

# 99th SHENANDOAH APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL®

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Winchester, Virginia



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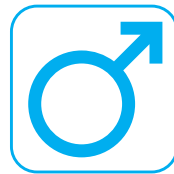
# FESTIVAL ANALYTICS



APPROXIMATELY  
**250,000**  
VISITORS



**52%**  
FEMALE



**48%**  
MALE

**99<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

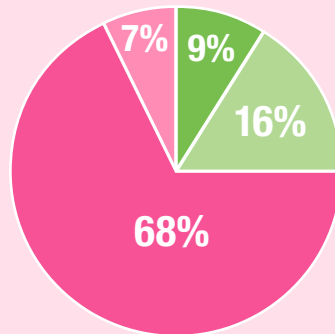
**50 EVENTS**

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE**

**22%** 21-34  
YEARS OLD

**41%** 35-54  
YEARS OLD

**24%** 55-64  
YEARS OLD



▲ Caucasian ▲ African American  
▲ Hispanic ▲ Other

**76%** say they are more likely to do business with Festival sponsors

**66%** of visitors have previously visited

**89%** of visitors plan to return next year

**44%** Winchester  
Frederick County

**10%** Loudoun County

**3%** Fauquier County

**5%** Fairfax County

**5%** Culpeper County

**10%** Clarke County

**8%** Prince William  
County

**3%** Shenandoah County

**6%** Warren County

**6%** Other

VIRGINIA **70%** MARYLAND **6%** WEST VIRGINIA **9%** PENNSYLVANIA **5%** WASHINGTON DC **6%** OTHER **4%**

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME **\$83,500**

SOCIAL MEDIA **48,470** SUBSCRIBERS

WEBSITE **1,750,900** WEBSITE VIEWS



# DID YOU KNOW

## ABOUT SABF

The Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival®, Inc is a 501 (c) (3) not for-profit organization dedicated to promoting the beauty of springtime and the apple blossoms in Virginia's Shenandoah Valley through events and initiatives that enhance community spirit and showcases our local agricultural heritage, all while benefiting local charities.

## YEARS IN THE MAKING

The Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival® was first held Saturday, May 3rd, 1924, and was originally celebrated as a one-day event to create tourism in the valley. Over the years, the Festival has grown into a 10-day celebration with more than 40 events. The "Springtime Extravaganza" draws 200,000 plus guests and provides something for everyone. The Festival is one of the oldest civic organizations in the Old Dominion. It has enjoyed tremendous growth and prestige and has become an anticipated homecoming to residents and visitors alike.

The Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival® is as American as apple pie. Each year a Queen is selected and crowned on Friday afternoon and join nationally recognized celebrities in the celebration. A few of the many Queens have included; Luci Baines Johnson, Maria Ferrer, Catherine Short, Ali Astin, Ahna Cameron, and Cissie Graham, and many more outstanding Women. Nationally recognized celebrities included: Jim Belushi, Wayne Brady,



Kevin Jonas, Sean Astin, Debbie Reynolds, and Mario Lopez. National sports figures included: Terry Bradshaw, Jerry West, Dan Marino, Mickey Mantle, Tony Dorsett, John Riggins, Bobby Labonte, Hines Ward, Barry Sanders, Nadia Komenich, and Gale Sayers.

## EVENTS FOR EVERYONE TO PARTICIPATE

The Festival has always prided itself on providing a variety of experiences that all will enjoy. The Festival features two parades; the Firefighters Parade on Friday, and a Grand Feature Parade on Saturday. In addition to the parades, there is a carnival, a midway, luncheons, races, walks, dances, concerts, and sporting events.

## CHARITABLE BENEFICIARIES

The Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival®, Inc. is dedicated to supporting the community by hosting a regional event that draws people from hundreds of miles. The economic impact the Festival provides to the community is well over \$10 million.

The charitable impact reaches and supports over 50 different charitable organizations, both directly and indirectly. Organizations included are: Lions Club, Rotary Club, five different Girl Scout Groups, six different churches along the parade route, twelve Boy Scout troops, the Top of Virginia Chamber of Commerce, Concerned Hotline, Special Olympics, numerous high school band boosters, and CYO.



