

2012 calendar of events

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First Fridays Downtown - Year Round

Start your weekend downtown with unique shopping, dining, the arts, cocktails & entertainment. First Fridays each month; 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Upper Story Tour - May 3

Self-guided tour of business, residential and historic buildings reflecting upper story renovation and development. \$10 advance; \$15 at door; \$2 discount for DSI members. 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Reception following.

Pied Piper Architectural Tours - May - October

Guided walking tour highlights interesting architectural facts and structures. Meets at Lincoln-Herndon Law Office at 5:30 p.m., held first Wednesdays. Free.

Art of Illinois Wine Garden - May 19 & 20

5th & Jefferson Streets; features 20+ Illinois wineries and entertainment. Admission includes wine glass and sampling tickets. 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday; 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday.

Old Capitol Farmers Market - May 16 - Oct. 27

Adams Street between 5th and 2nd Streets; variety of produce, cheese, baked goods, plants, meats and other specialty items. Open Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Also includes local artisans, entertainment and Celebrity Chef Demos. Free.

Taste of Downtown & American Music Show July 6 (6 p.m. to Midnight) July 7 (Noon - Midnight)

5th & Washington Streets; features 20+ downtown restaurants presenting ethnic, classic and eclectic cuisine, the American Music Show and children's entertainment. \$2 admission; 12 and under free.

Old Capitol Blues & BBQs

August 24 (6 p.m. to Midnight) August 25 - Noon to Midnight

5th & Washington Streets; features 40+ BBQ competitors and vendors; locally and nationally known Blues talent and children's activities. \$5 admission; 12 and under free.

Old Capitol Holiday Walk - December 5,6,12,19

Unique shopping and dining, Santa House, horse-drawn trolley, festive holiday decor, free family entertainment. Free. 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

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