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THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH



The countdown to Trinidad's Carnival 2025 is underway, promising an unforgettable experience filled with vibrant music, dance, and cultural expression. Known as the "Greatest Show on Earth," Carnival is a celebration that blends creativity, history, and community spirit. Rooted in the island's colonial past, it has evolved from a symbol of resistance and freedom into an annual festival of self-expression. The highlight of the festivities takes place on Carnival Monday and Tuesday, with masqueraders filling the streets in colorful costumes, dancing to infectious Soca rhythms. The festivities begin with the energetic J'ouvert celebrations and continue with the Parade of the Bands, where groups compete in creative costumes, embodying the true spirit of Trinidad Carnival.

The music is at the heart of Carnival, with Soca driving the rhythm of the streets and fetes. In 2025, iconic artists like Machel Montano and Bunji Garlin, alongside emerging talents, will keep the energy high, while the new Ultimate Soca Champion competition promises to add excitement. Additionally, the Panorama competition showcases the steelpan, a symbol of Trinidad's musical heritage, as orchestras perform mesmerizing renditions of popular songs. Carnival-goers can also indulge in the island's rich culinary offerings, from doubles to bake and shark, providing a deeper connection to the culture. With events such as "Soca Brainwash" and "A.M. Bush," Carnival 2025 is set to be a vibrant, immersive experience for all. Don't miss out on being part of this extraordinary cultural celebration!



JUNIOR BISNATH: THE MOKO JUMBIE MAN



Junior Bisnath is a well-known cultural icon and leader in the art of stilt walking in Trinidad and Tobago.

Known locally as the "Moko Jumbie Man," Junior has chosen to give back to his community by helping at-risk youths in San Fernando and the surrounding areas with the invaluable knowledge needed to become professional stilt walkers. This knowledge can be leveraged to acquire gainful employment and become a viable source of income.

Mr. Bisnath's passion for stilt walking began with a love for woodworking and a keen eye for culture. His sense of cultural stewardship was heavily influenced by his exposure to the world of mas and Carnival through his upbringing in the heart of San Fernando. His desire to create and contribute to the land he loves so much guided his gifted hands in the many innovative designs we see at events today.

Junior's work has taken him to several parts of the world, including Germany, the USA, Africa, and the Caribbean region. Currently, he is working on his own heritage museum, which houses several antiques and collectibles from Trinidad's storied cultural past.

Through his altruism, Junior is inviting interested persons, particularly youth, to reach out to him for free classes in stilt walking at his academy in San Fernando. He can be contacted via mobile at 868-364-2706.





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Where To Stay?

If you are travelling to Trinidad this Carnival with a group of 10 or less persons and need a place to stay, check out our [“Where To Stay”](#) section of the destination website, or reach out to reach out to our Small Tourism Accommodation Owners’ Association of T&T at staott3@gmail.com.



Getting Around 2

Getting around Trinidad and Tobago while here is quite easy. The island offers several options for transportation that include car rentals, rideshare services, water taxi services, an inter-island ferry and a robust public service transportation network. To find out more about these options, visit our [“Transportation Services”](#) section of the website.



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Things To Do?

Trinidad and Tobago is a very culturally diverse and dynamic destination that is filled with a variety of things to do. From scenic views of our beautiful flora and fauna, to tantalizing the taste buds with our unique cuisine, our country has something to offer everyone. To find out more about what the country has to offer while here, visit our [“Things To Do”](#) section of the website.





GET READY FOR THE
ULTIMATE SOCA CHAMPION

Trinidad and Tobago's vibrant Carnival season is set to shine even brighter with the launch of the Ultimate Soca Champion, a groundbreaking, government-supported competition led by renowned entertainer Jerome "Rome" Precilla. Officially announced on January 17, 2025, this highly anticipated event boasts an impressive TT\$1 million grand prize for the ultimate winner, alongside a Youth Soca Champion category offering TT\$200,000 for the top performer aged 16 to 25. Designed to reinvigorate the local music scene, the competition fills the gap left by the International Soca Monarch, which has been absent in recent years due to financial constraints.

Adding a fresh twist, the Ultimate Soca Champion will adopt a reality TV format, giving audiences a behind-the-scenes look at contestants' personal stories and musical journeys, fostering deeper fan engagement. Auditions kick off on January 25 at the Southern Academy for the Performing Arts, with 10 finalists, featuring both emerging and seasoned talent. While traditional categories for Power and Groovy Soca have been removed, special prizes will still be awarded for these styles, along with a People's Champion chosen through public voting. The semifinals take place on February 9, and the grand finale is slated for February 20, 2025. Carnival enthusiasts can tune into the pre-recorded finale during Carnival week via CNC3, regional networks, and internationally on Pavilion Plus, ensuring global visibility for Trinidad's iconic Soca culture.

NOW AIRING: CARNIVAL CATWALK



Tourism Trinidad proudly celebrates the launch of the highly anticipated and groundbreaking TV series, *Carnival Catwalk*. Currently being streamed on the Pavilion Plus platform and pioneered by the talented Jerome Prescilla, the series offers an immersive look into the vibrant fashion and artistry of Trinidad and Tobago's Carnival. Through the use of fun challenges and captivating storytelling, the series entertains by putting Carnival design at the helm of its screenplay.

