

National Celebrations

Calendar of Events



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Belize City

JULY

- 30** **Eve of Emancipation Day Service**
Queen Street Baptist Church
10PM
- 31** **Official Emancipation Day Ceremony**
Government House
9AM
- Ebo Town Festival**
Yabra Green
11AM

AUGUST

- 13** **Summer Festival: A Night of Culture**
Belize Civic Centre Grounds
5PM to 10PM
- Junior Miss Belize**
Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts
5PM - PAID
- 20** **Official Queen of the Bay Sashing Ceremony**
House of Culture
6PM - PAID
- 23** **Queen of the Bay Talent Competition**
Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts
7PM - PAID
- 26** **Queen of the Bay Pageant**
Belize Civic Centre
7PM - PAID

SEPTEMBER

- 1** **National Flag Day Flag Raising Ceremony**
Flag Monument
6AM
- Belize@42 Awards Ceremony**
Government House
1PM
- Carnival Motorcade**
Principal Streets of Belize City
5PM
- 1 & 2** **Francis Reneau's Concert Series "The Electric 80's"**
Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts
8PM - PAID
- Sir Barry Bowen Belikin Bash**
Marion Jones Sporting Complex
Sept. 1 (6PM to 12AM)
Sept. 2 (12PM to 12AM)

SEPTEMBER *cont.*

- 2** **Carnival King & Queen Competition**
Belize Civic Centre
5PM - PAID
- 3** **National Day of Prayer**
- 4th Annual Martin's Community Festival**
Mahogany Street
10AM to 8PM
- 4 to 7** **Carnival Mas Camp**
Respective Mas Camps
6PM
- 7 & 8** **Belize K.U.L.C.H.A. Symposium**
Online
9AM
- 8** **Fire Engine Parade**
Principal Streets of Belize City
7PM
- Living Legends Concert**
Tribute to Gilharry 7 on their 50th Anniversary
Lord Rhaburn Plaza
7:30PM
- 9** **Carnival J'ouvert**
Principal Streets of Belize City
4AM
- Carnival Road March**
Principal Streets of Belize City
1PM
- Carnival Last Lap**
Venue TBA
6PM to 9PM
- Shutdown Carnival**
Marion Jones Sporting Complex
4PM to 2AM - PAID
- Byron Lee Headliners Concert**
Belize Civic Centre
9PM - PAID
- 10** **Official Ceremony for the 225th Anniversary of the Battle of St. George's Caye**
Government House
8AM
- St. George's Caye Day Parade**
Principal Streets of Belize City
After Official Ceremony
- Belize City Council 10th Bram**
Lord Rhaburn Plaza
11AM to 8PM

Belize City

SEPTEMBER *cont.*

- 13** **Belize@42 Creative Youth Ideas Summit**
Belize Biltmore Plaza
10AM
- 15** **National Song Competition Finals**
Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts
7PM – PAID
- 16** **Panyaad**
Government House
7PM – PAID
- 16** **The Expo Belize Marketplace**
Marion Jones Sporting Complex
8AM to 5PM – PAID
- 17** **BTB September Criterion Cycling Classic**
Albert & Regent Street
9AM to 6PM
- 19** **National Service Day Wreath Laying Ceremony**
Lord Ridge Cemetery
10AM
- 20** **20th Night Cultural Ensemble**
Memorial Park
9PM
- Official Flag Raising Ceremony & Fireworks Display**
Memorial Park
11PM
- 9th Annual Soca and Culture Festival**
Belize Civic Centre
9PM – PAID
- 21** **Independence Day Ceremony**
Memorial Park
8AM
- Uniform Parade**
Principal Streets of Belize City
9:30AM
- 21st Belize City Bash**
Digi Park
11AM to 8PM
- 23** **Women of Impact Award Ceremony & Gala**
SCA's Mercy Centre
7PM – PAID



Belmopan

AUGUST

1 Emancipation Day

SEPTEMBER

1 **National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony**
*BNE Roundabout
6AM*

3 **National Day of Prayer**
*Independence Plaza
9AM*

6 **UB Panel Discussion**
UB Auditorium

7 **Poetry Competition and
Open Mic**
*University of Belize
2PM*

8 **Fire Engine Parade and
Christian Block Party**
*Belmopan Market Area &
Surrounding Areas
7PM*

9 **Youth Entrepreneur Pop-up Shop**
*Belmopan Market Plaza
4PM*

SEPTEMBER *cont.*

10 **Battle of St. George's Caye Day
Ceremony & 10th Fest**
*Maya Mopan Football Field
Time TBA*

14 **Karaoke Night**

15 **Kids Movie Night and Camp Fire**
*Mauvelene 'Mae' Gordon Park
6PM*

16 **Taking Back the Land Parade**
*Belmopan Market Plaza
9PM*

19 **National Service Day**

20 **Flag Raising Ceremony &
Fireworks Display**
*Belmopan Market Plaza
11:45 PM*

21 **Official Independence Day
Ceremony and Fire Engine
Parade**
*Independence Plaza
10:30 AM*



San Ignacio & Santa Elena

JULY

28 **Night Market Pop-up Shop**
Macal Park
6PM – 12AM

AUGUST

1 **Emancipation Day**

12 **Western Explosion**
Victor Galvez Stadium
5PM – PAID

16 **Back to School Drive**

18 **Movie Night**
Santa Elena Rotary Park
7PM

20 **Sashing & Gala**
San Ignacio Resort Hotel
6PM – PAID

SEPTEMBER

1 **National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony**
Town Hall
6AM

