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Beach Bonanza

A longstanding summer playground, Port Aransas shows it has just as much to offer visitors in the fall during its seven-week **Beachtoberfest**, Sept. 13-Oct. 30. The slew of events

spotlights all this beach town has to offer when the temperatures begin to dip, including a fishing tournament to benefit wounded warriors and their families, a music festival, and an art walk. At the Texas Super Chef Throwdown Series Sept. 18-21, 30 talented chefs compete for a chance to qualify for the World Food Championships, the largest compe-

tition in "food sport," taking place in Dallas Oct. 16-20. Meanwhile, during the Harvest Moon Regatta Oct. 10-13, the largest point-to-point sailing regatta in U.S. coastal waters, spectators can cheer on sailors as they race from Galveston to Port A during what is traditionally the best offshore sailing time of the year. portaransas.org/beachtoberfest

ON THE COVER

MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE FARM

Fall is in full swing at **Yesterland Farm's Fall Festival** in Canton every weekend from Sept. 21-Nov. 3. Make your way through the pumpkin patch or the 3-acre corn maze, then hop on the carousel, Ferris wheel, and vintage rides for a trip back in time—as well as up and down, and round and round. Feed the farm animals—including goats, pigs, and turkeys—or feed yourself brisket, funnel cakes, and burgers. Every Saturday night and Fridays in October, pyrotechnics fill the sky. On Halloween weekend, costumed trick or treaters can go on a scavenger hunt around the farm, then on the final weekend, the farm caps off jack-o'-lantern season with its Pumpkin Smash-o-Rama—featuring a pumpkin pie-eating contest, pumpkin smashing, and fireworks. yesterlandfarm.com/fallfestival

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CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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SEPTEMBER

13th-21st

AMARILLO: Tri-State Fair and Rodeo The largest family event in the Texas Panhandle, this fair and rodeo has livestock shows, a carnival, and great fair food. It was nominated as one of the top five medium-sized rodeos in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. **806-376-7767; tristatefair.com**

14th-15th

FORT DAVIS: Cyclefest One of the best and most scenic bike tours in Texas offers beautiful vistas, easy novice routes, and challenging hills. Ride 25-, 55-, and 75-mile routes. **432-426-3015; pbbatx.com/cyclefest**

21st-22nd

HOUSTON: Texas Hot Sauce Festival Get your spice on at this festival celebrating 20 years of serving hot sauce, salsa, dips, marinades, chili mixes, wing sauces, and more. Thousands of attendees come to sample hundreds of products, and there are plenty of cool drinks to combat the heat. Enjoy live music, a kids area, and arts and crafts. **281-802-2776; texashot saucefestival.com**

21st

DRIFTWOOD: Outside Austin City Limits Music Festival Held on Vista Brewing's 21-acre ranch, local bands play classic Texas country, Western swing, and bluegrass. Enjoy the brewery's award-winning beers, farm-fresh food, and a wine garden. **512-766-1842; vistabrewingtx.com**

7th-21st

SAN MARCOS: Mermaid Splash Festival This annual, multi-event festival celebrates San Marcos' arts, culture, and heritage, and the San Marcos River. The Downtown Mermaid Promenade is an eclectic spectacle of floats, dancers, and music, while the Mermaid Aqua Faire is a free community festival of art, live music, food, and fun. **512-825-2819; mermaidsocietysmtx.com**

27th-29th

Lockhart: Western Swing and Barbecue Festival The Barbecue Capital of Texas celebrates the official music of Texas with the Texas Western Swing Hall of Fame Show, swing music on seven stages, and the official festival dance under the stars. **512-745-0659; lockhartfest.com**



OCTOBER

3rd-6th

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Sand Castle Days More than 30,000 fans watch the sand come alive as artists qualify for the World Championship of Sand Sculpting. **956-761-3000; sopadre.com**

4th-5th

VICTORIA: Bootfest This free festival features Texas country music recording artists, Western crafts and performers, a kids' corral, and vendors. **361-485-3116; bootfest.org**

4th-5th

ROUND ROCK: Chalk Walk The city's largest arts festival showcases the talents of hundreds of artists as they create sidewalk murals. Enjoy local artisans, a children's area, and concerts. **512-671-2705; roundrocktexas.gov**

10th-13th

NEW BRAUNFELS: Gruene Music and Wine Fest The 33rd annual festival has specially curated wine and beer tastings, plus live music. Tickets include three tastings. **830-629-5077; gruenemusicandwinefest.org**

12th-13th

HOUSTON: Bayou City Art Festival Houston's largest art festival transforms the streets of downtown into artistic avenues bursting with colors and culture. The event provides patrons with the opportunity to personally meet artists, view original works, and purchase world-class art, prints, jewelry, and sculptures. **713-521-0133; artcolony association.org**

13th-19th

TYLER: Texas Rose Festival Rich in heritage and tradition, the Tyler Municipal Rose Garden offers events such as the Queen's Coronation, Rose Parade, and Queen's Tea. All of this happens amid a backdrop of brilliant roses. **903-592-1661; visittyler.com/rosefest**

31st-2nd

SAN ANTONIO: Dia de los Muertos The Alamo City's elaborate Day of the Dead celebrations include artist-created and community altars, live music, processions, and children's crafts at the historic Pearl on Friday and Saturday. **210-212-7260; atpearl.com**



NOVEMBER

1st-10th

NEW BRAUNFELS: Wursthfest Join in a unique celebration rich in German culture. Enjoy food, music, dancing, carnival rides, games, German and Texan beers, special events, and the finest in Alpine- and Bavarian-style entertainment. **830-625-9167; wursthfest.com**

1st-3rd

AUSTIN: Formula 1 Pirelli United States Grand Prix The pinnacle of motorsports returns to Circuit of The Americas for a weekend-long celebration of speed and sound featuring performances from P!nk and Imagine Dragons. **512-301-6600; circuitoftheamericas.com/f1**

9th-10th

SAN ANTONIO: Luminaria The only multidisciplinary contemporary arts festival of its kind in the country, this free annual showcase highlights the work of more than 50 regional and international artists in a nighttime festival featuring visual arts, dance, music, theater, performances, poetry, and light displays. **210-721-1670; luminaria.org**

PHOTOS: (from left) Kevin Stillman, Matt Buikema, (this page) Will van Overbeek

14th-18th

HOUSTON: Cinema Arts Festival This multi-venue festival includes narrative and documentary films, live performances, panel discussions, and free outdoor screenings. Past notable guest artists include Tilda Swinton, Shirley MacLaine, Richard Linklater, Ethan Hawke, Robert Redford, and Will Forte. **713-429-0420; cinemahtx.org**

24th

FORT WORTH: GM Financial Parade of Lights The parade of lights delivers holiday magic for its 37th year, featuring more than 100 floats and 500,000 lights. Additionally, decorated horse-drawn carriages, antique cars, festive marching bands, strolling carolers, and a special finale appearance from Santa and Mrs. Claus traverse the 1.59-mile parade route. **817-336-2787; fortworthparadeoflights.org**

29th-30th

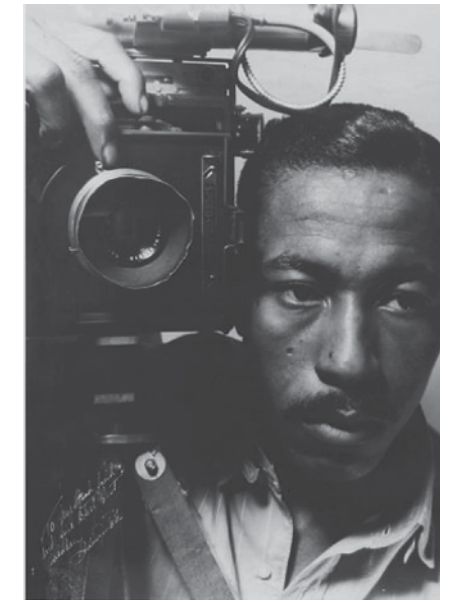
BOERNE: Dickens on Main The 20th annual celebration of officially kicks off the season, spreading tidings of good cheer and merriment galore. **830-248-1617; visitboerne.org**

SEPTEMBER

PICKS ACROSS THE STATE

OUT OF THE WOODS

The **Texas State Forest Festival**, founded in 1938 and held as a county fair until 1953, is a fall staple in Lufkin. This year's event, Sept. 18-22, features more than 20 rides, live music, a beer garden, and market and food vendors, so there's something for everyone in the 8,000-plus crowd. A homespun highlight is the annual hushpuppy championship—now in its 47th year—where fried-food fanatics compete to see if their special ingredient causes their iteration of the Southern delicacy to soar to the top of the judges' list. Attendees can also enjoy an event Paul Bunyan wouldn't miss: the West Coast Lumberjack Show. This 30-year tradition features axe throwing, tree climbing, and log rolling. texasstateforestfestival.com



Through His Lens

Part of a wave of African Americans who pushed for racial equality in the 1940s, influential photographer Gordon Parks' early works are showcased in a new exhibition of 150 photographs, rare magazines, newspapers, pamphlets, and books at Fort Worth's **Amon Carter Museum** Sept. 14-Dec. 29. Organized by the National Gallery of Art in Washington D.C. in collaboration with the Gordon Parks Foundation, *Gordon Parks: The New Tide, Early Work 1940-1950* showcases the way Parks captured the spirit of the civil rights movement with his thoughtful depictions of typical American life. "While Gordon Parks' varied career and influential oeuvre have been well noted and catalogued," says National Gallery of Art Director Earl A. Powell III, "the foundational first decade of his life as a photographer has never before been explored in such detail." cartermuseum.org



GET CRAFTY

More than 100 artists, exhibitors, musicians, and demonstrators set up shop on the 13-acre Hill Country Arts Foundation campus in Ingram for the **Texas Arts and Crafts Fair** Sept. 28-29. Renowned Southwestern artist and Laredo native Amado

Peña returns to the festival where he got his start nearly 50 years ago. Ceramics, photography, woodworking, and paintings share tents with handcrafted jewelry, baskets, metal art, and woven goods. The Limelites and Kerrville's Sentimental

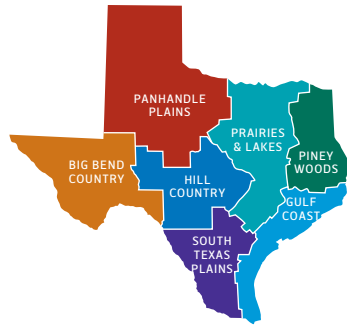
Orchestra perform, and the Texas Camel Corps offer living history lessons about the use of camels in Texas and across America in the 19th century. Attendees can pet the camels and see goods handcrafted from camel hair. txartsandcraftsfair.com

PHOTOS: (opposite page) Michael Amador. (this page, left) Kevin Stillman



TEXAS STATE FOREST FESTIVAL

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BIG BEND COUNTRY

ALPINE: Aug. 30-Sept. 2 En Plein Air: The Art of Painting Outdoors A weekend of plein air painting, a sidewalk art exhibit and sale, and a portrait painting “face-off” give opportunities for artists and art lovers alike to celebrate the creative process. Various locations. 432-834-7203; bigbendartscouncil.org

ALPINE: Sept. 6-8 Run to the River A gathering of Dodge/SRT Viper autos runs the River Road between Presidio and Big Bend National Park. The Stable Performance Cars, 511 W. Holland Ave. 432-837-9789; thestablealpine.com

ALPINE: Sept. 20-21 “Five Centuries of Mexican Maps” View 500 years of Mexican cartographic history at the Museum of the Big Bend this fall. The exhibit features rare and original maps of Mexico from the Yana and Marty Davis Map Collection. Museum of the Big Bend, 400 N. Harrison St. 432-837-8143; museumofthebigbend.com

ALPINE: Sept. 21 High Tea at the Historic Holland Hotel Enjoy a classic high tea with a selection of British specialties at this historic West Texas railroad hotel. Holland Hotel, 209 W. Holland Ave. 432-837-2800; thehollandhoteltexas.com

ALPINE: Sept. 28 Octoberfest at the Historic Holland Hotel Ring in the fall with a melting pot of German tradition and Louisiana swamp boogie in a historic West Texas railroad hotel. The event features live

music from Dr. Zog. Holland Hotel, 209 W. Holland Ave. 432-837-2800; thehollandhoteltexas.com

DEL RIO: Sept. 14-16 16 de Septiembre Celebration Celebrate Mexican Independence Day with food vendors, arts and crafts, dancers, and live bands. Brown Plaza, 305 Cantu St. 830-719-2330

DEL RIO: Sept. 28 Oktoberfest Enjoy beer, food, and live music at this celebration. Whitehead Memorial Museum, 1308 S. Main St. 830-774-7568; whiteheadmuseum.org

EL PASO: Sept. 7 Manuel Mijares in Concert The adult-contemporary pop singer topped the charts in the ‘80s and ‘90s with popular songs such as “Baño de Mujeres” and “No Hace Falta.” Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com/calendar

EL PASO: Sept. 14 Eddie B: I’m Already Professionally Developed Houston native Eddie B is single-handedly changing the comedy game, tapping into the minds of teachers and others around the world, and selling out performances throughout the country. Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com/calendar

EL PASO: Sept. 25 Tom Segura: Take It Down Tour Well known for his Netflix specials “Completely Normal” and “Mostly Stories,” Segura performs at the top comedy festivals in the world, including Montreal’s Just For Laughs Comedy Festival, The Melbourne International Comedy Festival, and The Hong Kong Comedy Festival. Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com/calendar

EL PASO: Sept. 27 Felipe Esparza: The Bad Hambre Tour The stand-up comedian and actor is known for his stand-up special “They’re Not Gonna Laugh at You;” his recurring appearances on “Superstore” “The Eric Andre Show;” and “Last Comic Standing;” his podcast “What’s Up Fool?” on the All Things Comedy Network, and his newest HBO stand-up special “Translate This.” Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com/calendar

EL PASO: Sept. 28-Oct. 26 Chopin Music Festival This year marks the 25th anniversary of this festival highlighting the music of Frederic Chopin. There are also piano works by other composers; this year, two young artists are presenting encore performances. Chamizal National Memorial Theatre, 800 S. San Marcial St. 915-584-1595; facebook.com/elpasochopinmusicfestival

FORT DAVIS: Sept. 14-15 Cyclefest One of the best and most scenic bike tours in Texas

offers beautiful vistas, easy novice routes, and challenging hills. There are three distance routes: 25, 55, and 75 miles. Prude Ranch, 201 Prude Guest Ranch Road. 432-426-3015; pbbatx.com/cyclefest

MCCAMEY: Sept. 27-28 Wind Energy Capital of Texas Cookoff and Festival This annual event has a barbecue competition, live music, children’s activities, vendors, and a cornhole tournament. There are 46 campsites for competitive cooks. Cookoff categories include brisket, ribs, chili, and a bakeoff. Teams can also compete for showmanship points. Santa Fe Park, 604 Santa Fe Road. 432-652-8202; windenergycapitaloftexascookoff.com

MONAHANS: Sept. 14 Desert Reflections Car Show Enjoy a car show with food and craft vendors. Hill Park, 500 S. Allen Ave. 432-943-2187; monahans.org/events

PECOS: Sept. 13-15 16 De Septiembre Fiestas Celebrate Mexican Independence Day with three fun days of vendors, live music, and a parade. Santa Rosa Church, 620 Fourth St. 432-445-2309

GULF COAST

BEAUMONT: Sept. 14 Craft Beer Festival The fourth annual festival showcases Texas and national craft breweries and is anticipated to sell out quickly. Event attendees must be 21 or older. The Event Centre, 700 Crockett St. 409-838-3435; discoverbeaumont.com

BEAUMONT: Sept. 14 Spindletop Roller Derby The Spindletop Roller Girls are the original, flat-track women’s roller derby league based in Beaumont. Beaumont Civic Center, 701 Main St. 409-838-3435; discoverbeaumont.com

BEAUMONT: Sept. 14 The Symphony of Southeast Texas: “The Titans of the Classics: Beethoven and Shostakovich” There’s something about fifths in musical literature. So many composers are recognized after writing their fifth symphony or concerto, including Tchaikovsky, Sibelius, Mendelssohn, Mahler, Beethoven, and Shostakovich. This concert features two of those titans—Beethoven’s fifth piano concerto and Shostakovich’s fifth symphony. Phillippe Bianconi, a perennial favorite of Beaumont audiences, returns to treat audiences with his majestic playing. Prize winner of the famed Van Cliburn Piano Competition, Bianconi’s treatment of Beethoven’s melodies brings the music alive with color and passion, all through technical wizardry. Julie Rogers Theatre, 765 Pearl St. 409-892-2257; sost.org

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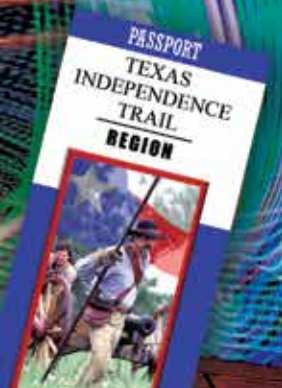
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BEAUMONT: Sept. 19 Los Lobos 45th Anniversary Concert The rock band is on tour celebrating 45 years of music. These shows feature an acoustic set followed by an electric set that covers music from the last four decades. *Jefferson Theatre, 245 Fannin St. 409-838-3435; discoverbeaumont.com*

BRAZORIA: Sept. 14 Shake, Rattle, and Roll in Concert This nationally recognized '50s and '60s tribute group makes you stop, drop, and roll with laughter as they take you back in time with their beautiful harmony, choreographed moves, comedy, and hula-hooping skills. *Brazoria Civic Center, 202 W. Smith St. 979-824-0455; shakerattleroll4.com*

CLUTE: Sept. 3, 10, 17, 24, 27 Planetarium Show The show features a 30-foot dome equipped with a Spitz Star Ball projector to produce the night sky as it appears to the naked eye. Together with a large variety of high-tech equipment, this gives a close-up feel for things like comets, exploding stars, and black holes. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Sept. 10-Oct. 13 Wild @ Art 2 Show Enjoy an art exhibit featuring wildlife. The center is closed on Mondays. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Aug. 31-Sept. 1 Arts Alive! Enjoy creative fun on the Corpus Christi bayfront. See, buy, and make art; play in the family art megacenters; and enjoy live music, a beer garden, and food trucks. *The Art Center of Corpus Christi, 100 N. Shoreline Blvd. 361-884-6406; artcentercc.org/arts-alive-2019*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Sept. 1-Nov. 30 Parrot Talk Visitor Interaction Botanical Gardens visitors meet and interact with several stars of the colorful exotic parrot collection as well as animal care specialists and trainers. Photo opportunities are available. *South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Tortoise Tales Visitor Interactions Botanical Gardens visitors may interact with and learn about the collection of large and small tortoises with the animal care specialists and trainers. Photo opportunities are available. *South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

FREEPORT: Sept. 8 Freeport Market Square Local vendors showcase home-made goods and farm fresh items. *Free-*

port Historical Museum, 311 E. Park Ave. 979-233-0066; facebook.com/cfhmuseum

FREEPORT: Sept. 21 Texas Navy Day Celebration Interact with costumed interpreters and watch period artillery at work. *Freeport Historical Museum, 311 E. Park Ave. 979-233-0066; facebook.com/cfhmuseum*

FREEPORT: Sept. 28 Schuster Home Open House Built by the Schuster family in 1917, the same year the city of Freeport was incorporated, this home was a special place for family gatherings and holidays. The home serves as an example of family life during the founding of Freeport. *Schuster Home, 1130 W. Second St. 979-297-0868; facebook.com/brazoshistoricalsociety*

GALVESTON: Sept. 1 Galveston Symphony Orchestra Conductor Trond Saeverud and the Galveston Symphony Orchestra present a pops concert with soprano Megan Stapleton, celebrating The Grand 1894 Opera House's 125 years. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Sept. 14 Anka Sings Sinatra—His Songs, My Songs, My Way In one night, Paul Anka pays tribute to the immortal "Chairman of the Board" by performing the songs that made him a global legend—spanning seven decades of chart-topping hits. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Sept. 27-28 Galveston Island Shrimp Festival This year's festival features a cookoff, gumbo tasting, live music, and a children's area. *Saengerfest Park, 2302 Strand St. galvestonshrimpfestival.com*

GALVESTON: Sept. 28 "The Midtown Men" The 10th anniversary tour reunites stars from the original Broadway cast of the smash hit musical "Jersey Boys." Bringing to life the sound story of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, this Broadway sensation is widely celebrated for its signature renditions of the iconic hits of the 1960s. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

HARLINGEN: Sept. 8 Jackson Street Market Days This is one of the Rio Grande Valley's largest and most popular outdoor monthly events for the entire family. Five city blocks contain collectibles, plants, sports team merchandise, food, antiques, art, jewelry, fashion, health foods and products, live music, and handcrafted items. In addition, downtown shops and restaurants are open with wonderful gifts, vintage items, live music, and delicious food. *Downtown Harlingen, 209 W. Jackson St. 956-622-5053*

HOUSTON: Through Oct. 1 "Sonic Playground: Yuri Suzuki" This work comprises six sculptures that invite park visitors to engage with sound in unusual and playful ways. It was created for the High Museum of Art by Suzuki—a Japan-born, London-based sound artist, designer, and electronic musician. *Discovery Green, 1500 McKinney St. 713-400-7336; discoverygreen.com*

HOUSTON: Through Sept. 1 "Justin Favela: All You Can Eat" This solo exhibition by mixed-media artist Favela features larger-than-life piñatas depicting a visual feast of Tex-Mex cuisine, from nachos supreme to chili con carne. This site-specific installation, which is both playful and challenging, is intended to generate conversation about popular culture, the politics of food, and the Latino experience in the U.S. *Houston Center for Contemporary Craft, 4848 Main St. 713-529-4848; visithoustontexas.com*

HOUSTON: Sept. 14 Houston Jerk Fest Born from the idea to bring community and culture together with food, family, music, and fun, the Houston Jerk Fest revolves around a Caribbean jerk-food cookoff competition where contestants compete for top prizes and recognition. There are also vendors, other foods, a kids zone, and activities for the whole family. Don't miss live performances by world-renowned reggae artists. *Midtown Park, 2811 Travis St. 832-922-7264; houstonjerkfestinc.com*

HOUSTON: Sept. 21 Da Camera Opening Night: Bon Appetit! Enjoy a spectacular opening night of surrealist and culinary musical delights. Acclaimed bass-baritone Ryan McKinny brings his magnetic presence to Poulenc's marvelously absurd masquerade ball. Soprano Abigail Fischer portrays Julia Child in Lee Hoiby's comic operatic take on the unflappable chef's 1970's television program. Stellar musicians join the renowned Imani Winds for a quintessential Da Camera evening of surprise and musical adventure. *Cullen Theatre, Wortham Theatre Center, 501 Texas Ave. 713-524-5050; dacamera.com*

HOUSTON: Sept. 21-22 Texas Hot Sauce Festival Get your spice on at this festival celebrating 20 years of serving hot sauce, salsa, chips, dips, peppers, spices, marinades, rubs, jams, jellies, pickled products, condiments, soup mixes, chili mixes, and wing sauces. Sauces found can be chunky, smooth, sweet, spicy, smoky, and as hot as you can handle. Thousands of attendees come to sample hundreds of products from award-winning chefs and vendors. There are plenty of cool drinks to combat the heat, and live music, a kids area, and arts and crafts. *Bayou City Event Center,*

9401 Knight Road. 281-802-2776; texashotsaucefestival.com

LAKE JACKSON: Sept. 7 Abner Jackson Plantation Site Tour Visit the historic archeological site of Maj. Abner Jackson, the namesake of the city of Lake Jackson. Once a prosperous sugar plantation, the site was destroyed by the same hurricane that devastated Galveston. Discover the sugar-making process of the 1840s and how convict labor replaced slave labor during the 1870s. *Abner Jackson Plantation Site, 1030 FM 2004. 979-297-1570; ljhistory.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Sept. 14, 21 Xtreme Hummingbird Xtravaganza Watch the thumb-sized hummers dart in and out of nectar-producing flowers like lantana, trumpet-vine, and honeysuckle, or spy them sipping nectar at feeders hanging from tree limbs and building awnings. Enjoy seeing a bird-bander hold a tiny hummingbird while taking measurements of the bird, weighing it, and clamping a thin, number-coded band on one of its teeny-weensy legs. *Gulf Coast Bird Observatory, 299 SH 332. 979-480-0999; gcbo.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Sept. 21 Bird Banding Watch volunteers collect baseline data on

bird populations at the sanctuary. The banding station is an excellent opportunity to see birds up close and to learn about all the birds of the Brazosport area. *Gulf Coast Bird Observatory, 299 SH 332. 979-480-0999; gcbo.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Sept. 21 ScienceFest Watch chemical reactions, make crafts, hold reptiles, inspect fossils, and help conduct experiments. *Lake Jackson Historical Museum, 249 Circle Way. 979-297-1570; ljhistory.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Sept. 21 Youth Fishing Event Pack your sunscreen, hat, lawn chair, and fishing gear for catch and release fishing. Bring your own equipment and bait. Barbless hooks only. *Sea Center Texas, 302 Medical Drive. 979-292-0100; tpwd.texas.gov/fishing/sea-center-texas*

PALACIOS: Sept. 21-22 Palacios Bay Fest and Cookoff This annual event is a family barbecue cookoff with arts and crafts booths, and a fundraiser for area-wide scholarships. *South Bay Park, South Bay Boulevard. 361-972-2615; palacioschamber.com*

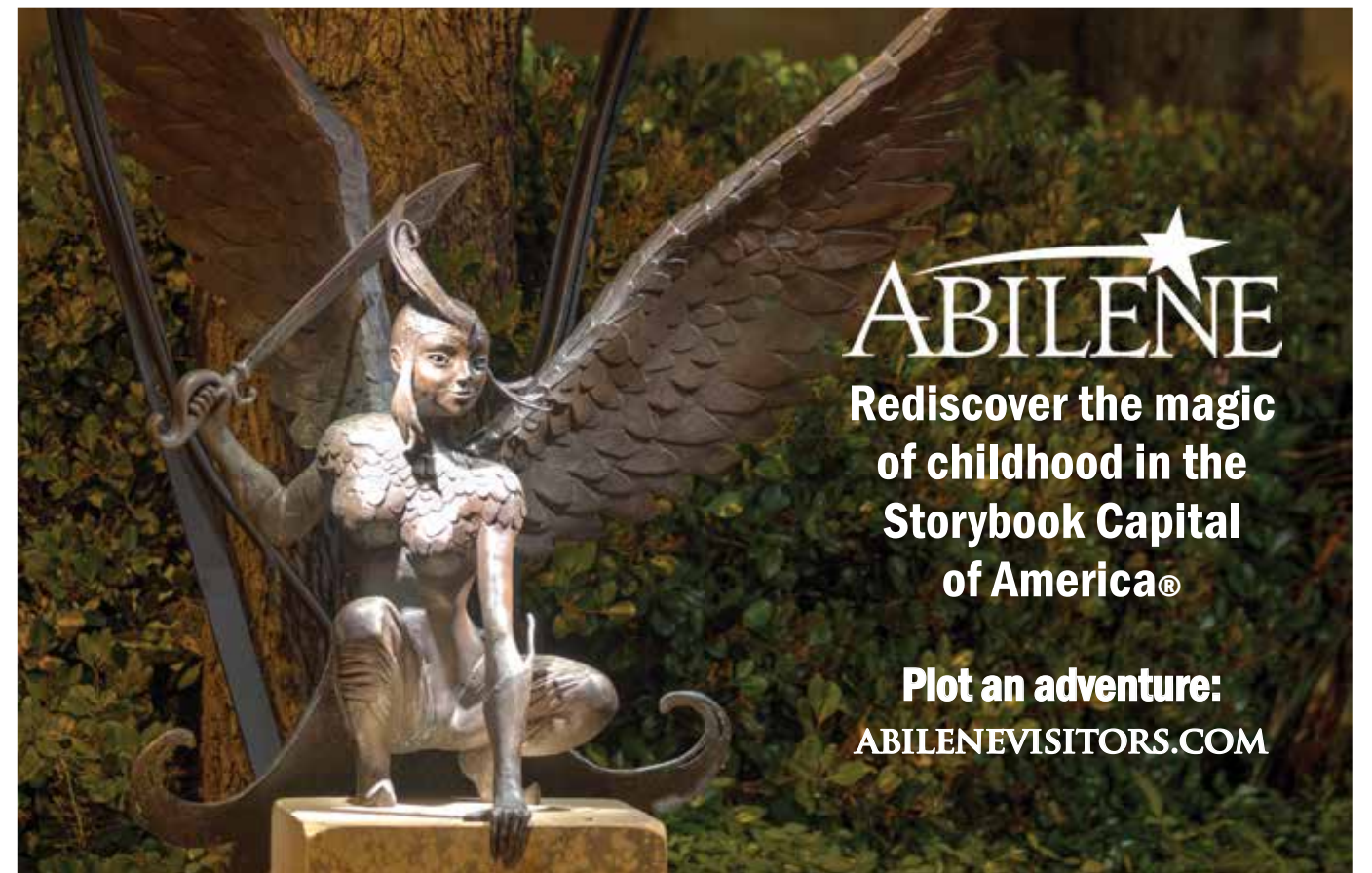
PORT ARANSAS: Sept. 13-Oct. 26 Beachtoberfest With smaller crowds and the best weather of the year, Port A's Beachtoberfest is a must for every music,

food, and culture lover in Texas. Beachtoberfest features events on seven consecutive weekends. Activities include the Texas Super Chef Throwdown Series, Beach Pumpkin Hustle Fun Run, the Harvest Moon Regatta, Fishing for the Fallen Veterans Benefit Tournament, Port A Jailbreak Obstacle Course Race, Old Town Fest and Surf Fest, and Shoptoberfest. *Various locations. 361-749-5919; visitportaransas.com*