Carnival designers from different parts of the world are pitted against each other in an elimination-style setting where challenges are introduced to test their knowledge in costume making, design and overall creativity.

The series showcases Trinidad and Tobago as the world's leading destination and cultural capital of modern day Carnival in the world. The TV series not only elevates local talent on an international stage but also invites global audiences to explore Trinidad and Tobago's culture through our truly unique offerings and sites.





CONNECTING REGIONALLY

LIAT 20 NOW PROVIDING AIRLIFT TO POS

The return of the LIAT 20 flight to Trinidad and Tobago is a highly anticipated development for the country's tourism sector. As the airline resumes its regional routes, it provides a significant opportunity to boost connectivity and accessibility for both local and international travellers. With increased air access, Trinidad and Tobago stands to benefit from a surge in visitors, enhancing its reputation as a premier destination for both business and leisure tourism. The resumption of flights will make it easier for travellers from across the Caribbean to explore the cultural, historical, and natural wonders of the twin-island nation.

For travellers, this return means greater convenience and more options when planning their vacations. As a hub for arts, music, and Carnival, Trinidad and Tobago offers visitors an unforgettable experience. From the lively streets of Port of Spain to the serene beaches of Tobago, the islands provide something for everyone. With LIAT 20's direct flights, tourists from nearby islands can now visit with ease, encouraging a steady flow of visitors eager to immerse themselves in the vibrant culture and warm hospitality of the country.

The return of LIAT 20 is also expected to have a positive economic impact, particularly for the local hospitality, tourism, and transportation industries. Hotels, tour operators, and other businesses that rely on tourism will benefit from the influx of regional visitors, which could help revive the sector after challenging periods. By re-establishing regional connections, Trinidad and Tobago is positioning itself as an accessible and desirable destination, ensuring that the islands continue to thrive as a cornerstone of Caribbean tourism.



THE PRINCESS DIARIES: TRINIDAD WELCOMES TWO NEW VESSELS FROM PRINCESS CRUISES

Trinidad recently welcomed two of the world's most luxurious cruise ships, the *Enchanted Princess* and the *Majestic Princess*, marking a significant moment for the country's tourism industry. The arrival of these impressive vessels signaled an exciting new chapter in Trinidad's growth as a premier cruise destination in the Caribbean. As international visitors disembarked, the island's rich culture, vibrant history, and stunning natural landscapes captivated a global audience, boosting tourism and creating opportunities for local businesses to thrive.

Both ships brought thousands of passengers who were eager to explore what Trinidad had to offer. From the bustling streets of Port of Spain to the picturesque Maracas Bay, the island offered a unique blend of attractions that appealed to every type of traveler. Whether they sought an immersive cultural experience, indulged in the culinary delights of local street food, or ventured into the lush rainforests for an adventure, Trinidad provided an unforgettable experience for cruise ship visitors. The arrival of these luxury ships not only highlighted Trinidad's appeal as a tourist destination but also reinforced its position as a key stop on the Caribbean cruise route.

The influx of cruise ship tourists provided a significant boost to the local economy. Businesses in the hospitality, retail, and transportation sectors saw increased demand, and tour operators benefited from offering new and exciting excursions to visitors. With the *Enchanted Princess* and *Majestic Princess* making regular calls to Trinidad, the island was well on its way to becoming a hub for cruise tourism in the region. This presented a unique opportunity for stakeholders in the tourism industry to enhance their services and ensure that Trinidad left a lasting impression on visitors, encouraging repeat visits and positive word-of-mouth marketing. As the cruise season progressed, Trinidad looked forward to welcoming even more guests, reinforcing its status as a must-visit destination in the Caribbean.



WORLD COCOA AND CHOCOLATE DAY EXPO

Tourism Trinidad recently partnered with the University of the West Indies (UWI) Cocoa Research Centre to celebrate the rich heritage of cocoa production at the World Cocoa and Chocolate Day Expo, held at the Mahatma Gandhi Institute on 29 November, 2024. This event brought together cocoa enthusiasts, industry experts, and local producers to honor Trinidad and Tobago's esteemed history in the cocoa industry while promoting the many ways in which cocoa contributes to the country's cultural and economic landscape. The expo provided a unique opportunity for both locals and international visitors to explore the deep-rooted connection between the islands and one of the world's most beloved commodities.

As part of Tourism Trinidad's commitment to highlighting the nation's diverse attractions, the event provided an ideal platform to showcase the island's vibrant agricultural heritage. The expo featured a wide range of activities, including live demonstrations, cocoa tasting sessions, and insightful talks from experts in the field. Tourism Trinidad's involvement underscored the importance of cocoa in the country's tourism offering, inviting both residents and visitors to engage with the rich history of cocoa cultivation, the production of fine chocolate, and the innovative ways the industry is evolving.

By partnering with the UWI Cocoa Research Centre, Tourism Trinidad emphasized the value of sustainable tourism and the role of the agriculture and food sectors in shaping the nation's tourism experience. The event also provided a significant opportunity to promote cocoa-related tourism experiences, such as farm tours, chocolate-making workshops, and culinary adventures, that showcase Trinidad and Tobago's authenticity and creativity. As the day concluded, participants walked away with a deeper appreciation for the island's cocoa legacy and its growing potential as a key element in the nation's tourism offerings.



