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EVENT GUIDE

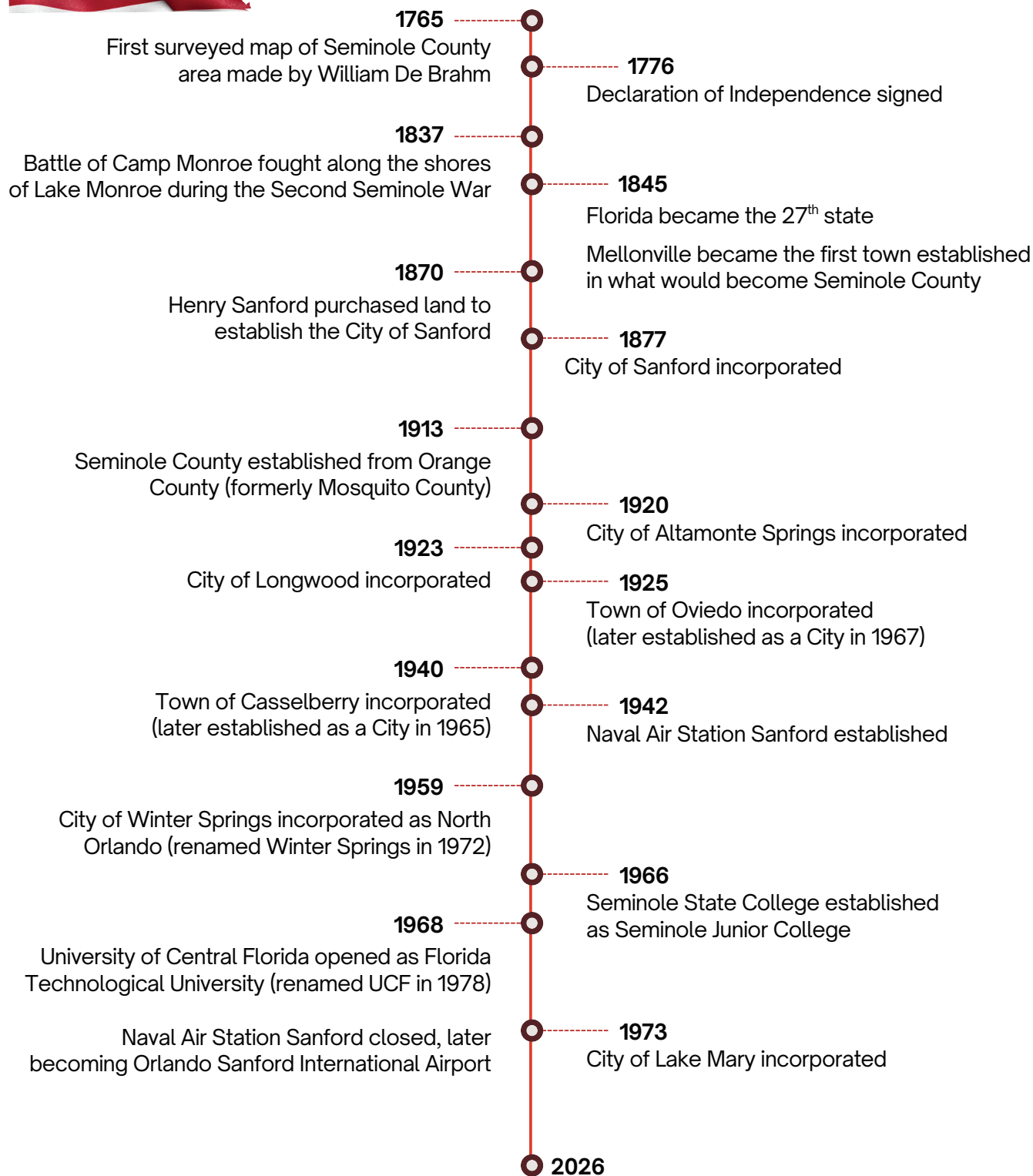
**A CELEBRATION OF
AMERICA'S 250TH
ANNIVERSARY**
1776-2026



Presented in partnership with the Seminole Cultural Arts Council



History of Seminole County



United States Semiquincentennial

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Events Across Seminole County

Across Seminole County, communities are coming together to commemorate America's 250th Anniversary through a season of events, programs, and celebrations.

From historic tributes and cultural programs to concerts, festivals, and fireworks, these events highlight the traditions, stories, and shared experiences that define our community. We invite you to explore, participate, and celebrate Seminole 250.



