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What's new in the Adirondacks Spring 2023

The Adirondack region of upstate New York continues its tradition of continually offering new events, attractions, properties and things to do in the region. In the spirit of continued Adirondack sustainability hotels are reinvented, attractions are reimagined, buildings are repurposed, and storefronts renovated.

Transportation

After three years without passenger train service in the eastern Adirondacks, Amtrak plans to resume the Adirondack line on April 3. The train main stops in smaller communities in the North Country, including Ticonderoga, Westport, and Rouses Point as well as in Plattsburgh. Visit [Amtrak](#) for additional information.

Hotel Properties & Accommodations

[The Lodge at Schroon Lake](#) is a beautiful 36-acre property on the west shore of Schroon Lake, scheduled to open in the summer of 2023. Following a \$16-million renovation, the resort will feature 116 lodging accommodations, including hotel rooms, standalone cabins and chalets, and upscale “glamping” sites. Guests will have access to a world-class restaurant and bar, miniature golf, multipurpose sports courts and a guests-only private beach with docks and a deck. Additional amenities include indoor pool, a private marina, a game room and an array of both indoor and outdoor event spaces perfect for social celebrations or corporate retreats.

It is a member of the Hay Creek Hotels.

210 Registration Way, Schroon Lake



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[Bluebird Hotel](#) is the newest hotel in Lake Placid. The decor is Scandinavian-inspired clean design with Japanese influence. The on-site restaurant will provide a convenient option for guests. Its bar, called Aprés Only, is scheduled to open later this year.

2375 Saranac Ave, Lake Placid / 518-918-9741.

[Grand Adirondack Hotel](#), located on Main Street in Lake Placid, has recently been completely renovated and reopened in grand style. Its restaurant and bars provide delicious meals and beautiful views of the village. Its location is ideal - right in the heart of the village, with stunning views of Olympic attractions, the lake, and the Adirondack Mountains.

2520 Main Street, Lake Placid / 518-523-1818.

[Eastwind Hotel](#) This year-round destination located in the heart of historic Lake Placid and walking distance to town has also recently opened to the public. Eastwind Lake Placid offers a bar & lounge, vintage library, sauna, private dining room and pool.

6048 Sentinel Road, Lake Placid / 518-837-1882.

[Newcomb Cafe and Campground](#) The cafe and general store offers locally made products and delicious breakfast and lunch options; while offering a campground near one of the region's most popular beaches. It has added equestrian campsites, stalls and paddocks with direct access to the Santanoni equestrian trail system.

5575 NYS Route 28N, Newcomb / 518-582-8999

Restaurants, Cafes, Brewpubs

The [Interlaken Inn & Restaurant](#) recently reopened in December 2022 under new ownership. This breathtaking century-old Victorian retreat is well-known for exquisite food and beautiful accommodations.

39 Interlaken Inn, Lake Placid / 518-241-8855

[Bitters & Bones](#) This Adirondack-inspired industrial / rustic, local restaurant recently started brewing its own craft beer on-site and this summer will have expanded outdoor seating and deck. Located at 65 Broadway, Saranac Lake / 518-354-8270



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[The Garagery](#) An extension of Grizzle T's, the Garagery is a new event space for private parties, special events, and more. Complete with a bar, stage, and mural painted by a local artist.
53 Main Street (Rear entrance), Saranac Lake

[Early Dawn Confections](#) This bakery specializes in delicious, fresh-baked treats produced with locally sourced ingredients whenever possible. Cakes, breakfast pastries, cupcakes, pies and fresh coffee are all on the menu. It also accepts orders for events and special occasions.
28 Woodruff Street, Saranac Lake | 518-354-800

[Jamdots Baking Co.](#) A cute shop offering grab and go breakfast sandwiches, cookies, homemade jams, and more! 69 Main Street (Main Floor), Saranac Lake | 802-558-6593

Anne's Crepes A small eatery with sweet and savory crepes all made to order - this local favorite is worth a visit. 36 Broadway, Saranac Lake

[The Woodshed on Park](#) offers French-Canadian inspired cuisine, craft cocktails, and natural wine. Opening in the summer of 2023.
218 Park Street, Tupper Lake / thewoodshedonpark@gmail.com

[War Cannon Spirits](#) is a distillery, tasting room, event space, retail store and restaurant that opened in late 2022 after a six-year restoration project of its 200+ year-old building.
2849 NYS Route 9, Crown Point, NY

Cidery - 2023 will see the opening of a cidery in Elizabethtown, complementing the Deer's Head Inn and the local mountain bike trails that skirt the town. Opening date TBD - likely late summer.