THU 06 FEB

The Big Bad Musical
Native Caribbean Foundation
Naparima Bowl, San Fernando
9:00am and 12:00pm

Soca Sweat - Circuit
Central Athletics Club
C3 Centre, San Fernando
5:30pm - 6:30pm

National Medium
Conventional Band
Preliminaries
Pan Trintbago
South/Central Region Panyards
7:00pm

The Road March
in Concert II
Etienne Charles
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain
7:00pm - 9:30pm

Divas Calypso Cabaret
International Calypso Tent -
Grand Opening
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians'
Organisation (TUCCO)
Belmont Community Centre, Belmont
8:00pm

Kalypso Revue Calypso Tent -
Grand Opening
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians'
Organisation (TUCCO)
Arima Velodrome, Arima
8:00pm

Carnival Burn Pt.2
San Fernando City Corporation
Skinner Park, San Fernando
5:00pm - 7:00pm



FRI 07 FEB

The Big Bad Musical
Native Caribbean Foundation
Naparima Bowl, San Fernando
9:00am and 12:00pm

Carnival Pop Up -
Night Market Edition
The Fashion Arch
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain
3:00pm - 9:00pm

St. Francis Pan Yard Lime
St. Francis R.C. Church, Belmont
St. Francis of Assisi Church Yard,
115 Belmont Circular Road, Belmont
6:30pm - 9:30pm

MEGA
Machol Montana
Brian Lara Cricket Academy, Tarouba,
San Fernando | 7:00pm - 4:00am

Opening of John Cupid
Carnival Village
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
6:00pm

National Medium
Conventional Band
Preliminaries
Pan Trintbago
South/Central Region Panyards
7:00pm

Anti Stush Cooler Fete
Bishops Amstey Junior School
Sound Forge, St. James | 8:00pm

Dream Street Festival
Dream Street Committee
Five Islands Water & Amusement
Park, Chaguaramas
9:30pm - 4:00am



SAT 08 FEB

Grace Race 2025
TTCEC & PCTT
Nelson Mandela Park, Port of Spain
6:00am

High Tide
Next Level Entertainment, C.A.
Carnival Productions
Elite Boat Cruises, Chaguaramas
2:30pm - 7:00pm

Rejuvenation
San Fernando City Corporation
South Park, San Fernando
Time: TBD

Point Fortin Heritage and
Recreation Tour
The National Trust of Trinidad
and Tobago
Meeting Point: Mille Fleurs
Heritage House | 8:00am - 5:00pm

Valentine Pop-Up Market
at Movietowne POS!
South Market 868
MovieTowne, Port of Spain
3:00pm - 9:00pm

THE PRE-VALENTINE'S POP-UP
Trini Market, Quality Key Marketing
UWI JFK, St. Augustine
10:00am - 6:00pm

Carnival Pop-Up Market
South Market 868
South Park, San Fernando
11:00am - 6:00pm

THE PRE-VALENTINE'S POP-UP
Trini Market, Quality Key Marketing
UWI JFK, St. Augustine
10:00am - 6:00pm

The Big Bad Musical
Native Caribbean Foundation
Naparima Bowl, San Fernando
3:30pm and 6:30pm

The Paramin Experience
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: Hyatt Trinidad
2:00pm - 7:00pm

Mermaid Pools
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: Food Basket, Arima
7:00am - 1:00pm

Blue Sky: Blume
El Dorado Blue Thunder Alumni
El Dorado East Secondary School
4:00pm - 12:00am

Jardin
Farm House, Kairi People,
Event Locker
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain
4:00pm - 11:00pm

Chutney Soca Monarch:
30th Anniversary Semi Final
Show
Southex Promotions
La Tropical, The Rig Compound,
San Fernando | 9:00pm

National Junior Calypso
Monarch Competition
(Preliminary)
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians'
Organisation (TUCCO)
City Hall, Knox Street, Port of Spain
10:00am

Soca VILLAGE:
The Greatest Soca
Hits Fete
Sista Experience and Price Experience
Rock Back on the Bay, Chaguaramas
9:00pm - 2:00am

Fete Gala-
Runway Revelry
Life Events
Location: St. Andrew's Golf Club
5:00pm - 12:00am

Fete With The Saints - NeX LVL
Ravi B & Karma
St. Mary's College (CIC)
St. Mary's College Grounds,
Serpentine Road, St. Clair
6:00pm - 1:00am

Homecoming - The Finale
Ravi B & Karma
Tantra Terraces, 7F Eastern Main Rd,
Sangre Grande | 8:00pm - 4:00am

"What If" -
An Ole Mas Competition
Trinidad & Tobago Carnival Bands
Association, Trinidad & Tobago
Carnival Museum
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
4:00pm - 8:00pm

SUN 09 FEB

Chacachacare by Boat
(Beach hop)
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: IPOA Marine,
Chaguaramas | 9:00am - 3:00pm

Explore Chacachacare by Trail
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: IPOA Marine,
Chaguaramas | 7:00am - 3:00pm

Regatta 1
The Trinidad and Tobago Powerboat
Association
Trinidad and Tobago Yacht Club,
Western Main Road, Port of Spain
Races start at 12:00pm

National Large Conventional
Band Preliminaries
Pan Trintbago
Northern Region Panyards | 7:00pm

Paramin Blue Devils Experience
3 Circles Energy
Paramin | 2:00pm

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DIGINITARIEZ
Hasely Crawford Stadium
4:00am - 10:00am