# MEDIA OVERVIEW



## PRINT



Customized ad in official Apple Blossom program

Customized ad in 16-page tabloid circulation 250,000

Inclusion in event stories, sponsor listing, event programs

Inclusion on tickets

Inclusion in community maps

Event stories in newspapers

TOTAL IMPRESSIONS  
710,000

## DIGITAL



Website ads

Logo placement on website sponsor page

Inclusion in event pages

Email blasts

Social media inclusion

Social media Facebook, Instagram

TOTAL IMPRESSIONS  
1,325,000

## RADIO



10 separate radio station partners

525 radio spots

675 live liners

350 promos

On air and online campaign

Specific events cross promoted on station websites

Radio interview mentions

TOTAL IMPRESSIONS  
520,000

## SIGNAGE



Event banners

Event power points on TVs at events

Parade route signage

Easel signs

In business signage cross-promoting partnership

Parade float, car, and band signage

TOTAL IMPRESSIONS  
125,900

## TV & PR



Inclusion in video/social media promos

Inclusion in 30 minute TV show

Inclusion in Parade broadcast on live stream

Press releases

Email blast release

Announcements on social media

TOTAL IMPRESSIONS  
250,000

## SOCIAL



Facebook posts

Instagram posts

Live reports via Facebook

Sponsor shared posts

Social media stories

TOTAL IMPRESSIONS  
425,000

Total Media and PR impressions equal **3,355,000**

Total Media and PR value of **\$225,000 +**



# TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(DETAILS SUBJECT TO CHANGE, THIS IS A PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE, VISIT [WWW.THEBLOOM.COM](http://WWW.THEBLOOM.COM) FOR UPDATED INFORMATION)

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025

5 p.m. **Harvest Hoedown** (Dinner & Dance Party)

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

7 p.m. **Miss Apple Blossom Competition**  
presented by FNB Bank

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2025

6 p.m. **Theme Announcement Party for the 99th Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival®** presented by Shenandoah Valley Westminster Canterbury

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2025

5 p.m. **New Year's Eve Celebration**

## SATURDAY, MARCH 14

7 p.m. **Miss Honorary Fire & Rescue Chief Contest**  
presented by Trex

## SATURDAY, MARCH 21

5 p.m. **The Floor Shop Apple Blossom Cash Party**

## FRIDAY, APRIL 3

10 a.m. **The Bloom Store - General Public Grand Opening**  
presented by Claudio's Pizzeria

## SATURDAY, APRIL 18

11 a.m. **Cider Tastings and Orchard Tours**  
presented by First Citizens Bank

## TUESDAY, APRIL 21

6 p.m. **Sponsor's Reception (private invitation event)**  
presented by: First Bank, Blue Ridge Hospice,  
The George Washington a Wyndham Grand Hotel

## FRIDAY, APRIL 24 - SUNDAY MAY 3

5 p.m. **Apple Blossom Carnival – Powers & Thomas**  
**Midway Entertainment**

## FRIDAY, APRIL 24

12 noon **HoneyWay Golf Classic** presented by Bank of Clarke

2 p.m. **Stonebrook Club Tennis Tournament**  
presented by Partlow Insurance

2 p.m. **WVU Medicine Pickleball Tournament**

3 p.m. **United Bank Bloomin' Wine Fest**

3 p.m. **Artisan Market in Old Town**

## SATURDAY, APRIL 25

8 a.m. **Stonebrook Club Tennis Tournament**

8 a.m. **WVU Medicine Pickleball Tournament**

11 a.m. **Artisan Market in Old Town**

10 a.m. **McDonalds Apple Blossom Gaming Festival**

11 a.m. **United Bank Bloomin' Wine Fest**

## SUNDAY, APRIL 26

8 a.m. **Stonebrook Club Tennis Tournament**  
presented by Partlow Insurance

8 a.m. **WVU Medicine Pickleball Tournament**

11 a.m. **Blossom Artisan & Faire**

11 a.m. **Fiesta Latina** presented by Rubbermaid Commercial Products, Schenk Foods, Pallet Recycling, and Paco's Market

2:30 p.m. **Rise Orthodontic Studio Blossoms & Bubbles with Miss Apple Blossom**

## MONDAY, APRIL 27

5 p.m. **Apple Growers Dinner** presented by F&M Bank  
(private invitation event)

6:30 p.m. **Ballerina Nail & Spa Pumps & Pearls Ladies Party**  
presented by Atlantic Union Bank

## TUESDAY, APRIL 28

5 p.m. **Valley Pediatric Dentistry Family Fun Party**  
presented by City National Bank

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

11 a.m. **Valley Health Business at the Bloom** presented by Top of Virginia Regional Chamber

6 p.m. **Navy Federal Credit Union Veterans Dinner Show**  
presented by Omph Funeral Home

## THURSDAY, APRIL 30

8 a.m. **Blue Ridge Care Breakfast Walk**

9 a.m. **Apple Pie Baking Contest** presented by Bowman Andros

11 a.m. **Willows at Meadow Branch Young at Heart Dance**

3 p.m. **CNB Bank Ladies' Commonwealth Social**

5 p.m. **The Village at Orchard Ridge Queen's Dinner**  
presented by F&M Bank

5 p.m. **Carter Myers Automotive Jimmy Buffett Tribute Show**

## FRIDAY, MAY 1

9 a.m. **Trex Firetruck Rodeo, Antique Show & Kids' Activities**

10 a.m. **Old Town Midway**

10:30 a.m. **Ladies' Horticultural Luncheon**

10:45 a.m. **Massage Envy Bloomers' Luncheon**

11 a.m. **Prayer Brunch** Presented by Knouse Foods/Musselman's

11 a.m. **First Bank Men's Commonwealth Luncheon**

11 a.m. **Valley Cycle Center Stag Luncheon**

1:30 p.m. **Coronation of Queen Shenandoah**

4 p.m. **Shenandoah Valley Orthodontics Kids' Bloomin' Mile Race** presented by Stephanie Feltner/Realty ONE Group Old Towne

