



## 2009-2010 Signature Events in Palm Springs

### **Palm Springs Pride Weekend**

**Dates:** November 7-8, 2009

**Location:** Palm Springs Stadium and downtown

**Times:** 11/7: 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.; 11/8: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Parade begins at 10 a.m. in downtown

**Fee Range:** \$15.00 for one-day pass; \$20.00 for two-day pass

**Information:** (760) 416-8711 [www.pspride.org](http://www.pspride.org)

**Description:** One of the largest gay pride celebrations including parade, vendors, etc.

### **City of Palm Springs Veterans Day Parade**

**Date:** November 11, 2009

**Location:** Palm Canyon Drive

**Time:** 3:30 p.m.

**Fee:** Free to public

**Information:** (760) 323-8272 [www.ci.palm-springs.ca.us](http://www.ci.palm-springs.ca.us)

**Description:** Annual event begins at 3:30 p.m. pays tribute to all those who have served our country in the Armed Forces. Immediately following the parade is a post-parade concert and fireworks display at the intersection of Amado and Palm Canyon.

### **McCormick's Classic Car Show and Auction #47**

**Dates:** November 20-22, 2009

**Location:** Spa Resort Casino, 401 E. Amado Road, Palm Springs

**Information:** (760) 320-3290 [www.classic-carauktion.com](http://www.classic-carauktion.com)

**Times:** Begins at 4 p.m. on 11/20; Gates open at 8 a.m. on 11/21 & 11/22

**Fee Range:** Free on 11/20; 11/21 & 11/22: General admission is \$10 per day or \$15 for both days

**Description:** 500 classic, sports, antique and special interest autos are sold across the Auction block during the 3 days. Also a free car show of another 200 cars is held on Saturday.

### **City of Palm Springs Christmas Tree Lighting**

**Date:** December 1, 2009

**Location:** City Hall Palm Springs, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way

**Information:** (760) 323-8299 [www.ci.palm-springs.ca.us](http://www.ci.palm-springs.ca.us)

**Times:** Caroling begins at 5:15 p.m. followed by the Christmas Tree Lighting

**Fee:** Free to public

**Description:** The City of Palm Springs will celebrate the holiday season with a spectacular Christmas tree lighting for City employees and Coachella Valley residents Tuesday, Dec.1 in front of City Hall – featuring traditional carols performed by the Palm Springs High School Choir, free cookies and hot chocolate from Savoury's Catering, free carriage rides from Palm Springs Carriages -- and a visit from Santa Claus!

### **Festival of Lights Parade**

**Date:** December 5, 2009

**Location:** Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs

**Information:** (760) 325-5749 [www.paradesofpalm Springs.com](http://www.paradesofpalm Springs.com)

**Time:** 5:45 p.m.

**Fee:** Free to public

**Description:** The annual Palm Springs Festival of Lights Parade beginning at 5:45 featuring lighted floats, equestrians, bands, autos, and celebrities.

### **Palm Springs Aerial Tramway's Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony**

**Date:** December 6, 2009

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

**Information:** (760) 325-1391 [www.pstramway.com](http://www.pstramway.com)

**Fee:** Tram admission

**Description:** The Palm Springs Aerial Tramway's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony starts at 5:30 pm with the Palm Springs High School Madrigals.

### **Elvis 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration**

**Dates:** January 8-9, 2010

**Location:** Elvis Honeymoon House, 1350 Ladera Circle in Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.elvishoneymoon.com](http://www.elvishoneymoon.com) 760-322-1192

**Description:** Concerts, tours, special guests and celebrities.

### **Palm Springs International Film Festival**

**Dates:** January 5-18, 2010

**Location:** Screening facilities throughout Palm Springs

**Information:** (800) 898-7256 [www.psfilmfest.org](http://www.psfilmfest.org)

**Description:** Celebrating its 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary, The Palm Springs International Film Festival (PSIFF), will include over 400 screenings of more than 200 films from approximately 60 countries. The Festival presents a majority of the films submitted for consideration in the Best Foreign Language category for the Academy Awards, as well as a large number of American independent and international features and documentaries marking their world, North American or U.S. debuts. Screenings are held on 15 screens throughout Palm Springs.

