The performing arts are one of the many ways to experience the arts and culture of St. Augustine, from award-winning classical performers and community theater to a thriving live music scene. Whether you’re a connoisseur of fine arts or looking to unwind, with this guide you’re sure to find something to suit your tastes.

**CONCERT VENUES**

**The Amp - St. Augustine Amphitheatre**

The [St. Augustine Amphitheatre](#) is a 4,000-seat, state-of-the-art venue located in the beautiful Anastasia State Park, where it hosts world-renowned musicians, events, and farmers markets.

**Ponte Vedra Concert Hall**

Formerly serving as a community church, the [Ponte Vedra Concert Hall](#) has since been restored and serves the community in a new way. This venue hosts concerts, orchestras, comedy shows and more.
FESTIVALS

Romanza Festivale of the Arts - May
With the tagline: “It’s not one thing, it’s everything!” They couldn’t be more honest! At this two-week festival, held in early May, you’ll experience more art than you thought possible. Live music, dance performances, theater, cuisine, and displays of heritage and culture from the guest talent.

Tip: Don’t miss the Gamble Rogers Music Festival! This weekend-long festival typically falls on the opening of the Romanza Festival, so make it a day and see what both have to offer!

Roscolusa Songwriters Festival - April/May
Roscolusa brings hit singer/songwriters from Nashville to sunny Florida, where visitors can see pop music performed by the original songwriters themselves. Hear songs written for stars like Taylor Swift, Tim McGraw and Keith Urban, and learn the stories behind them.

St. Augustine Music Festival - June
Spend two weeks experiencing classical music in the Cathedral Basilica of St. Augustine. Not only is the Basilica a national landmark, it’s also home to the oldest congregation in the United States. Experience music and historic architecture at the nation’s largest free classical music festival.

Sing Out Loud Festival - September
St. Augustine’s growing community of songwriters and musicians needed a way to showcase their talent in a big way. And the Sing Out Loud Festival was born. Every weekend in September, on stages throughout the city, including the St. Augustine Amphitheatre, the music festival brings together both national and local musicians and songwriters.
LIVE MUSIC IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN

You don’t need a ticket to the St. Augustine Amphitheatre or Ponte Vedra Concert Hall to experience live music in St. Augustine - it thrives on any given night, thanks to a tight network of talented local musicians, many with national and international acclaim.

Prohibition Kitchen’s speakeasy atmosphere complements nightly live jazz, folk and big band sounds. O.C. White’s historic home setting offers a relaxing brunch, lunch, or dinner with waterfront views and live music on the patio. Situated in an old house, Stogies Jazz Club and Cigar Bar features music every night with upstairs and downstairs lounges and premiere cigars for unwinding. Mi Casa Cafe is a beer and wine bar that always has live music from locals. Colonial Oak Music Park, downtown’s largest outdoor venue, is nestled along St. George Street and hosts free weekly concerts.

For night owls, Scarlett O’Hara’s, Tradewinds Lounge, Barley Republic Public House, Meehan’s Irish Pub, and Bar with No Name will keep the party going until 2 AM. Find out about more live music here.

LIVE MUSIC AT THE BEACHES

For a chic evening in Ponte Vedra Beach, enjoy live music at Nona Blue or visit Restaurant Medure after sampling from their extensive wine list and menu featuring global cuisine with locally sourced ingredients. Or on Anastasia Island, get funky at Sarbez!, an eclectic café famous for its gourmet grilled cheeses, craft beer, zany spirit and local live music until 2 a.m.
LOCAL PERFORMING ARTS

Limelight Theatre
From Cabaret to Oklahoma, Limelight produces eight shows a season in its intimate black box theater. Limelight is St. Augustine’s only year-round theater, known for its flamboyant musicals and comedies. Paired with dinner at The Raintree nearby, it’s an evening sure to make you smile.

First Coast Opera
First Coast Opera is the premiere opera company in Northeast Florida, known for its balance of unwavering commitment to artistic excellence, while developing local and regional talent. Typically running four shows from October to March, they also run family opera events during the season.

St. Augustine Orchestra
See this 80-member orchestra perform in what was once the bottom of the world’s largest indoor swimming pool. The St. Augustine Orchestra is one of the longest running cultural entities in St. Augustine.

EMMA Concert Association
The EMMA Concert Association brings a variety of classical concerts and events to St. Augustine throughout the year. From the Gainesville Orchestra to the Estonian National Symphony Orchestra, the organization offers a variety of musical and dance performances for every age range.

St. Augustine Ballet
A principal dancer and soloist for ballet companies across the Americas, St. Augustine Ballet artistic director Luis Abella believes dance is an essential part of any thriving community. The Ballet produces two classical ballets each year and an International Dance Festival bringing in artists from around the world.