PORT ARTHUR: Sept. 14, 28; Oct. 12, 26 Crabbing 101 Bring the family for crabbing lessons from Sea Rim State Park. *Sea Rim State Park, 19335 S. Gulfway Drive. 409-971-2559; tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/sea-rim*

PORT ARTHUR: Sept. 14 Mexican Heritage Fiesta The Mexican Heritage Society presents cultural programs, Mexican folkloric dancers, live music, pageants, and food and craft vendors. *Robert A. Bob Bowers Civic Center, 3401 Cultural Center Drive. 791-791-3791*

QUINTANA: Sept. 21 Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup Volunteers gather in the morning for a general beach cleanup. Dress for the weather and bring along some water. Supplies provided. Free meal afterward. *Quintana Beach County Park, 330 Fifth St. 979-233-1461; brazoria-county.com/parks*



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RICHMOND: Sept. 14 Saturday Spotlight: The Republic of Porkdom Early Texans relied on two main staples in their diet—pork and cornbread. Learn about the early processes used for these dishes and why these two dishes were so important to the early Texian diet. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Sept. 21 Saturday Spotlight: Merrymaking at the Old Prairie Home Garden Mrs. Polly Ryon is hosting a garden party. Visit the site and watch this fun 19th-century social gathering in action. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

ROCKPORT: Sept. 14 Art Center Market Second Saturday Member artists exhibit and sell their unique and one-of-a-kind fine art, photography, jewelry, pottery, wood carving, yard art, fiber art, and more. Live music and food truck on-site. *Down-town Rockport, Austin Street. 361-729-5519; rockportartcenter.com*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Sept. 4-6 Heroes Cup Rockport-Fulton hosts this fishing tournament for soldiers wounded in the line of duty. *Various locations. 361-729-6445; warriorsweekend.org*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Sept. 19-22 HummerBird Celebration The 31st annual event has a reception, work-shops, HummerBird malls, bus and boat tours, exhibits, banding, and lectures presented by world-renowned experts. *Various locations. 361-729-6445; rockporthummingbird.com or rockport-fulton.org*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Sept. 20-22 Rockport-Fulton Market Days More than 100 vendors and live music add extra fun during the third weekend of the month. The pet-friendly market offers more than a dozen food trucks and vendors, with seating in the shade. *Festival Grounds at Rockport Harbor, 100 Seabreeze. 361-463-0125*

SAN BENITO: Sept. 21 South Texas Music Festival Celebrate the Valley's rich musical heritage with a mix of Tejano, conjunto, country-western, and norteño music. *Heavin Memorial Park, 705 N. Travis St. 956-361-3804; sanbenitoevents.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Sept. 1 Labor Day Fireworks Enjoy a special fireworks show over the bay for Labor Day weekend. *Louie's Backyard, 2305 Laguna Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Sept. 6-7 Shallow Stalker Boat Owners Fishing Tournament Adult and junior divisions compete for the heaviest red drum, trout, and flounder. *Louie's Backyard, 2305 Laguna Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Sept. 13-14 J.J. Zapata Fishing Tournament This invitational fishing tournament is in memoriam of Jaime J. Zapata. *Louie's Backyard, 2305 Laguna Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Sept. 13-15 SPI Wahoo Classic This fishing tournament awards cash prizes to the top three fish (wahoo, dorado, and blackfin tuna). *Jim's Pier, 211 W. Swordfish St. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Sept. 29 SPI Triathlon Seasoned veterans and first-timers race in Olympic and sprint-distance courses. *Parrot Eyes, 5801 Padre Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SPRING: Sept. 10-Jan. 11 "Grand Canyon Photographs: Celebrating the Centennial" This timely exhibition commemorates the establishment of Grand Canyon National Park 100 years ago. *Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts, 6815 Cypresswood Drive. 281-376-6322; pearlma.org*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 4 Rhett & Link in Concert American comedy duo comes to the Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 6 Giving Spirits Concert Series Enjoy live music from Kaos and learn more about the local nonprofit Keep Sugar Land Beautiful. Kaos is one of Houston's hottest variety bands. Covering hits from the '80s, disco, rock, pop, Latin, and country, Kaos gives its audiences an energetic show that keeps the dance floor packed. *Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. 281-276-6000; sugarlandtownsquare.com*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 6 Mark Knopfler in Concert Knopfler is the former frontman for Dire Straits, the Grammy-winning British band that was one of the world's best-selling acts from the late 1970s to the early '90s. Knopfler went solo in 1995 and has since released 10 albums, including his latest, "Down The Road Wherever." *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6270; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 10-12 Skeeters Kickball Classic—First Round Matches Enjoy a full day of kickball competition,

refreshments, and fun for a good cause—to benefit the youth of Fort Bend County. *Constellation Field, 1 Stadium Drive. 281-207-9112; sugarlandskeeters.com*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 13 Jojo Siwa in Concert The Nickelodeon and YouTube star embarks on her first North American tour. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 13 Town Square Tribute: Michael Jackson Cover Jackson impersonator Danny Dash Andrews is one of the world's most in-demand tribute artists. His effortless moves mirroring those of the King of Pop result in unforgettable shows. *Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. 281-276-6000; sugarlandtownsquare.com*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 14 Sugar Land Heritage Hike This historic walking tour takes one back to the time when Sugar Land was a company town, with virtually all enterprises managed by the Imperial Sugar Company or its affiliate, Sugarland Industries. *Sugar Land Heritage Museum & Visitor Center, 198 Kempner St., Building B, Second Floor. 281-275-2045; slheritag.org*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 15 Lenny Kravitz in Concert The Grammy-winning performer and producer—known for songs like "Are You Gonna Go My Way" and "Fly Away"—brings his Raise Vibration Tour to Sugar Land. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 21 Bill Maher—Live Stand Up Tour The comedian, political commentator, and TV host comes to Sugar Land. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 21; Nov. 8 Opry on the Square Come out to enjoy Country Now and Then, featuring country favorites that appeal to all generations of country music fans. *Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. 281-276-6000; sugarlandtownsquare.com*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 22 Alejandro Sanz in Concert The Spanish artist has earned music's most important awards. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Sept. 28 Skeeters Kickball Classic: Tournament Games Enjoy a full day of kickball competition, refreshments, and fun for a good cause—to benefit the youth of Fort Bend County.

Constellation Field, 1 Stadium Drive. 281-207-9112; sugarlandskeeters.com

SURFSIDE BEACH: Sept. 21 Adopt-A-Beach Cleanup Volunteers gather in the morning for a general beach cleanup. Dress for the weather and bring some water. Supplies provided. Free meal afterward. *Stahlman Park, 2211 Bluewater Highway. 979-864-1541; brazoria-county.com/parks*

VICTORIA: Through Sept. 8 "Patricia Compton: Underdog" This exhibit features Goliad artist Compton, whose oil, water-color, and acrylic work is storytelling through the use of symbols. *The Nave Museum, 306 W. Commercial St. 361-575-8227; navemuseum.com*

VICTORIA: Sept. 12-15 "Funny Money" Theatre Victoria presents this hilarious farce by Ray Cooney. *Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts, 214 N. Main St. 361-570-8587; theatrevictoria.org*

VICTORIA: Sept. 21 Victoria Symphony Concert Opening Night: The Virtuoso Orchestra with Violinist Caroline Campbell The Victoria Symphony Society provides concerts with musicians and guest artists from around the world. *Victoria Fine Arts Center, 1002 E. Sam Houston Drive. 361-576-4500; victoriasymphony.com*

VICTORIA: Sept. 22 Czech Heritage Festival Featuring live polka music, a Tarok tournament, traditional arts and crafts, Czech foods, a homemade beer and wine show, live demonstrations, and exhibits of historical Czech items. *Victoria Community Center, 2905 E. North St. 361-649-2243; victoriaczechs.org*

VICTORIA: Sept. 26-Nov. 3 Madeline O'Connor Exhibit See the exhibit of a well-known and respected local artist whose work is an abstraction from nature. *The Nave Museum, 306 W. Commercial St. 361-575-8227; navemuseum.com*

VICTORIA: Sept. 28 Victoria Ballet Theatre Fall Show: "Inspired" See the talent of Victoria Ballet Theatre on display. *Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts, 214 N. Main St. 361-575-2313; victoriaballet.org*

HILL COUNTRY

AUSTIN: Through Jan. 26 Motown: The Sound of Young America This exhibit celebrates the 60th anniversary of the birth of Motown Records. It traces the evolution of the label, focusing on its major artists and musical achievements, and explores how the sound of Motown continues to influence some of pop music's most important artists today. *LBJ Presidential Library, 2313 Red River St. 512-721-0200; lbjlibrary.org*

AUSTIN: Sept. 1 Kyle Turner, Michael Ward, Latrese Bush, and Pamela Hart in Concert This combination of saxophone from Turner, Ward on the violin, the soulful voice of Bush, and jazzy vocals of Hart is the perfect mix for a dynamic evening of traditional jazz, smooth jazz, blues, and a little old-school R&B. *One World Theatre, 7701 Bee Caves Road. 512-258-6947; womeninjazz.org*

AUSTIN: Sept. 7-8 Texas Music Museum International Music Festival The ninth annual festival features a diverse set of accomplished Texas performers specializing in dance, music, and song. The event promotes the appreciation of musical traditions

from many cultures now a part of the Texas ethnic and musical fabric, including Asia, Africa, Eastern Europe, India, and the Middle East. Performances include distinctive, traditional instruments and costumes. *George Washington Carver Museum, Cultural and Genealogy Center, 1165 Angelina St. 512-203-4875; texasmusicmuseum.org*

AUSTIN: Sept. 11 9/11 Stair Climb Bee Cave Police, Lakeway Police, and Lake Travis Fire Rescue climb the equivalent of 110 stories of the World Trade Center to pay tribute to the fallen FDNY firefighters of Sept. 11. The climb begins in the morning at Hill Country Galleria's Parking Garage A (garage nearest Dillard's). The public is

welcome to attend to support and cheer on local police and firefighter teams as they endure this challenge. *Hill Country Galleria, 12700 Hill Country Blvd. hillcountrygalleria.com*

AUSTIN: Sept. 14, 21, 28 Saturday Night Concert Series Held in conjunction with Austin City Limits Radio, this free event encourages guests to bring blankets or chairs to lounge on the grassy lawn during the show. Arrive early to shop and dine at Hill Country Galleria retailers, and get your meal delivered straight to the Central Plaza. Events are free and open to the public, and dogs are welcome. *Hill Country Galleria, 12700 Hill Country Blvd. hillcountrygalleria.com*

AUSTIN: Sept. 21 Texas Bamboo Festival The 26th annual event brings bamboo enthusiasts together to share their passion and love of living and working with bamboo. Talk to experts about bamboo maintenance, and learn about growing and grooming bamboo, plus different ways to craft with the plant. *Zilker Botanical Garden, 2220 Barton Springs Road. 512-906-8250; bamboocentral.net*

BANDERA: Aug. 30-Sept. 1 Bandera Round-Up Bandera honors its cowboy and Western heritage with a Longhorn Cattle Drive Parade on Saturday, arts and crafts, music, gunfight reenactments, and a ranch rodeo. *Bandera County Courthouse Lawn, 500 Main St. 830-796-3045; banderacowboycapital.com*

BLANCO: Sept. 14 Julia Pautz in Concert A native Texan, Pautz has been a member of the San Diego Symphony Orchestra since 2010. *Uptown Blanco Ballroom, 317 Main St. 830-385-1173; blancoperformingarts.com*

BLANCO: Sept. 28-29 Raise the Roof Fundraiser Festival This annual event of music, food, and fun is the largest fundraiser event of the year for the historic Twin Sisters Dance Hall, one of the oldest and longest-running dance halls in Texas. There is music all day Saturday with a silent auction, vendors, and cultural programs. *Twin Sisters Dance Hall, 6720 US 281 S. 830-733-2037; twinsistersdancehall.com*

BOERNE: Aug. 29-Sept. 1 Kendall County Fair and Rodeo For more than 100 years, the Kendall County Fair Association has maintained its agricultural mission for the region. This annual festival includes vendors selling food, jewelry, and handcrafted items; a pageant; a rodeo and livestock show; and a parade on Main Street on Saturday morning. *Kendall County Fairgrounds, 1307 River Road. 830-249-2839; visitboerne.org*

BOERNE: Sept. 7, 21 Hot Rod Night With live music and classic cars, this event is reminiscent of old-fashioned Americana street parties—a gathering place for old and new friends. *Soda Pops, 103 N. Main St. 830-331-8799; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Sept. 14-15 Boerne Market Days On the second weekend of every month, Main Plaza is home to an outdoor market that blends the traditions of the Texas Hill Country with the creations of today's culture. Hundreds of festive booths display everything from collectibles and remembrances of the past to modern innovations. *Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. 210-844-8193; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Sept. 14 Kuhlmann-King Museum Tour Located behind Boerne City Hall, the Kuhlmann-King house gives the public the opportunity to step back in time to see what a historic Boerne home looked like "way back when." The museum is open every second Saturday. *Historic Kuhlmann-King Homestead, 402 E. Blanco Road. 830-331-1033; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Sept. 14 Moondance Concert Series Bring your own beverages, chairs, and picnics for a concert beneath the stars. *Cibolo Nature Center, 140 City Park Road. 830-249-4616; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Sept. 14 Second Saturday Art Beat Boerne shops and art galleries team up to bring fine art to the people every second Saturday of the month. Look for flashy banners displayed through town. *Boerne's Hill Country Mile, 100 N. Main St. 210-954-6659; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Sept. 19 A Thirst for Nature Every third Thursday, the Cibolo Nature Center hosts a specially themed event for guests to learn about the different plant and wildlife of Boerne and the Hill Country's surrounding areas. Those who are of age can sip on an adult beverage made to match the theme for that month, or choose the nonalcoholic version for kids. *Cibolo Nature Center, 140 City Park Road. 830-249-4616; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Sept. 21 Concert in the Cave: Celebration Circle Enjoy an eclectic mixture of uplifting contemporary acoustic songs, ancient instrumentation, improvisation, and contemplation celebrating the Fall Equinox. The concert features the words and music of songwriter/performance artist Rudi Harst and the Circle Band. *Cave Without A Name, 325 Kreuzberg Road. 830-537-4212; visitboerne.org/calendar*

CANYON LAKE: Sept. 11 Freedom Walk Join fellow patriots as they walk united across the dam at Canyon Lake on the an-

niversary of 9/11. They are joined by an Honor Guard from the Comal County sheriff's office. Weather permitting, there is a flyover by the Commemorative Air Force. There is a short program prior to the walk, free bottled water for all participants, and singing led by Peaches Kelly. *Overlook Park—Canyon Dam, 601 Coe Road. 830-308-8451; canyonlakerw.com*

CANYON LAKE: Sept. 21 Groovin' Through the '60s Fish Fry Fundraiser Get groovy with a '60s-themed fundraiser with dinner and entertainment. This BYOB event has food catered from Acadiana Cafe, local talent providing entertainment, and silent and live auctions. All tickets must be purchased in advance. *CRRC Rec Center, 125 Mabel Jones Drive. 830-308-5467; canyonlakerw.com*

CEDAR PARK: Sept. 1 Splash Jam Enjoy a washer tournament, live music, food, carnival games, and a fireworks display in the evening, and cool off in Milburn Pool. *Elizabeth Milburn Park, 1901 Sun Chase Blvd. 512-401-5500; cedarparktexas.gov*

CEDAR PARK: Sept. 28 Budweiser's Rock Empire Rock out to Queensrÿche with Stryper, Great White, and Vixen. *H-E-B Center at Cedar Park, 2100 Ave. of the Stars. 512-600-5000; hebcenter.com/events*

COMFORT: Sept. 10 Music in the Park Held the second Tuesday of May through October, these free concerts also include free drinks provided by Gaddis Methodist Church, the co-sponsor of the event with the Chamber of Commerce. Bring a lawn chair, enjoy the music, and dance. *Comfort City Park, SH 27 and Broadway. 830-995-3813*

COMFORT: Sept. 14 Fall Art Festival See 25-30 artists display their works at shops in the historic downtown area and at local wineries. Browse, shop, and support artists selling paintings, ceramics, and jewelry. *Historic Downtown Comfort. 830-995-3131; comfort-texas.com*

COMFORT: Sept. 28 Thunderdash This 5K mob run's obstacles include but are not limited to mud, climbing, mud, crawling, mud, and jumping. The obstacles are man-made, nature-made, man-made natural obstacles, and naturally man-made obstacles. *243 FM 473. visitboerne.org/calendar*

DRIFTWOOD: Sept. 21 Outside Austin City Limits Music Festival Held on Vista Brewing's 21-acre ranch, music lovers enjoy a great lineup of local Texas bands playing classic Texas country, Western swing, and bluegrass. Enjoy the brewery's award-winning beers, farm-fresh food, and a wine garden. *Vista Brewing, 13551 FM 150. 512-766-1842; vistabrewingtx.com*

EARLY: Sept. 7 Dining Out with Jean Prescott One of the Western Music Association's leading songwriters and performers, Prescott has won numerous awards including Female Vocalist of the Year, Entertainer of the Year, Songwriter of the Year, and Western Album of the Year. Guests can purchase a meal with the music, or see the concert only. *Stagecoach Station Venues, 400 Old Comanche Road. 325-200-8198; stagecoachstationvenues.com*

FREDERICKSBURG: Aug. 24-25, 31; Sept. 1 Grape Stomp at Becker Vineyards Celebrating the end of grape harvest, barrels are cut in half and filled with grapes to stomp at this 23rd annual event. *Becker Vineyards, 464 Becker Farms Road. 830-644-2681; beckervineyards.com*

FREDERICKSBURG: Aug. 31-Sept. 1 Pacific Combat Living History Reenactment See equipment and weapons used during WWII and a battle reenactment set on an island in the Pacific with flame-thrower, tanks, uniformed actors, and more. *National Museum of the Pacific War Pacific Combat Zone, 508 E. Austin. 830-997-8600; pacificwarmuseum.org*

INGRAM: Aug. 16-Sept. 13 Flight: HCAF Annual Juried Show This show applauds flights of fantasy and the use of imagination. *Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point Theatre Road. 830-367-5121; hcaf.com*

INGRAM: Sept. 21 Ingram Boot Scooting Street Dance Enjoy this street dance with food trucks, vendors, and live music. *Old Ingram Loop. 830-367-5115; cityofingram.com*

INGRAM: Sept. 28-29 Texas Arts and Crafts Fair The 43rd annual fair has more than 100 artists, musicians, demonstrators, and food vendors. The Limelites and Kerrville's Sentimental Orchestra headline the festival, and Doug Baum and his Texas Camel Corps make an appearance, offering living history lessons about the use of camels in Texas and across America in the 19th century. Fairgoers can pet camels and observe handcrafted items from camel hair. *Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point Theatre Road S. 830-367-5121; txartsandcraftsfair.com*

JOHNSON CITY: Sept. 28-29 Market Days Local artisans sell handmade items, jewelry, and plants. Food and beverages are available. *City Park, US 290 at Avenue G. 830-868-7684; johnsoncitytexas.info*

JOHNSON CITY: Sept. 29 Art Walk All galleries are open for new exhibits and are serving adult beverages and snacks. *North Nugent and Main streets. 830-868-7684; johnsoncitytexas.info*

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Hot Rod Nights Sept. 7 & 21, Oct 5 & 26	Boerne Boo- Oct. 26	Boerne Market Days Every 2nd Weekend
Concerts in the Cave Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 9 & 30	Vintage Market Days Nov. 1-3	2nd Saturday Art Beat Every 2nd Saturday
Thunderdash- Sept. 28	Boerne Handmade Market- Nov. 1 & 2	Thirst for Nature Every 3rd Thursday
Key to the Hills Rod Run Oct. 12 & 13	Diva Night- Nov. 7	Kuhlmann-King Museum Tours Every 2nd Saturday
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KERRVILLE: Sept. 3-Oct. 26 Benini Art Exhibit This exhibit features the most recent work of Italian-born artist Benini. *Kerr Arts & Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett St. 830-895-2911; kacckerrville.com*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 6 First Friday Wine Share A fun way to meet new or different wines, people, and places of business or art. Bring no more than one bottle of wine per couple and a glass. *Ranch Radio Group, 3505 Fredericksburg Road. 830-896-6600; firstfridaywineshare.com*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 7 "The Party" at the Museum of Western Art Show and Sale The 36th annual social function offers gourmet food and libations, an art exhibition, and sale. *Museum of Western Art, 1550 Bandera Highway. 830-896-2553; museumofwesternart.com*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 7 Hill Country Swap Meet Enjoy a giant community garage sale, flea market, and trade days all in one. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-459-6198; kerrmarketdays.org*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 7 Kerr County Market Days Peruse an indoor marketplace of vendors with original handcrafted goods, artwork, and homegrown plants and produce. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-895-7524; kerrmarketdays.org*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 7 Kerrville River Festival Enjoy live music at this family-friendly event. Food and refreshments are available for purchase. *Louise Hays Park, 202 Thompson Drive. 830-257-7300; kerrvilletx.gov*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 7 Run for Riverside 5K The fifth annual 5K run and walk along the Kerrville River Trail offers live music, door prizes, and refreshments. *Riverside Nature Center, 150 Francisco Lemos St. 830-257-4837; riversidenaturecenter.org*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 7-8 Texas Gun and Knife Show Shop new and used guns, knives, gold and silver coins, jewelry, camping gear, military supplies, and more. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-285-0575; texasgunandknifeshows.com*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 14 Kerrville River Roadster Show Cruise in and enjoy music and food at this family-friendly event. All cars are welcome. *Louise Hays Park, 202 Thompson Drive. 830-257-7300; kerrvilletx.gov*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 20 Concerts by the River Pack up your lawn chairs and picnic

blankets, and enjoy a free summer concert along the banks of the beautiful Guadalupe River. There are refreshments and food available for purchase. *Louise Hays Park, 202 Thompson Drive. 830-257-7300; kerrvilletx.gov*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 21 Mark Wills in Concert The country musician sings in his unique style. *Cailloux Theater, 910 Main St. 830-896-9393; caillouxtheater.com*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 22 Wine Down with Yoga Enjoy 90 minutes of yoga paired with tastings of four pose-enhancing wines. *Kerrville Hills Winery, 3600 Fredericksburg Road. 830-895-4233; kerrvillehillswinery.com*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 27-28 Texas Heritage Days: Learning Through Stories and Songs Terri Hendrix and Lloyd Maines perform. The event features a tribute to Jimmie Rodgers, a Kerrville resident from 1929-1931. *Schreiner University, 2100 Memorial Blvd. 830-792-1945; schreiner.edu*

KERRVILLE: Sept. 28-29 Kerrville Triathlon Festival Athletes swim, bike, and run. *Louise Hays Park, 202 Thompson Drive. kerrvilletx.com*

KYLE: Sept. 14 Market Days Enjoy local vendors, live music, and family fun under the shade of the oak trees. *City Square Park, 101 S. Burselson St. 512-262-3939; cityofkyle.com/recreation*

LAMPASAS: Sept. 28 Lampasas County Wine Tour This tour features tastings at several wineries in the area. Guests receive a goodie bag and picnic pack to enjoy on their tour of the wineries. The award-winning wineries provide visitors with tasting tips, information on the wine industry, and exclusive specials on their wines. Giveaways of wine and gift certificates occur throughout the day as well. *Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce, 205 US 281. 512-556-5172; lampasaschamber.org*

LEANDER: Sept. 27-28 Hill Country Shootout Barbecue Cookoff The 15th annual cookoff is paying out \$10,000 to winners as well as trophies and prizes. There are vendors, entertainment for kids, food, and fun. *Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10427, 8760 RR 2243. 512-567-1672; vfw10427.org/2018-bbq-cookoff*

LLANO: Sept. 7 Llano County Wild Game Dinner The 10th annual dinner has raffle tickets available and benefits the Llano County 4-H and FFA youth. *John L. Kuykendall Events Center and Arena, 2200 RR 152 W. 325-247-5354*

LLANO: Sept. 13-15 Ladies in Leather Parade and Rally This all-women parade

lights up the town. Invite your female riding friends to join the group for the largest all-female motorcycle parade in the U.S. *John L. Kuykendall Events Center and Arena, 2200 RR 152 W. 325-247-5354; ladiesinleatherparade.com/about*

LLANO: Sept. 20-22 Hill Country Hunting Expo and Peddler Explore outdoor, hunting, fishing, and power gear, or roam the aisles of the peddler show to find talented designers, artisans, creators, and crafters from all over the country. Find gifts that can be customized and personalized on-site. *John L. Kuykendall Events Center and Arena, 2200 RR 152 W. 325-247-5354; peddlershow.com/events/llano*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Sept. 7 Rodney Crowell in Concert With more than 40 years of American roots music under his belt, the Texas native is a two-time Grammy winner with five No. 1 hits and a legacy of songwriting excellence. Crowell has written chart-topping hits for the likes of Emmylou Harris, Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings, and Keith Urban. But owing to the distinctly universal, literary quality of his writing, Crowell has also penned beloved songs for artists as diverse as Bob Seger, Etta James, the Grateful Dead, John Denver, and Jimmy Buf-

fett. *Gruene Hall, 1281 Gruene Road. 830-629-5077; gruenehall.thundertix.com*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Sept. 13 Crystal Gayle in Concert Inducted into the Grand Ole Opry in 2017 by her sister Loretta Lynn, the Academy of Country Music recognized Gayle with a 2016 Cliffie Stone Pioneer Award for her Lifetime Achievements in Country Music. In 2009, she received her own star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Renowned for her signature song, "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue," Gayle also scored with her multi-format hits, "You've Been Talking In Your Sleep," "When I Dream," and her duet with Eddie Rabbitt, "Just You and I." *Brauntex Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio St. 830-627-0808; brauntex.org*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Sept. 26 Zedd in Concert The Grammy-winning electronic producer has worked with Maren Morris, Ariana Grande, Selena Gomez, and Lady Gaga. Zedd has partnered with PLUS1 so that \$1 from every ticket goes to organizations bringing dignity, equity, and access to communities who need it. *Whitewater Music Amphitheater, 11860 FM 306. 830-964-3800; whitewaterrocks.com*