Breakfast meet Coolerz -
La Tropical
King's and Friends, Xceptional
Xperience
Dos Orinocos Villas, #2 Orinoco
Street, Wallerfield, Arima
6:00am - 12:00pm

You, Me + Soca =
A Feteing Paradise
Team Xcite
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
2:00pm - 7:00pm

Ultimate Soca
Champion- Semi Final
Ultimate Soca Champion
Naparima Bowl, #19 Paradise Pasture,
San Fernando | 4:00pm

Hot Sun and Soca
Anemics Events
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
9:00am - 2:00pm

PRESTIGE: The Golden Gala
PRESTIGE Past Students Foundation
Brian Lara Cricket Academy, Tarouba,
San Fernando | 5:00pm - 11:00pm

National Calypso
Queen Competition
National Women's Action Committee
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain | 4:30pm

Kids Soca Fest
Dirty Medics Carnival Ltd
Location: TBA | 5:00pm - 5:00pm

GLOW the Carnival Experience
Nice Place, Dream Carnival
Nice Place Restaurant and Bar, Main
Carpark | 5:30pm - 11:30pm



MON 10 FEB

National Large Conventional
Band Preliminaries
Pan Trintbago
Eastern Region Panyards | 8:00pm

TUE 11 FEB

Soca Sweat - Aerobics
Central Athletic Club
C3 Centre, San Fernando
5:30pm - 6:30pm

National Large Conventional
Band Preliminaries
Pan Trintbago
South/Central Region Panyards | 7:00pm

WED 12 FEB

Energy Run 2025
Energy Chamber of Trinidad and Tobago
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
(Opposite Mille Fleurs) | 5:30am

The Power of Love
Trinidad Renaissance School
Naparima Bowl, San Fernando | 5:00pm

THU 13 FEB

Soca Sweat - Zumba
Central Athletic Club
C3 Centre, San Fernando
5:30pm - 6:30pm

RHYTHMS & ROSES
Tricia Lee Kelshall
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain | 7:00pm

Grand Opening D' Kaiso
Dynasty "A New Global
Experience"
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians'
Organisation (TUCCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road,
Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

FRI 14 FEB

VALENTINE'S MARKET
Trini Market, Quality Key Marketing
Atlantic Plaza, Point Lisas
10:00am - 5:00pm

Sip & Paint:
Valentine's Day Edition
Casa Tours, Palace868 Adventures
Club
Caroni Bird Sanctuary, Caroni
3:00pm - 7:00pm

Sip & Cruise
Island Experiences
Meeting Point: Crew's Inn Marina,
Chaguaramas | 8:30pm - 10:00pm

Caroni Wetlands
Dinner Cruise
Island Experiences
Meeting Point: Caroni Bird
Sanctuary, Caroni
3:30pm - 7:00pm

Love & Kaiso
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain
8:00pm

Dining on the Deck 2
Tebet Tours
Paramin Village
3:30pm - 10:00 pm

Cruise with the Saints
St. Mary's College
Past Students Union
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
7:00pm - 11:00pm

FETEYARD: Stick Fighter
The Lost Tribe
ANSA Carpark, St. Vincent
Street, Port of Spain
7:00pm - 2:00am

ROSE
WinerBoy Entertainment
Cipriani Labour College,
Valsayn | 9:00pm - 3:00am

FREEdom
Zèle Events
Sound Forge, St. James
10:00pm - till

Love Boat
Purple Robe Entertainment
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
11:00pm - 3:00am

Junior Calypso Finals
San Fernando City Corporation
Creative Arts Center,
San Fernando | 8:00pm

National Stickfighting
Preliminaries
National Carnival Commission
(NCC)
Moruga Multi-Purpose Youth
and Sporting Facility | 7:00pm

SAT 15 FEB

Diego Martin Heritage and
Culture Tour
The National Trust of Trinidad
and Tobago
Meeting Point: Mille Fleurs Heritage
House | 8:00am - 4:00pm

Cupid's Canvas
Over D'Rainbow Events
Think Artwork!TT Art Studio
#11 Cipriani Boulevard Port of Spain
4:30pm - 8:00pm

The Vault: Another Carnival
Pop-Up Experience
Keith Austin Creative Agency
Corner Scott & Sellar Street,
St. Augustine | 10:00am - 6:00pm

mini MATUSURI:
Pop - Up Market!
Galactakon
MovieTowne, Port of Spain
12:00pm - 9:00pm

Paramin Sunset Tour
Island Experiences
Meeting Point: The Normande Hotel
San Fernando Hill | 5:00pm

Gasperee and Monas Islands
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: IPOA Marine,
Chaguaramas | 8:00am - 4:00pm

D' Kaiso Dynasty
"A New Global Experience"
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians'
Organisation (TUCCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road,
Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

I Love Choka
Tank Sound Co
Centre of Excellence
9:00pm - 4:00am

Mrs. Trinidad and Tobago
Globe 2025
Yolandra John
Naparima Bowl, San Fernando
12:00pm

Utopia: Colors of Carnival
The Clubhouse
Queen's Park Oval, Port of Spain
2:00am - 9:00am

National Junior Calypso
Monarch Competition
(Semi-Finals) "Junior Fiesta"
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians'
Organisation (TUCCO)
TUCCO Calypso Hub (The BIG Tent),
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
10:00am

