



CITY SPOTLIGHT

The newsletter of the City of Moab, Utah

March 2023

- 9 City Planning Commission Meeting**
6 p.m., City Hall
- 14 City Council Meeting**
6 p.m., City Hall
- 16 Moab Area Transit Ribbon-Cutting & Launch**
10 a.m.
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- 16 MARC Art Class**
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Found, Generated, Created
- 18 MARC Art Class**
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The Magic of Alternative
Processes
- 28 City Council Meeting**
6 p.m., City Hall

2023 City Council Meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 6 p.m. Citizens To Be Heard can comment in person or fill out the form online in the current meeting [agenda](#). Watch the meetings live or at your convenience on YouTube at youtube.com/MoabCityGovernment.



Moab Area Transit Pilot Program Launches March 16

Ribbon cutting ceremony for fare-free community transit set for 10 a.m. at the MIC

The City of Moab is excited to launch the Moab Area Transit (MAT) pilot program. MAT is a new, fare-free transit service that will provide residents and visitors more options for day-to-day transportation in Moab.

The community is invited to celebrate the launch of MAT at a ribbon-cutting ceremony on Thursday, March 16 at 10 a.m. in the Moab Information Center parking lot, located at the southeast corner of Center and Main streets.

The Moab Area Transit program includes an on-demand service that will provide door-to-door transportation to and from any location within the broader service area.

Transit service will be provided using comfortable MAT-branded 13-passenger vans. By simply downloading the MAT app on a mobile phone, or by calling 1-833-MAT-FREE, residents can schedule a ride during regular service hours.

MAT on-demand transit service will operate from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, March 16 to Oct. 15, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday from Oct. 16 to March 15.

MAT also includes a fixed-route service that will bring riders to predetermined destinations along Main Street. This route will provide regular stops between the Fairfield Inn north of town to the Utah State University Moab campus at Aggie Boulevard.

One goal of the fixed route is to reduce downtown traffic congestion by providing a transportation option that encourages visitors to leave their vehicles at their hotels and instead travel downtown for shopping and dining via the MAT 13-passenger vans. Residents are also invited to take advantage of the fixed-route service for quick travel along Moab's Main Street.

Fixed-route transit service will operate from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily, March 16 to Oct. 15. There will be no fixed-route service from Oct. 16 to March 15.

"Moab Area Transit will be an invaluable resource for all residents and visitors looking for new ways to navigate Moab," said City of Moab Transit Coordinator Richard Lory. "A big step toward creating a more walkable city, this service will help to promote active transportation, decrease traffic, and increase accessibility."

Funding for the Moab Area Transit pilot program is provided through a Utah Hotspot grant administered by the Utah Department of Transportation, with additional funding from the City of Moab and Grand County.

Service Starts March 16

A new transit option for Moab residents and visitors. All services will be FARE FREE

RIBBON CUTTING March 16, 10 a.m.
MIC parking lot, Center and Main St.
JOIN US and Take A Free Ride!

MAT On-Demand
For more info or call-in ride requests: 1-833-MAT-FREE

Download the Moab Transit app on your phone to request door-to-door rides anywhere in the Moab service area. (Service area can be viewed on the app.)
March 16-Oct. 15 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Daily
Oct. 16-March 15 9 a.m.-5 p.m., M-F

MAT Fixed-Route
Stops available along Main Street throughout downtown Moab.

A fixed route will bring riders to predetermined destinations along Main Street between Utah State University and Lions Park.
March 16-Oct. 15 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Daily
Oct. 16-March 15 No fixed-route service

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Mallas named Moab Police Officer of the Year

Moab Police Officer Helen Mallas was named the 2022 Officer of the Year by the Moab Police Department. Mallas was presented with the award during a police department banquet and recognition ceremony in January.

Moab Police Chief Jared Garcia praised Mallas for her “outstanding efforts and dedication to providing public safety services,” and also recognized her for “leading the way in community engagement” for the department.



Moab Police Department plans project to reduce jaywalking, crosswalk traffic violations

The Moab City Police Department will conduct a monthly traffic enforcement project scheduled for the week of March 20.

This effort will be actively focused on violations involving pedestrians, including jaywalking and vehicles failing to yield to pedestrians in designated crosswalk areas.

The Moab Police Department asks residents and visitors to please slow down in town, watch for pedestrians, and use designated crosswalks when crossing the streets.

Art Classes at the MARC

Moab Arts, a City of Moab department, has expanded educational offerings to include year-round classes for all ages in 2023!

Registration for classes will be done on a rolling basis as classes are added each month. Visit the [Moab Arts website](#) to learn more about each class and to register.

Generous scholarships are available. Contact marcadmin@moabcity.org to request an application.

Classes available in March and April 2023:

*These classes are held at the Moab Arts & Recreation Center (MARC), 111 East 100 North
The MARC is a City of Moab owned and funded facility*

Thursday, March 16

Art in Everyday Language: Found, Generated, Created, with Shari Zollinger and Ben Alter

Saturday, March 18

Cyanotypes | Printing with the Sun, with Samantha Metzner

Saturday, March 25

The Vandyke Brown Print: The Magic of Alternative Processes, with Samantha Metzner

Thursday, April 13

Traditional Mala Making & the History Behind Them, with Crystal Bunch