SAN MARCOS: Sept. 21 Junior Texas Water Safari This 16-mile water adventure provides a great opportunity for canoeists

and kayakers to test their skills, gain experience in the water, and prepare for the big Texas Water Safari next summer in June. *San Marcos City Park, 170 Charles Austin Drive. 512-738-6607; texaswatersafari.org*

SAN MARCOS: Sept. 21 Mermaid Parade and Faire These festivities are part of Mermaid Splash, an annual, multi-event festival celebrating San Marcos' arts, culture, heritage, and, of course, the San Marcos River. Experience the Downtown Mermaid Promenade, an eclectic and colorful spectacle full of floats, marchers, dancers, and music. The fun continues at the Mermaid Aqua Faire: Follow the floats to San Marcos Plaza Park and enjoy a free community festival of art, live music, food, and fun. *Downtown San Marcos/City Park, 111 E. San Antonio St. 512-825-2819; mermaidsocietysmtx.com*

TAYLOR: Sept. 11 9/11 Patriot Day March and Program Presented by the Taylor Fire Department and the Taylor Professional Firefighters Association, a memorial march down Main Street honors the fallen and those who serve today. *Downtown Main Street. 512-352-6992; ci.taylor.tx.us*

TAYLOR: Sept. 28-29 Repticon For more than 10 years, Repticon has brought thou-

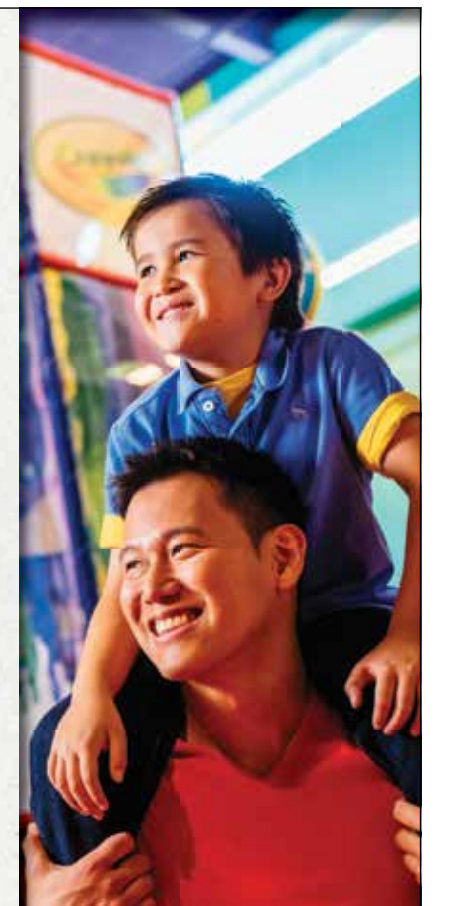


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UVALDE: Aug. 29-Sept. 1 Palomino Fest and Pro Rodeo Labor Day Weekend Celebration This event started in 1996 as a dream by young brothers from a small town who dared to pursue their musical goals. The event has live music, a carnival, rodeo events, and a parade. *Uvalde County Fairplex, 215 Veterans Lane. 830-591-9040; palominofest.com*

UVALDE: Sept. 13 Four Square Friday Enjoy late-night shopping, food, live music, and art. *Historic Downtown Uvalde, North Getty Street. 830-278-4115; visituvalde.com*

WIMBERLEY: June 8-Dec. 14 Second Saturday Gallery Trail On the second Saturday of every month, come early and stay late for wine, light bites, and an art-filled evening at the galleries in and around the Wimberley square. *Various locations, 13811 RR 12. 260-290-5001; gallerytrail.com*

WIMBERLEY: Aug. 30-Sept. 22 "Picnic" This play takes place on Labor Day weekend in the joint backyards of two middle-aged widows. It's a classic drama of longing, romance, and the rites of passage. *The Wimberley Playhouse, 450 Old Kyle Road. 512-847-0575; wimberleyplayers.org*

WIMBERLEY: Sept. 7 Market Day More than 450 outdoor booths are filled with art, furniture, collectibles, and treasures of all kinds. Live music and food and drink make for a shopper's delight. *Lions Field, 601 FM 2325. 512-847-2201; shopmarketdays.com*

WIMBERLEY: Sept. 19 Susanna's Kitchen Coffee House Concert Series Every third Thursday, talented and well-known musicians perform in an intimate venue. Texas Pie Company's famous pies, tamales, pizza, coffee, and soft drinks are available. Concerts are held in the Fellowship Hall at Wimberley United Methodist Church. *Wimberley United Methodist Church, 1200 CR 1492. 512-847-3109; wimberleyumc.org/susannas-kitchen*

PANHANDLE PLAINS

ABILENE: Aug 30-Sept. 1 Texas LULAC Labor Day Softball Tournament Teams from all over Texas and Oklahoma compete. All money raised goes to local scholarships and community sponsorships. *Nelson Park, 2070 Zoo Lane. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 5-14 West Texas Fair and Rodeo This annual old-fashioned county fair features children's activities, entertainment, livestock and horse shows, carnival rides, exhibits, a PRCA rodeo, and a wide variety of food. *Taylor County Expo Center, 1700 SH 36. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 6 Art Adventure This monthly mom and tot program for preschoolers combines different aspects of visual and verbal literacy by exposing the children to books and art based on the featured artist in the gallery. *National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature, 102 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 6-8 Texas Longhorn Breeders Show The TLBAA is a nonprofit organization working to protect the integrity of the Texas Longhorn by providing guidelines for desirable breeding practices, promoting public awareness of the breed, and advancing the scientific knowledge of historical and future breeding practices. *Taylor County Expo Center, 1700 SH 36. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28 Family Fun Saturdays A come-and-go family program where little ones create a work of art using the style and medium of the featured artist in the gallery. *National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature, 102 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 14 CCAN Reception and Dinner Support the Center for Contemporary Arts by attending this special dinner. *Center for Contemporary Arts, 220 Cypress St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 26-29 Shelley Productions Team Roping Abilene Special Witness the world series of team roping and all-girls breakaway. *Taylor County Expo Center, 1700 SH 36. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 27-29 Big Country Balloon Festival Sponsored by Optimist Unlimited, the 25th annual event includes hot air balloons, live entertainment, children's games and inflatable rides, silent auction, food and craft vendors, and a balloon glow on Friday and Saturday nights. *Redbud Park, 3125 S. 32nd St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 27-29 National Snaffle Bit Show The mission of the National Snaffle Bit Association Inc. is to grow the show-horse community through various equine programs and events where every activity benefits horses, breeders, owners, and exhibitors alike. *Taylor County Expo Center, 1700 SH 36. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Sept. 28 Abilene Philharmonic: "The Heavenly Life" The Abilene Philharmonic's 69th concert season begins

with Mahler's Symphony No. 4 featuring Lynnette Chambers in the final movement singing the poem "Das himmlische Leben," which translates to "The Heavenly Life." The second half features Peabody Conservatory cello professor and world-renowned cellist Amit Peled performing the popular Dvorak Cello Concerto. *Convention Center, 1100 N. Sixth St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

AMARILLO: Sept. 1 Yellow City Sounds Music Festival Enjoy a daylong concert featuring a variety of bands, vendors, and food trucks. *Memorial Park, 2501 S. Washington St. 806-371-5222*

AMARILLO: Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28 Amarillo Community Market The market hosts live music and a diverse mix of everything the Panhandle has to offer: herbs and veggies, baked goods, live plants, cut flowers, jellies, jams and pickles, and arts and crafts. *Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Grounds, 1000 S. Polk St. 806-335-6360*

AMARILLO: Sept. 12 Good Times Celebration Barbecue Cookoff The cookoff brings together more than 100 cooking teams with thousands of barbecue fans. *Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Grounds, 1000 S. Polk St. 806-373-7800;*

AMARILLO: Sept. 13-21 Tri-State Fair and Rodeo The largest family event in the Texas Panhandle, this fair and rodeo has livestock shows, a carnival, and great fair food. It was nominated as one of the top five medium-sized rodeos in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. *Tri-State Fairgrounds, 3301 SE 10th Ave. 806-376-7767; tristatefair.com*

ANSON: Sept. 21 Party in the Park Anson City Park comes alive with the sounds of fun and entertainment as everyone comes together to enjoy delicious food from local food trucks, shop the craft show, and listen to live bands. There are lots of activities for children to enjoy, from the playground to bounce houses, and added this year, a five-horse carousel and petting zoo. This event is held in conjunction with the Jones County Fair and Livestock Show. *Anson City Park, 2231 Ave. G. 325-823-3259*

BOYS RANCH: Sept. 2 Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Rodeo Each Labor Day, the children of Boys Ranch participate in a rodeo. Visitors are invited to join the fun and excitement of this annual event. *Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 8 Julian Bivins Blvd. 800-687-3722; calfarley.org*

CHILLICOTHE: Sept. 21 FarmFest This music festival is held the third Saturday in September every year. It's an all-day event with free live music, 10 miles west

of Vernon. *Flynn Farms, 17921 US 287 W. 940-552-2564*

COLEMAN: Sept. 6 Coleman County Dove Festival Indulge in all-you-can-eat catfish with all the trimmings. Paid admission makes you eligible for the door-prize drawings. There are six guns plus other great prizes to be given away. *Coleman Rodeo Grounds, 13152 SH 206. 325-280-9931*

DUMAS: Sept. 28 Museum Day This annual event features a car show, antique tractor show, quilt show, games, and a silent auction. There is also a sidewalk chalk painting contest and plenty of kid's activities. A pulled pork sandwich lunch and homemade cake and ice cream are on sale during the event. *Windows on the Plains Museum, 1820 S. Dumas Ave. 806-935-3113; dumasmuseumandartcenter.org*

DUMAS: Sept. 28 Texas Tumbleweed 100 Bike Ride Bike riders from throughout Texas and surrounding states descend upon Dumas every September to experience beautiful High Plains terrain and unbeatable Texas Panhandle hospitality as they participate in the annual Tumbleweed 100 Bike Ride. There are multiple routes, including 12-mile, 35-mile, 67.2-mile, and 100-mile options. Located 50 miles north of Amarillo, the ride is managed and orga-

nized by volunteers and local bike enthusiasts to ensure a safe and memorable ride. All proceeds from this annual event benefit the local YMCA programs. *McDade Park, 1400 S. Maddox Ave. 806-935-4136; txtumbleweed100.com*

GRAHAM: Sept. 20-22 PK Cutting Horse Show Enjoy seeing professional horse competitors in a challenge that demonstrates the horse's athleticism and ability to handle cattle during a 2.5-minute performance called a "run." *Young County Arena, 120 Barclay Place. 940-521-0434; youngcountyarena.com*

LUBBOCK: Sept. 6-Nov. 4 West Texas Watercolor Society Fall Show Member artists exhibit and sell their beautiful water media artworks. *Legacy Event Center, 1500 14th St. 806-928-6735; wtws.org*

LUBBOCK: Sept. 7 Buddy Holly's Birthday Bash Celebrate Buddy Holly's 83rd birthday with an evening concert and festivities throughout the day. Entrance to the Buddy Holly Center is free on this day. *Buddy Holly Center, 1801 Crickets Ave. 806-775-3566; buddyhollycenter.org*

POST: Sept. 13 MK Foundation Barbecue Cookoff This annual barbecue cookoff raises money for the Post Animal Refuge

Center. *Mooseknuckles Bar & Grill, 208 N. Ave. F. 806-495-0694*

POST: Sept. 13-15 Old Mill Trade Days Shop for arts, crafts, furniture, jewelry, clothing, home decor, homemade candy, candles, goat-milk soap, antiques, and gifts. Plus, enjoy live entertainment and food. *Old Mill Trade Days, 318 S. Ave. F. 432-934-1479; oldmilltradedays.com*

QUANAH: Sept. 14 Quanah Fall Festival The 36th annual festival features arts and crafts; a classic car, truck, and tractor show; games; food; and museum tours. *Downtown Quanah. 940-663-2222*

SAN ANGELO: Through Sept. 8 "Frontiers: An Artistic Exploration of Space Travel, Technology, the Age of Discovery, and More" Artwork related to exploration is exhibited in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org*

SAN ANGELO: Sept 17-Nov. 3 "Bus Stops: Photos of the Middle of Nowhere by Michael Kruscha" The German artist debuts a series of photographs showing bus stops he found while traveling over many years. His photos try to show the enormous variety of architectural styles and construc-



tions that exist in different countries, from iron sculptures, wooden or mud-brick shelters, and tin-roof huts, to monstrous concrete constructions. They are places where time stands still and every single shelter tells its own story. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org*

SAN ANGELO: Sept 17-Nov. 3 “Highlights from the Permanent Collection” See selections from the art museum’s permanent collection. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org*

SAN ANGELO: Sept. 21 Archaeology Fair and Museum Day Learn about the Concho Valley’s past 5,000 years through activity areas, living history, crafts, and displays. The museum has free admission on this day. *Fort Concho National Historic Landmark, 630 S. Oakes St. 325-657-4444; fortconcho.com*

WICHITA FALLS: Sept. 1 Wine and History Walk Sample a delectable array of local wines and craft beer, and stroll downtown listening to tales of the early days of Wichita Falls. The Wichita County Heritage Society is partnering with local businesses and several wineries to create the walk. *Historic Downtown Wichita Falls, 713 Ohio Ave. 940-723-0623; squareup.com/store/wchs*

WICHITA FALLS: Sept. 5 Sculpture Garden After Dark Stop in for live music, entertainment, and free kid-friendly fun. Enjoy the Sculpture Garden exhibit and grounds, and take a tour of the galleries inside. BYOB. *Kemp Center for the Arts, 1300 Lamar St. 940-767-2787; artscouncilwf.org/sculpture-garden*

WICHITA FALLS: Sept. 5 After Hours Artwalk At this monthly celebration of art in downtown Wichita Falls, explore art studios, galleries, restaurants, and shops, and meet local artists. *Historic Downtown Wichita Falls, 700 Eighth St. 940-322-4525; downtownwf.com*

WICHITA FALLS: Sept. 14 Stroll ‘n Roll Enjoy a free day of touring Wichita Falls museums and attractions. Free shuttles are provided to all locations, including MSU and the Wichita Falls Regional Airport. *Historic Downtown Wichita Falls, 700 Eighth St. 940-761-6820; wichitafalls.org*

WINTERS: Sept. 7 Dove Fest Join in a celebration of the dove hunting traditions of Texas, with proceeds benefitting local youth and nonprofit organizations. There is a gun raffle, barbecue meal, fun run, live and silent auctions, a clay shoot, live entertainment, and free kids events. *Winters Community Center, 410 Novice Road. 325-754-0120; wintersdovefest.com*

PINEY WOODS

GLADEWATER: Sept. 21-22 Arts and Crafts Festival Shop art, wood crafts, ceramics, dolls, needlework, jewelry, clothing, homemade goodies, and handcrafted items at the 46th annual festival. *Broadway School Campus, 200 Broadway. 903-845-5501; gladewaterartsandcrafts.com*

HUNTSVILLE: Sept. 21-22 Antiques Show More than 65 dealers from across the U.S. offer antiques to suit every budget and taste. Finds include antiques, collectibles, vintage items, holiday collectibles, glassware, furniture, sterling silver, and jewelry. *Walker County Fairgrounds, 3925 SH 30. 936-661-2545; huntsvilleantiqueshow.com*



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JACKSONVILLE: Sept. 7 Cherokee Craft and Trade Fair Enjoy free admission to a show featuring a variety of arts and crafts vendors, some new and many returning. Each event assists a local charity. *Norman Activity Center, 526 E. Commerce St. jacksonvilletexas.com*

JEFFERSON: Sept. 20 Jefferson Fire Brigade Car Show This car show is open to all. *Various locations. 903-634-7665; jeffersonionsclub.org/carshow*

JEFFERSON: Sept. 20 Cruise Night The Franchise Bar & Grill in downtown Jefferson presents a cruise night open to all cars every third Friday night of the month from March to November. There are drawings, door prizes, music, like-minded folks, food, and drinks. Show off that special car of yours or mingle with the spectators for a fun evening. Proceeds benefit the Jefferson

Volunteer Fire Department. *Downtown Jefferson, Austin Street. 903-665-9200*

JEFFERSON: Sept 28-29 North Texas Norton Owners Association Rally and Bike Show The rally draws more than 300 people displaying more than 150 of the finest vintage motorcycles in the country. Participate in Friday’s field events, display your bike in Saturday’s bike show, and ride in the Rolling Concours. *Diamond Don’s Motorsport & RV Park, 1602 SH 49. 214-402-1436; ntnoa.org*

KILGORE: Sept. 6 Fridays After 5 Kilgore Main Street presents Sheila and the Caddo Kats. This local four-piece plays a bit of country, classic rock, and blues. *Kilgore City Park, E. North Street. 903-988-4117; kilgoremaintstreet.com/fridaysafter5*

KILGORE: Sept. 22 SAFFE Day The Special Abilities Family Fun Event celebrates all special needs heroes with exciting activities and experiences outdoors, including fire service safety fun, puppet shows, clowns, educational stations, and live entertainment. *World’s Richest Acre, 100 N. Commerce St. 903-988-4112; saffeday.org*

LUFKIN: Sept. 14 The Hot Club of Cowtown in Concert This western swing, gypsy-jazz trio has traveled the world bringing their own brand of magical chemistry to audiences far and wide. Be inspired by The Hot Club of Cowtown’s unique twist on traditional tunes and Western swing. *The Pines Theater, 113 S. First St. 936-633-0359; thepines.visitlufkin.com*

MAGNOLIA: Sept. 21 Stroll Thru the Renaissance Enjoy an evening of live entertainment prior to the opening of the Texas Renaissance Festival in October. Meet festival actors and enjoy music, food, drinks, crafts, and craft beer from Lone Pint Brewery. Admission is free. *The Stroll, 311 Magnolia Blvd. 281-615-5697; cityofmagnolia.com*

MINEOLA: Sept. 28-29 Iron Horse Heritage Festival Honoring the railroad heritage of Mineola, this two-day festival has mini-train rides, arts and crafts vendors, live music, games and contests, a car show, and a beer and wine garden. *Downtown Mineola, South Johnson Street at Commerce Street. 903-569-2087; mineolachamber.org/events*

PALESTINE: Sept. 28 El Camino 105: Texas Gravel Adventure Bike Ride Get out in nature and immerse yourself in the Piney Woods. There are three distances to this ride: 35, 65, and 105 miles. Rural roads are paved near towns so the longer the ride, the more dirt and gravel you encounter. The 25-mile ride is fully paved. All rides are loops, so you have constantly

changing scenery and challenges. All adult participants receive free beer at registration and after the ride, courtesy of Micholob Ultra. *Oxbow Hollow, 301 Crawford St. 903-723-3014; camino205.com*

TRINITY: Sept. 27-28 Community Fair Free to the public, this fair has food, live entertainment, and a youth livestock show. *Trinity Community Center, 806 S. Robb St. 936-661-6138*

TYLER: Sept. 4-8 Texas Rose Sport Horse Cup—Hunter/Jumper Horse Show This horse show consists of show jumpers, working hunters, and hunt seat equitation. Show jumpers compete in jumper classes where it counts to be faultless and fast. Working hunters are judged for manner and pace—a smooth comfortable ride. Hunt seat equitation emphasizes the rider’s form—sitting still and quiet handling. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Sept. 11-15 Texas Rose Classic Hunter Jumper Horse Show This horse show consists of show jumpers, working hunters, and hunt seat equitation. Show jumpers compete in jumper classes where it counts to be faultless and fast. Working hunters are judged for manner and pace—a smooth comfortable ride. Hunt seat equitation emphasizes the rider’s form—sitting still and quiet handling. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Sept. 14 Hit the Bricks Downtown Tyler businesses and attractions (around the square and off the square) are bursting with things to do the second Saturday of every month. Hit the bricks and have some fun. *Downtown Tyler, 110 W. Erwin St. 903-593-6905; visittyler.com/hitthebricks*

TYLER: Sept. 20-22 Texas Rose Fall Classic Dressage Horse Show Dressage is a highly skilled form of riding performed in exhibition and competition, as well as an “art” sometimes pursued solely for the sake of mastery. As an equestrian sport defined by the International Equestrian Federation, dressage is “the highest expression of horse training” where “horse and rider are expected to perform from memory a series of predetermined movements.” *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110 N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Sept. 21-22 Equine Trail Sports—Obstacle Challenge This challenge for horse riders includes miles of beautiful trails that very few people get to see, plus two trail challenges and an obstacle course. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110 N.*

903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com
TYLER: Sept. 29-Oct. 31 Lanes Chapel Pumpkin Patch The fifth annual pumpkin patch showcases thousands of pumpkins, decorative corn, and gourds all grown on the Navajo reservation in northern New Mexico. While shopping, enjoy free family activities including games, face painting, train rides, and family photos. All proceeds benefit Lanes Chapel ministries. *Lanes Chapel Methodist Church, 8720 Old Jacksonville Highway. 903-561-5703*

PRAIRIES AND LAKES

ADDISON: Sept. 19-22 Oktoberfest One of the most authentic Oktoberfest experiences outside of Munich celebrates Bavarian cuisine and culture over four entertainment-filled days. *Addison Circle Park, 4970 Addison Circle. 972-450-2800; addisonoktoberfest.com*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 8 Rathmore in Concert Enjoy an evening of free celtic rock—bagpipes, fiddle, and rock ‘n’ roll. *Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 13 Prophets and Outlaws in Concert Enjoy a free outdoor concert of Southern rock with a passion for the blues. *Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 22 Montopolis: “The Legend of Big Bend” Montopolis turns Texas tales into song with a free musical and visual experience. *Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 27 The Peterson Brothers in Concert This free concert offers a modern take on old-school blues, soul, and funk. *Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 28 Eleven Hundred Springs in Concert Enjoy a free evening of homegrown, foot-stompin’ Texas music. *Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 28-Nov. 3 Six Flags Over Texas Fright Fest Thrills by day and fright by night are back. Enjoy activities for the entire family throughout the day and come back for an evening of spine-chilling scares after the sun goes down. *Six Flags Over Texas, 2201 Road to Six Flags. 817-640-8900; sixflags.com/vertexas*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 29 UTA Jazz Night Seasoned artists and students combine to



create jazz best enjoyed from the lawn. *Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org*

BEDFORD: Aug. 30-Sept. 1 Bedford Blues and Barbecue Festival The three-day event features Grammy-winning blues performer Boz Scaggs and a barbecue cookoff. *Across from Bedford City Hall, 1951 L. Don Dodson Drive. 817-952-2128; bedfordbluesfest.com*

BONHAM: Sept. 21 Farming Heritage Day Learn farming activities such as how to gin cotton, spin wool, make corn husk dolls, churn butter, milk cows, and enjoy many farm animals and antique tractors. *Sam Rayburn House State Historical Site, 890 SH 56 W. 903-583-5558; samrayburnhousemuseum.com*

BRENHAM: Through Sept. 1 Harvest Grape Stomp Create happy memories with your family, friends, or coworkers. Start in the vineyard to pick grapes off the vine. Return to the tasting patio where you'll squeeze and squish your grapes to music, which makes all the stress in your life fade away. As an added memento, step out with your purple feet onto your keepsake T-shirt. *Windy Winery, 4232 Clover Road. 979-836-3252; windywinery.com*

BRENHAM: Sept. 13-21 Washington County Fair Celebrate the 151st county fair—the oldest in Texas—with Nashville entertainment, a carnival, crafts, food, live-stock and poultry auctions, and commercial exhibits and attractions. *Washington County Fairgrounds, 1305 E. Blue Bell Road. 979-836-4112; washingtoncofair.com*

BRYAN: Sept. 6-7 Brazos Bluebonnet Quilt Show The theme for this year's judged show is "Garden Party." There is a wide assortment of quilt categories, from traditional to art quilts. The show has vendor booths, wearable art displays, quilt appraisals, and quilts for sale. *The Brazos Center, 3232 Briarcrest Drive. 979-204-4737; bbqg.org*

BRYAN: Sept. 15 Messina Hof Cooking Party: Oktoberfest This event features German-style dishes in honor of Oktoberfest. Messina Hof wine is featured in each dish. *The Vintage House Restaurant, 4545 Old Reliance Road. 979-778-9463; messinahof.com/events*

BUFFALO: Sept. 21-22 Buffalo Stampede Compete in a Lone Star Barbecue Society-sanctioned barbecue competition and culinary arts exhibition. There are vendors, a car show, children's games, arts and crafts, food, and a bounce house. *Leon County Expo Center, 3637 CR 305. 903-322-5810*

BURLESON: Sept. 2 Lynn Smith Labor Day Monday Car Show This car show gives out more than 60 awards, plus has food and drinks for purchase, activities, and music. There are also a few good deals on auto purchases. This event is free to the public. *Lynn Smith Chevrolet, 925 N. Burleson Blvd. 817-797-1197; ddrockinrods.com*

BURTON: Sept. 27-Oct. 5 La Bahia Antiques Dealers from across the country provide antiques, collectibles, and vintage and re-purposed items. Country cuisine is served all day, and admission is free. *La Bahia Turn Verein Hall, 550 SH 237. 979-289-2684; labahiaantiques.com*

CALDWELL: Sept. 14 Kolache Festival Celebrate the revitalization of Czech heritage. Learn Czech philosophy, dance to polka music, and sing along to traditional tunes. There is an arts and crafts show with more than 200 vendors, and more than 40 vendors of authentic Czech foods. *Downtown Caldwell, 301 N. Main St. 979-567-0000; burlesoncountytexas.com*

CORSICANA: Aug. 9-Sept. 14 "Faces and Places of the Chihuahuan Desert" This exhibition explores the topography and natural beauty of the Chihuahuan Desert and considers the human impact upon it over a period of 30 years. The show is com-

posed of 31 photographs from the work of University of Texas at El Paso professor Dr. Robert H. Schmidt. *Pearce Museum, 3100 W. Collin St. on the campus of Navarro College. 903-875-7642; pearcemuseum.com*

CORSICANA: Sept. 12 Texas Country Legends in Concert Texas Country Legends features Gary P. Nunn, Ray Wylie Hubbard, and Jack Ingram as they song swap, tell stories, and perform in this once-in-a-lifetime concert within the walls of the historic Palace Theatre, a 1921 restored vaudeville house located in downtown Corsicana with state-of-the-art technology in an intimate setting of only 500 seats. *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.com*

CORSICANA: Sept. 14 Mimosas at the Market Participating shops and businesses offer complimentary mimosas to customers. It starts at a sponsoring shop (this month: Merle Norman) and continues throughout town. *Historic Downtown Corsicana, Beaton and Fifth Street. 903-654-4850; visitcorsicana.com*

CORSICANA: Sept. 26-Oct. 5 "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" This live theatre performance of Mark Haddon's popular novel is set in Swindon, England, where a 15-year-old boy dis-

covers the slain body of his neighbor's pool and sets out to uncover the murderer. His investigation is at times aided by, and also hampered by, his mild autism. *Living Arts Warehouse, 119 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5421; warehouselivingartscenter.com*

CORSICANA: Sept. 26 Johnny Lee in Concert Legendary country singer Johnny Lee sings his greatest hits including "Looking for Love" within the famous walls of the historic Palace Theatre, a 1921 restored vaudeville house located in downtown Corsicana, Texas with state-of-the-art technology in an intimate setting of only 500 seats. *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.com*