### **Tour de Palm Springs**

**Dates:** February 12-13, 2010

**Location:** Palm Canyon Drive

**Information:** (760) 770-4626 [www.tourdepalm Springs.com](http://www.tourdepalm Springs.com)

**Description:** The first Tour de Palm Springs began in 1998 with just over 300 riders when Tim Esser rode his bicycle solo from Palm Springs, CA to Jacksonville, FL for charity. The tour hosts nearly 8,000 riders of all ages and abilities.



### **Modernism Week**

**Dates:** February 12-20, 2010

**Location:** Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.modernismweek.com](http://www.modernismweek.com) [info@modernismweek.com](mailto:info@modernismweek.com)

**Description:** A week-long event focusing on design and architecture events and programs in Palm Springs. Special events include Palm Springs Modernism Show at the Convention Center; Frey II House Tours; Double Decker Bus Tours and other special events.

### **McCormick's Classic Car Show and Auction**

**Dates:** February 26-28, 2010

**Location:** Spa Resort Casino, 401 E. Amado Road, Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.classic-carauktion.com](http://www.classic-carauktion.com) (760) 320-3290

**Description:** 500 classic, sports, antique and special interest autos are sold across the Auction block during the 3 days. Also a free car show of another 200 cars is held on Saturday.

### **Festival of Native Film & Culture**

**Dates:** March 10-14, 2010

**Location:** Camelot Theatres, 2300 E. Baristo Road, Palm Springs

**Information:** (760) 778-1079 [www.accmuseum.org](http://www.accmuseum.org)

The Festival of Native Film & Culture is one of the nation's most highly regarded festivals of its kind – featuring the best in films by, about, and starring Native people. Now in its eighth season, the 2009 Festival will include feature films, documentaries, and short films from some of today's premier Native American and international indigenous filmmakers.

### **Palm Springs Wild West Fest**

**Dates:** March 12-14, 2010

**Location:** East Lawn of Palm Springs Convention Center on No. Avenida Caballeros

**Information:** 800-664-5617 [www.palmspringswestfest.com](http://www.palmspringswestfest.com)

**Description:** Rodeo athletes and country stars for a memorable family weekend for Wild West fun with rodeo parade, cook-offs, and exhibits.

### **Crossroads Palm Springs Old World Renaissance Festival**

**Dates:** March 19-21, 2010

**Location:** Frances Stevens Park, 538 North Palm Canyon Drive, Palm Springs

**Information:** (800) 320-4736 [www.renaissanceinfo.com](http://www.renaissanceinfo.com)

**Description:** Step into a 1450-1600 European Village where villagers celebrate the arrival of Spring. More than 60 artisans present, sell and demonstrate their handcrafted wares, and food and beverage vendors.

### **Dinah Shore Week**

**Dates:** March 31 – April 4, 2010

**Location:** Special events taking place at Wyndham Hotel, Hotel Zoso and Courtyard by Marriott in Palm Springs

**Description:** A week-long lesbian getaway event for couples and singles presented by Girl Bar <http://www.dinahshoreweekend.com/> and Club Skirts <http://www.thedinah.com/>

### **2009 White Party**

**Dates:** April 9-12, 2010

**Information:** [www.jeffreysanker.com](http://www.jeffreysanker.com)

**Description:** Celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the White Party is one of the premier gay circuit party in the world.