Pre-Pump
Pumptober
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
3:00pm - 7:30pm

Renaissance -
Masquerade en Lumière
Bishops Amstey High School East &
Trinity College East
Bishop Amstey & Trinity College
East Compound, Trinity
4:00pm - 11:00pm

SOLSET - The Lotus
illuSions, Sunnation
San Fernando Hill | 5:00pm

VIOLET ET BLANC
SOUS LE SOLEIL
Soleil Committee
Hilton Trinidad, Poolside
5:30pm - 11:30pm

Fete Royal 10: Legacy
Queen's Royal College
Queen's Royal College Grounds
6:00pm - 1:00am

I Feel Like Wining
Pretty Boyz Entertainment
Ocean Pe

Rumajay
Angustia Limited
UPick, Chaguaramas
6:00pm - 2:00am

Ladies Night Out
Randy Glasgow Productions Ltd
National Academy for the Performing
Arts, Port of Spain | 7:00pm

Water World Chutney X Soca
WATER WORLD
South Haven Mall, Debe
11:00pm - 6:00am

Rise n Roast
Roast Entertainment
Bayview Maracas, Trinidad
7:00pm

Carnival 5K
San Fernando City Corporation
Skinner Park, San Fernando
5:00am

Diego Martin
Children's Carnival
Diego Martin Carnival Committee
Start: Diego Martin Sporting Complex
End: Wendy Fitzwilliam Boulevard
11:00am - 5:00pm

SUN 16 FEB

Galentine's Sip,
Paint and Brunch
Travel Tribe Ltd
Royal Botanic Gardens,
Port of Spain | 3:00pm - 6:00pm

Turure Watersteps
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: Food Basket Arima
7:00am - 1:00pm

Pan on D'Greens
Music Festival
SCORCH & Tailgate TT
Queen's Park Savannah,
Port of Spain | 11:00am

The Paramin Experience
Palace868 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: Hyatt Trinidad
8:00am - 1:00pm

National Panorama Medium &
Large Conventional Band
Semi-Finals "Savannah Party"
Pan Trintbago
Queen's Park Savannah,
Port of Spain | 1:00pm - 11:00pm

The Vault: Another Carnival
Pop-Up Experience
Keith Austin Creative Agency
Corner Scott & Sellar Street,
St. Augustine | 10:00am - 6:00pm

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ONE BATCH Jungle Escape
Onemind
Prisons Sports Ground, Placro
3:00am - 10:00am

NEW DAWN - SOL
Yorke Inc
Estate 101, Maraval
5:00am - 11:30am

Calypso Preliminaries (Junior & Senior)
Chaguanas Borough Carnival Committee
Chaguanas Borough Corporation - Cumberbatch Street, Chaguanas
11:00am - 4:00pm

RAZE Breakfast Party
Rave Republic
Under the Trees at Hotel Normandie, Port of Spain | 6:00am - 12:00pm

Kids Carnival Kingdom
Tim Tim
Skinner Park, Todd St, San Fernando
1:00pm - 7:00pm

Sip & Sail Cooler Cruise!
Bon Voyage - The Final Sail
iCandy Jouvvert
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
3:00pm - 7:00pm

Passage to Asia All Inclusive
Passage to Asia
St. Andrews Golf Club Car Park Hoka, Maraval | 5:00pm - 11:00pm

Much Carnival Brunch
Mother's Union Children's Home
Naparima Bowl (Courtyard), San Fernando | 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Welcome to the Kingdom: King ah De Jouvvert Concert
DEY
Skinner Park, San Fernando
3:00am - 9:00am

MON 17 FEB

Monday
Million Laffs Productions
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain | 7:30pm

National Extempo & Freestyle Competition (Preliminary)
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
TUCO Calypso Hub (The BIG Tent), Queen's Park Savannah | 7:30pm

TUE 18 FEB

Shakespeare's Twelfth Night
The Oratory Foundation
Naparima Bowl, San Fernando
9:00am and 12:00pm

Young Kings Competition
National Action Cultural Committee
Grand Stand, Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain | 7:30pm

WED 19 FEB

National Stickfighting Semi-Finals
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Oljee Road Recreation Ground, Sangre Grande | 7:00pm

Intimate See - V'ghn & Friends
V'ghn
Woodford Cafe, Chaguanas
8:00pm - 1:00am



D' Kaiso Dynasty
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

Senior Kings & Queens Preliminaries
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
7:00pm

THU 20 FEB

D' Kaiso Dynasty
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

EVOLVE: The Pastel Affair Cooler Fete
San Fernando City Corporation
Skinner Park, San Fernando
7:00pm - 2:00am

Ultimate Soca Champion- Finals
Ultimate Soca Champion
Location: TBD | Time: TBD

FRI 21 FEB

Ramadan Flea Market
Barakah Foundation
Barakah Grounds, Narsaloo Ramaya
Marg Rd, Chaguanas
11:00am - 10:00pm

D' Kaiso Dynasty
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road, Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

Soca Code - Jungle Jam
Soca Code, Brandon Striker,
Kid Camby
Calabash Garden, 48 Tragarate Rd,
Port of Spain | 7:00pm - 2:00am

