16 WEDNESDAY

REGISTER HERE! →



15 PARTICIPANT LIMIT

6:00PM - 7:00PM

HOLLAND PARK, ALBION, MI



ACF INVITATIONAL

Albion's Almost Athletic Fundraiser

October 10th, 2026 | Starts @ 12PM
| \$60 ticket includes dinner

Join us for almost athletic triathlon of shuffleboard, cornhole, and bowling!

Questions? Contact foundation@albionfoundation.org or (517) 629-3349



Albion COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

SAVE THE DATE!

Holiday Mixology

Nov. 20th, 2026



Free Resource Fair for Expecting Families

Attention expecting families and caretakers, the Annual Heathy Babies Day is back with free educational resources to support the beginning stages of your child’s life. Join the Albion Health Care Alliance at Crowell School located at **1418 Cooper St. Albion, Michigan** on **Saturday, September 26th from 10AM – 1PM.**

Since the early 2000s the annual resource fair has provided up-to-date educational sessions, tools, and local resources to expecting Albion area residents with **information centered around children from birth up to 18 months of age.**

This year’s event includes educational breakout sessions with area doctors and health experts regarding topics like postpartum mental health, vaccine safety, breastfeeding, and more. Attendees will receive free diapers, an infant sleep sack, a first aid kit, as well as connections to local organizations that your family can access. Participating organizations range in topics like early childhood dental care with Grace Health, safe sleeping with Henry Ford Hospital, early literacy with the Albion District Library, and more!

Albion Health Care Alliance Executive Director, Amy Reimann emphasized the importance of the event saying, “access to proper educational resources and support at the beginning of a child’s life is critical to healthy development. The Albion Health Care Alliance is a community health connector, so providing our expecting community members with local resources is a key part to our mission.”

The Albion Health Care Alliance is a 501(c)3 non-profit promoting wellness and health care access in the Albion through community connectedness. To learn more about the organization visit albionhca.org or contact ahca@albionhca.org.



September



More events and details available on **DowntownAlbion.com**

		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 9A Walk & Talk 9:30A Silverstars** MOHS^ - Gym 10A - 6P Food Pantry - CTA* MOHS^ 10A - 10:45A Wiggle Worms Albion District Library 3P - 6P Open Swim** MOHS^ - Pool 5P - 9P D&D Club Elders Guild Albion District Library 6:15P Aqua Aerobics** MOHS^ - Pool 7P Fermented Trivia Albion Malleable Brewing Co.	2 12P Real 2 Reel - Women of World War 2 Albion District Library 4P Albion Knitters Stirling Books & Brew 6P Cardio Drum** MOHS^ - Gym	3 11:45A Rotary Club Ludington Center 3P - 6P Open Swim** MOHS^ - Pool 5:30P - 7:30P Chess Club (& other games) Albion District Library 6P Teen Art Club Albion District Library 6:15P Aqua Aerobics** MOHS^ - Pool	4 MPS - No School 9A Walk & Talk 9:30A Silverstars** MOHS^ - Gym 6P - 9P Music in the Park Holland Park 6P - 9P Cards for Kitties - Friends of Albion's Animals Eckford Community Center	5 11A - 12P Annie Smith Author Visit Stirling Books & Brew 12P - 1:30P Ethan and Addison Grier Author Visit Stirling Books & Brew 12P - 4P D&D Club Junior Guild Albion District Library 2P - 3:30P Coffee Hour with Attorney Jim Haadsma Stirling Books & Brew
Sunday	Monday	8 9A Walk & Talk 9:30A Silverstars** MOHS^ - Gym 10A Wiggle Worms Storytime Albion District Library 3P - 5P Food Distribution - CTA* MOHS^ 3P - 6P Open Swim** MOHS^ - Pool 5P - 9P D&D Club Elders Guild Albion District Library 5P - 8P Table Top Card Games Albion District Library 5:30P AAPW Meeting Albion District Library 5:30P Functional Fitness The Body Shop - Albion 6P - 9P Garden Totem Pole (1/2) registration required Duck-A-Roo Studio -EBMY Farm 6:15P Aqua Aerobics** MOHS^ - Pool 7P Fermented Trivia Albion Malleable Brewing Co. 7P City Council Meeting Council Chambers City Hall	9 12P Real 2 Reel - Lions of Skeleton Coast Albion District Library 4P Crochet Club Stirling Books & Brew 6P Cardio Drum** MOHS^ - Gym	10 10A Albion Area Lifelong Learners (AALL) Fall Assembly Wesley Chapel - Albion College 3P - 6P Open Swim** MOHS^ - Pool 5:30P Women's Intro to Weight Lifting The Body Shop - Albion 6P - 7:30P Yarn Craft Club Albion District Library 6:15P Aqua Aerobics** MOHS^ - Pool	11 9A Walk & Talk 9:30A Silverstars** MOHS^ - Gym 12:30P - 2:30P Mobile Market - free food - South Michigan Food Bank Pick Up Location - Parking Lot across from Albion City Fire Station (207 N Clinton St) 5:30P Build your own Witches/Wizards broom! Honey P's Flower Farm 6P - 9P Music in the Park Holland Park	12 10A - 12P STEM Saturday INNOVATE Albion 10A - 12:30P Pumpkin Pinch Pot Pottery Class Duck-A-Roo Studio at EBMY Farm - Must preregister on ebmyfarm.com 1P - 3P Blues Workshop & Jam Prep Dickerson Music Co. 6P - 9P Bids 'N' Stuff - Kids 'N' Stuff Annual Fundraiser Auction Albion College - Science Atrium
KEY: ^MOHS - Marshall Opportunity High School *CTA - Community Table of Albion - an Albion Health Care Alliance program **Battle Creek YMCA Program - classes free to Albion residents						
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Cheer on the Home Team - Sports Calendars!



There's Enough - Free Store
718 Austin Ave
Mondays & Wednesdays, 10A - 1P
1st Saturday of each month, 10A - 1P

Kid-to-Kid Shop - St. Paul Lutheran Church
Gently used or new kids clothes sizes 0-16, and other items like strollers, toys, books, etc.
100 Luther Blvd
Mondays & Saturdays, 10A - 2P

Swim Lesson with the Battle Creek YMCA
Learn to swim at your child's level with various lessons in 30 minute sessions.
Tuesdays & Thursdays | 4PM - 6PM | Marshall Opportunity School
Register with jthornsberry@ymcabattlecreek.org

Cozy Grown Up
Book Fair
Thursday, October 1st
5:30PM-7:30PM

\$25 Ticket Includes:
(1) Free Book
(1) Specialty Drink
(1) Themed Cookie
Fall Themed Craft
Exclusive Deals!

Luke's
Gilmore girls theme!

Stirling
books & brew

TERROR TUESDAYS ARE BACK

OCTOBER 6 OCTOBER 13 OCTOBER 20 OCTOBER 27
HERETIC SINISTER SMILE 2 PSYCHO

TUESDAYS IN OCTOBER AT 7:00 PM

THE HISTORIC BOHM THEATRE 201 S. SUPERIOR ST. ALBION, MI

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