### **Stagecoach Country Music Festival**

**Dates:** April 24-25, 2010

**Location:** Empire Polo Grounds 81-800 Avenue 51, Indio CA

**Information:** <http://stagecoachfestival.com/>

**Description:** Annual country music festival

### **Palm Springs Student Short Festival**

**Dates:** April 2010

**Location:** Camelot Theaters 2300 E. Baristo Road in Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.psculturalcenter.org](http://www.psculturalcenter.org) (760) 322-3521

**Description:** Featuring student short films from over 15 Coachella Valley High Schools and Middle Schools.

### **Coachella Valley Music Festival**

**Dates:** April 2010

**Location:** Empire Polo Grounds 81-800 Avenue 51, Indio CA

**Information:** [www.coachella.com](http://www.coachella.com)

**Description:** Annual music and arts festival features many genres of music including alternative rock, hip hop, and Electronic music as well as large sculptural art. The event has several stages/tents set-up throughout the grounds, each playing live music continuously.

### **Annual Elvis Honeymoon Weekend**

**Dates:** May 1-2, 2010

**Location:** Elvis Honeymoon House, 1350 Ladera Circle in Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.elvishoneymoon.com](http://www.elvishoneymoon.com) 760-322-1192

**Description:** Concerts, tours, special guests and celebrities

### **Palm Springs Film Noir Festival**

**Dates:** May 2010

**Location:** Camelot Theaters 2300 E. Baristo Road in Palm Springs.

**Information:** [www.palmspringsfilmnoir.com](http://www.palmspringsfilmnoir.com) (760) 864-9760

**Description:** Festival feature noir classics as well as a lecture series.

### **Palm Springs Air Museum Annual Memorial Day Flower Drop**

**Date:** May 31, 2010

**Location:** 745 N Gene Autry Trail, Palm Springs, CA 92262-5464

**Information:** [www.PalmSpringsAirMuseum.org](http://www.PalmSpringsAirMuseum.org) (760) 778-6262

**Description:** Each Memorial Day, the museum commemorates the important role of those who fought in World War II with a flower drop from the museum's B-25 aircraft. Thousands of white and red carnations represent those who gave the greatest sacrifice — their lives — for their country. The drop takes place at 1 p.m. on May 25.



### **Palm Springs Desert Resorts Restaurant Week**

**Dates:** June 4 - June 13, 2010

**Location:** Restaurants in Palm Springs, Cathedral City and Rancho Mirage

**Information:** [www.palmspringsrestaurantweek.com](http://www.palmspringsrestaurantweek.com)

**Description:** A spectacular exhibition of the region's finest culinary talents, Restaurant Week is designed to highlight the entire valley- from Palm Springs to La Quinta- as a premiere dining destination with three-course, prix fix menus from over 100 unique locations.

### **Palm Springs International Short Film Festival**

**Date:** June 2010

**Location:** Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.psfilmfest.org](http://www.psfilmfest.org)

**Description:** Most acclaimed short film showcases in the World, Celebrating its 15<sup>th</sup> year of short films, lectures, etc.

### **Annual Tribute to Elvis**

**Dates:** August 16, 2010

**Location:** Elvis Honeymoon House, 1350 Ladera Circle in Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.elvishoneymoon.com](http://www.elvishoneymoon.com) 760-322-1192

**Description:** Concerts, tours, special guests and celebrities

### **Cinema Diverse**

**Date:** September 2010

**Location:** Camelot Theatres, 2300 E. Baristo Road in Palm Springs.

**Information:** [www.cinemadiverse.org](http://www.cinemadiverse.org)

**Description:** Film programs, including features, documentaries and shorts that showcase the best in LGBT filmmaking

### **American Heat Bike Weekend**

**Date:** October 2010

**Location:** Downtown Palm Springs

**Information:** [www.road-shows.com](http://www.road-shows.com)

**Description:** Thousands of motorcycles, entertainment, vendors, etc.

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### **Walk of the Inns**

**Date:** December 9, 2010

**Information:** [www.Palm-Springs.org](http://www.Palm-Springs.org) or call (800) 347-7746

**Location:** Palm Springs

**Description:** A walking tour of the historic, boutique and small inns in downtown Palm Springs. Maps can be picked up at the Palm Springs Art Museum or any of the participating properties.

**Events are subject to change. For additional events, visit [www.VisitPalmSprings.com](http://www.VisitPalmSprings.com)**