Kuchela - The Central Fete
Raymond Ramnarine X WinerBoy
Entertainment
National Cricket Centre, Clifford
Roach Dr, Couva | 8:00pm - 2:00am

Army Fete
Trinidad and Tobago Defence Force
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
9:00pm - 3:00am

Paramin Carnival Tour
National Tour of Trinidad & Tobago
Paramin (Meeting at Mille Fleurs)
9:00am - 2:00pm

SAT 22 FEB

Stink & Duttu - Kaleidoscope of Love
Scorch, Voice, Air Committee, illuSiOns
Brian Lara Cricket Academy, Tarouba,
San Fernando | 3:00am - 10:00am

Double River & Buddha Waterfalls
Palance668 Adventures Club
Meeting Point : Food Basket Arima
7:00am - 1:00pm

Rep Yuh Band XI
Rep Yuh Band Promotions
Harbour Master | 9:00am - 2:00pm

Paramin Adventure
Island Experiences
Meeting Point: The Normandle Hotel
9:00am - 2:00pm

Ramadan Flea Market
Barakah Foundation
Barakah Grounds, Narsaloo Ramaya
Marg Rd, Chaguanas
11:00am - 10:00pm

Culture in D' Park
Caribbean Airlines
St. Mary's College Grounds,
Port of Spain | 11:30am - 6:30pm

Red Cross Junior Carnival
Trinidad and Tobago Red Cross
Society / National Carnival
Commission (NCC)
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
11:00am

National Senior Calypso Monarch Competition Semi-Final "Calypso Fiesta"
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Skinner Park, Todd St, San Fernando
2:00pm

Sunset Brunch
Dream, Prime, Luccx
Jamboree Park, North Valsayn
5:30pm - 11:30pm

Fatima All Inclusive - D Meltin Pot
Fatima Old Boys' Association (FOBA)
Fatima College Compound,
Mucurapo Road, Port of Spain
6:00pm - 1:00am

ARTFORM - The Love Tribe
Neddie Batsion
Five Islands Carpark, Chaguaramas
6:00pm - 2:00am

Say That Name- An evening of Worship
HIGH events
Firm Foundation Ministries, 1
Sunflower St. Tulip Avenue,
Roopshing Rd, Carapichaima
6:00pm

Nurses Cooler Fete
Lyke We Entertainment
The Well Fun Park, Cunupia
7:00pm - 2:00am

THE SECRET GARDEN - Into The Wild
BASS YARD
Calabash Garden - 48 Tragarate Rd,
Woodbrook | 7:00pm - 2:00am

The 3 Canal Kaiso Show
3 Canal
Queens Hall, Port of Spain
7:30pm - till

InDeGlo
One Arima International
River Ranch Resort, Blanchisseuse
Road, Arima | 8:00pm - 3:00am

Samsara Festival
Ravi B and Karma
Centre of Excellence Car Park,
Macoya | 9:00pm - 3:00am

SUN 23 FEB

Addiction The Premium All Inclusive Breakfast Party
SW Ltd
1 D'Arcueil Lane Arima
4:00am - 11:00am

Paria Bay by Boat
Palance668 Adventures Club
Meeting Point : Maracas Bay
Opposite Sam's Bar
8:00am - 3:00pm

Paria Bay & Waterfall
Palance668 Adventures Club
Meeting Point : Maracas Bay
Opposite Sam's Bar
7:00am - 5:00pm

The Paramin Experience
Palance668 Adventures Club
Meeting Point: Hyatt Trinidad
8:00am - 1:00pm

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Carnival on Nelson Island
The National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago
Meeting Point: Mille Fleurs Heritage House | 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Tiny Mas Big Heritage
The National Trust of Trinidad and Tobago
Mille Fleurs, 23 Maraval Rd,
Port of Spain | 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Sundeck - The Body Shop
Scorch
Location: TBA | 3:00pm - 10:00pm

RISE the water kingdom
Chill Out Events
O2 Park, Chaguaramas
3:00am - 9:00am

Junior Kings, Queens & Individuals Preliminaries
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Adam Smith Square, Arlapita Avenue,
Port of Spain | 9:00am

Casa Aboard - Brunchin
Casa Vibe
Ocean Pelican, Chaguaramas
9:00am - 2:00pm

Dirty Brunch 2025 - The Inclusive Brunch Party
Dirty Dozen | Emurgy Entertainment
Serpentine Place-16 Hays Street,
St. Clair | 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Vybe - Social Club
Crimson Crew
The Anchorage, Chaguaramas
2:00pm - 8:00pm

SUNBLISS: The Soca & Sundress Experience
Siete Experiences
Hotel Normandie, Port of Spain
3:00pm - 8:00pm

Blossom Safari
Blossom
Bayview, Maracas | 3:00pm - 11:00pm

People with Class - Paradise in Bloom
Green Meadows
Green Meadows, Santa Barbara Blvd,
Santa Cruz | 3:00pm - 10:00pm

Day Dream
Crème de la Crème
Block 7 Playfield, Palmiste
4:00pm - 10:00pm

Foundation Fete Annual Cooler Party
Bartholomew Selvon Foundation,
The Far From Finish Foundation,
Invisible Scars Project
La Joya, St. Joseph
5:00pm - 11:59 pm

Lavish - Celestial Dreams
Hilton Trinidad
Hilton Trinidad (Poolside),
Port of Spain | 8:30pm - 11:30pm