CORSICANA: Sept. 27 Art After Hours This is a strolling event in historic downtown with open studios to mingle with artists to see and purchase their work. The night concludes with coffee and dessert with the cast of the play "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time," a Mark Haddon play. *Living Arts Warehouse, 119 W. Sixth Ave. 903-654-4850; visitcorsicana.com*

CRAWFORD: Sept. 21 Oktoberfest Dinner and Dance Enjoy dinner, dancing, and a silent auction celebrating Crawford's German heritage featuring German band Enzian Buam from Bellville. *Crawford*

Community Center, 999 E. Fourth St. 254-662-0166

DALLAS: Through Oct. 15 "Celebrate the Children"—Bronze Sculptures by Gary Lee Price Mark your calendar for the return of acclaimed sculptor Price and his newest exhibit, "Celebrate the Children," which features beautiful, handcrafted bronze sculptures of various children that guests can interact with throughout the garden. *Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Road. 214-515-6615; dallasarboretum.org*

DALLAS: Through Nov. 3 Goya's "Visions" in Ink: The Centerpiece of the Meadows Drawings Collection This exhibition highlights the Meadows's recent acquisition of Goya's exceptional ink drawing "Visions" from "Witches and Old Women." Other select works from the museum's collection of early 19th-century paintings and works on paper serve to illuminate the fascinating provenance and historical context of Goya's very personal and technically accomplished drawing. *Meadows Museum, 5900 Bishop Blvd. 214-768-2516; meadowsmuseumdallas.org*

DALLAS: Aug. 31-Sept. 1 Dino Fest Activities at the second annual dinosaur celebration invade all five levels of the mu-

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DALLAS: Sept. 4 Sammons Jazz: "Piano Roots: Chicago to Dallas" Jazz legends and rising stars of Texas perform the many flavors of jazz in the historic Turtle Creek Pump Station. Admission includes two sets of music, a light dinner, beverages, and valet parking. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 19 Carson Series of Sammons Cabaret New York-style cabaret gets the Texas treatment with top singers performing the Great American Songbook, Broadway show tunes, and pop, plus the stories behind the music. Admission includes two sets of music, light appetizers, beverages, and valet parking. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 21-Oct. 31 Autumn at the Arboretum As one of the Southwest's most picturesque fall horticultural displays, the garden is a spectacular show of color with 150,000 stunning, fall-blooming plants; the internationally acclaimed Pumpkin Village, featuring more than 90,000 pumpkins; and the outstanding Rory Meyer's Children's Adventure Garden. This year's theme is "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown." Festivities include Mommy and Me Mondays, live music, and activities for all ages. *Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Road. 214-515-6615; dallasarboretum.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 21-March 1 The Kinsey African American Art and History Collection This collection celebrates the achievements and contributions of African Americans from 1595 to present. It includes masterful paintings and sculpture, photos, rare books, letters, and manuscripts. *African American Museum of Dallas, 3536 Grand Ave. 214-565-9026; thekinseycollection.com*

DALLAS: Sept. 27 Brews, Bites, and Beats Samples of leading Texas craft beers, bites from Dallas eateries, and music by the Stockton Helbing Group highlight this fun annual event. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 27-Oct. 20 State Fair of Texas The 24-day fair celebrating all things Texas has more than 110 daily attractions and activities including the Texas

Auto Show, four musical stages of Texas music, a nightly starlight parade, and Big Tex to greet visitors from near and far. *Fair Park, 3921 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. 214-565-9931; bigtex.com*

DENISON: Sept. 21 Park(ing) Day Come downtown, claim a parking spot, and make a mini-park for the day. Bring your family, friends, organizations, and groups to share the fun. *Denison Main Street, 324 W. Main St. 903-464-4452; denisonlive.com*

ELGIN: Sept. 12 Sip, Shop, and Stroll Sip a little wine and shop as you stroll through the stores in Historic Downtown Elgin. Find diverse merchandise, eclectic decor, artwork by local artists, and live music in many of the venues. *Historic Downtown Elgin, 109 Depot St. elgintx.com*



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FAIRFIELD: Sept. 13-14 Big T Memorial Barbecue Cookoff The ninth annual barbecue competition and kids cookoff features a domino tournament and national-qualifying cornhole tournament, as well as live music. *WL Moody Reunion Grounds, 400 Oak St. 903-431-3611; bigtmemorial.com*

FORT WORTH: Sept. 1 Louapalooza Louapalooza is Fort Worth hip-hop artist Lou Charles' annual event. The show features the best of local hip-hop with a headlining set by Lou Charles. Every year Louapalooza creates a unique environment that brings out a diverse crowd ready to party and enjoy local music. *Main at South Side, 1002 S. Main St. 682-521-3749*

FORT WORTH: Sept. 1 Sunday Funday Wind down your weekends with this family-friendly, laid-back event that takes place every Sunday. Tubes and pedal boats

are available to rent, along with kayaks, canoes, and stand-up paddleboards from Backwoods Paddlesports. There is also yoga, tasty food truck grub, music, and floating the Trinity River. Cold beer, sodas, and water are also available for sale on-site. No outside food or drinks are permitted. *Panther Island Pavilion, 395 Purcey St. 817-698-0700; sundayfundayfw.com*

FORT WORTH: Sept. 14-15 Spooky Spectacle This kick-off to the Halloween season features paranormal enthusiasts; ghost hunters; and sci-fi, cosplay, and fantasy characters. *Will Rogers Memorial Center, 3401 W. Lancaster Ave. 817-559-0849; spookyspectacle.com*

FORT WORTH: Sept. 14-Dec. 29 "Gordon Parks: The New Tide, Early Work" Organized by the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., in collaboration with The Gordon Parks Foundation, this exhibition highlights Parks' mastery of the camera to create an uplifting vision of African American life in the mid-20th century. *Amon Carter Museum of American Art, 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. 817-738-1933; cartermuseum.org*

FRISCO: Sept. 21 National Soccer Hall of Fame Induction Weekend Celebrate the 2019 National Soccer Hall of Fame induction with events and concerts by OneRepublic and The Fray. *Toyota Stadium, 9200 World Cup Way. 972-292-5266; visitfrisco.com*

FRISCO: Sept. 28 Shawnee Trail Cowboy Day Activities include stagecoach rides, Old West gunfights, armadillo races, pony rides, and a petting zoo. Experience how things were done in "the old days" with a quilt show, blacksmith shop demos, whittling, leatherwork, butter churning, spinning, corn grinding, and a steer-roping station. Also enjoy arts, crafts, and antique booths. *Frisco Heritage Center, 6455 Page St. 972-292-5266; visitfrisco.com*

GARLAND: Sept. 1 Labor Day Parade See local bands, sports groups, and floats during the 74th annual parade through historic downtown. *Downtown Garland Square, 520 W. State St. visitgarlandtx.com*

GARLAND: Sept. 5-22 Neil Simon's "Plaza Suite" In this comedy classic, an evening of three stories unravel in room 719 of the Plaza Hotel. In "Visitor from Mamaroneck," a middle-aged married couple tries to rekindle their dying spark. In "Visitor from Hollywood," a film producer invites his childhood sweetheart to a hotel for sex. In "Visitor from Forest Hills," a bride has locked herself in the bathroom on her wedding day, with her parents desperate to get her out. *Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. 972-205-2790; garlandarts.com*

GARLAND: Sept. 28 Garland Guzzler 0.5K Race That's no typo, this is a .5K, which is only 546 yards, 500 meters, or 1,638 feet—perfect for couch potatoes or those too busy to train. Last year's inaugural event included lederhosen and yodeling, and this year's race includes more Oktoberfest-themed festivities such as games, food, and live music. The event is dog-friendly, so bring your best friend in their best costume to help you dash across the finish line. *Downtown Garland Square, 520 W. State St. 972-205-3896*

GATESVILLE: Sept. 14 Spurfest Enjoy old-time demonstrations, contests, music, a book signing by author Waylon Corgill, and more than 6,000 spurs in the Lloyd Mitchell Spur Collection. Admission is free. *Coryell Museum and Historical Center, 718 Main St. 254-865-5007; coryellmuseum.org*

GIDDINGS: Sept. 13-14 Texas Word Wrangler Book Festival Texas authors come to Giddings with children's stories, poetry, Texas cookbooks, historical fiction, mystery, romance, music, gardening, and anything related to Texas. Enjoy the day-long festival where authors sell their books and take questions. *Giddings Public Library and Cultural Center, 276 N. Orange St. 979-542-2716; texaswordwrangler.com*

GLEN ROSE: Sept. 13 Discovery After Dark Program And Tour Enjoy a guided sunset wildlife tour using spotlights to see exotic and native species. An after-dark hike caps off this three-hour event. *Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, 1789 CR 2009. 254-897-2960; fossilrim.org*

GLEN ROSE: Sept. 14 More Than Just A Chubby Unicorn This tour-and-dinner event begins with a trip to White Rhino Barn to meet with animal care specialists to discuss rhinos and see them up close. After the tour, enjoy a steak dinner with dessert and wine in the Overlook Cafe. This is an adults-only event. *Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, 1789 CR 2009. 254-897-2960; fossilrim.org*

GLEN ROSE: Sept. 21 Animal Care Specialist Tour and Dinner Ride along with the animal care expert on this behind-the-scenes tour that includes the Intensive Management Area with carnivores and black rhinos. Then enjoy a multi-course dinner and wine in the glass-walled pavilion near the wildlife watering hole. This event is for adults only. *Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, 3022 CR 2010. 254-897-2960; fossilrim.org*

GONZALES: Sept. 20-22 First Shot Cookoff Numerous people compete in the categories of macaroni, beans, chicken,

ribs, chili, and brisket. *JB Wells Arena and Expo Center, 2301 CR 197. 830-672-6558; firstshotcookoff.com*

GRANBURY: Sept. 1 Lighted Boat Parade Kick off Labor Day weekend and wrap up summer on Lake Granbury. This new tradition continues to grow every year, and it's worth the watch. Dozens of boats travel from bridge to bridge for this beautiful spectacle. *Lake Granbury, 505 E. Pearl St. 682-936-4550; granburysquare.com/2019-big-events*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 13-15 Mid Autumn Festival Enjoy three nights of music, food, games, lion dances, and a lantern parade. *Asia Times Square, 2625 W. Pioneer Parkway. 972-975-5100; asiaticsquare.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 14 Frank Sinatra Tribute Featuring Dave Halston More than an impersonation, Halston delivers a stunning interpretation of that familiar style and swagger. The resemblance is so remarkable that some insist he's lip-synching. Critics say the same thing again and again: "Just close your eyes, and it's Frank!" *Uptown Theater, 120 E. Main St. 972-237-8786; uptowntheatergp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 14 Lenny Kravitz in Concert The four-time Grammy-winning singer/songwriter has had a 20-year ca-

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reer, one which revels in the rich influences of '60s and '70s soul, rock, and funk. *Theatre at Grand Prairie, 1001 Performance Parkway. 972-854-5050; theatregp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 17 JoJo Siwa in Concert Known for her signature bows, the Nickelodeon and YouTube star performs with special guests The Belles. *Theatre at Grand Prairie, 1001 Performance Parkway. 972-854-5050; theatregp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 20-22 American Indian Pow Wow See colorful tribal dances, arts and crafts, tipis, and honoring ceremonies at this 57th annual event. Shop from more than 3,200 vendors, and enjoy more than 10 carnival rides and delicious food. *Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road. 972-647-2331; tradersvillage.com/grandprairie*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 20-21, 27-28 Live Quarter Horse Racing Catch the fun and excitement of world-class quarter horse racing. *Lone Star Park, 1000 Lone Star Parkway. 972-263-7223; lonestarpark.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Sept. 26 Taste of Grand Prairie Enjoy free samples of local food at this 12th annual event. Meet with a variety of businesses and crafters, and ride on some spectacular rides. *Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road. 972-647-2331; tradersvillage.com/grandprairie*

GRANDVIEW: Sept. 20-22 Antique Alley Texas and 30-Plus Miles of Shopping What started in 1999 as a sidewalk sale in Grandview and a yard sale near Cleburne has grown into a 30-plus-mile biannual community event. Scattered and well worth the "treasure hunt" between Grandview, Cleburne, Alvarado, Maypearl, Venus, and Sand Flat, and along the way, each location should provide parking. State law prohibits parking on state highways. Treasures galore, family friendly, live entertainment, and so much more. *300 E. Criner St. 817-666-5024; antiquealleytexas.com*


GRAPEVINE: Sept. 2, 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29 Grapevine Vintage Railroad Train Excursions Travel along the Historic Cotton Belt Route between Grapevine and the Fort Worth Stockyards. Unique train ride options are provided as well as a variety of special fall events, including a Labor Day Train. *Cotton Belt Depot, 705 S. Main St. 817-410-3185; gvrr.com*

GRAPEVINE: Sept 6-7 GrapeFest Pre-Festival Events In the days leading up to GrapeFest, enjoy events such as Italian CarFest, GrapeFest Golf Classic, and the Texas Wine Tribute Gala & Auc-

tion. *Various locations. 817-410-3185; grapevinetexasusa.com/grapefest*

GRAPEVINE: Sept. 12-15 GrapeFest: A Texas Wine Experience Enjoy four days of family-friendly festival fun at the largest wine festival in the Southwest—the 33rd annual event. *Various locations. 817-410-3185; grapevinetexasusa.com/grapefest*

GREENVILLE: Sept. 21 Cotton Patch Bike Challenge The 23rd annual Cotton Patch Bike Challenge takes place in and around Greenville with routes that are 12, 21, 35, 46, 61, and 74 miles long. Join in for a weekend of bicycle events, live entertainment, food, and family fun. *Registration at Landon Winery, 2508 Lee St. 903-457-5986; cottonpatchchallenge.com*



FIND MORE EVENTS ONLINE

Texas Highways Events Calendar listings can be found online with additional details about these events and others. Visit texashighways.com/events or traveltexas.com for a searchable list of events.

HONEY GROVE: Sept. 28 Davy Crockett Festival Local legend says that Davy Crockett wrote home about this special spot in Texas after his men found honey in the trees here during their stop on the way to fight at the Alamo. He said there were game, trees, and "bees aplenty," and that when he got through with this little skirmish, he planned to come back and settle in this little honey grove. As history tells us, Crockett did not survive the Alamo, but his friend Samuel Erwin moved to the area, settled, built a home, and named the place Honey Grove in memorial to his friend. The rest, as they say, is history. For the past 50 years, this festival has honored that legend with a pancake breakfast, followed by street vendors and music around the square, a kids bike rodeo, a mutt strut, and even occasional sightings of old Davy himself. *Downtown Square. 903-378-3112; honeygrovechamber.org*

IRVING: Sept. 28 Park Place Luxury and Supercar Showcase The third annual showcase represents some of the most coveted brands in the world including Rolls-Royce, Maserati, McLaren, Bentley, Porsche, Mercedes-Benz, Lexus, Volvo, Land Rover, and Jaguar. There are fashion, food, and retail offerings; music performances; and beverages. Within the event is a juried Collectors' Concours, featuring a diverse selection of rare supercars, plus luxury, sports, vintage, and classic cars from private collectors. Highland Park Village presents a runway show with retail pop-ups for guests, and the Haute Hat Contest returns, with guests encouraged to pair a hat with their favorite resort-inspired ensemble. *Four Seasons Resort and Club Dallas at Las Colinas, 4150 North MacArthur Blvd. 855-371-6345; parkplace.com/supercarshowcase*

LA GRANGE: Aug. 29-Sept. 1 Fayette County Fair Enjoy a true Texas county fair with a queens pageant, Little Miss and Mister contest, a carnival, a parade, Senior Citizens Day, a country store, creative arts, livestock shows, 4-H exhibits, a horse show, agricultural exhibits, a flower house, horseshoe and washer pitching, a fun run, a barbecue cookoff, food, indoor and outdoor vendors, and loads of entertainment. Country music star Josh Turner headlines this year. *Fayette County Fair Grounds, 400 Fair Grounds Road. 979-968-3911; fayettecountyfair.org*

LEWISVILLE: Aug. 31-Sept. 1 Texas International Pop Festival Relive the groovy music experience of the festival's 50th anniversary celebration on Labor Day Weekend. The event commemorates the 1969 festival that drew 120,000 visitors to see performances by rock legends such as Janis Joplin, Led Zeppelin, Grand Funk Railroad, and B.B. King. *Lake Park Golf Course, 600 Sandy Beach Road. 972-219-3401; visitlewistexas.com*

LEWISVILLE: Sept. 28-29 Western Days This event features great music, food, and activities for the whole family. There are five stages of entertainment, a tamale-eating contest, and a car show for the 20,000 festival-goers. Admission is free until 7 p.m. each day. *Wayne Ferguson Plaza in Old Town, 150 W. Church St. 972-219-3401; lewisvillewesterndays.com*

LOCKHART: Sept. 27-29 Western Swing and Barbecue Festival This yearly, three-day festival celebrates Western swing music—the official music of Texas—and barbecue in the Barbecue Capital of Texas. Events include the Texas Western Swing Hall of Fame Show, where pioneers of Western swing are inducted; Western swing music on seven stages; and the offi-

cial festival dance under the stars. *Downtown Lockhart, 110 S. Main St. 512-745-0659; lockhartfest.com*

LULING: Sept. 15-24 Reflections of Texas and Beyond Art Show The 16th annual show celebrates the early art shows hosted by Edgar B. Davis. This show opens with a reception and the presentation of awards. *Luling Oil Museum, 421 E. Davis St. 830-875-5220; lulingoilmuseum.org*

MANSFIELD: Sept. 7 Music Alley This music and arts festival has four stages of live music, a kids area, an old-school '80s arcade, artist exhibitions, and food trucks. *Historic Downtown Mansfield, 109 N. Main St. 817-728-3382; mansfieldmusicalley.com*

MCGREGOR: Sept. 20-21 Founders Day Enjoy food, vendor booths, live music, a kids zone, contests, a petting zoo, and family fun. Events include a cutest baby contest, singing contest, washer tournaments with payouts, and a concert the night before. *Downtown McGregor, 401 S. Main St. 254-840-2292; mcgregorfoundersday.com*

MCKINNEY: Through Dec. 31 "McKinney Then and Now" Travel back in time with this exhibit that focuses on McKinney history. Various types of audio/visual aids are

available along with augmented reality experiences. *Collin County History Museum, 300 E. Virginia St. 972-542-9457; collincountyhistorymuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Through Sept. 30 Native Texas Butterfly House and Garden Walk among free-flying native butterflies and other pollinators in the Native Texas Butterfly House and Garden. The butterfly house includes native species, which vary by season and what is available from suppliers. The butterfly garden is filled with host plants that naturally attract these lovely creatures. You may even find a few ideas to try in your own garden. *Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place. 972-562-5566; heardmuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Aug. 31-Feb. 17 Dinosaurs Live! Encounter the 46-foot-tall T. rex and nine new life-size animatronic dinosaurs along the nature trails at the 14th annual exhibit. The exhibit always gives families and friends a fun, educational activity to enjoy together. See the dinosaurs move and hear them roar. A photo op and play-area dinosaurs are available as well. This year, the exhibit also features an outdoor fossil dig. The dinosaur trail is jogging stroller friendly (it is not suitable for

strollers with small wheels or wheelchairs). *Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place. 972-562-5566; heardmuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Sept. 13-15 Third Monday Trade Days This is the oldest and largest monthly trade days and flea market in North Texas. Shop from more than 450 vendors and find unique gifts, home decor, trendy clothing and accessories, sporting goods, antiques and collectibles, and specialty items along with many carnivalesque food concessions at this open-air market. Free admission. *4550 W. University Drive. 972-562-5466; thirddaytradedays.com*

MCKINNEY: Sept. 22 McKinney Community Band Fall Concert The McKinney Community Band presents its annual fall concert. This family-friendly event also features a "musical petting zoo" to give kids the opportunity to get their hands on real instruments. The concert is free and no tickets are required. *McKinney Performing Arts Center, 111 N. Tennessee. 972-547-2650; mckinneyband.com*

MCKINNEY: Sept. 27-29 McKinney Oktoberfest Enjoy authentic German music, food and drink, traditional costumes, danc-




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MESQUITE: Sept. 7 Dallas Art Dealers Association Art Walk Art enthusiasts, private and corporate collectors, artists, designers, and visitors to Dallas can enjoy a full spectrum of gallery openings, special exhibitions, and art talks. *Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway Ave. 972-216-6444; cityofmesquite.com*

MESQUITE: Sept. 14, 28 The Marketplace Shop for local fare from artisans, growers, and crafters on the second and fourth Saturday from April through October. *Downtown Mesquite, 150 W. Main St. 972-216-6450; cityofmesquite.com*

MESQUITE: Sept. 14 The Mesquite Symphony Orchestra: The Power of Nature Do we only believe what we see or read, or what our imagination tells us could be true? Join the Mesquite Symphony Orchestra as it takes you on a powerful symphonic journey. *Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway Ave. 972-216-6444; cityofmesquite.com/158/arts-center*

NEW BERLIN: Sept. 1 Sausage Festival It's the 68th annual event to benefit the New Berlin Fire Department and Community Club on the day before Labor Day. Delight in homemade sausage plates, silent and live auctions, bingo, a raffle, rides, children's games, and a country store. There is also a free dance with live music by Clint Taft and the Buckwild Band. *New Berlin Community Center, 8815 FM 775. 210-343-9570*

PARKER: Aug. 30-Sept. 1 Music Fest at Southfork Ranch At the second annual festival, enjoy three days of musical talent with renowned artists in blues, country, jazz, Latin, R&B, and Southern soul. Enjoy mouthwatering food and browse for unique arts and crafts. Take home the memories with quality festival souvenirs. *Southfork Ranch, 3700 Hogge Drive. 972-442-7800; musicfest-southforkranch.com*

PLANO: Sept. 2 Labor Day Party at the Texas Pool Celebrate the last days of summer with a Texas pool party on Labor Day. Enjoy hot dogs and an open snack bar, play traditional pool games, and enter the cannonball contest. Make a donation to the Texas Pool Foundation and score a chance to win a Texas Pool T-shirt. Coolers with

food and nonalcoholic beverages are welcome. *The Texas Pool, 901 Springbrook Drive. 972-881-8392; texaspool.org*

PLANO: Sept. 5 Courtyard Texas Music Series: Courtney Patton and Jason Eady On his last two albums, Eady earned major acclaim for his ahead-of-the-curve take on classic country, a bold departure from his earlier excursions into blues-infused Americana. Now with his sixth album, the Mississippi-bred singer/guitarist merges his distinct sensibilities into a stripped-down, roots-oriented sound that starkly showcases the gritty elegance of his songwriting. Patton is a mother, a wife, a producer, a singer, and a songwriter. She is also a storyteller, with a Texas twang that belts out deep and soulful country music. All seating is reserved. *Courtyard Theater, 1509 H Ave. 972-941-5600; visitplano.com/events*

PLANO: Sept. 12 Downtown Plano Art and Wine Walk: Corks and Classics Attendees sample select wines around the neighborhood while enjoying live music, local art, and shopping. There are approximately 20 wine stops each month, with each location serving a different wine. Attendees keep track of the locations they visit on their tasting cards, then turn in their cards to enter the raffle drawing in McCall Plaza. Participants must be present to win. *Downtown Plano Arts District, 1013 E. 15th St. 972-922-1292; planomagazine.com/wine*

PLANO: Sept. 20-22 InTouch Credit Union Plano Balloon Festival 2019 marks 40 years of ballooning in Plano. The three-day event offers live music and entertainment, a parachute team exhibition, a kids fun zone, tons of food, merchandise and handmade products, and more than 40 hot air balloons. *Oak Point Park & Nature Preserve, 5901 Los Rios Blvd. 972-867-7566; planoballoonfest.org*

PLANO: Sept. 21-22 Plano Balloon Festival Half Marathon/10K/5K/1K All participants in each distance receive a commemorative finisher medal and two tickets to the InTouch Credit Union Plano Balloon Festival, plus parking on race day. *Red Tail Amphitheater, 2801 E. Spring Creek Parkway. 972-867-7566; planoballoonfest.org*

PLANO: Sept. 26 Plano Magazine Beer Walk This event combines the two favorite things of any self-respecting Plano citizen: shopping and drinking beer. The walk includes craft brews, live music, prizes, a chance to meet the brewers, pop-up vendors, and Willow Bend store discounts. This event is family friendly and guests are welcome to bring their children along to shop. Just be responsible and have a plan for get-

ting home safely. *The Shops at Willow Bend, 6121 W. Park Blvd. 972-489-8301; planomagazine.com/beer-walk*

ROUND TOP: Sept. 19-Oct. 6 Fall Antiques Show Shop more than 100 antique venues across Round Top, Carmine, Burton, Warrenton, and the Winedale area. *110 Schumann Lane. 979-249-4042; exploreroundtop.com/antiques*

SALADO: Sept. 20-22 Salado Culinary Festival Local businesses and artists offer one-of-a-kind experiences to share their crafts and flavors. This year's theme is chocolate: Start your weekend off with a chocolate dinner or even a fun experience with the local fudge maker. Be sure to include Salado Winery's fourth annual Grape Stomp and Harvest Festival in your schedule. *Village of Salado, Main Street. 254-947-8634; visitsaladotexas.com/events-calendar*

SALADO: Sept. 27 Fourth Friday On every fourth Friday, sip and shop in downtown Salado with more than 25 boutiques, art galleries, wineries, and more. Complimentary drinks and snacks are available at some locations. *Historic Downtown Salado, Main Street. 254-947-0888; facebook.com/salado4thfriday*

SANGER: Sept. 14 Sanger Sellabration The 41st annual event hosts more than 5,000 people. Festivities include live music, vendors, kids and teens zones, numerous stage performances, the Little Miss and Mr. Sanger pageant, a pie-eating contest, weiner dog races, street-dancing, and a variety of festival foods all in a street-fair atmosphere. There is no entry fee. *Historic Downtown Sanger, 300 Bolivar St. 940-458-7702; sangertexas.com/sellabration*

SERBIN: Sept. 22 Texas Wendish Festival Learn about the Wendish and their culture. Hear the Sunday service at St. Paul's in either English or German and enjoy church tours. There is Wendish Easter-egg decorating, sauerkraut and noodle making, vintage machinery, spinning, quilting, a tractor exhibit, blacksmithing, homemade soap, sausage stuffing, a silent auction, washer-pitching contest, coffee-cake bakeoff, a live auction, a cross-cut saw competition, and children's activities. *Museum Complex and St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1011 CR 212. 979-366-2441; texaswendish.org*

SHERMAN: Sept. 14 Hispanic Heritage Festival Celebrate Texoma's Hispanic heritage with an event that includes live music, food vendors, and a fantastic celebration. *Lucy Kidd-Key Park, 405 N. Rusk St. 903-819-1869; hhctexoma.org*

SHERMAN: Sept. 21 Sherman Arts Fest The 38th annual event features musical acts

and other live performances on two stages throughout the day, chalk art, a huge Kids Alley, food and beverage vendors, arts and crafts vendors, a woodcarving exhibit, youth and adult art shows, art history displays, and the Sherman Education Foundation 5K. *Lucy Kidd-Key Park, 405 N. Rusk St. 903-892-7230; facebook.com/shermantx*

SHINER: Sept. 1 Shiner Catholic Church Fall Picnic The 98th annual event includes three meats and trimmings. A country store is available with kolaches, pigs in a blanket, and canned and baked goods. A big country auction sells cattle, homemade quilts, and Spoetzl Brewery memorabilia. Enjoy music all day including the Shiner Hobo Band, arts and crafts booths, old-fashioned bingo, a grocery wheel, ball throwing, a fish pond, ring toss, and wheel of fortune. *KC Park, 102 S. Avenue G. 361-594-3836; sscmshiner.org*

