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# What's happening for the Fourth of July in the Hub City, West TN?

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Residents, businesses, and organizations are gearing up for celebrations across Hub City and West Tennessee this weekend, commemorating July 4th's Independence Day.

For the local resident looking for something fun to do this weekend, the Jackson Sun has you covered.

Returning for its 8th year is the fan-favorite Firefighter's Freedom Festival on July 4, hosted by the Madison County Volunteer Fire Department at the McKellar-Sipes Regional Airport.

Originally created to help deter county residents from using fireworks in unsafe locations, the festival has grown to include food vendors, live music, rides, and family activities.

Gates open at 3 p.m., and fireworks begin at dusk.

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Another local favorite, the Festival of the Lakes at Lexington's Beech Lake, will begin at 5 p.m. with family activities like slip-and-slides, food vendors, live music, and more before culminating in a firework show at 9 p.m.

For other firework extravaganzas, West Tennessee never disappoints. Below are just a few of the many celebrations going on region-wide:

**City of Milan Firework Show and Live Music:** Friday, July 1st, from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Milan City Park. Fireworks begin at 9 p.m.

**Birdsong's Red, White, and BOOM!:** Monday, July 1st-4th, at Birdsong Resort Marina & RV Campground. Friday night will kick off the weekend with a luau by the pool at 6 p.m., and live music from Steve Patterson & Willie X.

Saturday will be a Fishing Rodeo for the kids, beginning at 9 a.m. with registration at 8:30 a.m.

Saturday night, the Brothers Blue Live will play on the Waterfront Stage starting at 6 p.m.

Sunday afternoon will see homemade boat races. The boats have to float with one person in them paddling. Life jackets are required, and no motors of any sort are allowed. Boats will race to the 50-yard point. Registration at 1:30 p.m. with push-off 2 p.m.

Sunday night at 6 p.m., Neil Brock and the Cover Up will be taking the Waterfront Stage for live music.

Monday, July 4th, will see a Boat Parade beginning at 2 p.m. with Grand Marshal, Neil Thompson &

Mayor Brett Lashlee kicking off the festivities. Live music will begin at 5 p.m. with J Edwards, followed by

Jimmy Church at 7 p.m. Fireworks will begin at 9 p.m. with live music wrapping up the night at 11 p.m.

## More events

**Red, White, and Bolivar Independence Day Celebration:** Friday, July 1st at 7:30 p.m. in Sand Beach Lake. Music featuring artist Caleb Minter.

**Reelfoot Lake Fireworks & Entertainment:** Saturday, July 2nd at 7 p.m. at Reelfoot Lake. Attendees can bring chairs, blankets, and pontoons to watch the fireworks at 9 p.m.

Call 731-253-9652 for reservations.

**Union City Fireworks:** Monday, July 4th from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Obion County Fairgrounds. Free admission, with live music, food trucks, inflatables, and face painting. Music begins at 5 p.m., with fireworks at 9 p.m.

**Fireworks display at Sattilo:** Monday, July 4th at dark.

**City of Medina Fireworks:** Monday, July 4th, at 8:30 p.m. in Medina Community Park.