

# Taos

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## Calendar

**July 10, 2009**

### Art D'Vine Gallery Tour part of the Toast of Taos

Includes 19 galleries offering wine tasting, extraordinary food, and lots of fun. Event goes from 5-9 pm. Tickets: \$35.



For more information, to purchase tickets, and to see a list of galleries, go to [www.toastoftaos.com](http://www.toastoftaos.com) or call 575-571-5811 or 575-751-5759.

Location: Begin at any gallery. Suggestion: start at the intersection of Paseo del Pueblo and Kit Carson Road.

**Ongoing until September 27, 2009**

### Summer Chairlifts Rides

Enjoy the majestic views of Taos Ski Valley from our chair lift. When you arrive at the top, you can hike or bike. \$10 adults and \$6 for juniors, group rates available. If you have a Taos season pass from last season or for the upcoming season there's no charge (you must present pass). Hours 10 am-4:30 pm, Thursdays through Mondays until August 31st, then only Saturdays & Sundays, September 3rd-27th. For more information, please call TSV Chamber of Commerce at 575-776-1413.

Location: Taos Ski Valley

**July 25-26, 2009**

### Santa Fe Brewing Co.:

#### Frazer Mountain Madness

If you haven't experienced the "madness" it's time you signed up! We have something for everyone... from the pros to the kiddos. Cross country races, hill climb, and a kid's race. Pro Cash payback and great prizes! Live music, food, beer specials. Northside at Taos Ski Valley, Inc., 575-776-3233, visit our site now at [www.frazermountainmadness.com](http://www.frazermountainmadness.com) for more information

Location: Northside at Taos Ski Valley

**July 31, 2009**

### Somos Summer Writer's Series

Natalie Goldberg, author of *Writing Down the Bones*, and special guest Miriam Sagan, award-winning poet and cofounder Tres Chicas Books, will read selected works in this special SOMOS fundraiser. Event begins at 7:30 pm. Visit [www.somostaos.org](http://www.somostaos.org).

Location: Taos Art Plaza, 223 Paseo del Pueblo Sur

**August 01-03, 2009**

### Peace, Love, and Solar Spike Volleyball

2 on 2 and Battle of the Business Volleyball Tournament. Visit [www.solarspikevolleyball.com](http://www.solarspikevolleyball.com) for further details.

Location: Kit Carson Park

**August 14, 2009**

### Somos Summer Writer's Series: Summer of Love I

Mark Rudd, former Students for a Democratic Society leader in the '60s, will read from his newly published memoir *Underground: My Life in SDS and the Weathermen*

Iris Keltz, author of *Scrapbook of a Taos Hippie*, will read from *And the Walls Came Tumbling Down*, her newly completed memoir about her Jewish-Palestinian marriage during and after the 1967 Six-Day War. Event begins at 7:30 pm. Visit [www.somostaos.org](http://www.somostaos.org).

Location: Taos Art Plaza, 223 Paseo del Pueblo Sur

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## 2009 Taos Fiestas



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Fiestas de Taos is a community celebration honoring the two patron saints of Taos, Santa Ana and Santiago.

The annual event, popularly referred to as "The Taos Fiestas," invites the local population to put aside their labor for two days and bask in the leisure of the holy days.

This year ceremonies begin at the Taos Plaza on Friday, July 24 and will run until Sunday, July 26. Attendees can expect great music and performances from some of Taos' most talented. A historic parade, mariachi and traditional dances will be some of the highlights of the 3-day event. Come to Taos to experience this time honored cultural tradition.



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Visit [www.fiestasdetaos.com](http://www.fiestasdetaos.com) for more information and for a full schedule of events. Take a look at the Taos Fiestas from 2006, [www.fiestasdetaos.com/photoalbum.php](http://www.fiestasdetaos.com/photoalbum.php).

## Love Songs

To commemorate the 2009 Taos Summer of Love, Revolution Records is releasing a unique collection of songs from 16 original independent artists from New Mexico, California, and Colorado to name a few.



The collection called Love Songs is available at [www.imaginerevolution.com](http://www.imaginerevolution.com). In years past, Revolution Records has raised over \$10,000 for area non-profits through its previous releases. Commemorate your visit to Taos with a copy of Revolution Records Love Songs.



## A Great Mix of Music at the Taos Mountain Music Festival

The beautiful Taos Ski Valley is the location for this August 15 event, featuring Joan Osborne, The Wailers, Ozomatli and more! Attendees can expect everything from blues to rock, hip hop to country and Latin grooves.

The first time Taos Mountain Music Festival takes place from 10:30 am to 9:30 pm at the base of the ski runs in the Taos Ski Valley.

All day tickets are \$35 in advance and \$38 the day of the show. Children 10 years old and younger are FREE with an accompanying adult. Visit [www.taosmountainmusicfestival.com](http://www.taosmountainmusicfestival.com) to purchase.