STEPHENVILLE: Sept. 26 Urban Cowboy Nite Enjoy a night under the stars featuring music from two-time Grammy winners Riders in the Sky with various tunes from "Toy Story" and salutes to Will Rogers among their lineup. Grab lawn chairs and join friends and family for this free event. *Birdsong Amphitheater at Stephenville City Park, 709 Riverside Drive. 254-965-6190; ctfac.com*

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Sept. 20-21 Lone Star Heritage Quilt Show The 20th annual quilt show has more than 120 quilts on display as well as vendors, speakers, door prizes, free demonstrations, children's activities, and a quilt raffle. *First Baptist Church R.O.C., 115 Putman St. 903-235-5700; sulphurspringstxquilts.com*

TEMPLE: Sept. 6 First Friday On the first Friday of every month, historic downtown Temple transforms into a giant party. Enjoy street music and performances, drinks, food, and after-hours shopping. *Downtown Temple, Main Street. 254-298-5378; discoverdowntowntemple.com*

TEMPLE: Sept. 7 Homespun History Day Step back to a time before modern machinery and automation, when many of the items we use every day were made by hand. Come and see how craftspeople create beautiful handmade works of art and household goods through traditional methods like weaving and metal working. *Temple Railroad and Heritage Museum, 315 W. Avenue B. 254-298-5378; templerrhm.org*

TEMPLE: Sept. 21-22 Temple Model Train Show Train enthusiasts enjoy model train exhibits, operating layouts, memorabilia, and a carnival of train exhibits for all ages at this 37th annual show. *Mayborn Civic and Convention Center, 3303 N. Third St. 254-727-2155; centramodrr.com*



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WACO: Through Sept. 8 “Be the Astronaut” This exhibit premiered at Space Center Houston to record-breaking crowds and teaches STEM-based content via a fusion of state-of-the-art video game technology and traditional exhibits. Visitors learn about the challenges and excitement of spaceflight, then apply that knowledge as they fly the spaceships, pilot the landers, and drive the rovers in a thrilling narrative adventure to orbit Earth, the moon, Mars, Ceres, and Jupiter. *Mayborn Museum Complex, 1300 S. University Parks Drive. 254-710-6558; baylor.edu/mayborn*

WACO: Sept. 5 The Stars Over Texas Jamboree This is a family-friendly music stage show presented the first Thursday of the month. Shows rotate between country and oldies, the anniversary edition in September, and the Christmas edition in December. *Lee Lockwood Library and Museum, 2801 W. Waco Drive. 254-755-7257; facebook.com/thestarsovertexasjamboree*

WACO: Sept. 14 Down on the Bayou Cajun Celebration Dance and indulge in the tastes of a New Orleans-inspired dinner complete with an open bar of beer and wine. Auction proceeds ensure that work continues to help at-risk youth in Waco. *Knox Center, Texas Ranger Hall of Fame and Museum, 100 Texas Ranger Trail. 254-202-8480; youthconnectionwaco.wordpress.com/down-on-the-bayou*

WACO: Sept. 21 Heart of Texas Wine and Food Festival This festival is the major fundraiser of the Humane Society of Central Texas. Patrons may taste more than 200 wines and sample food from more than 30 restaurants. Event activities include live entertainment; a V.I.P. “Top Dog” area; sports area with beer, a barbecue cookoff, and the day’s sporting events on three big-screen TVs; the Red Carpet Dog Walk featuring adoptable shelter dogs; a large silent auction; and the famous “Cork Pull.” *McLane Stadium, 1001 S. M.L.K. Jr. Blvd. 254-754-1454; wacowinefestival.com*

WACO: Sept. 21 Skittles Waco Wild West 100 This bicycle tour has a route for everyone, including a family 10-mile route to a 105-mile route. All trails take you in and around Waco’s most beautiful sites. Proceeds from this ride benefit the Be The Match Registry and various other local organizations. A family tradition for people all over Texas, the Waco Wild West 100 has been around for 33 years. *Waco Convention Center, 100 Washington Ave. 254-447-4740; wacowildwest100.com*

WAXAHACHIE: Sept. 21 C10s in the Park This Chevy truck show features more than 800 C10 trucks and live music. *Getzen-*

daner Park, 400 S. Grand Ave. 469-309-4040; c10sinthepark.com

WAXAHACHIE: Sept. 27-Oct. 26 SCREAMS Halloween Theme Park The world’s largest Halloween theme park is complete with major attractions that you can tour as many times as you like, scores of professional actors, activities, food and drink, and games. *SCREAMS Halloween Theme Park, 2511 FM 66. 972-938-3247; screamspark.com*

WAXAHACHIE: Sept. 28 Chautauqua Assembly The history of the Chautauqua is celebrated with reenactments, exhibits, and entertainment. *Chautauqua Auditorium, 400 S. Grand Ave. 469-309-4040; waxahachiechautauqua.org*

WAXAHACHIE: Sept. 29 Farm Heritage Day Enjoy a fun afternoon in the country celebrating the living history of farm life and skills of late 19th and early 20th century family farms, with a particular emphasis on fun and educational children’s activities. Admission and activities are free. *Ellis County Rural Heritage Farm Inc., 130 Cunningham Meadows Road. 972-937-0681; ruralheritagefarm.org*

SOUTH TEXAS PLAINS

EAGLE PASS: Sept. 15 Dieciseis de Septiembre (Mexico Independence) Celebration Celebrate Mexican Independence Day with food booths and the traditional “grito,” or shout, for independence. *San Juan Plaza, 600 Madison St. 830-773-9255*

GOLIAD: Sept. 7-8 The Calm Before the Storm Living historians and reenactors bring to life the tense moments just before the Texan War for Independence erupted onto Presidio La Bahia. Learn about the daily life of a Mexican soldier stationed at the Presidio. Watch and listen in as these soldiers prepare for the coming storm and visit with them about what the impending war would mean for the common soldier of Santa Anna’s grand army. *Presidio La Bahia, 217 US 183. 361-645-3752*

GOLIAD: Sept. 14 Goliad Market Days This market has vendors placed around the beautiful courthouse square. The vendors and variety change each month, but typically there are 100 or more vendors in attendance. Local shops and restaurants are open with unique clothing, arts, and home decor. *Downtown Goliad, 231 S. Market St. 361-645-3563; goliadcc.org*

SAN ANTONIO: Through Sept. 1 “SaddleUP—Texas Ranching Traditions” Experience real Texas ranchers who meet modern challenges while preserving their traditions. Through photographs and video,

see hard-working cowboys and cowgirls come to life as they ride, rope, and rodeo the same way their parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents did before them. Just like their forebears, today’s family ranchers wrangle livestock, battle weather, and study markets to stay on the rugged landscape they love. *UTSA Institute of Texan Cultures, HemisFair Campus, 801 E. César E. Chávez Blvd. 210-458-2237; texancultures.com/exhibit/saddleup2019*

SAN ANTONIO: Sept. 1 ¡Eso Es! A Latinx Music Texas Tour This new, four-city tour offers a lineup including Neon Indian, Empress Of, Bidi Bidi Banda (A Tribute to Selena), and Luna Luna. Each city show has a different DJ from that city kickoff the evening. The acts represent a mix of Latinx artists making waves both regionally and nationally, and the lineup spans genres. *Paper Tiger, 2410 N. St. Mary’s St.*

SAN ANTONIO: Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28 Saturday Night Rodeo This rodeo in the San Antonio suburb of Bulverde features all types of Texas entertainment, from live music and dancing to mechanical bulls, mutton’ bustin, and calf scrambles. Enjoy beer, wine, and soft drinks coupled with barbecue, tacos, steak, burgers, and more. *Tejas Rodeo Company, 401 Obst Road. 830-980-2226; tejasrodeo.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Sept. 15 Hotel Emma’s Sunday Supper with Chef Abraham Salum After growing up in Mexico City, Salum moved to the U.S. to attend the New England Culinary Institute in Vermont. He’s cooked at the James Beard House in New York City twice, as well as culinary festivals and events like Prazeres da Mesa in Brazil. This event includes a menu reflecting Chef Abraham’s take on seasonal New American and contemporary Mexican cuisine. *Hotel Emma, 136 E. Grayson St. 210-448-8325; thehotelemma.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Sept. 15 Mariachi Lab This showcase of mariachi talent from San Antonio includes high school, all-female, and top-level professional performers. Pearl also hosts informational workshops for children to learn about the rich history and culture behind the genre. *Pearl Brewery, 303 Pearl Parkway. atpearl.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Sept. 28 Pachanga de Palabras: A Westside Book Festival Join Echale Books, a traveling, bookselling popup, for a book festival. There are poets, book and zine vendors (self-published books), free workshops/activities for folks of all ages, and live music. The festival includes lots of Spanish and bilingual literature. *Plaza Guadalupe, 1327 El Paso St. 956-354-4396*

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If you're looking to let loose this fall, Seguin invites you to "go nuts" at its annual **Pecan Festival and Heritage Days** Oct. 26–28. The weekend celebrates all things pecan and the city in which they thrive—as the home to three record-holding nuts (the world's largest pecan, the world's largest pecan on wheels, and the world's largest collection of nutcrackers). The festival features something for everyone: trade days for shoppers, culinary favorites for foodies, and for history buffs—a chance to experience life as an early settler at the Texas Agricultural and Heritage Education Center or a haunting tour of the Magnolia Hotel. Break out of your shell and spend time in this little town known for its nutty festivities. seguingonuts.com



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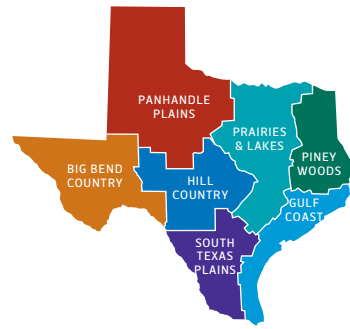
Prefer your entertainment creepier and kookier? During Wichita Falls' annual **Zombie Crawl**, the downtown district is flooded with the undead for one night only—Oct. 26. Participants and onlookers alike gather for an evening of freakish fanfare with a zombie photo booth, live music, zombie improv, costume contests, and scavenger hunts. Plus, there's no need to get a sitter—this event is for gore fans of all ages. The preferred mode of transportation is the walk of the undead, so cue up that "Thriller" music video to relearn those famous zombie dance moves, grab some monster makeup, and start planning your deadly look. downtownwff.com



OKTOBERFEST, ISLAND-STYLE

Galveston kicks off its 38th annual **Island Oktoberfest** Oct. 5–27 with three stages of live entertainment, an expansive menu of authentic German food and drinks, children's activities, shopping, arts and crafts, and more. With free admission, guests can look forward to biergartens featuring a variety of German beers and wines, and a smorgasbord of food including strudel, smoked

sausages, bratwurst, knockwurst, and Wurstabendessen—a sausage dinner comprised of German- and Polish-style wurst with all the traditional sides. Traditional German garb is highly encouraged. For those looking to take home a token of Bavarian culture, the historic and recently renovated Galveston Lyceum houses a vendor showcase of handcrafted goods. All proceeds benefit programs and outreach for First Lutheran Church in Galveston. galvestonoktoberfest.com



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Dates for events listed in this calendar are subject to change. Please confirm dates in advance by calling the number listed or by contacting the local chamber of commerce or convention and visitors bureau.

BIG BEND COUNTRY

- ALPINE: Oct. 5 Big Bend Comic Con**
This celebration of popular culture in the high desert mountains offers special guests, talks, vendors, art contests, and games. *Espero Conference Center, 400 N. Harrison St. facebook.com/bigbendcomiccon*
- ALPINE: Oct. 5-6 Wild West Bird Fest**
Enjoy a weekend of birding activities featuring the Wings Over Alpine live birds of prey demonstration at a historic amphitheatre. *Kokernot Lodge, 1100 Loop Road. facebook.com/wildwestbirdfest*
- ALPINE: Oct. 12 Harry Potter Halloween Dinner**
Come dressed for a delectable dinner with some of the famous treats from "Harry Potter." Guests are sorted into houses upon arrival. There are two seatings: One for families, and one for adults only. *Holland Hotel, 209 W. Holland Ave. 432-837-2800; thehollandhoteltexas.com*
- ALPINE: Oct. 12 NCOM**
America's premier 1,000-, 383-, and 208-mile ultra bicycle road race features solo, tandem, and relay categories. *Quarter Circle 7 Hotel, 2800 US 90. ultradex.net/ncom-home*
- ALPINE: Oct. 26 Zombie Pub Crawl**
Have a macabre fun time before Halloween as local and visiting zombies shamble from stop to stop through downtown Alpine. *Railroad Blues, 504 W. Holland Ave.*
- DEL RIO: Oct. 19-20 Fiesta De Amistad**
The city of Del Rio has a close relationship

with its sister city of Ciudad Acuña, Mexico, and this festival celebrates that friendship. Activities include an arts and crafts fair. *Greenwood Park, Greenwood Street. 830-775-3551*

EL PASO: Sept. 28-Oct. 26 Chopin Music Festival
This year marks the 25th anniversary of this festival that celebrates the music of Frederic Chopin. There are also piano works by other composers and this year, two young artists are presenting encore performances. *Chamizal National Memorial Theatre, 800 S. San Marcial St. 915-584-1595; facebook.com/elpasochopinmusicfestival*

EL PASO: Oct. 4 La Adictiva de San Jose in Concert
Originally from the town of Mescillas Concordia, Sinaloa, the band formed 28 years ago and found success, claiming the regional Mexican music genre as their own. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Oct. 5 Andre Reyes in Concert
Reyes (guitar and voice), formerly of the Gipsy Kings, brings favorite songs to the stage, including "Bamboleo" and "Volare," and mixes flamenco, rumba, and traditional Spanish sounds for a vibrant performance. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Oct. 11-13 Chalk the Block
This is a free, three-day public arts festival held each year. The event is an opportunity for artists in all disciplines to showcase their art with live painting, performances, live music, art installations, and art classes. Though not technically a "music festival," the CTB organizers feature top local musicians at the event every year. This can't-miss festival gathers thousands of people from the Southwest region for a weekend of art and fun. *The El Paso Downtown Arts District, 400 W. San Antonio Ave. 915-212-0110; chalktheblock.com*

EL PASO: Oct. 15 "Swan Lake"
Those faithful to the traditional version of "Swan Lake" must see the Russian Ballet Theatre's new production of Tchaikovsky's timeless classic. Dancers bring choreographer Nadezhda Kalinina's vision to life along with new hand-painted sets and 150 new hand-sewn costumes. Designed by the accomplished Sergei Novikov, these are in the century-old tradition of the great theatrical masters. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Oct. 19-20 Hueco Tanks Interpretative Fair
This free, two-day event includes Native American dancing and drumming, a buffalo soldier encampment, folkloric dancers, pictograph and birding tours, climbing demonstrations, environ-

mental and cultural information booths, and an evening campfire storytelling program. *Hueco Tanks State Park, 6900 Hueco Tanks Road No. 1. 915-857-1135; tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/hueco-tanks*

EL PASO: Oct. 22-27 "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"
Roald Dahl's tale is now El Paso's golden ticket. Enjoy songs from the original film, including "Pure Imagination," "The Candy Man," and "I've Got a Golden Ticket," alongside a toe-tapping new score from the songwriters of "Hairspray." Willy Wonka is opening his marvelous and mysterious chocolate factory to a lucky few. That includes Charlie Bucket, whose bland life is about to burst with color and confection beyond his wildest dreams. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Oct. 27-28 Boo at the Zoo
This wild trick-or-treating event has an expected attendance of more than 19,000 visitors over the two-day weekend, now with extended hours. The event offers a fun-filled day with trick-or-treat stations, animal encounters, children's activities, games, and frightfully delightful decorations. It's a fun and safe environment to celebrate Halloween along with the zoo's exotic and wild animals. *El Paso Zoo, 4001 E. Paisano Drive. 915-212-0966; elpasozoo.org*

EL PASO: Oct. 31 Hozier in Concert
Multi-platinum singer/songwriter Hozier released his sophomore album "Wasteland, Baby!," which debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard Album Chart and on the Top 200 chart. The 14-track LP is available globally and includes current singles "Movement" and "Almost (Sweet Music)" as well as "Dinner and Diatribes." *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

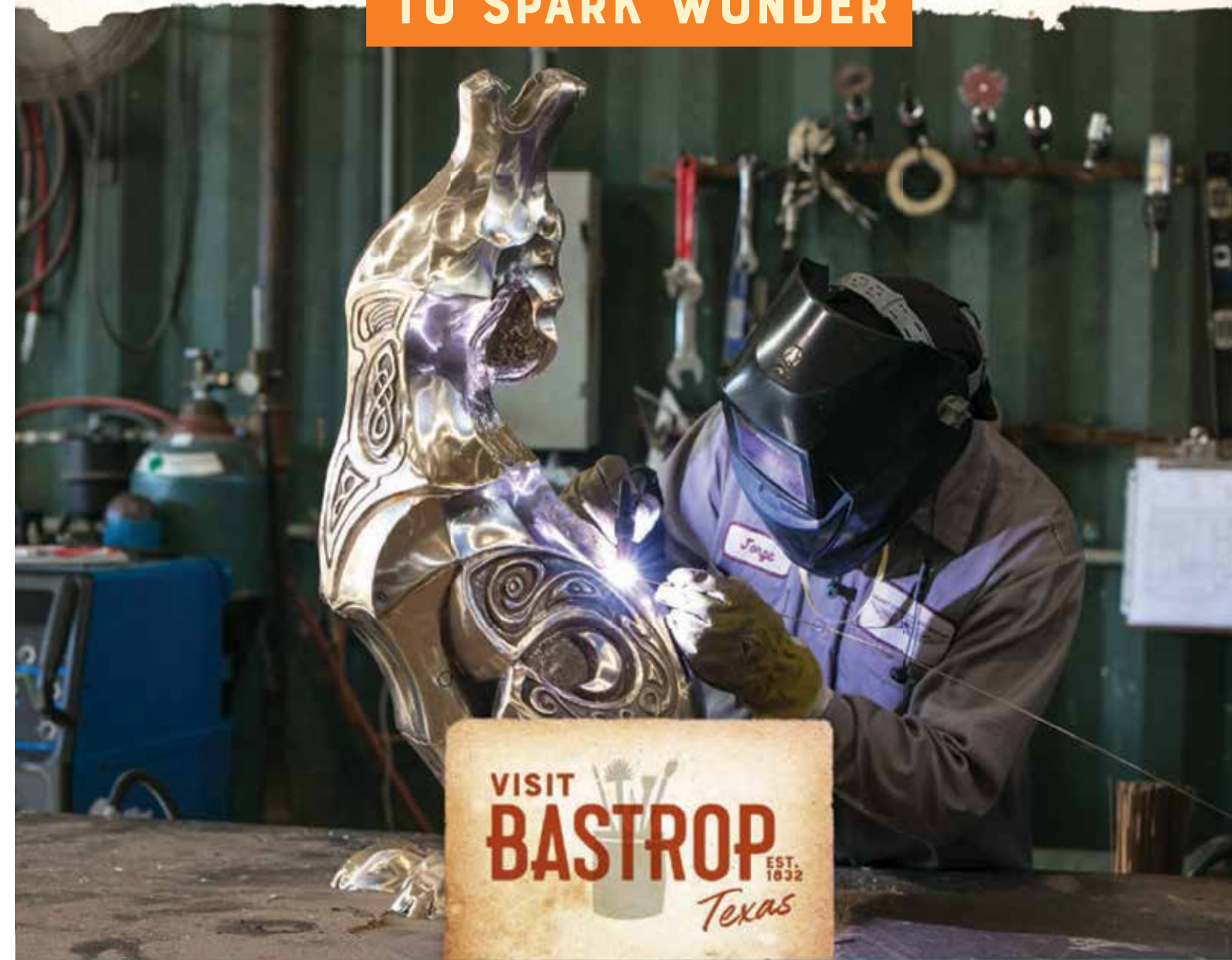
FORT DAVIS: Oct. 11-13 Open Weekend at Davis Mountains Preserve
The Nature Conservancy's Davis Mountains Preserve opens for hiking, biking, equestrian activities, picnics, photography, and birding on selected days. *Davis Mountains Preserve, SH 118, 25 miles northwest of Fort Davis, 10 miles past McDonald Observatory. 432-426-2390; nature.org*

MONAHANS: Oct. 25-26 Remote Plane Fly-In
Remote plane owners from all over gather to fly and demonstrate various types of remote planes. *Ward County Event Center, 1525 E. Monahans Parkway. 432-943-2187; monahans.org*

PECOS: Oct. 4-5 Reeves County Fall Fair
Enjoy two days of fun, games, food, a variety of vendors, quilt and food shows, art exhibits, and arts and crafts at the 74th annual fair. *Reeves County Civic Center, 1500 S. Cedar St. 432-445-2406; visitpecos.com*

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ALVIN: Oct. 5 Oktoberfest The 13th annual event celebrates German heritage with a delicious meal of smoked pork loin, red cabbage, German potato salad, sauerkraut, and smoked sausage. Other foods include hot dogs, sausage on a stick, and many homemade desserts. Live entertainment is provided by Nick and The Groove, and there are live and silent auctions, games, and craft booths. Fifty percent of proceeds go to support local charities. *Alvin Lutheran Church, 1800 FM 1462. 281-331-5457; alvinlutheran.org*

BAYTOWN: Oct. 26 Heritage Scaritage Festival Ring in fall with arts and crafts vendors, delicious festival food, tours of the authentic 1894 one-room school and 1910 farmhouse, living history reenactments, wool spinning demonstrations, a Native American tipi, fiddle/banjo music, scarecrows, pumpkin decorating, face painting, and games. *Republic of Texas Plaza, 5117 N. Main St. 281-421-2099; baytownhistory.org*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 5 Fire Prevention and Family Safety Festival Join Beaumont Fire Rescue and the Fire Museum of Texas as they partner with area businesses for a fun day of presenting safety techniques and behaviors to your family. There are exciting demonstrations, a children's bounce zone, free lunch and snacks, and an opportunity to learn potentially life-saving techniques for the entire family. Best of all, everything is free. *Fire Museum of Texas, 400 Walnut St. 409-880-3927; fmotassn.com*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 5 The Symphony of Southeast Texas: "The Piano Man Meets the Rocket Man" Remember when rock was young? The Pops program of the music of Elton John and Billy Joel rekindles those great memories provided by these pop music icons. Hear "Just The Way You Are," "Piano Man," "Circle of Life," and more hits. *Julie Rogers Theatre, 765 Pearl St. 409-892-2257; sost.org*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 12 Dogtoberfest Hosted by Beaumont Main Street, Dogtoberfest is located in "Central Bark," the green area next to the Julie Rogers Theatre. Enjoy the dog parade, a dog show, and contests throughout the event. Blue Daves Barbecue and Dat Mac provide the food. Sodas and water are available for purchase. *Julie Rogers Theatre, 765 Pearl St. 409-838-2202; dogtoberfestbeaumont.com*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 12 Oktoberfest Celebrate the German folk festival with a live polka performance by The Royal Klobasneks and food available for purchase.

chase. Don't forget about the beer, which is sold at a large beer garden. *Roger's Park, 1455 Dowlen Road. 409-838-3435; discoverbeaumont.com*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 19 Pumpkin Walk Use your creativity to decorate or carve a pumpkin and enter it in the contest. The "Best" pumpkin in several categories is selected by ballot and prizes are awarded, so gather your friends and family to come vote on your favorites. This event also includes a "haunted" tour of the 1845 French home with costumed actors portraying departed French family members, a haunted hayride on the grounds, and a pumpkin craft for the kids (while they last). *John Jay French Museum, 3025 French Road. 409-898-0348; beaumontheritage.org*



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BEAUMONT: Oct. 24 Haunted Halloween Happy Hour Wander the halls of this historic 1906 Chambers home with a one-of-a-kind look into the past. Guests of all ages enjoy a peek into the lives of departed Chambers family members portrayed by costumed actors. The dearly departed are present for one night only, so make plans to see them during this brief special appearance. Giglio Distributing Co. is showcasing seasonal craft beer, with wine and nonalcoholic beverages also available. *Chambers House Museum, 2240 Calder Ave. 409-832-4010; beaumontheritage.org*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 26 Dinosaur Day This educational program features outdoor activities for children to learn about dinosaurs and how fossils are found and studied. Activities include talks by professional

"dinosaur hunters" and hands-on activities. Every visitor can help make and paint huge papier-mâché dinosaurs and excavate their own dinosaur replica from a "fossil pit." Children's take-home activities include making paper rubbings of fossils, creating a stegosaurus hat, casting fossilized shells, and making fossil replicas. *Texas Energy Museum, 600 Main St. 409-833-5100; texasenergymuseum.org*

BEAUMONT: Oct. 26 Family Arts Day: Eat a Bug! Children and their families are invited to celebrate Halloween as well as the Day of the Dead by feasting on fried crickets, decorating sugar skulls, and enjoying a variety of exciting art activities and folk dancing by the Mexican Heritage Society. Face painting and refreshments round out the event. *Art Museum of Southeast Texas, 500 Main St. 409-832-3432; amset.org*

BRAZORIA: Oct. 15-31 Pumpkin Patch Pumpkins are for sale and decorated for children's photos. *Brazoria Civic Center, 202 W. Smith. 979-824-0455; brazoriahf.org*

CLUTE: Sept. 10-Oct. 13 Wild @ Art 2 Show Enjoy an art exhibit featuring wildlife. The center is closed on Mondays. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 25, 29 Planetarium Show The show features a 30-foot dome equipped with a Spitz Star Ball projector to produce the night sky as it appears to the naked eye, together with a large variety of high-tech equipment to give a close-up feel for things like comets, exploding stars, and black holes. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Oct. 15-Nov. 10 Moments of Light Art Show This art exhibit features different light influences. The center is closed on Mondays. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Oct. 24 Harvest Fun Fest Celebrate the season with games and costumes. *Clute Municipal Park, 100 Parkview Drive. 979-265-8392; clutetexas.gov*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Sept. 1-Nov. 30 Parrot Talk Visitor Interaction Botanical Gardens visitors meet and interact with several stars of the colorful exotic parrot collection along with animal care specialists and trainers. Photo opportunities are available. *South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Tortoise Tales Visitor Interactions Botanical Gardens visitors may interact

with and learn about the collection of large and small tortoises with the animal care specialists and trainers. Photo opportunities are available. *South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Oct. 11 Moonlight in the Tropics Dusk on the water, the moon rising to a starry sky, the warmth of soft music, palm trees in the breeze, the sounds of Jimmy Buffett in the background, plus drinks and island appetizers transport you to Moonlight in the Tropics. Enjoy a silent auction, pictures with parrots, a superb dinner, and dancing throughout the night. Colorful and tropical casual attire, sandals, or flip-flops are encouraged. This event benefits environmental programming and conservation at the South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center. *Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz International Center, 402 Harbor Drive. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

EDNA: Oct. 26 BRC Spooktacular Trail and Carnival The eighth annual event includes a costume contest, pumpkin contest, best campsite/cabin decorating contest, carnival games, hayrides, a craft zone, and a haunted trail. *Texana Park and Campground Pavilion, 46 Park Road 1. 361-782-5456; brackenridgepark.com*

EL CAMPO: Oct. 5 Prairie Days Festival The 11th annual festival is free with live music all day. Festivities include craft and food booths and children's activities. *Alamo Park, 226 W. First St. 979-543-2713; elcampoprairiedays.com*

FREEPORT: Oct. 13 Freeport Market Square Local vendors showcase homemade goods and farm-fresh items. *Freeport Historical Museum, 311 E. Park Ave. 979-233-0066; facebook.com/cfhmuseum*

FREEPORT: Oct. 26 Schuster Home Open House Built by the Schuster family in 1917, the same year the city of Freeport was incorporated, this home was a special place for family gatherings and holidays. It serves as an example of family life during the founding of Freeport. *Schuster Home, 1130 W. Second St. 979-297-0868; facebook.com/brazoshistoricalsociety*

