

# SCHEDULE

## OF BLAIR MOUNTAIN CENTENNIAL EVENTS

The West Virginia Mine Wars Museum, supported by a Core Team of partners including the Battle of Homestead Foundation, National Coal Heritage Area Authority, United Mine Workers of America, and the West Virginia Humanities Council, organized a fascinating lineup of events, programs, and exhibits to commemorate the Battle of Blair Mountain Centennial in 2021. Many events are culminating over Labor Day weekend. This schedule serves as a starting guide for your own adventure—please follow event updates and changes at [blair100.com](http://blair100.com).

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**7:30–9 p.m.**

**The Battle of Blair Mountain: One-Hundred Years Later—Significance for Working People**

Hosted by the Battle of Homestead Foundation: [tinyurl.com/hrpswx7w](http://tinyurl.com/hrpswx7w)

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**7–8 p.m.**

**Mother Jones: We Shall Rise**

Hosted by the Mother Jones Heritage Project: [blair100.com](http://blair100.com)

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**–September 10**

**Blair Footsteps Interpretive Signage**

Hosted by Kyle Warmack and Patrick Corcoran and sponsored by the Preservation Alliance of West Virginia

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**The Faces of Blair Mountain**

Hosted by the National Coal Heritage Area Authority, *Chief Logan Lodge and Conference Center, 1000 Conference Center Drive, Logan*

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**The Land Will Tell the Story: Beneath the Soil of Blair Mountain**

Hosted by the West Virginia Mine Wars Museum: [wvminewars.org](http://wvminewars.org)

**–July 2022**

**Drawing the Battle Lines: Editorial Cartoons from the West Virginia Mine Wars**

Hosted by the Watts Museum, *West Virginia University*

**–October**

**Mountaintop: Coal Mine Wars in West Virginia**

Hosted by West Virginia University Libraries, *Visit Mountaintop at the following events: Battle of Blair Mountain Centennial Kick-Off Event, Charleston; Mine Wars Museum walking tour, Matewan; Blair Mountain Centennial Finale, Racine; Coalfields Heritage Festival, Welch; King Coal Festival, Williamson; and Bridge Day, Fayetteville*

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**6–9 p.m.**

**Labor Film Festival**

Hosted by Marshall University School of Journalism and Mass Communications, *Joan C. Edwards Performing Arts Center*

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**–September 5 starting at 8 a.m.**

**Retracing the 50 Mile Miners March to Blair Mountain**

Hosted by the United Mine Workers of America: [umwa.org/2021-blair-mountain-march](http://umwa.org/2021-blair-mountain-march)

**–October 2**

**“Pray for the Dead, and Fight Like Hell for the Living”**

Hosted by the Monongalia Arts Center, *107 High Street, Morgantown*

**10 a.m.–5 p.m.**

**Blair Day at Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine**

Hosted by the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine, *513 Ewart Ave. Beckley*

**Noon–5 p.m.**

**Museum Tours and Screenings at the Boone County Coal Heritage Museum and Arts Center**

Hosted by the Boone County Heritage Museum and Arts Center, *347 Main Street, Madison*

**4–9 p.m.**

**Battle of Blair Mountain Centennial Kick-Off Event**

Hosted by the Blair Mountain Centennial Core Planning Team, *Charleston Civic Center*

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**9 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**

**Museums, Labor, and Social Activism: A Symposium**

Hosted by The West Virginia Association of Museums, *Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church*

**10 a.m.–3 p.m.**

**5th Annual Reuther-Pollack Labor History Symposium**

Hosted by the Wheeling Academy of Law and Science (WALS) Foundation, *The First State Capitol; and virtual*

**Noon–1 p.m.**

**Reenactment: Murder of Sid Hatfield and Ed Chambers**

Hosted by McArts Amphitheatre, *McDowell County Courthouse*

**1:30–3:30 p.m.**

**Matewan Film Screenings**

Hosted by the City of Welch, *Pocahontas Theatre*

**2–3:30 p.m.**

**New Books About the Mine Wars: A Reading and Discussion with Authors**

Hosted by author Catherine Moore, WVU Press, and the WVU Humanities Center, *Taylor Books, 226 Capitol Street, Charleston*

**3:45–5 p.m.**

**Appalachian Labor Music and History**

Hosted by the West Virginia IWW, *Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Charleston*



**7–9 p.m.**

**The Legacy of the Red Bandana**

Hosted by WV Can't Wait, Southern Crossroads, WV United Caucus, Steel City John Brown Club, and the WV Mine Wars Museum, *Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Charleston*

**8–10 p.m.**

**The Terror of the Tug**

Hosted by McArts Amphitheater, *McArts Amphitheatre located off Route 52 in Welch*

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**Noon–3 p.m.**

**Solidarity Supper, Storytelling, and Songs—SOLD OUT**

Hosted by Big Laurel Learning Center, *Big Laurel Learning Center in Kermit*

**4:45–5:45 p.m.**

**Guided Walking Tour of Historic Matewan**

Hosted by the West Virginia Mine Wars Museum, *401 Mate Street, Matewan*

**6:30–8 p.m.**

**I Come Creeping: New Paintings by Chris DeMaria, with Solidarity Gallery Talk**

Hosted by the West Virginia Mine Wars Museum, *401 Mate Street, Matewan*



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**11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.**

**The People's Church: A Dissident Coalfield Worship Experience**

Hosted by Reverend Brad Davis, *The Coalfield Jamboree Theater, Logan*

**11 a.m.–5 p.m.**

**UMWA Blair Mountain Centennial Finale Celebration**

Hosted by the United Mine Workers of America, *John Slack Park, Racine*

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**–November 17 1–2 p.m.**

**Blair Mountain Lecture Series**

Hosted by the UVA-Wise College's Center for Appalachian Studies and the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, *UVA-Wise, Cantrell Banquet Room*

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**–September 11**

**Appalachian Heritage Days**

Hosted by National Coal Heritage Area Authority and Hatfield McCoy Convention and Visitors Bureau, *Downtown Logan and Chief Logan Conference Center*

**–September 12**

**Coalfields Heritage Festival**

Hosted by the City of Welch, *Welch*

**Tours of Don Chafin House**

Hosted by the Logan County Women's Club, *Don Chafin House, 581 Main Street, Logan*



**VIRTUAL PRESENTATION**

**The Road to Blair Mountain: Commemorating the West Virginia Mine Wars**

Hosted by West Virginia & Regional History Center

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