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A laid-back youthful vibe, vibrant downtown full of boutique shops, and ample outdoor adventure make Ruston and Lincoln Parish an ideal place to visit during any season. But you won't want to miss out on any of the lively local festivals that light up the calendar throughout the year. We're talking a Mardi Gras ball, fashion week, and even a festival to celebrate Ruston's famous peaches. Here's the scoop on the top events in Lincoln Parish that you won't want to miss.

February

[Krewe of Allegro Mardi Gras Ball and Silent Auction](#)

Throw on your sequins and bow ties and dance the night away at the Krewe of Allegro Mardi Gras Ball and Silent Auction, a popular annual event in Ruston for two decades. Food, drinks, and the Royal Court will all be there!

401 North Trenton Street
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April

[Ruston Fashion Week](#)

Don your hippest threads and head to Ruston Fashion Week, a weeklong event for you to drink champagne at designer trunk shows, eat finger sandwiches at professional makeup demonstrations, and partake in extended shopping hours and special discounts at all the best boutiques in Ruston. Follow Ruston Fashion Week's Facebook page for other events in Ruston throughout the year like street dances and parties.

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[Railroad Festival](#)

Bring your appetite and dancing shoes to downtown Ruston for the annual favorite Railroad Festival. The music stage will be rotating bands all day, the food trucks will be dishing out that Louisiana cuisine you crave, and artisans will be showcasing their wares that you can take home if you'd like.

101 East Park Avenue
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June

[Dog Days of Summer](#)

Beat the heat while you shop during extended hours at many of the boutiques in downtown Ruston, then listen to live music at the Railroad Park during the Dog Days of Summer. This Ruston event was designed to welcome incoming Louisiana Tech University students to town, but it's grown to attract locals and visitors alike.

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[Louisiana Peach Festival](#)

Celebrate Ruston's iconic peaches with two full days of festivities including cook-offs, peach-eating contests, family-friendly competitions, an arts and crafts show, 5K Color Run, a carnival, antique car show, and music concerts—the quintessential American festival.

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[Juneteenth Heritage Festival](#)

While every year's different, partake in fun throughout the week like a bake-off, fishing competition, poetry contest, car show, health walk, and fish fry at the Juneteenth Heritage Festival in Grambling. This annual festival in Lincoln Parish is a time to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States.

Grambling, LA 71245

October

[ARToberfest](#)

Sip your way through all the home brews and commercial craft beers at ARToberfest, the largest annual fundraiser for the North Central Louisiana Arts Council. Beyond the beer, you'll find hot food, vibrant art, and live music, all you need for a great evening while supporting a worthy cause.

207 West Mississippi Avenue

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[Ruston Makers Fair](#)

Shop handmade items from more than 100 artisans from the region at the Ruston Makers Fair. Food trucks and live musicians add to the ambiance to ensure a good time.

200 East Mississippi Avenue

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December

[Christmas in Downtown Ruston](#)

Enjoy over-the-top, brightly-lit, candy-filled joy all season long. Kick the festivities off shopping boutiques in Ruston for Small Business Saturday, watch a holiday-themed production at Dixie Theatre, glide around the outdoor ice skating rink, attend the Christmas parade, and more.

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[Lincoln Lights Up the Pines](#)

Poor the hot chocolate and turn up the holiday music as you drive through Lincoln Parish Park for Lincoln Lights Up the Pines.

211 Parish Park Road

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