GALVESTON: Oct. 5 "Million Dollar Quartet" The Tony Award-winning Broadway musical is inspired by the electrifying true story of Dec. 4, 1956, when four young musicians—Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins—gathered at Sun Records in Memphis for what would be one of the greatest rock 'n' roll jam sessions ever. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*



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GALVESTON: Oct. 10 "Miss Nelson Has a Field Day" This production is a fun-filled musical adaptation by Dallas Children's Theatre, based on the book by Harry Allard and James Marshall. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Oct. 12 "Give 'Em Hell, Harry!" Written by Samuel Gallu, this faithful and often humorous portrayal of President Harry S. Truman's life and presidency spans his childhood, his "political apprenticeship" as a judge in Jackson County, Missouri, his years in the U.S. Senate, and his two terms as president. Actor James Whitmore originated

the role in 1975. Clifton Truman Daniel took up the mantle in 2017, marking the first time in history a U.S. president would be portrayed onstage by a direct descendant—in this case, his oldest grandson. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Oct. 13 Galveston Symphony Orchestra Conducted by Trond Saeverud, this concert features Ethel Smyth, Wreckers Overture; Liszt, Piano Concerto No. 2; Evelyn Chen, piano; and Beethoven, Symphony No. 7. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Oct. 19-20 ARToberFEST

The 22nd annual outdoor fine arts festival features more than 100 artists throughout four blocks in Galveston's historic downtown Cultural Arts District. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Oct. 25 "Jekyll & Hyde"—Silent Film with Rob Landes on the Organ

An annual Halloween tradition, Landes reprises his specially created, totally improvised musical score for the showing of the silent film "Jekyll & Hyde." *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Oct. 25-26 Island Oktoberfest

Enjoy a full weekend of food, drinks, live performances, and dancing. Attendees are encouraged to dress in traditional German garb. *First Lutheran Church, 2415 Winnie St. islandoktoberfest.com*

GALVESTON: Oct. 26 Sir James Galway, Flautist—80th Birthday Celebration Tour

Globally renowned as a supreme interpreter of the classical flute repertoire and recipient of the Gramophone Lifetime Achievement award in 2014, Sir Galway is a performer whose appeal transcends all musical boundaries. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Oct 31-Nov. 3 Lone Star Motorcycle Rally

Experience the largest four-day biker rally in the country. The event features bike shows, live concerts, and celebrity appearances. *Downtown Galveston, Strand Street and Seawall locations. lonestarrally.com*

GROVES: Oct. 24-27 Pecan Festival

This local, small-town festival has food, rides, crafts, a parade, and a pageant. *Lions Park, 6200 Jackson St. 409-962-3631*

HARLINGEN: Oct. 31 Halloween on Jackson Street

Enjoy free trick-or-treating in downtown Harlingen. There are food trucks, a haunted house, and a costume parade. *Downtown Harlingen, 209 W. Jackson St. 956-622-5053; visitharlingentexas.com*

HOUSTON: Through Oct. 1 Sonic Playground: Yuri Suzuki

This work comprises six sculptures that invite park visitors to engage with sound in unusual and playful ways. It was created for the High Museum of Art by Suzuki—a Japan-born, London-based sound artist, designer, and electronic musician. *Discovery Green, 1500 McKinney St. 713-400-7336; discoverygreen.com*

HOUSTON: Oct. 4 Da Camera Presents Jon Scofield Quartet

Powerhouse jazz guitarist John Scofield makes his long-awaited

first appearance on Da Camera's stage. Scofield's stint with Miles Davis from 1982 to 1985 placed him firmly in the forefront of jazz as a player and composer. Since that time, he has prominently led his own groups, recorded more than 30 albums as a leader, and collaborated with greats, including Pat Metheny, Charlie Haden, Eddie Harris, Bill Frisell, Brad Mehldau, and Jack DeJohnette. *Cullen Theatre, Wortham Theatre Center, 501 Texas Ave. 713-524-5050; dacamera.com*

HOUSTON: Oct. 10-12 "Colony"

The Aura Contemporary Ensemble and Psophonia Dance Company present "Colony," the depiction of a bee colony through music and dance. *Midtown Arts and Theater Center Houston (MATCH), 3400 Main St. 713-521-4533; matchhouston.org*

HOUSTON: Oct. 12-13 Bayou City Art Festival

The Art Colony Association celebrates 48 years of art for all and giving back to local nonprofits as it spotlights 300 artists representing 19 different disciplines. Houston's largest art festival transforms the streets of downtown into artistic avenues bursting with colors and culture. As one of the top fine art festivals in the country, the weekend event provides patrons with the opportunity to personally meet artists, view original works, and purchase world-class art, prints, jewelry, and sculptures. Enjoy live music throughout the festival along with entertainment, beverage stations, and food trucks. *Downtown Houston, 901 Bagby St. 713-521-0133; artcolonyassociation.org*

HOUSTON: Oct. 21 Da Camera Presents Quartetto di Cremona

Revel in the musical riches of Italy. Named for the small city that was home to the great stringed instrument makers Amati and Stradivari, Quartetto di Cremona makes its Houston debut. Hear rarely heard gems by Verdi, Puccini, and Respighi, performed by Italy's leading ensemble on instruments made by Guadagnini, Testore, Torazzi, and Amati. *The Menil Collection, 1533 Sul Ross St. 713-524-5050; dacamera.com*

HUMBLE: Oct. 21-22 Kingwood Women's Club Holiday Marketplace

Shop for thousands of unique items in jewelry, holiday decor, clothing, and gourmet food from more than 100 dealers. All proceeds benefit community charities. This is a two-day event, with a preview party Monday night featuring a silent auction, raffle, wine and appetizers, and shopping. Tuesday, shop all day and buy raffle tickets for all kinds of goodies. Advance tickets required for preview party. *Humble Civic Center, 8233 Will Clayton Parkway. 281-361-4805; kingwoodwomensclub.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Oct. 5 Abner Jackson

Plantation Site Tour Visit the historic archaeological site of Maj. Abner Jackson, the namesake of the city of Lake Jackson. Once a prosperous sugar plantation, the site was destroyed by the same hurricane that devastated Galveston in 1900. Discover the sugar-making process of the 1840s and how convict labor replaced slave labor during the 1870s. *Abner Jackson Plantation Site, 1030 FM 2004. 979-297-1570; ljhistory.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Oct. 12 Eagles Tribute

Show The Brazosport Symphony Orchestra performs "Hotel California" by the Eagles. *The Clarion, 500 College Drive. 979-230-3658; brazosport.edu/clarion*

LAKE JACKSON: Oct. 19 Bird Banding

Watch volunteers collect baseline data on bird populations at the sanctuary. The banding station is an excellent opportunity to see birds up close and to learn about all the birds of the Brazosport area. *Gulf Coast Bird Observatory, 299 SH 332. 979-480-0999; gcbo.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Oct. 26 Pumpkin Patio

Party Bring your pumpkin to carve, enjoy hot cider or sweet tea; play fun lawn games. *Lake Jackson Historical Museum, 249 Circle Way. 979-297-1570; ljhistory.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Oct. 27 Halloween

Spooktacular Dress up in a Halloween costume and enjoy crafts, games, and other special programs around the fish-filled, floor-to-ceiling aquariums. *Sea Center Texas, 302 Medical Drive. 979-292-0100; tpwd.texas.gov/fishing/sea-center-texas*

PALACIOS: Oct. 18-19 1940s Tour of the Luther

Step back in time to the Luther Hotel during the heyday of WWII. Highlighting both local veterans and celebrities like Shirley Temple, who visited the hotel during the 1940s, live actors reveal the town's story of the war, life by life, room by room. All profits go to the Luther Renovation Fund to preserve and protect this historic jewel. *Luther Hotel, 408 S. Bay Blvd. 361-554-3122*

PALACIOS: Oct. 26 Monstrous 5K Run Bash by the Sea

Come light the night for a great cause: the Boys and Girls Club of Palacios. Dress up in costumes that glow as you "trunk or treat" around the course. *City Park, 600 Main St. 361-972-2642; palacioskids.org*

PALACIOS: Oct. 26 Pedal Palacios

Bike along quiet country roads with water views and multiple ride options. Enjoy a flat and friendly ride. Proceeds benefit Palacios hike and bike trails and tourist information. *Fourth Street Rail Car Pavilion,*

South Bay Boulevard and Fourth Street. 361-972-2615; pedalpalacios.org

PEARLAND: Oct. 31 Trick or Treat Trail

The 17th annual event is intended to create a safe and fun Halloween experience for families to grab some tasty treats. *Independence Park, 3449 Pearland Parkway. pearlandtx.gov/trickortreat*

PORT ARANSAS: Sept. 13-Oct. 26 Beach-

toberfest With smaller crowds and the best weather of the year, Port A's Beachtoberfest is a must for every music, food, and culture lover in Texas. Events on seven consecutive weekends include the Texas Super Chef Throwdown Series, Beach Pumpkin Hustle Fun Run, the Harvest Moon Regatta, Fishing for the Fallen Veterans Benefit Tournament, Port A Jailbreak Obstacle Course Race, Old Town Fest and Surf Fest, and Shoptoberfest. *Various locations. 361-749-5919; visitportaransas.com*

PORT ARTHUR: Oct. 26-27 Mistletoe

Market Get ready for the Christmas shopping season with vendors and events to support United Way of Mid and South Jefferson County. Shop clothing, jewelry, decor, and gifts. *Robert A. Bob Bowers Civic Center, 3401 Cultural Center Drive. 791-729-4040*

RICHMOND: Oct. 5 Saturday Spotlight: Fall Roundup

Put on your best Stetson for a cattle drive experience. The fall cattle drives of old generally kicked off in early October, so in honor of this tradition, you'll be able to bring the cattle to "market" at the reproduction rail car. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Oct. 12 Saturday Spotlight: Winter is Coming!

Even in Texas' milder climate, the winter months were a time of change in a historic southeast Texas household. Help change curtains, cover furniture, and prepare lanterns for long winter nights. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Oct. 26 Texian Market Days Festival

Discover more than 150 years of Texas history at the 36th annual festival with battle reenactments, live music, pioneers, cowboys, and historic home tours. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762. 281-343-0218; texianmarketdays.com*

RICHMOND: Oct. 31 Ghosts and Grub

Adults and children 12 and older are invited to a ghostly good time at this after-hours Halloween event. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

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ROCKPORT: Oct. 12 Art Center Market Second Saturday Member artists exhibit and sell their unique and one-of-a-kind fine art, photography, jewelry, pottery, wood carving, yard art, fiber art, and more. Live music and food truck on-site. *Down-town Rockport, Austin Street. 361-729-5519; rockportartcenter.com*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Oct. 4-5 Rockport-Fulton Shopping Tournament Shop till you drop at the seventh annual shopping tournament. Get a team of four players and join the shopping game with prizes, food, and fun. *Various locations. 361-729-6445; acedfoundation.org*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Oct. 10-13 Rockport-Fulton Seafair Right on the Aransas Navigation District festival grounds, the 45th annual festival has live big-name and local entertainment, including headliner Tracy Byrd on Friday night. Enjoy a gumbo cookoff, hilarious crab races, arts and crafts, a market, food vendors, an outdoor boat and outdoor expo, a car show, and a kayak race. *Aransas Navigation Festival Grounds, 100 Seabreeze Drive. 361-729-6445; rockportseafair.com*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Oct. 18-20 Rockport-Fulton Market Days More than 100 vendors and live music add extra fun during the third weekend of the month. The pet-friendly market offers more than a dozen food trucks and food vendors, with seating in the shade. *Festival Grounds at Rockport Harbor, 100 Seabreeze. 361-463-0125*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Oct. 3-6 Sand Castle Days More than 30,000 fans watch the sand come alive as sand artists qualify for the World Championship of Sand Sculpting. *Clayton's Beach Bar & Grill, 6900 Padre Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Oct. 11-13 Walk for Women This 16th annual fundraising event helps local women battling breast cancer with financial, prosthetic, and diagnostic support. *South Padre Island Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Oct. 19-20 SPI Fishing Days This is an official fishing and boating exposition featuring local boat dealers and gear. *South Padre Island Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SPRING: Sept. 10-Jan. 11 "Grand Canyon Photographs: Celebrating the Centennial" This timely exhibition commemorates the establishment of Grand Canyon National Park 100 years ago. *Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts, 6815 Cypresswood Drive. 281-376-6322; pearlmlfa.org*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 12 Sugar Land Heritage Hike This historic walking tour takes one back to the time when Sugar Land was a company town, with virtually all enterprises managed by the Imperial Sugar Company or its affiliate, Sugarland Industries. *Sugar Land Heritage Museum & Visitor Center, 198 Kempner St., Building B, Second Floor. 281-275-2045; slheritag.org*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 3 Styx in Concert The multiplatinum rock band makes their Sugar Land debut as part of the Bud Light Concert Series. Rock out to hits like "Come Sail Away," "Renegade," and "Too Much Time on My Hands." *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

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SUGAR LAND: Oct. 12 Marco Antonio Solís in Concert One of the most beloved figures in Latin music due to more than four decades of uninterrupted career, Solís returns to the U.S. with a new chapter in his tour, *Y La Historia Continúa*. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 18 Juan Luis Guerra in Concert The three-time Grammy and 21-time Latin Grammy winner and his band 4.40 return to Sugar Land with his international tour, *Literal*. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 19 Logic in Concert From a rabid underground sensation to his rapid rise to the top of the hip-hop world, Logic hits the Smart Financial Centre stage. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*


SUGAR LAND: Oct. 24 "Peppa Pig Live! Peppa's Adventure" This all-new, action-packed live show features familiar characters as life-size puppets and costumed characters. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 26 Banda El Recodo & Mariachi Vargas de Tecatitlán Two of the most legendary bands in the history of Mexican music join forces for a historic tour that celebrates their unquestionable cultural legacy. The extensive tour, *200 Años*, takes its name from the time that together the two groups have remained relevant, present, and successful. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 8111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 27 "We Will Rock You" With the recent Oscar-winning film "Bohemian Rhapsody," the music of Queen is more popular than ever. In 2002, many of those hits were compiled into this rock musical experience, which hits the road once again for a North American tour. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

TEXAS CITY: Oct. 26 Model Train Festival Enjoy visiting layouts, vendors, and movies in the museum and across the street in the Showboat. *Texas City Museum, 409 Sixth St. N. 409-229-1660*

VICTORIA: Sept. 26-Nov. 3 Madeline O'Connor Exhibit The exhibit features a



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SUGAR LAND: Oct. 5 Town Square Tribute: ZZ Top Cover ZZ Roxx is a little ol' band from Houston that pays tribute to the legendary ZZ Top. *Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. 281-276-6000; sugarlandtownsquare.com*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 9 Greta Van Fleet: March of the Peaceful Army Greta Van Fleet has taken the rock world by storm, selling out venues all over the world. Now the quartet brings its high voltage show to Texas. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

SUGAR LAND: Oct. 10 Gloria Trevi in Concert with Special Guest Karol G Trevi returns to Sugar Land with special guest Karol G for the *Diosa De La Noche*

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well-known and respected local artist whose art is an abstraction from nature. *The Nave Museum, 306 W. Commercial St. 361-575-8227; navemuseum.com*

VICTORIA: Oct. 4-5 Bootfest This two-day free festival offers a variety of activities for all ages, including Texas country music recording artists, Western crafts and performers, a free kids' corral, and food and merchandise vendors. *DeLeon Plaza, 101 N. Main St. 361-485-3116; bootfest.org*

VICTORIA: Oct. 17 Chad Prather, Star-Spangled Banter Comedy Tour Rising star comedian Chad Prather brings the laughs with a live set. Presented by the Victoria Symphony Orchestra. *Victoria Fine Arts Center, 1002 E. Sam Houston Drive. 361-576-4500; victoriasymphony.com*

VICTORIA: Oct. 18-20 The Texas Mile Named one of the top speed events in the world, drivers from around the country push the limits of their vehicles on the one-mile track at the Victoria Regional Airport. *Victoria Regional Airport, 609 Foster Field Drive. 281-303-1844; texasmile.net*

VICTORIA: Oct. 23-24 South Texas Farm and Ranch Show This two-day show features more than 125 booths of the latest agricultural advancements, technology, and farm and ranch machinery, as well as 30 to 40 speakers addressing current issues in the agricultural industry. *Victoria Community Center, 2905 E. North St. 361-575-4581; southtexasfarmandranchshow.com*

VICTORIA: Oct. 24 Symphonic Spooktacular Bring the kids for a fun night of music and costumes. Presented by the Victoria Symphony. *Victoria Fine Arts Center, 1002 E. Sam Houston Drive. 361-576-4500; victoriasymphony.com*

VICTORIA: Oct. 25-26 Cemetery Tour An evening tour of historic cemeteries features reenactors in an educational and entertaining setting looking back into Victoria County's rich history. *Evergreen Cemetery, Corner of Red River and Vine streets. 361-573-1878; victoriapreservation.com*

VICTORIA: Oct. 26 "East Meets West" with Changlu Wu Victoria Symphony presents a concert featuring Wu on the pipa. *Victoria Fine Arts Center, 1002 E. Sam Houston Drive. 361-576-4500; victoriasymphony.com*

WEST COLUMBIA: Oct. 5 Hoggtoberfest Celebrate the season and learn about harvest time on an 1800s plantation. Hayrides, crafts, sugar cane, storytelling, and more. *Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site, 1702 N. 13th St. 979-345-4656; visitvarnerhoggplantation.com*

WEST COLUMBIA: Oct. 26 An Eerie Evening at Varner-Hogg Plantation Take a spooky nighttime stroll through the woods to the plantation's 1840s-era Patton Family Cemetery. Learn about mortality on the plantation during the 1800s and the dangers of the early Texas wilderness. Then, step into the plantation house for a candlelit look at the death of the site's last owner, Gov. James S. Hogg, and the effect it had on his family, as well as his plantation. *Varner-Hogg Plantation State Historic Site, 1702 N. 13th St. 979-245-4656; visitvarnerhoggplantation.com*

HILL COUNTRY

AUSTIN: Through Jan. 26 Motown: The Sound of Young America This exhibit celebrates the 60th anniversary of the birth of Motown Records. It traces the evolution of the label, focusing on its major artists and musical achievements, and explores how the sound of Motown continues to influence some of pop music's most important artists today. *LBJ Presidential Library, 2313 Red River St. 512-721-0200; lbjlibrary.org*

AUSTIN: Oct. 2 Party for the Parks Austin Parks Foundation presents Party for the Parks, the biggest parks fun-raiser in town. The evening includes local bites, tasty sips, and fun activities to raise operating support for all aspects of Austin Parks Foundation's programming and park investments. *Republic Square Park, 422 Guadalupe St. party.austinparks.org*

AUSTIN: Oct. 4-6, 11-13 Austin City Limits Music Festival One of the country's largest celebrations of live music, this two-weekend, six-day festival brings the magic of the famed public TV series "Austin City Limits" outside the studio and into Austin's most beloved park. More than 150 musical acts—including Billie Eilish, Mumford & Sons, and Tame Impala—take over eight stages, along with local food vendors, brewers, artists, and pop-up shops and artists. *Zilker Park, 2100 Barton Springs Road. aclfestival.com*

AUSTIN: Oct. 5, 12 Saturday Night Concert Series Held in conjunction with Austin City Limits Radio, this free event encourages guests to bring blankets or chairs to lounge on the grassy lawn during the show. Arrive early to shop and dine at Hill Country Galleria retailers, and get your meal delivered straight to the Central Plaza. Events are free and open to the public, and dogs are welcome. *Hill Country Galleria, 12700 Hill Country Blvd. hillcountrygalleria.com*

AUSTIN: Oct. 5 Xuefei Yang in Concert Yang is the first internationally recognized

Chinese guitarist on the world stage. She paved the way for other fantastic musicians from her home country to enter the realm of classical guitar. The gift of a Spanish guitar at age 10 inspired her fusion of Spain and China. *Austin ISD Performing Arts Center, 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd. 512-300-2247; austinclassicalguitar.org/together*

AUSTIN: Oct. 20 Swan Songs Serenade with Marcia Ball Austin-based music nonprofit Swan Songs hosts its annual fundraiser featuring a seated dinner, live and silent auctions, a VIP sponsor reception, and a live performance by American blues singer, pianist, and Austin City Limits Hall of Fame 2018 inductee Ball. *The Four Seasons Hotel, 98 San Jacinto Blvd. 541-326-6790; swansongs.org*

AUSTIN: Oct. 26 Murder, Mayhem, and Misadventure Walking Tour The 13th annual tour is a free, 45-minute tour highlights historical—not scary—events from the 1870s-1910s and starts every 15-20 minutes. The free tours cover the chilling, untimely deaths of "residents" of Oakwood Cemetery portrayed by actors at their grave sites. Kids under adult supervision are welcome, but please leave your pets at home and wear closed-toed shoes. *Oakwood Cemetery, 1601 Navasota St. 512-917-1666; sachome.org/events/mmmtour.html*

AUSTIN: Oct. 26-27 Texas Book Festival Known as one of the largest and most prestigious literary festivals in the country, the annual Texas Book Festival features more than 250 nationally and critically recognized authors, more than 20 venues including the State Capitol, 100-plus exhibitors, local food trucks, family activities, and countless opportunities to meet authors and fellow book lovers. *The State Capitol Building, 1100 Congress Ave. texasbookfestival.org*

BLANCO: Oct. 26 Arnosky Family Farm Marigold Dance Enjoy live music with plenty of space to dance in an open-air barn. Celebrate Dios de los Muertos with fields of marigolds in view. *Arnosky Family Farm, 13977 FM 2325. 830-833-5428*

BLANCO: Oct. 26 Hill Country Western Showcase Get a glimpse into the history of the Texas Hill Country. See antique buggies and carriages, reenactments, knife-throwing exhibitions, and chuckwagon cooking. *Buggy Barn Museum and Pine-Moore Town, 1915 Main St. 830-833-5708; buggybarnpinemooretown.com*

BOERNE: Oct. 5 Boerne Book and Arts Fest Celebrate books and literature on the

Hill Country Mile. *Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. 830-249-3053; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 5 Hot Rod Night With live music and classic cars, this event is reminiscent of old-fashioned Americana street parties—a gathering place for old and new friends. *Soda Pops, 103 N. Main St. 830-331-8799; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 12 Antique Tractor Pull and KurbisFest This is a special KurbisFest (Pumpkin Fest in German) that includes the annual "Key to the Hills" Tractor Pull. *The AgriCultural Museum, 102 City Park Road. 210-445-1080; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 12-13 Boerne Market Days On the second weekend of every month, Main Plaza is home to an outdoor market that blends the traditions of the Texas Hill Country with the creations of today's culture. Hundreds of festive booths display everything from collectibles and remembrances of the past to modern innovations. *Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. 210-844-8193; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 12-13 Key to the Hills Rod Run The 33rd annual event displays fabulous cars on Main Plaza and throughout the closure area along the Hill Country Mile. *Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. 210-573-7097; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 12 Kuhlmann-King Museum Tour Located behind Boerne City Hall, the Kuhlmann-King house gives the public the opportunity to step back in time to see what a historic Boerne home looked like "way back when." The museum is open every second Saturday. *Historic Kuhlmann-King Homestead, 402 E. Blanco Road. 830-331-1033; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 12 Second Saturday Art Beat Boerne shops and art galleries team up to bring fine art to the people every second Saturday of the month. Look for flashy banners displayed through town. *Boerne's Hill Country Mile, 100 N. Main St. 210-954-6659; visitboerne.org/calendar*

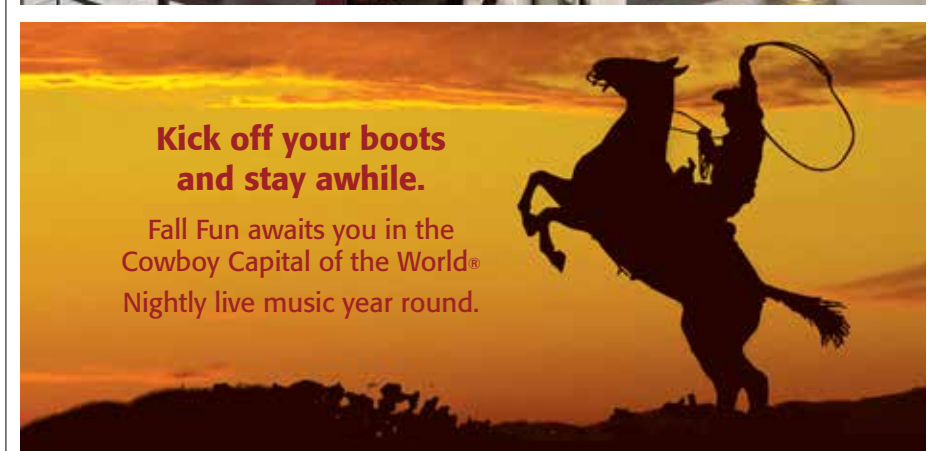
BOERNE: Oct. 17 A Thirst for Nature Every third Thursday, the Cibolo Nature Center hosts a specially themed event for guests to learn about the different plant and wildlife of Boerne and the Hill Country's surrounding areas. Those who are of age can sip on an adult beverage made to match the theme for that month, or choose the nonalcoholic version for kids. *Cibolo Nature Center, 140 City Park Road. 830-249-4616; visitboerne.org/calendar*

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and strollers are welcome. *Kendall County Fairgrounds, 1307 River Road. 830-282-6133; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 19 Concert in the Cave: The Haunted Show The Rahim Quazi Trio returns to the cave with an eerie evening in the Queen's Throne Room. *Cave Without A Name, 325 Kreuzberg Road. 830-537-4212; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 26 All British Car Day Head to the Hill Country Mile for a gathering of approximately 100 all British-made automobiles. Awards are presented to the most popular vehicles in each class. This event is free and open to the public for spectators. *Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. 210-844-3036; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 26 Boerne Boo Celebration Enjoy mule rides, a balloon sculptor, face painting, arts and crafts, a bounce house, trunk or treat, a costume contest, and a boo-cycle contest. *Patrick Heath Public Library, 451 N. Main St. 830-248-1635; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Oct. 26 Hot Rod Night and Halloween Bash With live music and classic cars, this event is reminiscent of old-fashioned Americana street parties—a gathering place for old and new friends. Wear a Halloween costume. *Soda Pops, 103 N. Main St. 830-331-8799; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BURNET: Oct. 9-12 Burnet Art Festival Spend the weekend in the Hill Country with talented artists, and enjoy art showings and auctions. *Burnet Community Center, 401 E. Jackson St. 512-756-6093; artburnet.com*

BURNET: Oct. 12 Fort Croghan Day See reenactments of what life was like for early pioneers and settlers. Visitors can try their hand at things like making rope, quilting, and corn husk dolls, and churning butter. *Fort Croghan, 703 Buchanan Drive. 512-756-8281*

BURNET: Oct. 12 Oktoberfest Enjoy kids activities, vendors, craft beer and wine, a food court, and live music. Stoney LaRue headlines the evening concert. *East Jackson Street, 401 E. Jackson St. 512-756-4297*

CASTELL: Oct. 26 Goat and Rib Cookoff Visit the Castell General Store the fourth weekend of October for a tasty goat and rib cookoff. *Castell General Store, 19522 W. RR 152. 325-247-4100*

CEDAR PARK: Oct. 4 Concert in the Park Bring lawn chairs and blankets for an evening of fun and free live music. Food concessions are available. *Elizabeth Milburn Park, 1901 Sun Chase Blvd. 512-401-5500; cedarparktexas.gov*

CEDAR PARK: Oct. 12 Cedar Bark Festival Bring a dog to this event to enjoy vendors, entertainment, a dog costume contest, and an owner-pet look-alike contest. *Cedar Bark Park, 2525 W. New Hope Blvd. 512-401-5500; cedarparktexas.gov*