2 **Cycling Race**
Route TBA
7AM – 2PM

3 **National Day of Prayer**
Falcon Field
8AM

4 **Art Walk**
Burns Avenue/Macal Park
10AM

6 **Senior Citizen Day**
Octavio Waight Centre
11AM

8 **Concert**
Victor Galvez Stadium
8PM

Fire Engine Parade
Principal Streets of SISE
7PM

9 **Flag Raising Ceremony &
Fireworks Display**
Administration Building
9PM

SEPTEMBER *cont.*

10 **St. George's Caye Day
Ceremony & Parade**
Falcon Field & Principal Streets
1PM

11 **Christian Explosion**
Dumanis Ministries
7PM

13 **Children Talent Show**
Cayo Welcome Centre

15 **Beer Fest**
Welcome Centre
7PM

Adult Talent Show
Cayo Welcome Centre

16 **Cayo J'ouvert**
Macal Park
9PM to 5AM

17 **Ms Chiquitita Queen**
Cayo Welcome Centre

19 **National Service Day**

20 **Flag Raising Ceremony,
Fireworks Display and
Entertainment**
Administration Building
9PM

21 **Independence Day Ceremony
& Citizen's Parade**
Principal Streets of SISE
2PM



Orange Walk

AUGUST

1 Emancipation Day

SEPTEMBER

1 National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony
6AM

2 Fiesta FM Anniversary
Fort Cairns Market
10AM

3 National Day of Prayer

8 Fire Engine Parade
Central Park
7PM

10 10K Run
Town Hall
5:30AM

**Ceremony for St. George's Caye
Day & Block Party**
Central Park
3PM

14 Master's of the Road MJC
Central Park
3:30PM

SEPTEMBER cont.

15 Children's Rally & Parade
Main Streets of OWT
8AM

Youth Concert
Fort Cairns Market
2PM

16 Rock Concert & Food Festival
Fort Cairns Market Plaza
7PM

Christian Concert
Fort Cairns
All Day

19 National Service Day & Awards
to Community Leaders

20 Flag Raising Ceremony,
Torch Run, Fireworks
Display, Block Party &
J'ouvert
Town Hall
7PM

21 Independence Day Ceremony,
Parade & Block Party
Central Park
2PM

29 Mayor's Drum Strong Competition
People's Stadium
8AM



San Pedro



AUGUST

1 Emancipation Day

SEPTEMBER

1 National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony
6AM

3 National Day of Prayer

8 Fire Engine Parade
7PM

10 St. George's Caye Day
Ceremony and Uniform Parade
TBA

16 Reveal of Belize@42 Mural

19 National Service Day

20 Flag Raising Ceremony &
Fireworks

21 Independence Day Ceremony
& Parade



Dangriga

AUGUST

- 1** Emancipation Day
- 23** Talk Show Iffecena
- 25** Talk Show Dyfa
- 27** Launching of September Celebrations
- 29** Tree Planting Ceremony

SEPTEMBER

- 1** National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony
6AM
- 3** National Day of Prayer
- 7** Children Got Talent Show
Primary Schools
- 8** Fire Engine Parade
7PM

SEPTEMBER *cont.*

- 10** St George's Caye Day
Ceremony & Parade

Party in the Park
- 15** Health Fair
- 16** Senior Citizen's Day
- 18** Debate on the Development
of Belize From Independence
to Present-day
- 19** National Service Day
- 20** Torch Run

Flag Raising Ceremony &
Fireworks
- 21** Independence Day Ceremony
& Parade

Party in the Park



AUGUST

- 1** Emancipation Day
- 7** Launch of the Battle of St. George's Caye Day Patriotic Poster & Essay Competition
- 18** Soca Unites Concert
- 21** Launch of Poetry Competitions for Primary School/High School, and Most Decorated/Patriotic House
- 26** Miss Independence 2023/24 Pageant

SEPTEMBER

- 1** National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony
6AM
Unveiling of Belize@42 Mural
Official Opening of September Celebrations/Dance
- 2** Talent on Overdrive/Beachside Art Festival
Carnival King & Queen competition
- 3** National Day of Prayer
Mas Camp
- 8** Announcement of Patriotic Poster and Essay Competition Winners
Fire Engine Parade
7PM
- 9** Annual Regatta
Corozal Celebration Showdown & Fireworks (Battle of the Bands)
- 10** Annual Regatta
Battle of St. George's Caye Day/ Crowning of the Queen of the Bay 2023-2024
Battle of St. George's Caye Day Parade
Gilharry 7's 50th Anniversary Bash

SEPTEMBER *cont.*

- 15** Children's Rally
Announcement of Competitions Winners
Block Party
- 16** J'ouvert
Carnival Road March & After Party
- 19** National Service Day
- 20** Noche de Cultura
Pre-Independence Day Ceremony & Fireworks
Gilharry 7 Bash
- 21** Independence Day Ceremony
Beach Party with the Mighty Gilharry 7
- 23** Gospel Concert
- 30** Corozal Belize@42 Concert



Benque Viejo

AUGUST

1 Emancipation Day

SEPTEMBER

1 National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony
Town Hall
6AM

2 Business Expo
Dance
Cancha Marshallleek

3 National Day of Prayer

8 Fire Engine Parade
7PM

10 Cultural Evening
With Students

15 Palm Tree Planting
George Price Boulevard

16 Sports Marathon
International Culture Evening

19 National Service Day
Repainting of Public Buildings

20 Torch Run and Independence
Midnight Ceremony and Dance

21 Independence Day
Ceremony and Parade



Punta Gorda



AUGUST

1 Emancipation Day

SEPTEMBER

1 National Flag Day
Flag Raising Ceremony
6AM

3 National Day of Prayer

8 Fire Engine Parade
7PM

10 St. George's Caye Day
Ceremony and Uniform Parade
TBA

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19 National Service Day

20 Flag Raising Ceremony &
Fireworks

21 Independence Day Ceremony
& Parade



Notes

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