

PRESS REPORT

JUNE 2026



June 20

Manitou Strings in Concert

Settle in for live acoustic music at First Baptist Church in Florence, hosted by Bell Tower Cultural Center. Manitou Strings performs an eclectic blend of folk, bluegrass, Americana and roots with guitar, upright bass, mandolin and fiddle.

7-9 p.m. | 201 E. 2nd St., Florence | \$8-\$10 | florenceartscouncil.com | 719-784-2038

June 22-23

The Art of Preparedness

Learn practical homesteading skills at Observer Ranch in Penrose. Topics include animal husbandry, fermentation, farm analysis, survival psychology and plant identification, along with expert presentations and hands-on outdoor learning. Meals included.

Starts at 5 p.m. | 4509 County Road 123, Penrose | \$412 | observeranch.com | 719-203-2436

June 25

Independence Day Cookie Decorating

Decorate sugar cookies in red, white and blue designs for July 4th at Pueblo West Library. All supplies provided.

2-4 p.m. | 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd., Pueblo West | Free | pueblolibrary.org | 719-562-5643

June 25

Comedian Rene Vaca

Crack up with one of comedy's fastest-rising young stars, as Vaca brings his stand-up to Pueblo Memorial Hall. A limited number of VIP meet and greet tickets are available.

7:30 p.m. | 1 City Hall Place, Pueblo | \$35-\$88 | pueblomemorialhall.com | 719-583-4961

June 26-28

NSRA Rocky Mountain Street Rod Nationals

Gather with other classic car lovers at the Colorado State Fairgrounds for one of the region's largest hot rod shows, with exhibits, a swap meet, live entertainment, charity auctions and more.

8 a.m.-5 p.m., -12:30 p.m. Sunday | 1001 Beulah Ave., Pueblo | \$20, \$18 for 60+ | nsra-usa.com | 901-452-4030

June 27

Summer Plant Walk

Learn safe and responsible foraging practices while identifying edible summer plants native to the region on this guided walk starting at Paint Stain & Stucco in Cotopaxi.

8 a.m. | 1138 28th Trail, Cotopaxi | Free | 719-942-3397

June 27



Steel City Arkansas River Festival

Make a splash along the Arkansas River at Waterworks Park. Watch a build-your-own boat race, free-style river surf competition and paddle parade along the Arkansas River. The festival also features live music, food vendors, a beer garden, kids' activities and a rubber duck race.

10 a.m.-7 p.m. | S. Pueblo Blvd., Pueblo | Free | pueblo.us | 719-553-2682

June 27

Taco Palooza

Spice up your summer with a hearty portion of live music with a side of tacos and tequila. Hear MC Magic, The Cover Girls, Tierra and more outside the Pueblo Convention Center.

4 p.m. | 320 Central Main St., Pueblo | \$42-\$74 | tacopalooza-fest.com ■

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