CEDAR PARK: Oct. 19 Arts and Crafts Festival This annual free indoor/outdoor event offers an opportunity to shop for one-of-a-kind pieces from more than 100 arts and crafts vendors. *Cedar Park Recreation Center, 1435 Main St. 512-401-5500; cedarparktexas.gov*

CEDAR PARK: Oct. 24 "We Will Rock You—The Musical" This musical—based on the music of Queen and the book by Ben Elton—is a quirky, eccentric, and heartfelt story of outsiders. *H-E-B Center at Cedar Park, 2100 Ave. of the Stars. 512-600-5000; hebcenter.com/events*

CEDAR PARK: Oct. 25 "Peppa Pig Live!" Peppa Pig comes to Cedar Park with an all-new, action-packed live show. *H-E-B Center at Cedar Park, 2100 Ave. of the Stars. 512-600-5000; hebcenter.com/events*

CEDAR PARK: Oct. 26 Fable Fest Jousting knights and costumed characters abound at this festival offering food truck fare, musical performances, story time, a shopping bazaar, a petting zoo, and a jousting show. *Elizabeth Milburn Park, 1901 Sun Chase Blvd. 512-401-5600; cedarparkbooks.org/fablefest*

COMFORT: Oct. 8 Music in the Park Held the second Tuesday of May through October, these free concerts also include free drinks provided by Gaddis Methodist Church, the co-sponsor of the event with the Chamber of Commerce. Bring a lawn chair, enjoy the music, and dance too. *Comfort City Park, SH 27 and Broadway. 830-995-3813; comfort-texas.com*

COMFORT: Oct. 15-31 Scarecrow Invasion Unique, fun, and creative scarecrows invade the town of Comfort every October. Visitors can see them in front of local businesses and homes. This is an annual tradition, and the entries are judged in several categories. The best viewing is in mid- to late October. *Various locations. 830-995-3131; comfort-texas.com*

DRIPPING SPRINGS: Oct. 1-31 Dripping with Taste Passport and Trail With the purchase of a Dripping with Taste passport, patrons can visit as many as four of Dripping Springs' 25 breweries, wineries, and distilleries in a day, all month long. Experience every facet of the unique Dripping Springs area with the passport. Discover rolling hills dotted with old-growth vineyards, small-batch distilleries creating

award-winning cocktails, and even a quaint, downtown brewery on historic Mercer Street. Receive complimentary tastings at each of the participating establishments throughout October. *Various locations, 211 W. Mercer St. 512-858-4740; drippingwithtaste.com*

DRIPPING SPRINGS: Oct. 12-13 Hill Country Harvest Market Returning for the seventh year in a row, this market brings shoppers a selection of unique and unusual items including gourmet food, clothing and accessories, handmade jewelry, western art, and gift items. This fall shopping event gets you started early on your Christmas shopping. *Dripping Springs Ranch Park, 1042 RR 12. 888-825-3427; texasmarketguide.com*

DRIPPING SPRINGS: Oct. 12 Hill Country Rally for Kids Car Show Two hundred hot rods, muscle cars, motorcycles, and all types of vehicles line Mercer Street downtown. Watch as both professionals and kids judge for a variety of awards. *Downtown Dripping Springs, 300 Mercer St. 512-858-4740; hcrally.com/car-show*

DRIPPING SPRINGS: Oct. 18-20 Songwriters' Festival This is a music festival unlike any other. Historic Mercer Street is transformed into an immersive experience where you can have an up-close and personal chance to see, hear, and get to know some very talented performers who have a deep love of the art of songwriting. Walk between each of the venues (The Barber Shop Bar, Mazama Coffee Company, The Sidecar Tasting Room, Hudson's On Mercer, Milton's Lodging, and Acoxon Brewing Company) and watch more than 30 shows a day by songwriters from all over the U.S. and beyond on six stages, all for free. *Mercer Street, 301 Mercer St. 512-858-4740; drippingspringssongwritersfestival.com*

FREDERICKSBURG: Oct. 12 Oktober Market Shop local vendors while sipping a chai latte, butter beer, or fall sangria crafted with Messina Hof's award-winning wines. Get in the Oktoberfest spirit with German food pairings from Messina Hof, or enjoy delicious eats from a food truck. This event is free to public. *Messina Hof Hill Country Winery, 9996 US 290. 830-990-4653; messinahof.com/hillcountry*

INGRAM: Oct 11-12, 18-20, 25-27 "These Shining Lives" This play written by Melanie Marnich is based on the true story of four women who worked in a watch factory in Ottawa, Illinois. The play dramatizes the danger women faced in the workforce in the 1920s, and the lack of concern by companies for protecting the health of its employees. *Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point*



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JOHNSON CITY: Oct. 26-27 Market Days Local artisans sell handmade items, jewelry, and plants. Food and beverages are available. City Park, US 290 at Avenue G. 830-868-7684; johnsoncitytexas.info

JOHNSON CITY: Oct. 27 Art Walk All galleries are open for new exhibits and serving snacks and adult beverages. North Nugent and Main streets. 830-868-7684; johnsoncitytexas.info

KERRVILLE: Sept. 3-Oct. 26 Benini Art Exhibit This exhibit features the most recent work of Italian-born artist Benini. Kerr Arts & Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett St. 830-895-2911; kacckerrville.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 3 Symphony of the Hills: "Swan Songs" A professional symphony orchestra performs a concert that blends classical with contemporary. A wine and cheese reception precedes the concert. Cailloux Theater, 910 Main St. 830-792-7469; symphonyofthehills.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 4-5, 11-13, 18-20 "Our Town" Enjoy a classic of the American stage by Thornton Wilder. Playhouse 2000 VK Garage Theater, 305 Washington St. 830-896-9393; playhouse2000.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 4 First Friday Wine Share A fun way to meet new or different wines, people, and places of business or art. Bring no more than one bottle of wine per couple and a glass. Gardens at the Ridge, 13439 S. RR 783. 830-896-6600; firstfridaywineshare.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 5 Fall Native Plant Sale and Festival Expert advice is available at this native plant and tree sale. Enjoy speakers, exhibits, kids activities, and free family fun. Riverside Nature Center, 150 Francisco Lemos St. 830-257-4837; riversidenaturecenter.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 5 Kerr County 4-H Wild Game Dinner Enjoy a feast of wild game, chicken, or catfish. Auction and raffle are included. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-257-6568; kerr.agrilife.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 11-13 James Avery Invitational Golf Tournament A 54-hole, two-man golf tournament played over three days. Comanche Trace Golf Course, 2801 Comanche Trace. 830-895-8500; comanchetrace.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 11-13 Welcome Home Fest Much like the Kerrville Folk Festival, Welcome Home Fest celebrates regional and national songwriters. Quiet Valley Ranch, 3876 Medina Highway. 830-257-6568; kerrville-music.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 12-13 Hill Country Gun and Knife Show This event includes the sale of guns, knives, coins, cutting boards, and ammo. Hill Country Veterans Center, 411 Meadowview Lane. 830-315-3101

KERRVILLE: Oct. 12 Hill Country Swap Meet Enjoy a giant community garage sale, flea market, and trade days all in one. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-459-6198; kerrmarketdays.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 12 Kerr County Market Days Peruse an indoor marketplace of vendors with original handcrafted goods, artwork, and homegrown plants and produce. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-895-7524; kerrmarketdays.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 12-13 Kerrville Chalk Festival This event celebrates the art of street painting. A kid's chalk zone, face painting, balloon art, great food, and music are included. Peterson Square, 701 Main St. 830-830-8955; kerrvillechalk.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 15 Baubles & Beads: "The Greatest Show" Fundraiser, Dinner, and Show The emporium features vendors, live music, and an aerial artist. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. executivewomensclub.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 25-27 Kerr County Fair and Carnival/Midway The 40th annual event includes judged creative arts exhibits, a 4-H prospect show, bull riding, carnival and midway, parade, dance, vendors, and children's activities. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-257-6833; kerrcountyfair.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 26 A Night at the Museum Enjoy ghost stories, a costume contest, food trucks, and live music. Museum of Western Art, 1550 Bandera Highway. 830-896-2553; musuemofwesternart.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 26 Halloween Mystery Dinner Enjoy a night of suspense and laughter with a catered meal paired with delicious wine. Kerrville Hills Winery, 3600 Fredericksburg Road. 830-895-4233; kerrvillehillswinery.com

KERRVILLE: Oct. 26 Pumpkin Run 5K/10K and Harvest Festival At the ninth annual event, dress in costume and stay for the Harvest Festival—a free event fol-

lowing the Pumpkin Run. Food, cake walk, and carnival games are included. Salvation Army Kroc Center, 201 Holdsworth Drive. 830-315-5762; kerrvillekroc.org

KERRVILLE: Oct. 31 Family Fright Night Activities include trick-or-treating, games, and a costume contest. Louise Hays Park, 202 Thompson Drive. 830-257-7300; kerrvilletx.gov

KYLE: Oct. 19 Kyle Founders Parade The town of Kyle was platted and the first lots sold sometime around Oct. 15, 1880. Parades through downtown around the middle of October have been a tradition ever since. The tradition lives on as residents reflect and recognize the many founders of Kyle. Downtown Kyle, 100 W. Center St. 512-262-3939; cityofkyle.com/recreation

LAMPASAS: Oct. 12 Artoberfest This event features live music, an exciting children's area, arts and crafts, vendors, food trucks, and entertainment. Hanna Springs Sculpture Garden in Campbell Park, 501 E. North Ave. 512-556-5172; lampasaschamber.org

LLANO: Oct. 19-Nov. 2 Western Trappings on the Llano Experience an art-filled Western weekend on the banks of the Llano River and see the finest in custom Western gear and original art. Llano County Historical Museum, 310 Bessemer Ave. 214-801-0944; westerntrappings.com

LLANO: Oct. 20 PRCA Xtreme Bull Riding The fourth annual bull riding includes top PRCA cowboys competing against the NFR bucking stock for big prize money. John L. Kuykendall Events Center and Arena, 2200 RR 152 W. 325-247-5354; prcallanorodeo.com

LLANO: Oct. 26 Llano River Pumpkin Float Bring your carved pumpkins and enjoy the evening float and glow as you see carved and lit pumpkins gliding across the water. There is a cake walk, vendors, children's activities, live music, Wildflower Dance Studio dancers, and pumpkin carving. Costumes are encouraged. Badu Park, 300 W. Legion Drive. 325-247-5354; facebook.com/llanoriverpumpkinfloat

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 4 Ben and Noel Haggard in Concert For fans of their late, legendary father—country music great Merle Haggard—his sons Ben and Noel are no strangers to the country music world. They continue to pass along the legacy of their father's music while they form their own path in the country music industry. Brauntex Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio St. 830-627-0808



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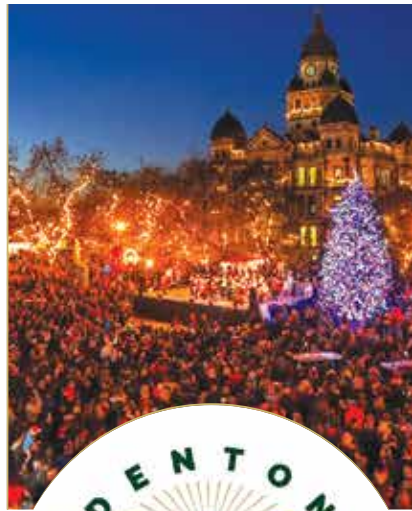
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NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 4 Restless Heart in Concert The legendary country band has more than 25 singles on the charts with six consecutive No. 1 hits ("When She Cries," "The Bluest Eyes of Texas," and "I'll Still Be Loving You"). Four of their albums have been certified Gold, and they have won a wide range of awards from many organizations including the Academy of Country Music. *Freiheit Country Store, 2157 FM 1101. 830-625-9400*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 5 Rods at Riley's Car Show This is a free classic car and hot rod meet with live music. Classic cars, hot rods, and motorcycles are welcome. *Riley's Tavern, 8894 FM 1102. 512-392-3132*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 10-13 Gruene Music and Wine Fest The 33rd annual festival has specially curated wine and beer tastings, plus live music. Tickets include three wine-tastings. Additional tasting tickets are available for purchase. No one under age 21 admitted. *Gruene Historical District, 1601 Hunter Road. 830-629-5077; gruenemusicandwinefest.org*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 11-12 Friends of the Library Book Sale There are more than 70,000 items for purchase. All books with the exception of collectibles range from \$.25 to \$2. All proceeds benefit the New Braunfels Public Library. *New Braunfels Civic/Convention Center, 375 S. Castell Ave. 830-237-6228; folnb.com*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 18 Donny Edwards in Concert: An Authentic Tribute to Elvis The Las Vegas headliner performs a world-renowned tribute to Elvis Presley that is one-of-a-kind and should not be missed. *Brauntex Performing Arts Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio St. 830-627-0808; brauntex.org*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 25 John Anderson in Concert Anderson and his longtime steel guitar player perform all the classics and tell the stories behind the songs. *Freiheit Country Store, 2157 FM 1101. 830-625-9400; freiheitscountrystore.net*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 26-27 Historic Modelers Society Train Show Enjoy extra-large exhibits of LEGO trains; seven to nine large displays of traveling model railroads of various scales; more than 60 vendor displays on 300-plus tables for you to buy, sell, and swap; hourly drawings and prizes; a silent auction; and a mini food court. Kids get to be a junior engineer at the famous Kids Run the Trains layout. *Civic and Convention Center, 375 S. Castell Ave. 830-627-2447; newbraunfelsrailroadmuseum.org*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Oct. 26-27 Texas Clay Festival The 27th annual festival features the work of more than 80 Texas potters and clay artists. View and purchase a wide variety of pottery, from traditional to sculptural, by the top clay artists in the state. Watch and learn as demonstrations are held in four tents throughout both days. From forming on the potters wheel to hand-building to raku firing, there is something for everyone to enjoy. *Gruene Historical District, 1296 Gruene Road. 830-629-7975; texasclayfestival.com*

OZONA: Oct. 5 Toro Loco Bull Riding Challenge The 13th annual event is an exciting bull riding challenge. *Crockett County Fair Park Arena, 1303 Ave. AA. 325-315-6440*

POINT VENTURE: Oct. 26 Holiday Bazaar This is where all artists join together in a magical market experience. Shop talented artists, crafters, bakers, and quilters from all around the peninsula of Lake Travis. *Point Venture Recreation Center Club Room, 555 Venture Blvd. S. 281-799-0114; facebook.com/pvannualartsbazaar*

ROUND ROCK: Oct. 4-5 Chalk Walk As Round Rock's largest festival, the highlight of the event is the hundreds of artists who showcase their talents by creating beautiful sidewalk murals. The festival also showcases local artists and artisans, community performers, non-profits and businesses, a children's area, youth performances on the school stage, and a concert both nights. *Dell Diamond, 3400 E. Palm Valley Blvd. 512-671-2705; roundrocktexas.gov*

SAN MARCOS: Oct. 5 BigFoot Trail Run The course winds through the beautiful, undeveloped parkland of Spring Lake Preserve, taking runners through meadow and woodland. Prepare for an exhilarating challenge and select from three distance options: 5K, 10K, and 30K. *Meadows Center, 201 San Marcos Springs Drive. 512-496-0542; austin.backonmyfeet.org*

SAN MARCOS: Oct. 17-20 Lost River Film Festival This multi-day film festival features concerts, interactive events, live music, workshops, and, of course, films. Some of the films include indie cinema, internationally culled short films, features, and TV/web content. *Downtown San Marcos, 111 E. San Antonio St. 512-393-5930; lostriverfilmfest.org*

SAN MARCOS: Oct. 19-20 Sacred Springs Powwow This annual event celebrates the Native American culture that has been part of the San Marcos area for thousands of years. Native dancers from across Texas gather at the Sacred

Springs dressed in beautiful, hand-crafted regalia. Come watch the dancers, participate in the intertribal dances, and enjoy the booths that offer authentic Native American arts and food. *Meadows Center, 201 San Marcos Springs Drive. 512-393-3310; sspowwow.com*

TAYLOR: Oct. 12 Good Life Festival and 5K This family festival includes a poultry petting zoo, chicken splat bingo, games, lunch, and a "super epic confetti egg battle." *Bull Branch Park, 904 Dellinger Drive. 512-352-6364; goodlifetaylor.com*

TAYLOR: Oct. 20-27 Haunted Taylor: History, Mystery, and Murder Tour Take a guided tour through historic downtown and enjoy the architecture and history of "Old Taylor" during this moonlit stroll. Learn local lore from the darker side of Taylor's past. Tickets sell out. *Louie Mueller Barbecue Parking Lot, 206 W. Second St. 512-352-2284; hauntedtaylor.com*

TAYLOR: Oct. 27 Main Street Car Show This event hosts classic to cutting-edge cars, plus art exhibits, food, music, raffle prizes, and shopping. *Historic Main Street. 512-352-3675; ci.taylor.tx.us*

TAYLOR: Oct. 31 Halloween Spooktacular Celebrate Halloween with costume contests, free games, and candy for young ones in the downtown historical district. *Heritage Square Park, 101 E. Fourth St. 512-352-3463; taylormadetexas.com*

UVALDE: Oct. 11 Four Square Friday Enjoy late-night shopping, food, live music, and art. *Historic Downtown Uvalde, North Getty Street. 830-278-4115; visituvalde.com*

WIMBERLEY: June 8-Dec. 14 Second Saturday Gallery Trail On the second Saturday of every month, come early and stay late for wine, light bites, and an art-filled evening at the galleries in and around the Wimberley square. *Various locations, 13811 RR 12. 260-290-5001; gallerytrail.com*

WIMBERLEY: Oct. 5 Market Day More than 450 outdoor booths are filled with art, furniture, collectibles, and treasures of all kinds. Live music and food and drink make for a shopper's delight. *Lions Field, 601 FM 2325. 512-847-2201; shopmarketdays.com*

WIMBERLEY: Oct. 17 Susanna's Kitchen Coffee House Concert Series Every third Thursday, talented and well-known musicians perform in an intimate venue. Texas

Pie Company's famous pies, tamales, pizza, coffee, and soft drinks are available. *Wimberley United Methodist Church, 1200 CR 1492. 512-847-3109; wimberleyumc.org/susannas-kitchen*

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ABILENE: Oct. 1 Fashions for the Cure Local boutiques showcase the latest fall fashions modeled by local cancer survivors on the runway during this 16th annual event, which benefits Cancer Services Network. *Convention Center, 1100 N. Sixth St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Oct. 3-5 Ward Brothers Senior Team Roping Association Finals Calf roping started from the duties of actual working cowboys who needed to catch a calf and tie its legs for branding. Watch as members of this association compete to see who can rope the calves with the greatest speed. *Taylor County Expo Center, 1700 SH 36. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Oct. 4 Art Adventure This monthly mom and tot program for preschoolers combines different aspects of visual and verbal literacy by exposing the

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children to books and art based on the featured artist in the gallery. *National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature*, 102 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 4-6 Halloween Spook-tacular Marketplace More than 40 spooktacular local artists, crafters, and merchants show and sell their wares of reclaimed, restored, and upcycled goods one weekend a month at this local show focused on locally made and locally owned goods. Seasonal decor, furniture, art, estate sale goods, and goods already state-side—not massively imported—are the anchor of boo-tiful selections you'll want for the season. Goods are also created from raw products and shoppers can find locally made confections, fashions, and sterling jewelry. *Warehouse 14 Marketplace*, 1502 S. Treadaway. 325-829-0855; facebook.com/pg/warehouse14marketplace

ABILENE: Oct. 4-6 West Texas Book Festival Sponsored by Friends of the Abilene Public Library, this 19th annual event includes presentations and workshops featuring local and regional authors, a cookbook gala, and the Boots & Books Luncheon with a special guest speaker. Presentations are held throughout the week and all day Saturday. *Abilene Public Library*, 202 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26 Family Fun Saturdays A come-and-go family program where little ones create a work of art using the style and medium of the featured artist in the gallery. *National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature*, 102 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 5 West Texas Food Truck Festival Sample treats at food trucks from all over the area while enjoying live music at this full-day event. *Back Porch of Texas*, 3350 Clack St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 10 ArtWalk: Great Gurney Race The second annual fundraiser for Global Samaritan Resources, in conjunction with ArtWalk, features free entertainment down the middle of Cypress Street. *Downtown Abilene*, 220 Cypress St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 18-19 Abilene Speedway Summer Challenge Head out to the speedway for a weekend of thrilling car racing. *Abilene Speedway*, 6825 US 80. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 19-20 Texas Gun and Knife Show The event provides a safe environment for the public to shop for guns, knives, and ammo. *Convention Center*, 1100 N. Sixth St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 24-24 Noah Project 40th Anniversary The organization celebrates 40 years with guest speaker Taylor Armstrong. *Convention Center*, 1100 N. Sixth St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 24-27 Western Horseman Stock Horse World Championships There are two complete shows with placings and awards for each day. Points earned on both days of competition are added together to determine the Stock Horse World Champions. *Taylor County Expo Center*, 1700 SH 36. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 25-26 Haunted Abilene This family-friendly event has a haunted house, haunted graveyard, scary movies, a children's area, and a scary maze garden. Food, popcorn, and more are available for purchase. *Swenson House*, 1726 Swenson St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

ABILENE: Oct. 26 Abilene Philharmonic: Visions of America The Abilene Philharmonic's second performance of the season features symphonic photochoreography provided by Westwater Arts. During the performance of Aaron Copland's Lincoln Portrait and Rodeo Suite, photos are projected on multiple digital displays above the orchestra creating a full multimedia concert experience. *Convention Center*, 1100 N. Sixth St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar

AMARILLO: Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Jazztober Free jazz concerts hosted by Center City are held every Tuesday evening in October on the lawn of the historic Bivins Home in downtown Amarillo. *Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Grounds*, 1000 S. Polk St. 806-372-6744

AMARILLO: Oct. 5, 12 Amarillo Community Market Enjoy live music and a mix of everything the Panhandle has to offer: veggies, baked goods, live plants, cut flowers, jellies, jams and pickles, and arts and crafts. *Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Grounds*, 1000 S. Polk St. 806-335-6360

AMARILLO: Oct. 16-19 Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association Wrangler World Championship This world championship event determines who is the fastest and most accurate shot from horseback. *Open A Arena*, 14500 FM 1258. 806-376-7767

AMARILLO: Oct. 24-26 National Junior Bull Riders Association Youth ages 4-19 take a shot at a national title. *Tri-State Expo*, 3301 SE 10th Ave. 918-256-5213

BURKBURNETT: Oct. 19 Meals on Wheels Fish Fry Enjoy an evening of local entertainment and hot, fresh fish while supporting the Burkburnett Meals on Wheels program. This is the third year and there are approximately 1,000 participants. *Burkburnett Community Center*, 735 Davy Drive. 940-867-2185

COLEMAN: Oct. 5 Fiesta De La Paloma Coleman's annual downtown celebration features vendors, a cookoff, car show, Miss Coleman County Scholarship Pageant, and a street dance. *Coleman Chamber of Commerce*, 218 Commercial. 325-625-2163; colemantexas.org

COLORADO CITY: Oct. 4-5 Boer Goat Cookoff This is a two-day cookoff with division winners in categories of goat, beans, pork ribs, brisket, and dessert. Awards are also given in Best of Show, Friendliest Camp, and Classiest Camp. *Ruddick Park*, 1205 E. Eighth St. 325-728-5252

COLORADO CITY: Oct. 12-13 Pumpkin Patch This is a great family event full of pumpkins, games, and photo opportunities. Pick out your own pumpkin for decoration or carving. *Railhead Building*, 150 E. First St. 325-728-3403

DALHART: Oct. 20 St. Anthony's Oktoberfest In October 1982, St. Anthony's parishioners started a fundraiser that would not only help the school financially, but also bring the church, school, and community together. Items that have been auctioned the past few years include farm and ranch supplies, trips, jewelry, outdoor playsets, and home decor. *Rita Blanca Coliseum*, 2222 FM 281. stanthonydalhart.com

DALHART: Oct. 20 WTAMU Symphony: "Live Cinema" The West Texas A&M Symphony Orchestra provides live musical accompaniment while a film plays on the big screen. *La Rita Theatre*, 311 Denrock Ave. 806-244-5646; larita.org

DALHART: Oct. 26 La Rita Theatre Performance: The Quebe Sisters Listen to authentic triple fiddle and three-part harmony. *La Rita Theatre*, 311 Denrock Ave. 806-244-5646; larita.org

DALHART: Oct. 31 Trunk or Treat Festival Kids can dress up and trick-or-treat downtown as trunks decorated for Halloween and filled with candy line Denrock Avenue. *Downtown Denrock*, Denrock Avenue. 806-244-5646; dalhart.org

DUMAS: Oct. 5-6 Lions Club Arts and Crafts Show This annual arts and crafts show features 40 to 50 artists and vendors from around the Panhandle and surrounding states. There are giveaways throughout the show and a snack bar. All proceeds benefit local organizations that the club contributes to throughout the year. *Moore County Community Building*, 1600 S. Maddox Ave. 806-922-3451; dumasnoonlions.com

EASTLAND: Oct. 5 RipFest Everyone's favorite day in Eastland includes a 5K race, a parade, vendor booths, bounce houses, pony rides, and food. Prizes are given to the top parade floats in various categories. Live music includes the Doc Rockin' Band, Pat Waters—Host of Drive Across Texas, and the Eastland High School Band. A car show is also part of the fun. *Downtown Square*, 100 W. Main St. 254-488-2481; eastlandchamber.com/ripfest

EASTLAND: Oct. 31 Boo in the Garden Join all businesses and organizations during Halloween for some spooky fun tricks and treats. You see all types of costumes and great photo opportunities, so don't forget your camera. *Grimes Memorial Garden*, 309 W. Main St. 254-631-0708; eastlandchamber.com

ELECTRA: Oct. 27 Scarecrow Festival Organizations set up booths in the streets downtown. There is a costume contest in the Grand Theatre, and a coloring contest. *Downtown Electra*, 112 W. Cleveland St. 940-495-3577; electratexas.org

GRAHAM: Oct. 4-6 Stampede Reining Horse Show For everything from the thrill of competing for the top check of \$150,000 to the satisfaction of successfully completing a maneuver that had previously eluded you, this horse show satisfies all riders. *Young County Arena*, 120 Barclay Place. 940-521-0434; youngcountyarena.com

GRAHAM: Oct. 25-26 Senior Pro Rodeo—Bulls and Barrels Enjoy a weekend full of bucking bulls and barrel races. *Young County Arena*, 120 Barclay Place. 940-521-0434; youngcountyarena.com

LEVELLAND: Oct. 18-19 Petticoats on the Prairie This is a two-day juried show and the premier vintage market of West Texas since 2010. Shop unique vendors from all over the U.S. with the best in vintage, furniture, antiques, clothing, handmade goods, industrial, jewelry, repurposed items, and cool junk, too. *Mallet Event Center and Arena*, 2320 US 385. 325-242-1086; petticoatsontheprairie.com

LUBBOCK: Sept. 6-Nov. 4 West Texas Watercolor Society Fall Show Member artists exhibit and sell their beautiful water media artworks. *Legacy Event Center*, 1500 14th St. 806-928-6735; wtws.org

MINERAL WELLS: Oct. 12 Crazy Water Festival The 40th annual festival is a crazy-fun time for a crazy-good cause. There are vendors, the Crazy 5K, Crazy Car Show, live music, a children's area, a chalk art competition, and a beer garden. *Downtown Mineral Wells*, Sixth Street. 940-325-2557; crazywaterfestival.org

MINERAL WELLS: Oct. 19 Crazy Fossil Dig Take a trip back in time to dig for ancient fossils from another era. There are so many fossils that you're sure to find plenty. *Mineral Wells Fossil Park*, 2375 Indian Creek Road. 940-325-2557; mineralwellsfossilpark.com

