

tion of artwork. In addition to exhibits, it offers studio art classes, educational outreach and outdoor art shows.

#### Old Cape Henry Lighthouse

George Washington's administration commissioned this lighthouse in 1791. Today the lighthouse offers panoramic views of Fort Story and Virginia Beach.

#### The Old Coast Guard Station

The museum is housed in a 1903 life-saving/Coast Guard station. It highlights the U.S. Coast Guard's life-saving methods and rescue equipment.

#### Virginia Aquarium & Marine Sciences Center

Visitors can view everything from sand tiger sharks to jellyfish and sea turtles in exhibits that include more than 800,000 gallons of water. The center also offers hands-on exhibits, a nature trail, IMAX Movie Theater and a marsh pavilion.

### WILLIAMSBURG

#### Colonial Williamsburg

The world's largest outdoor living history museum offers visitors a step back into Colonial times, when Williamsburg was the capital of England's most populous colony. The site includes many of the city's original buildings and many museums. Last year, the foundation added the "Revolutionary City" program, which gives guests interactive events depicting pivotal events during the city's history.

### YORK COUNTY

#### Yorktown Battlefield

It was here that the final battle of the Revolutionary War was fought, when Gen. Charles Cornwallis surrendered to Gen. George Washington's troops. The Colonial National Historical Park also includes a museum and historic homes.

#### Yorktown Victory Center

Outdoor and indoor exhibits chronicle the timeline of the Revolutionary War. Exhibits include stories of citizens and soldiers, and a living-history Continental Army encampment.

## MAJOR FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

### FEBRUARY

Reflections of African-Americans  
*Chesapeake*

Antiques Show and Sale  
*Suffolk*

### MARCH

Battle of Hampton Roads Weekend  
*Newport News*

### APRIL

Art on the Square  
*Williamsburg*

Daffodil Festival  
*Gloucester*

Civil War Weekend  
*Suffolk*

International Azalea Festival  
*Norfolk*

Virginia Arts Festival  
*Regionwide*

### MAY

AF'RAM Festival  
*Norfolk*

America's Anniversary Weekend\*  
*Jamestown (James City)*

Chesapeake Jubilee  
*Chesapeake*

Gosport Arts Festival  
*Portsmouth*

Patriotic Festival  
*Virginia Beach*

### JUNE

American Indian Festival  
*Chesapeake*

Cingular Bayou and Boogaloo and Cajun Food Festival  
*Norfolk*

Gwynn's Island Festival  
*Mathews*

Hampton Blackbeard Festival  
*Hampton*

### JULY

TodiMusicFest  
*Portsmouth and region*

Pork, Peanut and Pine Festival  
*Surry*

Virginia Shakespeare Festival  
*Williamsburg*

### AUGUST

Franklin-Southampton County Fair  
*Southampton*

Hampton Cup Regatta  
*Hampton*

Nansemond Indian Tribal Pow-Wow  
*Suffolk*

East Coast Surfing Championships  
*Virginia Beach*

### SEPTEMBER

Greater Guinea Jubilee  
*Gloucester*

Hampton Bay Days  
*Hampton*

Heritage Day Festival  
*Southampton*

Mathews Market Days Festival  
*Mathews*

Neptune Festival  
*Virginia Beach*

Rock 'n' Roll Half Marathon  
*Virginia Beach*

Verizon Wireless American Music Festival  
*Virginia Beach*

### OCTOBER

An Occasion for the Arts  
*Williamsburg*

Black Powder & Paint Historical Weekend  
*Gloucester*

Cingular Wireless Town Point Virginia Wine Festival  
*Norfolk*

Driver Village Fall Festival  
*Suffolk*

Fall Festival of Folklife  
*Newport News*

Franklin Fall Festival  
*Franklin*

Poquoson Seafood Festival  
*Poquoson*

Annual Peanut Fest  
*Suffolk*

Yorktown Day  
*Yorktown*

### NOVEMBER

Chesapeake Heritage Arts Festival  
*Chesapeake*

"Made in Mathews" Open Studio Tour  
*Mathews*

Holiday Lights at the Beach (through December)  
*Virginia Beach*

### DECEMBER

Christmas in Smithfield  
*Isle of Wight*

Celebration in Lights  
*Newport News*

Citizens Holiday Parade  
*Gloucester*

Winter Wonderland: The Coleman Nursery Collection  
*Portsmouth*

Holiday Parade and Grand Illumination  
*Suffolk*

Grand Illumination  
*Williamsburg*

Yorktown Celebrates Christmas  
*York*

\* 2007 celebration planned to celebrate America's first permanent English settlement at Jamestown.