[Mountain Dog Restaurant & Pub / Gables Inn](#) is set to open in March 2023. The restaurant will serve standard pub fare and the Gables Inn will offer a comfortable, relaxed place to stay in the heart of downtown Westport.
6455 Main Street, Westport NY / 716-923-3314



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Paper and Pencil is the Adirondacks' newest and highly anticipated upscale farm-to-table restaurant and banquet space located on Ticonderoga's historic LaChute River. The 1820s furniture factory that the Paper & Pencil resides in is currently being updated and renovated. Scheduled to open spring, 2023.

119 Burgoyne Road, Ticonderoga

[Its about Thyme Farm Cafe and Bakery](#) is Minerva's newest Cafe opening this season. They will be offering freshly baked cider donuts and soft delicious cinnamon rolls! As well as farm-fresh smoothies and gourmet grilled cheese!

32 Smith Rd, Olmstedville, NY 12857/ 518-251-3207

Port Henry will be holding a weekly [farmers' market](#) beginning in June. It will be in a spectacular waterfront setting on the Bridge View Harbour Marina grounds and will be 10am-2pm every Sunday between Father's Day and Labor Day.

Attractions

The [Adirondack Sky Center](#) is preparing for the 2024 solar eclipse with its countdown clock; the center will share additional events and information throughout the upcoming year. The Adirondack region of upstate New York provides one of the best destinations for stargazing in the East. The combination of low-light pollution, low humidity and high altitude provide nearly ideal conditions for night sky viewing. This facility strives to "provide quality educational experiences for people of all ages through the science, technology, and history of astronomy." Offering a variety of unique public stargazing opportunities, educational lectures and family-friendly events.

Big Wolf Road, Tupper Lake, NY / 518-359-3538

[Uihlein Maple Forest](#) - New for 2023 is a self guided tour so that visitors can visit the location at their leisure and learn about the important work, research and projects at the maple syrup production facility. The Uihlein Maple Research Forest offers 200+ acres of forest that provides an outdoor laboratory for the study of maple syrup production, forest management, forest health, and agroforestry. Results of the research projects are shared with maple producers and scientists through publications, training, and presentations. The forest also serves as an



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educational center for applied education and demonstration of modern syrup production, forest management, and agroforestry.

157 Bear Cub Lane, Lake Placid / 518-523-9337

The [Lake Placid Olympic Museum](#) has been newly designed and reopened to visitors. It is a treasure trove of history featuring interactive exhibits, innovative displays, and North America's second-largest Winter Olympic artifact collection. One that reveals the boundless spirit of Olympians and the Olympic Games. A spirit that is reflected throughout Lake Placid.

2634 Main Street Lake Placid / 518-523-1655

[ADKX](#) is offering a new exhibit in 2023 - Artists & Inspiration in the Wild - Opening July 1 *Artists & Inspiration* will offer a deep look into the diverse people who have worked in the Adirondacks and whose visions have inspired the works of other artists and artisans. This permanent exhibition will showcase the museum's art and decorative collections and celebrate Adirondack style. The four main galleries will illustrate how the natural features of the Adirondacks – light, forests, water, and mountains – have sparked the creative vision of painters, sculptors, and expert artisans. After exploring the main galleries, visitors will end their journey in a makerspace created in collaboration with Adirondack artist Barney Bellinger.

