



February 9, 2009

ELI Weekly

Cheap, Romantic Date Ideas for Valentine's Day

1. Cheap, Romantic Valentine's Day Activities

Check your local newspaper or look at their website to see what activities in your town are cheap or free on Valentine's Day. Many museums, zoos and botanical gardens have free or inexpensive admission, yet are just as fun to peruse as other places that charge a large fee. Check Google Museums, Google Botanical Gardens and Arboreta or The Association of Zoos and Aquariums for additional romantic date activities in your area. Be sure to bring along your digital cameras. Consider going somewhere you've never been before, and trying new activities. If the weather permits, take a hike together or go out bike riding. Or, if you prefer, go for a drive through some beautiful scenery. Pack a picnic lunch if you plan to be out all day.



2. Cheap, Romantic Valentine's Day Dinner

The cheapest romantic Valentine's Day dinner is one that you prepare at home. Consider planning and cooking the meal together. This will give you a chance to have some romantic fun together on Valentine's Day. However, if cooking together doesn't suit your needs, get a cheap bottle of champagne and make sure it's chilled prior to your evening meal. Make a simple sour cream dip with sliced vegetables such as red bell peppers, squash and carrots as an appetizer. Be sure to incorporate lots of red foods and hearts into your Valentine's Day meal. For example, prepare spaghetti with a quality, off-the-shelf tomato sauce and slice some strawberries to look like little hearts. For dessert, either bake or buy some heart-shaped cookies with red or pink icing.



3. Cheap, Romantic Valentine's Day Movie

Nothing is more romantic than sitting on the couch with your sweetie in the comfort of your own home to watch a movie on Valentine's Day. You'll avoid standing in line in bitter cold at the box office. You won't have to put up with the person behind you in the theater who keeps kicking your chair. Most importantly, you'll save a lot of money and have the opportunity to snuggle with your loved one. You can either rent a movie, record one on television or buy a cheap DVD. Be sure to consider buying a used DVD; they're often in just as good condition as new. Whatever you do, make sure the movie is something both of you will enjoy watching. Never force yourself to watch a martial arts movie, thinking that next time you can make him sit through a chick flick. Instead, find a movie that has elements you both enjoy. Sit down and discuss what likes and dislikes the two of you have in common, and make your selection based on those.



For more Valentine's Day guide, visit to: <http://www.associatedcontent.com/>

Free Students Activities on Campus

1. University Film Series: Pink Floyd: The Wall

"Loosely based on the life story of Syd Barrett, Pink Floyd's original front man, Pink Floyd: The Wall stars Bob Geldof as Pink, a mentally damaged man who has gone from a hopeful child artist to a burned-out rock star drifting away from reality."

- Date and Time: **Wednesday, 2/11, 7 p.m.**
- Location: **The Moxie Cinema, 431 S Jefferson, #108**

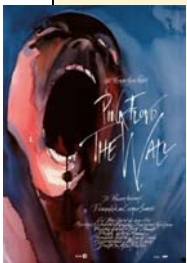
2. Missouri State University Symphony Orchestra

The Music Department presents a concert by the Missouri State University Symphony Orchestra. Event is free to Missouri State Students with valid MSU ID.

- Date and Time: **Thursday, 2/ 12, 7:30 p.m.**
- Location: **Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts, Juanita K.**

For more events and activities, visit: <http://calendar.missouristate.edu/>

Also, ALWAYS check [the Student Activities Board](#) across from the 2nd floor Computer Lab!



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Don't worry!
We're back!!!

Announcement!



- **Dairy Queen**
Opens on Monday, 2/9 !!!!

- **Have a Happy Valentine's Day**



- If you have a **new address or social security number**, please come to the office to let us know.
- **Lost & Found Box** in the office!!!
- If you have found anything not belonging to you, please bring it to the office and put it into the box.
- **Computer Lab Open Hours** (M - F)
8-9 am/ 12-1 pm/ 3-5pm
(On Fridays the lab stays open all afternoon)



Valentine's Day Poem

Sonnet 18

By William Shakespeare

Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?
 Thou art more lovely and more temperate:
 Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May,
 And summer's lease hath all too short a date:
 Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,
 And often is his gold complexion dimmed;
 And every fair from fair sometime declines,
 By chance or nature's changing course untrimmed;
 But thy eternal summer shall not fade,
 Nor lose possession of that fair thou ow'st;
 Nor shall death brag thou wander'st in his shade,
 When in eternal lines to time thou grow'st:
 So long as men can breathe, or eyes can see,
 So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.



thee (pronoun): you (old English)
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art (verb): are (old English - verb 'to be')
temperate (adjective): mild; pleasant; warm
bud (noun): first growth on a plant or flower
lease (noun): period, time, duration
hath (verb): has (old English - verb 'to have')
eye of heaven: Shakespeare is referring to the sun
complexion (noun): colour; appearance
fair (adjective): attractive; beautiful; handsome; lovely
thy (adjective): your (old English)
brag (verb): to boast; to tell everybody triumphantly
wand'rest (verb): old English - verb 'to wander': to walk without direction; to roam
growst (verb): old English - verb 'to grow'
so long: as long

Weather Forecast

Forecast for February. 9— February. 15

Fahrenheit (High/Low)

Monday:	T-Showers/Wind	56/48
Tuesday:	Partly Cloudy	65/48
Wednesday:	Showers	52/32
Thursday:	Mostly Sunny	44/26
Friday:	Partly Cloudy	43/26
Saturday:	Snow Shower	39/24
Sunday:	Partly Cloudy	42/23



Weather forecasts are **always** changing, so for the most up-to-date forecast, go to: www.weather.com, or watch the local news or the weather channel.