Liberty Tree Program

Liberty Trees became powerful symbols of unity and freedom during the American Revolution, serving as gathering places where colonists met, debated ideas, and expressed support for independence. In recognition of America's 250th anniversary, Seminole County and municipalities across the community are hosting Liberty Tree plantings to honor those historic traditions while looking toward the future. These commemorative ceremonies celebrate civic pride, environmental stewardship, and the enduring ideals that continue to shape our nation and community. For event dates and locations, visit [SeminoleCountyFL.gov/250](https://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/250)



"How Far We Are Bound, and Where We Are Free" explores 250 years of the American experience through the lens of Central Florida. From early visions of statehood to the growth of diverse communities, the exhibit highlights the ideals, conflicts, and contributions that have shaped the region. Through stories of ambition, service, and change, visitors are invited to reflect on the past, understand the present, and consider the future of the American Dream in Seminole County.

Museum of Seminole County History
300 Eslinger Way, Sanford

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JULY



Red Hot & Boom

July 3 | 5:00–10:00 p.m.

Cranes Roost Park, Altamonte Springs

Celebrate America's 250th anniversary during one of Central Florida's premier Independence Day celebrations featuring live music, food vendors, family activities, and a spectacular fireworks display over Cranes Roost Lake. Admission is free.

Host: City of Altamonte Springs



Sanford Jazz Ensemble: An American 250 Tribute

July 3 | 7:30 p.m.

Ritz Theater/WDPAC, Sanford

Celebrate America's 250th anniversary through the vibrant sound of jazz during this special live performance by the Sanford Jazz Ensemble. The concert honors the nation's history, culture, and artistic legacy through an evening of patriotic and inspiring music. Tickets are available through the Ritz Theater box office.

Host: Seminole State College

JULY

Patriotic Crafternoon

July 1 | 1:00–3:00 p.m.

Northwest Branch Library, Lake Mary

Ages 3+ and families

Celebrate America's 250th birthday with a special craft!

Host: Seminole County

The Patriot – Movie Screening

July 2 | 7:30 p.m.

Ritz Theater/WDPAC, Sanford

As part of America 250, this screening honors the sacrifices made in the fight for independence through a powerful Revolutionary War story.

Host: Ritz Theater / Wayne Densch Performing Arts Center



“America 250” Library Explorers

July 6 | 4:00–4:45 p.m.

Central Branch Library, Casselberry

Ages 5+

A fun, interactive program celebrating all things America, designed especially for elementary-aged students.

Host: Seminole County

Patriotic Paint Night: Arches National Park

July 8 | 5:30–7:30 p.m.

Central Branch Library, Casselberry

Create artwork inspired by one of America's most iconic national parks. **Designed for adult participants.**

Host: Seminole County

“Gather to Celebrate” Art Exhibit

July 11 – August 1

Museum of Seminole County History, Sanford

A community art exhibit celebrating connection, culture, and the shared American experience.

Host: Seminole Cultural Arts Council



Planetarium Show Debut: 250 Years of Space Exploration

July 18

Seminole State College Planetarium, Sanford

A new immersive show exploring 250 years of space discovery, debuting alongside the anniversary of the Apollo moon landing.

Host: Seminole State College

Founding Fathers and Florida

July 23 | 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Central Branch Library, Casselberry

Explore how the Revolutionary War influenced Florida and the region's history. Recommended for adult audiences.

Host: Seminole County



Museum of Seminole County History

How Far We Are Bound, and Where We Are Free

Vintage Sadler American bicentennial teapot set showcased at Seminole 250 Exhibit

250 Years of the American Dream in Central Florida

On display through July 3

Long before Florida became a state in 1845, early American leaders and revolutionaries imagined its place in the nation's future. Their legacy is complex, remembered by history as both visionary and controversial. This special Seminole 250 exhibit invites you to explore those perspectives and decide for yourself.

Spanning 250 years of history, the exhibit traces how Central Florida reflects the broader American experience. From early exploration and expansion to the growth of diverse communities, the region has embodied the ideals that shaped the nation. Along the way, visitors will discover stories of ambition, conflict, resilience, and service that continue to define Seminole County today.

Through artifacts, interpretation, and storytelling, the exhibit connects the founding vision of the United States to the people and places that make our community unique. It is an opportunity to reflect on the past, better understand the present, and consider what lies ahead.

Experience this special exhibit at the Museum of Seminole County History, located at 300 Eslinger Way in Sanford. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit seminolecountyfl.gov/museum.

Your Voice. Your Vote.

For 250 years, democracy has been shaped by the voices of the people. In Seminole County, your vote continues that tradition.

The Seminole County Supervisor of Elections is committed to making voting accessible, secure, and convenient. Whether you vote by mail, during early voting, or on Election Day, your voice matters.

MAKE YOUR PLAN TO VOTE

Visit VoteSeminole.gov for registration, deadlines, and polling locations.



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