



This Week at the First Peak

February 18-24, 2026 (Wed-Tue)

Here's a quick look at what's happening in the area over the next week.
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20 E. Mills St., Columbus, NC 28722

Welcome! Relax and have fun around our scenic areas and small towns of Historic Saluda, Tryon & Columbus!
Check our online events calendar for more upcoming events. www.firstpeaknc.com/events/

Reoccurring events (More events listed below for each day)

Historic Tryon Movie Theatre • Tryon • “Hamnet” shows Wed-Sat at 7pm plus matinees on Thu & Sun at 2:30pm. 45 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 828-859-6811. www.tryontheatre.com

Tryon International • Mill Spring • 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. www.tryon.com

Each event has a \$10 admission fee payable online or \$15 cash at the door, plus \$10 parking fee payable at the gate.

- **East Coast Elites College and High School Meet** • Free. Fri 2-8pm. Middle school through college compete in a series of meets in the Indoor Complex.
- **Private Record Invite & Border Battle** • Free. Sat 9am-6pm. College and High School students compete against the best champion in each division and each state in the Indoor Complex

Live Music at Green River Eddy's Tap Room • Saluda • Free 6pm. Fri, Dakota Lee Duo; Sat, Marley's Chain. 435 Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-848-4060. www.saludaoutfitters.com

Live Music at Parker-Binns Vineyard • Mill Spring • Free Music: 2-5pm. Sat, Chris Everett & Gill Francis; Sun, BJ Cates & Kayla McKinney. **Tastings:** Wed-Thu 12-5pm, Fri-Sun 12-6pm. **Relish Grill** open Fri-Sun 12-5:30pm. 2275 Whiteside Rd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-894-0154. www.parkerbinnsvineyard.com

Wednesday, February 18 (more Wednesday events in reoccurring list – above)

Live at Lanier at The Lanier Library • Tryon • Free 1pm. Pam Torlina discusses “Bat Facts & Fiction” including their nocturnal habits. Advance registration required at www.thelanierlibrary.org. 72 Chestnut St., Tryon, NC.

Floral Design Program at FENCE • Tryon • Free 1:30pm. Floral designer Susan Bain will give a presentation, answer questions & demonstrate creating a floral arrangement. 3381 Hunting Country Rd., Tryon, NC. www.fence.org

Free Live Music at Iron Key Brewing Co. • Columbus • Flight Night, free music at 6pm by Kristen Toole Duo. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-802-1045. www.ironkeybrewing.com

Opening Exhibition at Mirrorball Gallery • Tryon • Free 6pm. This multi artist equestrian exhibition “Equine: A Year of the Horse” is on display through March 8. 84 Pacolet St., Tryon, NC. 828-222-0740. www.mirrorballgallery.com

Thursday, February 19 (more Thursday events in reoccurring list – above)

★ **Winter Bird Walk at FENCE • Tryon • Free 9am.** Join Kevin Burke for a guided walk around the property looking for winter resident birds. Bring binoculars if you have them. 3381 Hunting Country Rd., Tryon, NC. www.fence.org

Paint n Sip at the Back Alley Barn • Saluda • 6pm. Paint a “Frog on a Toad Stool” with assistance from a local artist, all supplies included, \$35. Text 828-674-8964 to reserve your spot. 24 E. main St., Saluda, NC. 828-769-9021.

Open Mic Night at Mirrorball Gallery • Tryon • Free 6pm. Bring a poem, song, story, or simply come and listen. Food for purchase from Toasted Cuban food truck. 55 Depot St., Tryon, NC. 828-222-0740. www.mirrorballgallery.com

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Thursday, February 19 cont. (more Thursday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Concert at Tryon Fine Arts Center • Tryon • 7:30pm. Concert by Ji Su Jung - marimba and Timothy Chooi – violin, presented by Tryon Concert Association. Part of a series. If available, \$48 single tickets will be sold 1 week in advance at www.tryonconcerts.org, 888-501-0297. 34 Melrose Ave., Tryon, NC 

Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda • 7:30pm. Music by Anya Hinkle and Free Planet Radio. Advance tickets required – purchase online, \$14. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. www.purpleonionsaluda.com 

Friday, February 20 (more Friday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Wine Tasting at The Tryon Bottle • Tryon • 5-7pm. Free tastings of featured wines. Food is available for purchase from Della Street Tacos. 15 South Trade Street, Tryon, NC. 828-859-6473. www.tryonbottle.com 

Closing Reception of “Salon d’Upstairs” at Upstairs Artspace • Tryon • Free 5-7pm. Artists from high school age and up display their work. Please RSVP online at www.upstairsartspace.org. 49 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. 

“Celebrating the Decades” at Ward’s Grill • Saluda • 6-9pm. A night of nostalgia, dancing & music from the 1950s, 60s & 70s. Tickets are \$50, available via email at Lauretta.cook@allentate.com. 24 E. Main St., Saluda, NC. 

Live Music at The Fitz Lounge • Tryon • 6:30pm. Free live music by Seth & Sarah. Creative small plates and beverages available for purchase. 69 Pacolet St., Tryon, NC. 828-513-9241. www.thefitzgeraldtryon.com 

Saturday, February 21 (more Saturday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Columbus Winter Market at Iron Key Brewing • Columbus • 10am-1pm. Buy local produce, homemade goods, crafts and more. 135 Locust St., Columbus, NC. 828-894-2281. www.polkcountyfarms.org 

Speaker Series at Walnut Creek Preserve • Sunny View • Free, 10:30am. Steve Pettis discusses “Oak – The Tree of Civilization” including acorns as a food source. Registration required online at www.conservingcarolina.org 

Black History Month Celebration at Creators Vault • Tryon • Free 3pm. Presentation by Rev. Carol R. Cannon, music by Carl and Edna, storytelling, & food. 25 S. Trade St., Tryon, NC. www.pearidgepartnership.org 

★ **“Love Me or Leave Me” Duet Event at Mirrorball Gallery • Tryon** • Free 6pm. Celebrate the birthday of Nina Simone. Featuring her brother Sam Waymon, music & more. 84 Pacolet St., Tryon, NC. mirrorballgallery.com 

Free Live Music at Silver Spoon Saloon • Mill Spring • 7pm. Rocky Yelton and the Hired Guns perform. 25 Int’l Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. www.tryon.com 

Concert at Tryon Fine Arts Center • Tryon • 7:30pm. Tuba Skinny performs music from popular jazz to R&B. Tickets start at \$40/adults & \$20/students. 34 Melrose Ave., Tryon, NC. 828-859-8322. www.tryonarts.org 

Free Live Music at Sully’s Place • Columbus • 8-11pm. Exempt performs. 155 W. Mills St., Columbus, NC. 

Live Music at The Purple Onion • Saluda • 8pm. Music by Funky Junk Joy Peddlers. Advance tickets required – purchase online, \$10. 16 East Main St., Saluda, NC. 828-749-1179. www.purpleonionsaluda.com 

Sunday, February 22 (more Sunday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Concert at FENCE • Tryon • Free 4pm. The Moon & You performs. 3381 Hunting Country Rd., Tryon, NC. fence.org 

Monday, February 23 (more Monday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Free Live Music at Iron Key Brewing Co. • Columbus • 6pm. Angela Easterling performs. See venue info Pg. 1.

Tuesday, February 24 (more Tuesday events in reoccurring list – top of page 1)

Swing Dance Lesson at Silver Spoon Saloon • Mill Spring • Free 6-9pm. Charlie O’Connor teaches you classic swing moves. Come solo or with a partner. 25 International Blvd., Mill Spring, NC. 828-863-1000. www.tryon.com 

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