Adirondacks Artist-in-Residence program will bring regional artists such as Takeyce Walter, Sandra Hildreth, Paul Lakata, and more to the museum in July and August. Visitors can chat with working artists as they create and discover more about their creative process and inspiration. The Indigenous Artist-in-Residence program returns this year as well with Mohawk creators visiting weekly in July and August. Several new artists will join this year's residency including Emma Thompson, Victoria Ransom, Margaret Jacobs, and Trevor Brant plus returning favorites -- Carrie Hill, Glenn Hill, Wilma Cook Zumpano, Natasha Smoke Santiago, and Robin Lazore.

[Harrietstown Pump Track](#) is now complete! At the end of August, 2022 the project was completed, offering a dirt pump track for beginners and experienced mountain bikers alike. The pump track was created on town land at the end of John Munn road, and is easily accessed by the new Adirondack Rail Trail.

57 John Munn Road, Saranac Lake



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[Saranac Lake Civic Center](#) After renovations ahead of the Lake Placid 2023 FISU World University Games, the Saranac Lake Civic Center is almost unrecognizable with new upgrades including improved ice, accessibility & new locker rooms. The space is also being offered as event space! 213 Ampersand Ave, Saranac Lake / 518-891-3800

Events & Activities

Saranac Lake Paddle Challenge - New this June - Three paddles / 19 miles. Explore the lakes and rivers of Saranac Lake by participating in the Saranac Lake Paddling Challenge. The route covers around 19 miles of the Northern Forest Canoe Trail - the longest inland waterway in the US. The challenge can be completed in 3 sections or all at once as an Ultra. You will experience some of the best paddling in the area, all within easy access of the town of Saranac Lake. Local outfitters can provide everything you need to tackle this fun and memorable challenge. The kickoff for the challenge will coincide with [Celebrate Paddling](#) (the month-long paddling celebration in June).

[Schroon Paddle Challenge](#) New for last summer, this is certainly worth mentioning again. The challenge encourages residents and visitors to undertake excursions on three local waterways that comprise the Schroon Lake watershed: Schroon Lake, the Schroon River to Schroon Lake, and Paradox Lake. Participants can use any type of human-powered vessel such as kayak, canoe or stand-up-paddleboard to complete the three paddles. Finishers will earn the Schroon Paddle Challenge patch. Those who are able to complete all three paddles over a single weekend (Friday-Sunday) will earn an “Ultra” patch, signifying their accomplishment.

The Whiteface Mountain Uphill Foot Race is set to return on June 3rd, 2023 at 5:30 pm. It will be taking place alongside another long-time event, the [Whiteface Uphill Bike Race](#). These races take place on a USATF certified course covering 8 miles over an 8 percent grade up Whiteface Mountain's scenic Veterans' Memorial Highway. Whiteface Mountain is New York's fifth highest peak with 360-degree panoramic views of the Adirondacks, New England, and Montreal. 5753 NYS RT 86 Wilmington / 518-946-2255



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[Big Z's Hangout at Lake Placid Lanes](#) Located on Main Street in Lake Placid, Big Z's Hangout at Lake Placid Lanes is home to 8 bowling lanes, arcade games, a casual restaurant and a full bar. The newly renovated space offers a fun, comfortable and engaging environment.
2750 Main St., Lake Placid / 518-302-5245

[The Peaks Paintbar](#)

Located on Main Street in Lake Placid, The Peaks Paintbar encourages visitors to explore their artistic side, while surrounded by the beauty of the Lake Placid region. Painting sessions are taught by professional and talented artists, and encourage creativity above all. The Peaks Paintbar offers delicious snacks and drinks while you bring out your inner artist.

Retail

[Pure Placid](#) sits at the intersection of aromatherapy, self care, yoga, cosmetics and health. Its storefront on Main Street in Lake Placid offers instruction and classes, candle making, yoga, and more.

2470 Main Street, Lake Placid

[Earth Girl Designs](#) is expanding and moving to a new location on Park Street. She has purchased and renovated her new shop that will be open in spring 2023.

70 Park Street, Tupper Lake / [Earth Girl facebook page](#)

[The Mill](#)- This former flour mill on Main Street in Westport is being renovated and repurposed as a community space with work spaces and shops. Anticipated opening in the summer of 2023.
6679 Main Street, Westport