

Georgetown, KY's 42nd Annual Festival of the Horse Planned for Sept. 7-10, 2023

'The best of the Bluegrass' brings live music, Kentucky-made crafts, foods, family fun

GEORGETOWN, KY, USA, August 28, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [42nd Annual Festival of the Horse](https://www.einpresswire.com/news/42nd-annual-festival-of-the-horse-georgetown-ky) brings "the best of the Bluegrass" to Georgetown, Birthplace of Bourbon, for the weekend of September 7-10, 2023. Local musicians, Kentucky crafts vendors, all-new street performers, craft beer garden, festival foodie faves, family-fun activities like Fox Creek Amusement rides as well as the Toyota Grand Parade of Horses headline the free-admission festival.



The 42nd Annual Festival of the Horse brings 'the best of the Bluegrass' to Georgetown the weekend of Sept. 8-10, 2023.

The festival focuses on live music, with more than a dozen local and regional artists performing throughout the weekend on the Country Boy Stage. Featured musicians include Savannah Dean Reeves, The Mingled Oaks, Sorry Atari, The Lofi Souls and many more.

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Fest fun facts

- 70+ vendor booths on Main Street with everything from handmade woodworking and crafts to jewelry, apparel and home décor.
- New and exciting street performers and roaming entertainment every day of the event, including Mike Guymon Juggling, The Balloon Man of Kentucky and Sky's

the Limit Stilt Walking.

□ Numerous food and beer vendors with gelato, brews, international cuisine, gourmet burgers and more.

□ Festival activities: Georgetown Community Hospital's Colt & Filly Review Parade – the largest parade in the county (6:30 p.m. Sept. 8); Toyota's Grand Parade of Horses (5 p.m. Sept. 9);

Blessing of the Animals and Pet Parade (1:30 p.m. Sept. 10).

□ Other festival events:

- o Thursday, Sept. 7: The Fireman's Chili Cookoff
- o Saturday, Sept. 9: Storytelling, Scott County Public Library, Georgetown/Scott County Farmers' Market, Booiaaka Demonstration, Harrison County Boot Stompers.
- o Sunday, Sept. 10: Paws in the Pool

□ Amusement Rides by Fox Creek Amusements, located in the City Hall Parking Lot.

□ Sponsors include Country Boy Brewing, Chinkapin Brewing, Georgetown Community Hospital, Toyota, Hubbard Mechanical & Comfortmaker, Kentucky Utilities, Celebrate Georgetown and [Georgetown/Scott County Tourism](#) Commission.

Festival of the Horse, Georgetown, KY

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Date Friday-Sunday, Sept. 8-10, 2023

- Friday: 4-10 p.m., featuring the Colt & Filly Review Parade at 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday: 11 a.m.-10 p.m., featuring the Toyota Grand Parade of Horses at 5 p.m.
- Sunday: 11 a.m.- 5 p.m., with Scott County Humane Society's Pet Parade, 1:30 p.m.

Place Downtown Georgetown, KY 40324

Cost Free

For more information about the Festival of the Horse, the live music lineup or other activities, visit www.FestivaloftheHorse.org. NOTE: In 2024, the festival is transforming to showcase the best of Kentucky culture, with a strong emphasis on live music performed by local musicians and Kentucky food, arts and crafts, vendors and other entertainment. "The Best of the Bluegrass" reflects the intention to highlight the region's rich cultural and musical heritage. It will offer a well-rounded representation of Kentucky's culture that combines its musical heritage, local cuisine and craft brews, arts and crafts and the famous bourbon industry.

ABOUT FESTIVAL OF THE HORSE | Since the 1980s, this festival has been a tradition in downtown Georgetown, celebrating the role of the horse in the heart of the Bluegrass and giving locals and visitors an opportunity to come together and commemorate horse heritage. Increasingly, live music has taken centerstage and, in 2024, the festival's focus on The Best of the Bluegrass will celebrate everything Kentucky with a focus on live music performed by local musicians and Kentucky food, arts and crafts and other vendors and entertainment.

ABOUT GEORGETOWN, KY | Birthplace of Bourbon. Kentucky's Horse Headquarters.

Georgetown is both of these, and more. Sitting amidst Horse Country, Kentucky's fastest growing city is home to horse-centric attractions and events, including the Kentucky Horse Park, Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement Farm, Kentucky Three Day Event, Festival of the Horse and the National Horse Show. Its beautifully preserved Victorian-era downtown is filled with dozens of locally owned shops, galleries and restaurants. "Only here" attractions: Toyota Motor Manufacturing Tour/Experience Center; Yuko-en—the official Kentucky-Japan Friendship Garden;

Heirlooms & Gretchen's authentic stained-glass shop. Outdoor adventure: Elkhorn Creek; Skullbuster Mountain Bike Trail; Kentucky Proud family-fun farms. Historical sites: Ward Hall Greek Revival Mansion Tour; Scott County/Georgetown Museum; 1917 Rosenwald School. Coming: Blue Run Spirits Distillery. Accommodations: 38 unique stays, 18 brand name chain hotels, two campgrounds. www.facebook.com/gotogtown

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