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## \*\*\*UPDATED: CALENDAR ITEMS\*\*\*

### Local cities prepare to roll for Valley Bike Month

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Scottsdale Cycle the Arts

**Sunday, March 29**

7:30 a.m. (registration)

8 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. (departing every 15 minutes)

A family-friendly bicycle tour of public art in Scottsdale following a 5-mile route guided by city staff and local experts. Helmets required. Includes admission to Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art after the ride and bicycle parking by the SMoCA bike valet. Free.

Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art

7374 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Scottsdale 85251

[www.scottsdaleaz.gov/traffic/alltransmethod/bikeways.asp](http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/traffic/alltransmethod/bikeways.asp)

#### UPDATED -- City of Chandler Family Bike Ride

**Saturday, April 4**

9:30 a.m. (registration)

10 a.m. – Noon (ride)

A seven-mile, family-friendly ride on the city's Paseo Trail. Free.

Chandler Park & Ride Lot

2100 S. Hamilton St., Chandler 85286

[www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov)

#### UPDATED -- Peoria's Pioneer Days Bike Ride

**Saturday, April 4**

8:30 a.m. (registration)

9 a.m. (ride)

The City of Peoria invites people of all ages to join a six-mile bike ride in conjunction with the annual Peoria's Pioneer Day celebration. Also features Radio Disney. Participants are encouraged to stay for Peoria's Pioneer Days Parade at 10 a.m. All riders must wear a bike helmet. No training wheels allowed. Free.

N 83rd Ave and W Washington Street, Peoria 85345  
<http://www.peoriaaz.gov/>

**City of Tempe Bike-a-palooza**

**Sunday, April 5**

7 a.m. – Noon

The Valley's most comprehensive bicycle festival featuring a 12-mile community ride, safety demonstrations, children's bike rodeo with Radio Disney, kids' activities and entertainment, helmet give-aways and fittings, and more. Free.

Kiwanis Park  
6111 S. All-America Way, Tempe 85283  
[www.tempe.gov/tim](http://www.tempe.gov/tim)

**Coalition of Arizona Bicyclists Swap Meet**

**Sunday, April 5**

6 a.m. – Noon

Independent and business vendors selling various types of bicycles, bicycle equipment, and bike accessories. In conjunction with 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Tempe Bike-a-palooza. No registration required, but businesses must secure a \$30 City of Tempe sales permit. Free.

Kiwanis Park  
6111 S. All-America Way, Tempe  
[www.cazbike.org](http://www.cazbike.org)

**UPDATED --- Avondale Spring Bikefest 2009**

**Saturday, April 11**

9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

A community bicycle safety fair featuring helmet fittings, children's bike rodeo, bike-on-bus demonstrations, prizes from the Easter Bunny, and a bike decorating contest. Entertainment by Radio Disney.

City of Avondale City Hall  
11465 W. Civic Center Drive, Avondale 85323

**City of Mesa Bike4Life**

**Saturday, April 18**

8 a.m. (registration)

9 a.m. – Noon (ride and fair)

A community fair featuring games, entertainment, activities, helmet fittings, safety information and vendor exhibits about bicycling for health; and a 6-mile roundtrip bicycle ride to the Mesa Red Mountain Multi-Generational Center along Mesa's Adobe Road "bike freeway." Free.

O'Conner Elementary School  
4840 E Adobe Rd, Mesa 85205  
<http://www.mesaaz.gov/>

**UPDATED -- Glendale Family Bike Ride**

**Sunday, April 19**

7 a.m. (registration)

8 a.m. – Noon (ride and fair)

A free 12-mile or 6-mile bike ride, D.J., and Green Living Fair. Bring plastic grocery bags to recycle in exchange for a free T-shirt. All riders must wear a bike helmet.

Sahuaro Ranch Park

9802 N. 59<sup>th</sup> Ave., Glendale 85302

<http://www.glendaleaz.com/transportation/GlendaleFamilyBikeRide.cfm>

**UPDATED -- Bike to Work & School Day**

**Wednesday, April 22**

TEMPE

6 a.m. – 8 a.m.

Ride your bike to work or school and receive free breakfast snacks from participating vendors across town between 6-8 a.m. that day. Join mayor Hugh Hallman and Tempe Bicycle Action Group for escorted rides from breakfast locations to the Tempe Transportation Center. Visit [www.Tempe.gov/tim](http://www.Tempe.gov/tim) for a list of participating breakfast locations and more information.

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**UPDATED --- Valley Metro's Great Bike Chase**

**Sunday, April 26**

9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. (registration)

11 a.m. (ride begins)

1:10 p.m. (ball game)

Take friends and family on a 4-mile "fun ride" through downtown Phoenix to see the Arizona Diamondbacks play at Chase Field -- featuring pre-ride activities at the park, entertainment by Radio Disney, bike-on-bus demonstrations, a children's bike rodeo, and secure bicycle parking at the Jefferson Street garage. Sponsored by Valley Metro/RPTA.

Margaret T. Hance Park

1134 N. Central Ave., Phoenix (enter via Culver, south of McDowell, and at 3<sup>rd</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

[www.ValleyMetro.org](http://www.ValleyMetro.org)

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