



# This week at the First Peak

## February 22-28, 2023 (Wed-Tue)

Here's a quick look at what's happening in the area over the next week. You'll find additional events, info & attractions at [www.firstpeaknc.com](http://www.firstpeaknc.com). Message us on Facebook or give us a call during the day at 828-894-2324.

20 E. Mills St., Columbus, NC 28722

Welcome! Explore Historic Saluda, Tryon & Columbus - shop and eat local.  
Get out and enjoy our natural beauty and hiking. Stay healthy, relax and have fun!

### Reoccurring events

**Historic Tryon Movie Theatre • Tryon** • "EO" is showing Wed-Sat at 7pm, Thu & Sun at 3:30pm. See the world through the eyes of a grey donkey. 45 South Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-6811. Tickets at [www.tryontheatre.com](http://www.tryontheatre.com)

**Live Music and Tastings at Parker-Binns Vineyard • Mill Spring • Tastings:** Wed-Thu 12-5pm, Fri-Sun 12-6pm. **Free Music**, 2pm: Sat, Beau; Sun, Phil. 2275 Whiteside Rd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-894-0154. [www.parkerbinnsvineyard.com](http://www.parkerbinnsvineyard.com)

**Live Music and Trivia at Iron Key Brewing Co. • Columbus** • Wed, Flight Night 4-9pm, free music by TJ Jeter at 6pm; Thu, free trivia at 7pm. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-802-1045. [www.ironkeybrewing.com](http://www.ironkeybrewing.com)

**Indoor Horse Show at Tryon International Equestrian Ctr. • Mill Spring** • Free. Wed-Thu 9am-4pm. Hunter/jumper fences in the indoor complex. 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. [www.tryon.com](http://www.tryon.com)

**Live Music at Green River Eddy's • Saluda** • Free, 7pm. Fri, Seth & Sara; Sat, The Grayson Downs Duo. 435 Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-848-4060. [www.saludaoutfitters.com](http://www.saludaoutfitters.com)

Wednesday February 22 (more Wednesday events in reoccurring list above)

★ **"Tales of Tryon" at The Depot • Tryon** • Free, 5pm. Steven Nash, associate professor of history at East Tenn. State Univ., will talk about how Reconstruction played out in western North Carolina and reveal some Polk County connections. 22 Depot St., Tryon, NC. 828-440-1116. [www.tryonhistorymuseum.org](http://www.tryonhistorymuseum.org)

Thursday, February 23 (more Thursday events in reoccurring list above)

★ **Masquerade Ball at Orchard Inn • Saluda** • 6-10pm. Enjoy a welcome cocktail, gourmet four course dinner, auction, live music, dancing, and after dinner cocktail. Call to make required advance reservations, \$175. Please wear a masquerade mask and elegant attire. 100 Orchard Inn Lane, Saluda, NC. 828-749-5471. [www.orchardinn.com](http://www.orchardinn.com)

**Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda** • 7:30pm. Casey Noel will perform. Advance tickets are required – purchase online, \$8 each. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. [www.purpleonionsaluda.com](http://www.purpleonionsaluda.com)

Friday, February 24 (more Friday events in reoccurring list above)

**Free Wine Tasting at The Tryon Bottle • Tryon** • 5-7pm. Enjoy free wine tastings of featured wines. 15 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-6473. [www.tryonbottle.com](http://www.tryonbottle.com)

★ **4<sup>th</sup> Friday at Tryon • Tryon** • 5-7pm. Tryon galleries offer extended hours and one of a kind artwork. Visit the many shops and restaurants that stay open later. Downtown, Tryon, NC. [www.exploretryon.com](http://www.exploretryon.com)

**Free Music at Harper Eatery & Pub • Tryon** • Free. 6:30pm, Dean Trakas on piano, reservations recommended. 10 Oak St., Tryon, NC. 828-440-1540

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Saturday, February 25 (more Saturday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

**Regional Finals at Tryon International Equestrian Ctr. • Mill Spring** • Free. 8am-5pm. Athletes compete individually and for teams, riding horses assigned by a random draw, in the indoor complex. See venue info on page 1.

