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PUMPKIN POINT IS BACK AT GOVERNORS ISLAND!

Free family-friendly pumpkin patch returns to the Island's historic Nolan Park on Saturday, October 24, and Sunday, October 25, 2026

Festivities will include trick-or-treating, music and crafts, ghost tours, fall foliage walks, autumnal food and drink from Island vendors, and more!

NEW YORK (September 29, 2026) – The Trust for Governors Island announced today the return of Pumpkin Point, the popular annual pumpkin patch and fall festival on Governors Island. This year the event will bring thousands of pumpkins to the Island's historic Nolan Park, transforming the space into one of New York City's largest and most unique pumpkin patches. Visitors are invited to pick out their own pumpkins on Saturday, October 24, or Sunday, October 25, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

In addition to the pumpkin patch, this year's event will also include trick-or-treating; Governors Island Ghost Tours; Fall Foliage Walks; autumnal food and drink from Island vendors; a reading nook with Brooklyn Book Bodega; pumpkin painting; activations from NYC Bird Alliance, Billion Oyster Project, and Earth Matter NY; and more free fun for the whole family. Performances will include traditional and contemporary folk music curated by long-time Governors Island event partner Porch Stomp, daily performances by Hopalong Andrew, and more to be announced. Featured food vendors include a mix of small businesses from Governors Island and across the city, including Brigs Sweet Shop, Fan Fan Donuts, Fauzia's Heavenly Delights, La Newyorkina, Little Eva's, Kimchi Taco, Pizzeria Fantastica, Six Coasts by Smorgasburg, Taco Vista, and YellowSun Coffee.

"Pumpkin Point is back on Governors Island, and we invite all New Yorkers to hop on the ferry and enjoy a beautiful autumn weekend in historic Nolan Park," **said Clare Newman, President and CEO of the Trust for Governors Island.** "This year's activities really capture what makes Governors Island so special by honoring its rich history while celebrating the extraordinary destination it has become. Visitors can explore our pumpkin patch, take their pick from thousands of pumpkins, and enjoy the crisp fall air just minutes from Manhattan and Brooklyn."

For more information and for a full schedule of events, please visit www.govisland.org/pumpkin-point. Any pumpkins left over from Pumpkin Point will be composted on Governors Island by Earth Matter, the Island's official composting partner. Earth Matter composts all organics collected on Governors Island onsite at their Compost Learning Center, open to the public weekends through the fall.

Pumpkin Point is generously supported by Bloomberg Philanthropies. The Governors Island 2026 season is generously supported by the Blackstone Charitable Foundation, Bloomberg Philanthropies, Donald A. Pels Charitable Trust, and Rivian Foundation.

Governors Island is open daily year-round and is accessible by ferry from Manhattan and Brooklyn. For ferry schedules, operating hours, things to do, and other visitor information, visit www.govisland.org.

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About the Trust for Governors Island

The Trust for Governors Island is the nonprofit corporation created by the City of New York that is responsible for the redevelopment and operation of 150 acres of Governors Island. The Trust's mission is to realize the full potential of Governors Island for the inspiration and enjoyment of all New Yorkers, demonstrating a bold vision for public space. For more information, visit www.govisland.org.