Different
Kiss People
Queen's Park Oval, Port of Spain
6:00pm - 12:00am

BushParty.TT Carnival Edition
BushParty.TT
Fondes Amandes Community
Reforestation Project - Resource
Centre | 6:00pm - 12:00am

EDAY
Erphaan Alves
St. John's Ambulance Hall,
Wrightson Road, Port of Spain
6:00pm - 1:00am

Welcome to Freetown
Freetown Collective
Sound Forge, St. James
7:00pm - 11:00pm

The 3 Canal Kaiso Show
3 Canal
Queens Hall, Port of Spain
7:30pm - till

MON 24 FEB

National Junior Calypso Monarch Competition (Final)
National Carnival Commission (NCC),
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Grand Stand, Queen's Park Savannah,
Port of Spain | 10:00am

Soca Baby
DJ Private Ryan
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
12:00pm (Boat 1) 5:00pm (Boat 2)

Monday Madness - Soca Insanity
Machel Montano
Queen's Park Oval, Port of Spain
7:00pm - 3:00am

Booze n' Bacchanal
Carnival Plug
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
9:00pm

The 3 Canal Kaiso Show
3 Canal
Queens Hall, Port of Spain
7:30pm - till

TUE 25 FEB

Free D'awn
Bunji Garlin, Fayann Lyons,
Viking Ding Dong
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
4:00am - 8:00am

Shhh Trinidad
Natalie Events
Sound Forge, St. James
2:00pm - 8:00pm

K-Paya Cooler Cruise
K-PAYA CARNIVAL
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
3:00pm - 7:00pm

Pon De Grass 2025 - The Carnival Backyard Jam and Grill
Dirty Dozen, Emurgy Entertainment
Serpentine Place-16 Hays Street,
St. Clair | 4:00pm - 11:00pm

Rum Punch After Lunch
Rated Ram Entertainment
Nube Nueva Valpark, Valsayn South
6:00pm - 12:00am

Vale Vibe Super Cooler
Vale Vibe
Drew Manor, Santa Cruz
5:00pm - 1:00am

Traditional Individuals Competition
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Adam Smith Square, Port of Spain
7:00pm

National Extempo Freestyle Competition (Final)
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
TUCO Calypso Hub (The big tent) at OPS
6:00pm | 6:00pm

Kes Iz We Festival 2025
Kes The Band
Queen's Park Savannah,
Port of Spain | 6:00pm

The 3 Canal Kaiso Show
3 Canal
Queens Hall, Port of Spain
7:30pm - till

WED 26 FEB

Hyatt Lime 2025
Hyatt Regency Trinidad
Hyatt Regency Trinidad, Dock Rd,
Port of Spain | 4:00pm - 12:00am

Tequila Sunrise
Voice, Viking Ding Dong,
Harbour Master
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
4:00am - 8:00am

ASSUME 'Carnival Cooler Cruise'
Fete' Para-D-So
Ocean Pelican, Chaguaramas
9:00am - 1:00pm

Doubles & Bubbles - Mimosa
Farm House
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
9:00am - 1:00pm

Duck Work: DDI
Scorch
Down De Islands, Chaguaramas
2:00pm - 7:00pm

Citrus Premium All Inclusive
Radiance Productions, illuSiOns, DJ
Private Ryan
Uplck, Chaguaramas
2:00pm - 8:00pm

Nectar All Inclusive
AIR Committee
Boys Scout Association, Port of Spain
4:00pm

Jus'so Fete
DJ JEL
Sound Forge, St. James
6:00pm - 12:00am

J'Lime
Pumpers, Inc.
Mille Fleurs, 23 Maraval Road,
Port of Spain | 6:00pm - 1:00am

Senior Kings & Queens Semi-Finals, Junior Kings & Queens Finals
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
7:00pm

National Stickfighting Finals
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Skinner Park, San Fernando | 7:00pm

I am Woman: Reflections - You, Me & We
Patrice Roberts
Hasely Crawford Stadium,
Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 2:00am

D' Kaiso Dynasty
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road,
Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

Wednesday Night Mas
Travis World
Chaguaramas | 9:00pm - 3:00am

PUNCHY WEDNESDAY 2025 "JUNGLE FEVER"
Punchy Punch
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain
9:00pm - 4:00am

Fete Nation - The Fun Inclusive
Fatima Old Boys' Association (FOBA),
St Francois Girls' College Alumnae,
CIC Past Students Union
Fatima College Grounds,
Mucurapo Rd, Port of Spain
9:00pm - 4:00am

THU 27 FEB

D' Kaiso Dynasty
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Radisson Hotel, Wrightson Road,
Port of Spain | 8:00pm - 12:00am

A.M. Beach
Caesar's Army
Maracas Bay, North Coast Rd,
Maracas | 5:00am - 11:00am

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Soca Startr "The Celebration"
DJ Private Ryan
Rock Back on the Bay, Chaguaramas
8:00am

Boozy Boat - Maiden Voyage
Life Events
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
7:00am - 12:00am

AWOL
Ocean Pelican, Chaguaramas
9:00am - 2:00pm

Stranded By The Pool
SeaView Haven
Seaview Haven, Balandra, Seaview
Trace, Toco Main Road
12:00pm - 8:00pm

Beach House All Inclusive
Beach House Entertainment
Invaders Bay, Port of Spain
2:00pm - 8:00pm