5:30 p.m. **Hang 10 Car and Dog Wash Firefighters' Parade**

6 p.m. **White House Foods First Responders Recognition Banquet** (uniformed personnel & invited guests)

7:30 p.m. **Trex Music Fest**

8 p.m. **Claudio's Pizzeria Friday Night Fever Disco Dance Party**

8:30 p.m. **Queen's Ball and Dance Party** presented by the Insurance Center of Winchester

9 p.m. **American Woodmark Fireworks Show**

## SATURDAY, MAY 2

8:30 a.m. **Valley Health 10-K Race**

9 a.m. **Partlow Insurance Sports Breakfast**

10 a.m. **Old Town Midway**

1:30 p.m. **GloFiber Grand Feature Parade**

8 p.m. **Malloy Toyota Country Music Party**

8:30 p.m. **Bloom Boom** (Teen Party)

## SUNDAY, MAY 3

2 p.m. **Contemporary Christian Concert** presented by Clean Water of Virginia

## SATURDAY, MAY 23

12 noon **Winchester Police Department Car Show**



# SPONSOR PERKS



Invitation to Theme Announcement  
Unveiling and Sponsors' Reception

Tickets for Employee Reward  
& Client Entertainment

Priority Ticket Options

Category Exclusivity  
Within Specific Events

Branding & Advertising Exposure

Use of SABF Logo

Co-Association with  
Historic Community Event

Pre and Post Marketing Materials  
for Cross Promotion



# SPONSORSHIP LEVEL, BENEFITS AND ELEMENTS

Depending on what event and level in which a business decides to participate, the sponsor would receive some or all of the following elements. Festival prefers to customize the sponsorship to meet businesses marketing goals.

## LEVELS

### TITLE BRANDING SPONSORSHIP

Corporate name becomes part of the Festival event name

### PRESENTING SPONSORSHIP

Corporate name included as \*Event name\* presented by...

### EVENT SPONSORSHIP

Associated with a specific event, generally including up to 4 sponsors

### CORPORATE SUITE

Private suite to watch both parades (employee & clients)

### PARADE SPONSORSHIP

Float, division, band sponsor opportunities

### MEDIA SPONSORSHIP

Inclusion in Festival media campaign and sponsors message

### NAMING RIGHTS

Certain events and elements have naming right opportunities

## TICKETS & INVITATIONS

- Ticket Allotment
- Priority Ticketing
- Invitation to Theme Announcement Party
- Invitation to Official Sponsors' Reception

## SOCIAL MEDIA LIVE & TV SHOW

- Sponsor's logo included in event Festival Preview TV show
- Sponsor can receive spot in Festival Preview TV Show
- Festival Network includes quad-state coverage: VA, MD, Washington D.C., WV, PA
- The Festival will broadcast on Facebook Live & Stories

## ON-SITE ACTIVATION

- Festival has the opportunity to provide experiential exhibit space from 10' x 10' up to 30' x 80'.
- Priority high traffic placement at events. (100,000 plus attendees)



# SPONSORSHIP LEVEL, BENEFITS AND ELEMENTS

## RADIO

- Sponsor name and event included in the Festival promotional radio spots (title & official sponsors)

## PRINT

- Sponsor's logo/name included in newspaper tabloid distributed to 225,000 households regionally, reaching upwards of 500,000 readers
- Sponsor color ad in the Festival program
- Sponsor included in Festival program, event story, sponsors listing, event program

## WEBSITE

- Sponsor logo included in Festival website event page (275,000 unique visits)
- Sponsor to receive 200 x 200 px web ad on the event page and hot link

## SIGNAGE

- Sponsor logo or banner on display
- Sponsor logo included in PowerPoint rotation on jumbo/TV screens at events

## SOCIAL MEDIA

- Sponsor included in Facebook and Instagram campaign
- Festival will cross promote the event through email blasts
- Postings to over 42,000 friends/fans

## SPONSORSHIP INVESTMENT

- Title Sponsorships have the option of three, one-year agreements
- Presenting Sponsorships have the option of one-to-three-year agreements
- Event Sponsorships have the option of a one-year agreement
- Sponsorship investments range from \$1,500 to \$50,000, depending on the event and level of support
- Some sponsorships provide three one-year agreements
- Sponsor has the right not to renew after one or two years in a three-year contract IF the festival is notified in writing between May 5th and June 30th of that year
- Sponsor has right of refusal after third year by June 30th




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