



Preserving the Iconic Roof of Climate Pledge Arena



When Seattle's historic KeyArena was transformed into Climate Pledge Arena, one landmark feature had to stay — the original 1962 World's Fair roof. Declared a Seattle Landmark in 2017, the roof was preserved through a bold engineering retrofit that ultimately rewrote the playbook for arena construction.

Beginning in late 2018, crews delicately disconnected the iconic Y-columns, then lifted and suspended the 44-million-pound roof on temporary supports. Beneath it, they excavated 680,000 cubic yards of soil to create an entirely new, below-grade arena bowl. By mid-2020, the excavation and permanent support structure were complete, setting the stage for the fully modernized venue to reopen in October 2021.

The result: a state-of-the-art arena built under a historic roof, blending the best of Seattle's past with its sustainable future.

Historic First: Light Rail Crosses I-90 Floating Bridge

In a landmark moment for regional transit, Sound Transit's Link light rail successfully crossed the I-90 floating bridge under its own power for the first time this September. The milestone marks a major step forward in testing for the East Link (2 Line) extension, which is scheduled to open in early 2026.

The test run proved that light rail can operate safely and smoothly on the world's longest floating bridge, a first in transit history. This achievement reflects years of engineering innovation, as crews adapted rail systems to the unique challenges of a floating roadway that moves with wind, waves, and traffic.

When complete, the 2 Line will connect communities across Lake Washington, offering a fast, reliable alternative to traffic congestion. Riders will be able to travel seamlessly between Seattle, Mercer Island, Bellevue, Redmond, and beyond, linking the Eastside to the greater regional transit network.

For now, the successful powered test on the floating bridge stands as a powerful symbol of what's ahead: a more connected Puget Sound region where people spend less time in traffic and more time where they want to be.



Upcoming Events for October



Halloween After Hours
Seattle Aquarium

October 1 - Nov 2
Georgetown Morgue
Haunted Morgue
Seattle, WA

October 11
Kraken vs. Golden Knights
Climate Pledge Arena
Seattle, WA

October 13
Indigenous Peoples' Day
Pier 62 & Various Locales
Seattle, WA

October 20
Seahawks vs. Texans
Lumen Field
Seattle, WA

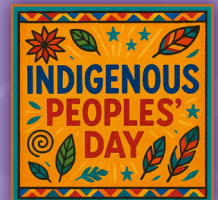
October 1 - 31
Fall Foliage Viewing
Washington Park Arboretum
Seattle, WA

October Various Dates
Seattle Coffee Festival
Magnuson Park, Hangar 30
Seattle, WA

October 26 - Nov 8
Seattle Restaurant Week
Deals & Unique Menus
City-Wide, Seattle, WA

October 30
After Hours: Halloween
Seattle Aquarium
Seattle, WA

Note: Check Event
locations for current
information.



October 13th



Corn Mazes and Autumn Fun

Fall in the Puget Sound means pumpkin patches, cider, and plenty of twists and turns through tall stalks of corn. Here are three top mazes worth the drive this season.

1. Swans Trail Farms (Snohomish)

Shaped like the state, this maze covers 12 acres and 4.5 miles of trails, complete with fun facts and scenic views. Through Oct. 31 | swanstrailfarms.com

2. Bob's Corn & Pumpkin Farm (Snohomish)

A 12-acre classic with a cozy atmosphere and popular night maze sessions on weekends. Add s'mores, cider, and pumpkin picking for the full experience. Through Oct. 31 | bobscorn.com

3. Carleton Farm (Lake Stevens)

A 5-acre maze with roughly two miles of paths, plus hayrides, a kids' play area, and optional add-ons like apple cannons and a jump pad. Through Nov. 1 | carletonfarm.com

There are many other mazes to explore, enjoy the journey.

Easy Two-Ingredient **Pumpkin Muffins**

Fall is in the air, and nothing says cozy quite like pumpkin spice! These two-ingredient pumpkin muffins come together in minutes and are the perfect way to welcome the season. With just a box of spice cake mix and a can of pumpkin purée, you'll have warm, fluffy muffins ready for the family to enjoy in no time.

Ingredients:

- 1 box spice cake mix
- 1 (15 oz) can pumpkin purée (not pumpkin pie filling)

Instructions:

Preheat oven to 375°F. Grease or line a 12-cup muffin tin with paper liners.

In a large bowl, combine cake mix and pumpkin.

Divide evenly into muffin cups.

Bake for 25 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.

Cool slightly and enjoy warm, or store in an airtight container.

Optional Add-Ins: Stir in chocolate chips, chopped nuts, or a cream cheese swirl for extra indulgence.

Simple, cozy, and perfect with a cup of coffee or tea.



Recent Project: Collaborative Space



AIS Hakr - lounge chair with tablet, Pierce stool, LB Lounge - 2 and 3 seater with ledge, LB Ottoman, Sit-to-stand pneumatic mobile desk, laptop table.