Amnesia Cooler Cruise
Remedy Events
The Anchorage, Chaguaramas
3:00pm - 7:00pm

Tropical LUAU Carnival
The EEEmpire
Location: TBA | 3:00pm - 12:00am

Pure White
Lyrical and Ding Dong
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
4:00pm - 8:00pm

Farmhouse Cooler - NEON Thursday
Farm House
Chaguaramas Boardwalk
4:00pm - 12:00am



Kaiso Showcase Calypso Tent
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Republic Bank Car Park, Couva
4:00pm

Debut 277
Brian Lara Events
Millennium Lakes Golf and Country Club | 4:00pm - 12:00am

B.O.Y.C.O.T.T.
B.O.Y.C.O.T.T. Promotions
St Anthony's College Grounds, Westmoorings | 5:00pm - 11:00pm

FOF Carnival "NguYumYum"
Friends of Friends
Paragon, Westmoorings by the Sea
5:00pm - 11:00pm

Shangri-La
Shangri-La Committee
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain
6:00pm - 1:00am

Conventional Individuals Competition
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Adam Smith Square, Port of Spain
7:00pm

Ken "Professor" Philmore South Central Pan Champs
Pan Trinbago
Skinner Park, San Fernando | 7:00pm

Vibes with Voiccy
Voiccy
Queen's Park Oval, Port of Spain
9:00pm - 2:00am

SS Wassy Boatride
Team Soca
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
9:00pm - 1:00am

Home
SPIRIT Mas
Location: TBA - Port of Spain

Tuco Presents "Alkebular"...
The concert. Featuring the sub genres of CALYPSO
Trinbago Unified Calypsonians' Organisation (TUCO)
Grand Stand, Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain | 8:00pm

Eastern Region Panorama Champions Zonal Finals (Under the patronage of the MP D'Abadie/O'Meara The Honourable Lisa Morris-Julian)
Pan Trinbago
Larry Gomes Stadium, Arima
7:00pm

UNITE
TRIBE x SCORCH
Hasely Crawford Stadium, Port of Spain | 9:00pm - 4:00am

FRI 28 FEB

Re-Enactment of Canboulay Riots
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Piccadilly Greens, Port of Spain
4:00am

Sunrise Breakfast Party
Sunnation
St. Andrews Golf Club, Maraval
5:00am - 1:00pm

Bright Colors Boat Ride (Sunrise Edition)
International Stephen
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
5:00am - 8:00am

Freebird fete
Freebird Restaurant
Enchanted Garden, Pointe-a-Pierre
6:00am - 12:00pm

Silent Morning Trinidad
Silent Morning Party
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
9:00am - 2:00pm

Dragon Festival
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
George & Prince Streets, Port of Spain | 9:00am

Traditional Carnival Characters Parade
National Carnival Commission (NCC)
Memorial Park, Victoria Square & Woodford Square, Port of Spain
12:00pm

Cruizin Cooler Cruise
Rum and Music Events
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
2:00pm

Phuket - It's Carnival Friday
The Anchorage, Chaguaramas
2:00pm - 10:00pm

Duck Work - The Duck Shop
Scorch
Location: TBA | 3:00pm - 10:00pm

Fralic
Ken Simmons Production
Queen's Hall, Port of Spain
5:00pm - 11:00pm

Soca Glow
One Heart A Love
Harbour Master, Port of Spain
7:00pm - 11:00pm

Blue Range Cooler Fete
Red Ants & Blue Range Association
Blue Range Tennis Courts
9:00pm - 4:00am

Mecka
WOW Events
Queen's Park Savannah, Port of Spain | 9:00pm



TOURISM STATISTICS

October - December 2024








TOURIST ARRIVALS

Source: Central Statistical Office

CATEGORY	October	November	December
Trinidad	23,782	24,555	34,995
Tobago	955	1,277	1,611
Total	24,737	25,832	36,606

ARRIVALS BY MAIN SOURCE MARKETS FOR SEPTEMBER (TRINIDAD ONLY)

Source: Central Statistical Office

Source Market	Arrivals	%
 U.S	44,557	50%
 Caribbean	15,077	18%
 Canada	10,391	12%
 U.K	5,635	7%
 Rest of the World	10,672	13%
Total	83,332	100%





MAIN PURPOSE OF VISIT TO TRINIDAD

Source: Immigration Division of Trinidad and Tobago

POV	Arrivals	%
VFR	22,898	27%
Leisure/Beach Vacation	13,363	16%
Incentive Vacation	6,949	8%
Business Convention	9,476	11%
Other (Wedding, Sport etc)	30,464	37%

ARRIVALS BY GENDER

Gender	Arrivals	%
 Male	40,800	49%
Female 	42,532	51%

Source: Immigration Division of Trinidad and Tobago

DEMOGRAPHICS

Age Group	Arrivals	%
0-14	6,894	8%
15-24	6,904	8%
25-34	10,701	13%
35-44	14,337	17%
45-54	15,536	19%
55-64	15,977	19%
65 and over	12,983	16%

Source: Central Statistical Office (CSO)

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION DATA (OCT - DEC 2024)

OCCUPANCY RATE	54%
AVERAGE DAILY RATE (ADR)	TT\$1,144
REVENUE PER AVAILABLE ROOM	TT\$615