**Saluda Winter Market at Saluda Center • Saluda** • 10am-1pm. Buy local produce, homemade goods and more. 64 Greenville St., Saluda, NC. 828-894-2281. [www.polkcountyfarms.org](http://www.polkcountyfarms.org) 

**Guided Tour at Looking Glass Creamery • Green Creek** • Free, 12pm. Meet at the porch of the Farm Store for an outside guided tour. After the tour stop by the Farm Store and shop from the selection of locally made cheeses, cider, ice cream, and more. 115 Harmon Dairy Lane, Columbus, NC. 828-222-0751. [www.lookingglasscreamery.com](http://www.lookingglasscreamery.com) 

**Wine Tastings • Green Creek** • 12-6pm - times vary, four wineries open for tastings, see [www.firstpeaknc.com](http://www.firstpeaknc.com).

**Maslenitsa (Pancake Day) at Russian Chapel Hills Winery • Green Creek** • 1-7pm. Enjoy this traditional Russian ritual welcoming the arrival of spring. Bring your own crepes and enter the contest for the best filling. Fun games, dancing, music, and more. Advance tickets available online, \$10. 2662 Green Creek Dr., Columbus, NC. 828-863-0540. [www.russianchapelhills.com](http://www.russianchapelhills.com) 

★ **“Black Music, Black Culture, Black Beauty” at Upstairs Artspace • Tryon** • 2pm. Tanisha Akinloye and Rev. Mildred Twitty will share stories about spending time with Nina Simone’s mother, Rev. Mary Kate Waymon. They will also highlight Nina’s powerful role as a black activist. Advance ticket required, donations of any amount accepted. Purchase online at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com). 49 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-2828.


**Free Live Music • Around the Area** • Starting at 2, 5:30 & 7pm, see page 1.

**Free Music at The Rural Seed • Columbus** • Free, 5:30pm. Gene Holdway will perform. 322 E. Mills St., Columbus, NC. 828-802-1097. [www.theruralseed.com](http://www.theruralseed.com) 


★ **Craft Beer Pairings at Tryon International Equestrian Ctr. • Mill Spring** • 6pm. Featuring a five-course experience paired with a variety of Wicked Weed beer at Campagna Italian Cuisine restaurant. Advance reservations are required, \$125 per person. 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. [www.tryon.com](http://www.tryon.com) 

Sunday, February 26 (more Sunday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)


**“Williamsburg Oil Paint Lecture” at Upstairs Artspace • Tryon** • 2:30pm. Phil Garrett will lecture on and demonstrate the use of Williamsburg oil paint. Participants will receive a color chart, box of paint samples, and a palette knife. Advance registration required, \$25. 49 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-2828. [www.upstairsartspace.org](http://www.upstairsartspace.org) 

**Sip and Paint at Mountain Brook Vineyards • Green Creek** • 2:30pm. Becky Rickenbaker will guide you through painting a spring chicken. Advance tickets are required – purchase online, \$40. 731 Phillips Dairy Rd., Tryon, NC. 828-722-1037. [www.mountainbrookvineyards.com](http://www.mountainbrookvineyards.com) 


**“The Congregational Church Follies” at The Congregational Church • Tryon** • Free, 3pm. Church members perform songs, poems, stories, music, and more. 210 Melrose Ave., Tryon, NC. 828-859-9414 

**Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda** • 7pm. Amanda & the Honeycutters will perform. Advance tickets are required – purchase online, \$30. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. [www.purpleonionsaluda.com](http://www.purpleonionsaluda.com) 

Tuesday, February 28 (more Tuesday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

**Live Music and Karaoke at Green River Tavern • Columbus** • 7pm. Enjoy music and pub fare with a southern spin. 155 West Mills St. Suite 112, Columbus, NC. 828-802-1099. [www.greenrivertavern20.com](http://www.greenrivertavern20.com) 

Upcoming events

**Winter Bird Walk at FENCE • Tryon** • Free. March 2, 9am. Kevin Burke of Ventures Birding Tours will guide you around the FENCE property looking for winter birds. 3381 Hunting Country Rd., Tryon, NC. [www.fence.org](http://www.fence.org) 

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