PERRYTON: Oct. 18 Moonlight Madness Spend a fun night with shopping, food, games, and a costume contest. *Downtown Perryton*, 2000 S. Main St. 806-435-6575;

POST: Oct. 11-13 Old Mill Trade Days Shop for arts, crafts, furniture, jewelry, clothing, home decor, homemade candy, candles, goat-milk soap, antiques, and gifts. Plus, enjoy live entertainment and food. *Old Mill Trade Days*, 318 S. Ave. F. 432-934-1479; oldmilltradedays.com

SAN ANGELO: Sept 17-Nov. 3 "Bus Stops: Photos of the Middle of Nowhere by Michael Kruscha" The German artist debuts a series of photographs showing bus stops he found while traveling over many years. His photos show the enormous variety of architectural styles and constructions that exist in different countries, from iron sculptures, wooden or mud-brick shelters, and tin-roof huts, to monstrous concrete constructions. They are places where time stands still and every single shelter tells its own story. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts*, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org

SAN ANGELO: Sept 17-Nov. 3 "Highlights from the Permanent Collection" See selections from the Art Museum's permanent collection. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts*, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org

SAN ANGELO: Oct. 10 Fort Concho After Dark Night tours of the historic site are led by period-dressed staff who tell scary stories drawn from the facts of the fort's army days of 1867-1889. *Fort Concho National Historic Landmark*, 630 South Oakes St. 325-657-4444; fortconcho.com

SAN ANGELO: Oct. 19-26 Murder at Fort Concho Following the rules of the classic game Clue, guests receive a set of clues and information regarding a "murder" that has taken place at the fort. Using the clues and speaking with various characters drawn from the fort's historic days, guests walk about the site and try to solve the murder mystery and identify the culprit. *Fort Concho National Historic Landmark*, 630 South Oakes St. 325-657-4444; fortconcho.com

SAN ANGELO: Oct 20-27 En Plein Air Texas Juried artists paint throughout Concho Valley at free and ticketed events. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts*, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org



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SNYDER: Oct. 4-5 Snyder Bike Rally This family-oriented bike rally offers vendors and a variety of entertainment. *The Coliseum, 900 E. Coliseum Drive. 325-573-3558;*

SNYDER: Oct. 4-5 White Buffalo Days This celebration with late 19th-century roots celebrates an old proclamation that dubbed Snyder the "Land of the White Buffalo." In honor of the sacred beast, the multiday event features a variety of vendors boasting everything from crafts and activities to food. *Downtown Snyder. 325-573-3558*

SNYDER: Oct. 18-19 Holly-Days Bazaar An arena is filled with food, clothing, contests, toys, jewelry, handmade gifts, home décor, and giveaways. *The Coliseum, 900 E. Coliseum Drive. 325-573-3558*

SNYDER: Oct. 31 Halloween in the Park Children play fun games and get candy at this free event. *Towle Park, 3000 Towle Park Road. 325-573-3558*

STANTON: Oct. 12-13 Old Sorehead Trade Days Shop for arts and crafts, furniture, clothing, jewelry, and antiques, and enjoy live entertainment and food at this event jokingly named for the town's few "Old Soreheads." *Historic Downtown Streets and Community Center Complex, 209 N. St. Peter St. 432-756-2006; stantontex.com*

VERNON: Oct. 18-19 Red River Barbecue Battle Barbecue in this competition is sanctioned by the Lone Star Barbecue Society. Trophies are awarded in four categories: brisket, ribs, chicken, and pulled pork. The grand champion receives \$500 and the reserve champion receives \$250 along with bragging rights. There are also corn-hole and horseshoe tournaments. *Wilbarger County Event Center, 301 Wilbarger. 940-552-2564; vernontexas.info*

WICHITA FALLS: Oct. 3 After Hours Art-walk At this monthly celebration of art in Downtown Wichita Falls, explore art studios, galleries, restaurants, and shops, and meet local artists. *Historic Downtown Wichita Falls, 700 Eighth St. 940-322-4525; downtownwf.com*

WICHITA FALLS: Oct. 3 Sculpture Garden After Dark Stop in for live music, entertainment, and free kid-friendly fun. Enjoy the Sculpture Garden exhibit and grounds, and take a tour of the galleries inside. BYOB.. *Kemp Center for the Arts, 1300 Lamar St. 940-767-2787; artscouncilwf.org/sculpture-garden*

WICHITA FALLS: Oct. 26-27 Sheppard AFB Air Show: USAF Thunderbirds The Thunderbirds have the privilege and re-

sponsibility to perform for people all around the world, displaying the pride, precision, and professionalism of American Airmen. In every hourlong demonstration, the team combines years of training and experience with an attitude of excellence to showcase what the Air Force is all about. *Sheppard AFB, 1810 J Ave. 940-676-2732; afthunderbirds.com*

WICHITA FALLS: Oct. 26-27 Wichita Falls Comic Expo Immerse yourself in this two-day, family-friendly pop culture comic expo. *Ray Clymer Exhibit Hall, 1000 Fifth St. 940-716-5500; wfmpec.com*

WYLIE: Oct. 24 Boo on Ballard Kids dress in costume and head downtown to trick-or-treat with local merchants in a safe, controlled environment. Wylie Parks and Rec also presents Glow in the Park at Olde City Park down the street, with bungee trampoline, a foam cannon pit, and a live DJ. All events are free. *Historic downtown Wylie, 112 N. Ballard Avenue. 972-516-6016; wylietexas.gov*

PINEY WOODS

ALBA: Oct. 12 Alba Fall Festival Enjoy live bands, a street dance, a fireman fish fry, food vendors, a washers tournament, a petting zoo, bounce houses, bungee jumping, a silent auction, canning, and a baking contest. *Downtown Square and Alba Welcome Gazebo. lakeforktexas.com*

COLDSPRING: Oct. 19-20 Wolf Creek Car, Truck, and Bike Show Enjoy more than 20 shopping vendors, five food vendors, and 200-plus cars, bikes, and trucks from all over Texas. Trophies are awarded in more than 25 categories. *Wolf Creek Park, 21 Wolf Creek Park Road. 936-653-2184; coldspringtexas.org*

CONROE: Oct. 5 Bull Mania Watch an all-star lineup of top bull riders from Championship Bull Riding, Professional Bull Riders, and the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. The Million Dollar Bull Team Challenge is in place as well. Top stock contractors bring their biggest, baddest, and meanest bulls in hopes that the cowboys and bulls put on a show like never before seen. *The Lone Star Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Road. 936-538-8000; visitconroe.com*

CONROE: Oct. 11-13 Cajun Catfish Festival This tasty festival annually draws 30,000 to 40,000 people to hear the stellar music lineup, browse through the many craft booths and exhibits, and eat a variety of Cajun-style food. The kids area has fun rides, a Monster Mural, petting

zoo, and pony rides. Compete in the annual catfishing contest. *Historic Downtown Conroe, 101 S. Main St. 936-539-6009; friendsofconroe.com*

DAINGERFIELD: Oct. 5-12 Daingerfield Days Enjoy craft and art vendors, great food options, a children's area, video game bus, parade, pet contest, hula-hoop contest, and a Dutch-oven cookoff. There is also a 5K and a kids run along with a golf tournament and classic car show. The night ends with a street dance. *Daingerfield City Park, 100 Webb St. 903-645-2646; daingerfieldtx.com*

GLADEWATER: Oct. 26 Emergency Services Fallfest Bring the kids and enjoy free food, games, candy, and a cake walk. *Gladewater Rodeo Grounds, Highway 80 West. 903-845-5501*

HENDERSON: Oct. 18-19 Rusk County PRCA Rodeo The 26th annual rodeo features a fantastic lineup of events with planned activities for children. *Rusk County Youth Expo Center, 3303 FM 13 W. 903-658-4404; blackgoldstampede.com*

HUNTSVILLE: Oct. 5 Fair on the Square More than 350 vendors set up shop downtown to sell unique items, some handcrafted by local artisans. Jewelry, home decor, and apparel can be found by both vendors and the merchants on the square. *Downtown Huntsville. 936-295-8113; faironthesquare.com*

HUNTSVILLE: Oct. 22 25th Anniversary of the Sam Houston Statue Enjoy cake, games, and prizes to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the statue. *Sam Houston Statue Visitor Center and Gift Shop, 7600 SH 75 S. 936-291-9726; huntsvilletexas.com*

JASPER: Oct. 19 Fall Butterfly Festival Come to the Butterfly Capital of Texas the third Saturday in October for the Fall Butterfly Festival. The festival features a large array of arts and crafts, music, food, and a variety of exhibitions and entertainment. Only one block away from the festivities, visit the butterfly releases during the day at the Outdoor Learning Center. *Jasper County Courthouse Square, 121 E. Lamar St. 409-384-2762*

JEFFERSON: Oct. 11-13 Jefferson Burn Benefit Enjoy bikes, bands, and beer all weekend long, centering on Historic Auntie Skinners Riverboat Club. Activities include bike games, a live auction, and a 2019 motorcycle raffle. Sponsored by The Phoenix Org. of Jefferson, proceeds go to Percy R. Johnson Burn Foundation and Camp I'm Still Me. *Auntie Skinners Riverboat Club & Restaurant, 107 W. Austin St. 214-662-0396; bikersforburnsuvivors.com*

JEFFERSON: Oct. 17-20 Texas Sounds International Country Music Awards Enjoy four evenings of music performed by top country musicians from around the world. Hear the American country music tradition interpreted through a worldwide perspective with nearly 15 nations represented. *Under the Big Top, Downtown, 119 W. Austin St. 903-634-7665; texassounds.org*

JEFFERSON: Oct. 18 Cruise Night The Franchise Bar & Grill in downtown Jefferson presents a cruise night open to all cars every third Friday night of the month from March to November. There are drawings, door prizes, music, like-minded folks, food, and drinks. Show off that special car of yours or mingle with the spectators for a fun evening. Proceeds benefit the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department. *The Franchise Bar & Grill, 124 E. Austin St. 903-665-9200*

JEFFERSON: Oct. 18-19 Texas Bigfoot Conference The Texas Bigfoot Research Center celebrates the Original Texas Bigfoot Conference held on Sept. 15, 2001. List of speakers, presentations, special screenings, and tickets are available online. *Jefferson Convention and Visitor Center, 305 E. Austin St.*

JEFFERSON: Oct. 20 Taste of Jefferson The 29th annual event showcases samples from local restaurants' favorite meals accompanied with live music. Shortly after the Taste, the Annual Waiter's Race begins. Hang around to cheer them on. *Jefferson Tourism Building, 305 E. Austin St. 903-665-2672; jefferson-texas.com*

KILGORE: Oct. 5 Oktoberfest This family-friendly event is the authentic German experience in East Texas with German food, music, drinks, and children's activities. Come dressed for the occasion in a dirndl or lederhosen and enter the Best Dressed competition. *Various locations. 903-988-4117; kilgoremaintstreet.com/oktoberfest-2018*

KILGORE: Oct. 24 East Texas Oilmen's Chili Cookoff This annual all-you-can-eat chili throwdown showcases oilfield service and energy companies from Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma as they prepare hundreds of pounds of chili and compete to claim the title of No. 1 chili in the oilfield. Hosted at the World's Richest Acre in Historic Downtown Kilgore, this event benefits the East Texas Treatment Center. *World's Richest Acre, 100 N. Commerce St. 903-984-5571; easttexas-treatmentcenter.org/east-texas-oilmen-s-chili-cook-off*

KILGORE: Oct. 31 Downtown Trick-or-Treat Enjoy plenty of candy for kids, plus some spooky entertainment, all in a fun

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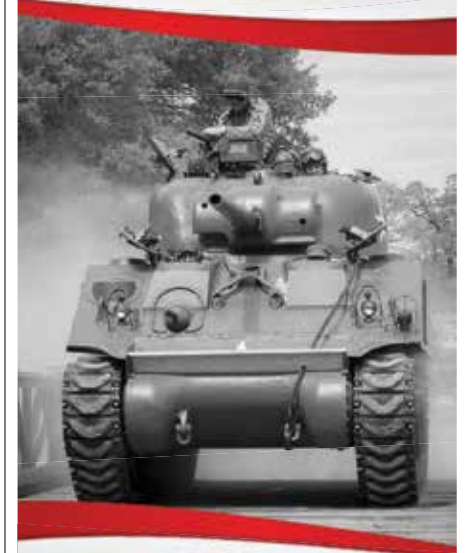
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LUFKIN: Oct. 5 Lufkin's Bistro Take a trip around the world, one sip at a time, at Lufkin's Bistro. This year's tasting event features an incredible selection of wines organized by country and region, with flags to help identify your favorites. Aside from wine, enjoy craft beer and cuisine from Lufkin's finest restaurants and caterers. Cap the night off with some late-night shopping with downtown merchants and dancing with the live band, The Grateful Geezers. *Downtown Lufkin. 936-633-0359; visitlufkin.com*

LUFKIN: Oct. 13 Dailey and Vincent in Concert Grand Ole Opry members and Grammy winners individually and collectively, Jamie Dailey and Darrin Vincent, backed by one of the best bands on tour today, are some of the most reputable and elite entertainers in American music. Join them for a gospel concert. *The Pines Theater, 113 S. First St. 936-533-0359; thepines.visitlufkin.com*

LUFKIN: Oct. 19 Heritage Festival Experience the many cultures of the community through food, music, and activities at the 15th annual Heritage Festival. Admission is free. *Pitser Garrison Convention Center, 601 N. Second St. 936-633-0359; visitlufkin.com*

LUFKIN: Oct. 26 Farm Feast This East Texas' culinary event gives foodies across the region the opportunity to enjoy a locally sourced dinner celebrating local farmers. The evening begins with a wine-and-cheese hour featuring live music. A sit-down, four-course meal with wine pairings follows. Chefs use fresh, flavorful ingredients from farms within a 100-mile radius of Lufkin, and Brookshire Brothers provides specialty cheeses, wines, and beers. Organizers describe the event as "snappy casual," blending an elegant dinner with a fun, laid-back atmosphere. Featured farmers have booths, and there is a set of recipe cards at each place setting. Lufkin's Farm Feast is intended for adults. Due to the length of the event and out of respect for other guests, organizers request that guests do not bring children. The event is best suited for flexible eaters, and organizers may not be able to accommodate strict dietary restrictions, such as restricted diets or severe food allergies. *Angelina Farmer's Market, 2107 S. Medford Drive. 936-633-0359; visitlufkin.com/farmfeast*

LUFKIN: Oct. 31 Main Street Halloween Trick-or-Treat Get ready for a spook-tacular good time in downtown Lufkin. Downtown merchants and local organiza-

tions offer children 12 and under a safe and fun opportunity to trick-or-treat on Halloween. *Downtown Lufkin. 936-633-0359; visitlufkin.com*

MAGNOLIA: Oct. 26 Fall Fest on the Stroll Celebrate fall with vendors, entertainment, music, a beer garden at Lone Pint Brewery, a taste of Halloween, and food trucks. *The Stroll, 300-500 blocks of the Stroll behind Magnolia Boulevard (FM 1774). 281-615-5697; cityofmagnolia.com*



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MOUNT PLEASANT: Oct. 5 Uncorked Food and Wine Festival Enjoy a fabulous experience as you sample wines from Texas wineries, enjoy food from local chefs, and shop for one-of-a-kind wares made by Texas artisans. Hayrides, a pumpkin patch, and s'mores at the fire pit are all available for kids. Live music plays all day. *Camp Langston, 50 CR 3227. 903-572-8567; facebook.com/uncorkedwinefestival*

MOUNT PLEASANT: Oct. 19 Everything Texas Ranch Run At this family-friendly event, you can join in the fun in a variety of ways, including a 5K individual race, 5K team race, 15K individual race (\$500 cash prize for top male and female runners), 15K team race, 5K Pumpkin Run, or 1K Mutton Buster Foot Race (ages 5-12). Inflatable obstacle courses are available to entertain the kids before and after their run. *Priefert Ranch, US 271 and Exit for FM 4000. 903-572-8567; facebook.com/everythingtexasranchrun*

NACOGDOCHES: Oct. 5 Fall Festival Plant Sale Hosted by SFA Gardens, this plant sale is the perfect place to find Texas-tough perennials, grasses, trees, and pollinator plants at great prices. Proceeds support garden projects and educational programs. *SFA Pineywoods Native Plant Center, 2900 Raguet St. 936-468-1832; sfagardens.sfasu.edu*

PALESTINE: Oct. 18-27 "Blithe Spirit" This comic play by Noël Coward is about the socialite and novelist Charles Condomine, who invites the eccentric medium and clairvoyant, Madame Arcati, to his house to conduct a séance, hoping to gather material for his next book. The scheme backfires when he is haunted by the ghost of his annoying and temperamental first wife, Elvira, after the séance. Elvira makes continual attempts to disrupt Charles's marriage to his second wife, Ruth, who cannot see or hear the ghost. *Historical Texas Theater, 213 W. Crawford St. 903-723-3014; thetexasstheater.com*

PALESTINE: Oct. 19 Dogwood Jamboree "That's What I Call Country" Enjoy a Branson-style music show filled with family fun, laughter, and classic country music from some of the best artists anywhere. Listen to some of the golden hits of country music performed live on stage. *Palestine High School Auditorium, 1600 TX-256 Loop. 903-729-7080; dogwoodjamboree.com*

PALESTINE: Oct. 26 Hot Pepper Festival Everything is hotter in Texas, and this festival is no exception. There is a hot-pepper-eating contest, live music, interactive activities, and free admission. *Historic Downtown Palestine, 101 Main St. 903-731-8428; visitpalestine.com*

RUSK: Oct. 5-26 Pumpkin Patch Train Every Saturday, the pumpkin patch opens and trains depart to let kids enjoy the harvest season. Set them loose in a pumpkin patch full of interactive games, prizes, tricks, and treats. Kids of all ages love the ride from the Rusk Depot to the Maydelle Turntable. Everyone who purchases entry into the pumpkin patch receives an open-air coach seat aboard a specifically designated train departure time. All passengers, young and old, are encouraged to come attired in their Halloween finest. *Texas State Railroad—Rusk Depot, 535 Park Road 76. 855-632-7729; texasstaterailroad.net/events/pumpkin-patch*

TYLER: Sept. 29-Oct. 31 Lanes Chapel Pumpkin Patch The fifth annual pumpkin patch showcases thousands of pumpkins, decorative corn, and gourds all grown on the Navajo reservation in northern New

Mexico. While shopping, enjoy free family activities including games, face painting, train rides, and family photos. All proceeds benefit Lanes Chapel ministries. *Lanes Chapel Methodist Church, 8720 Old Jacksonville Highway. 903-561-5703*

TYLER: Oct. 10-13 Fall Fun Hunter Jumper Horse Show This horse show consists of show jumpers, working hunters, and hunt seat equitation. Show jumpers compete in jumper classes where it counts to be faultless and fast. Working hunters are judged for manner and pace—a smooth comfortable ride. Hunt seat equitation emphasizes the rider's form—sitting still and quiet handling. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Oct. 12 Hit the Bricks Downtown Tyler businesses and attractions (around the square and off the square) are bursting with things to do the second Saturday of every month. Hit the bricks and have some fun. *Downtown Tyler, 110 W. Erwin St. 903-593-6905; visittyler.com/hitthebricks*

TYLER: Oct. 17-19 Texas Rose Festival Rich in heritage and tradition, this festival offers enchanting ceremonial events such as the Queen's Coronation, Rose Parade, and Queen's Tea. All of this happens amidst

a backdrop of brilliant roses as vibrant and colorful as the community they represent. *Tyler Municipal Rose Garden, 420 Rose Park Drive. 903-592-1661; visittyler.com/rosefest*

TYLER: Oct. 19-20 North Texas Hunter Jumper Club Wagon Wheel Fall Show This nonprofit organization provides competition for horse and rider from cross rails to hunter derbies and jumper classics. This is a fun, outdoor family activity. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Oct. 24-27 Texas Rose October-fest Hunter Jumper Horse Show This horse show consists of show jumpers, working hunters, and hunt seat equitation. Show jumpers compete in jumper classes where it counts to be faultless and fast. Working hunters are judged for manner and pace—a smooth comfortable ride. Hunt seat equitation emphasizes the rider's form—sitting still and quiet handling. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

PRAIRIES AND LAKES

ADDISON: Oct. 19 Addison After Dark's Let's Do the Time Warp! "Rocky Horror

Picture Show" fans wait all year for this cult classic film event. This outdoor screening of the offbeat musical is more than just a simple evening at the movies, it's an outrageous, shared experience. Dress up, sing loud, and play along as Brad and Janet stumble upon a curious mansion belonging to Dr. Frank N. Furter, then stick around for more music and fun. *Addison Circle Park, 4970 Addison Circle. 972-450-2800; addisonafterdark.com*

ADDISON: Oct. 19-20 Wellness Expo Visit more than 100 exhibit booths, experience 24 talks and demonstrations, get an intuitive reading, enjoy bodywork and energy healing, meet holistic doctors, shop, snack, and socialize. *Addison Conference Centre, 15650 Addison Road. 972-925-9393; wellnessexpo.net*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 28-Nov. 3 Six Flags Over Texas Fright Fest Thrills by day and fright by night are back. Enjoy activities for the entire family throughout the day and come back for an evening of spine-chilling scares after the sun goes down. *Six Flags Over Texas, 2201 Road to Six Flags. 817-640-8900; sixflags.com/overtexas*

ARLINGTON: Oct. 5 38 Special in Concert This Southern classic rock powerhouse rocks the Levitt stage to support free music.

Levitt Pavilion Arlington, 100 W. Abram St. 817-543-4301; levittpavilionarlington.org

ARLINGTON: Oct. 11 Jason Aldean in Concert This is the final country concert at Globe Life Park. As part of his Ride All Night Tour, Aldean performs alongside special guests Kane Brown, Carly Pearce, and DJ Silver. *Globe Life Park, 1000 Ballpark Way. 817-273-5222; mlb.com/rangers/tickets/events/jason-aldean*

ARLINGTON: Oct. 12 Billy Joel in Concert American music legend Billy Joel plays the final concert at Globe Life Park. The rock 'n' roll icon takes the stage as the last concert before the Texas Rangers move to Globe Life Field for the 2020 season. *Globe Life Park, 1000 Ballpark Way. 817-273-5222; mlb.com/rangers/tickets/events/billy-joel*

BELLVILLE: Oct. 4-13 Austin County Fair This year's fair brings Koe Wetzel, Parker McCollum, Mickey Gilley, Johnny Lee, and John Michael Montgomery to Bellville for four nights of concerts. In addition, the PRCA cowboys and cowgirls compete nightly starting Thursday night. There are livestock shows, queens pageants, a carnival, a parade, and hypnotist magic shows. *Austin County Fair Grounds, 1076 E. Hill St. 979-865-5995; austincountyfair.com*

BONHAM: Oct. 26 Archeology Day Open House Enjoy free tours of the Rayburn family home every 30 minutes with outside activities for children. *Sam Rayburn House State Historical House, 890 SH 56 W. 903-583-5558; visitsamrayburnhouse.com*

BONHAM: Oct. 26 Festival of Flight See aircrafts on display and enjoy helicopter rides and an airshow with stunning aerobatics. There is a veterans' tribute and many food vendors. *Jones Field, 2615 N. Center St. 903-436-2522*

BONHAM: Oct. 26 Willow Wild Cemetery Tour Enjoy this free tour of the burial locations of influential citizens of Bonham and Fannin counties. These citizens had ties to Sam Rayburn and his family. *Willow Wild Cemetery, 1220 W. Seventh St. 903-583-5558; willowwild.org*

BRENHAM: Oct. 5-13 Wine and Sausage Trail The Texas Department of Agriculture has designated October as Texas Wine Month, so celebrate by touring this trail with member wineries along the Texas Bluebonnet Wine Trail. Tickets include two select wine tastings paired with a unique sausage appetizer at each winery. When you arrive at your first winery, you receive a glass to use and keep for all of your tastings. In addition, guests receive a specially selected Texas Bluebonnet Wine Trail gift at the sixth winery visited, while supplies

last. Guests can start at the winery of their choice. Trail tickets are valid for one visit to each of the wineries over the two weekends of the trail, regardless of when tickets are purchased. Groups of eight or more are asked to contact each winery an hour before arrival for staffing and food. The event is held rain or shine. *Texas Bluebonnet Wine Trail, 1441 Salem Road. 979-337-7580; texasbluebonnetwinetrail.com*

BRENHAM: Oct. 18-20 Texas Arts and Music Festival The fourth annual Texas Arts and Music Festival is full of live music, art, food, and drinks. Admission and parking are free, and plenty of entertainment is free. Throughout the festival, artists paint masterful works of art on exterior walls in downtown Brenham. *Downtown Brenham, 115 W. Main St. 979-337-7580; texasartsandmusicfestival.com*

BRENHAM: Oct. 20 The Butcher's Ball With a focus on sustainable ranching practices, The Butcher's Ball brings together Texas's top chefs, butchers, and ranchers for a day of demonstrations, discussions, tastings, and competition at one of the state's most beautiful spots. But that's not all The Butcher's Ball is about—it's an incredible celebration of food, drink, music, and education, meant to shine a light on local culinary and creative communities and raise funds for Urban Harvest, a nonprofit organization that cultivates thriving communities through gardening and access to healthy, local food. *Rockin' Star Ranch, 8002 Furlburg Pease Lane. 979-337-7580; butchersball.com*

BRYAN: Oct. 5 Boonville Days Festival This free festival features the Buffalo Stampede Half Marathon and 5K, a chuckwagon cookoff, demonstrations, arts and crafts, music, artisans, and reenactors. *Brazos Valley Museum Of Natural History, 3232 Briarcrest Drive. 979-776-2195; brazosvalleymuseum.org*

BRYAN: Oct. 5 Buffalo Stampede Half Marathon and 5K Runners of all ages are welcome to run and walk on these US-ATF-certified courses. All runners earn a finisher medal, free food, and a T-shirt and are encouraged to stay for a post-race award ceremony. *Brazos Valley Museum Of Natural History, 3232 Briarcrest Drive. 979-776-2195; brazosvalleymuseum.org*

BRYAN: Oct. 19 Waggles and Wine Treat a furry friend to a day out at Messina Hof. A Vintage House chef serves up homemade puppy treats. Wine slushies and appetizers in the Wine Bar are available. Don't forget to wear Aggie gear. *Messina Hof Winery &*

Resort, 4545 Old Reliance Road. 979-778-9463; messinahof.com/events

BRYAN: Oct. 20 Messina Hof Cooking Party: Personal Favorites This event features personal favorites from Chef Chris Shepley. Messina Hof wine is featured in each dish. *The Vintage House Restaurant, 4545 Old Reliance Road. 979-778-9463; messinahof.com/events*

BURTON: Sept. 27-Oct. 5 La Bahia Antiques Dealers from across the country provide antiques, collectibles, and vintage and repurposed items. Country cuisine is served all day, and admission is free. *La Bahia Turn Verein Hall, 550 SH 237. 979-289-2684; labahiaantiques.com*

CAMERON: Oct. 12 Steaktobefest The sixth annual event includes a steak cookoff and steak dinner from Cameron's own local beef producer, 44 Farms. There are rib-eye steaks and all the trimmings. Enjoy a variety of artists displaying their work, including Neeley Studios, crafters, and farmers market and antique vendors. Local winery En Gedi Vineyards is selling their award-winning wines, and craft beer is available for purchase. The Cameron Car Club has their vehicles on display, and Aggeland Safari is onsite with a petting zoo for the whole family. Enjoy a washers tournament and giant Jenga, and don't miss speakers and demonstrations at the Milam County Museum. Drive the train models through a recreation of Cameron from the 1940s at the Old Town Cameron Railroad Museum. Live music is happening all day, and the night ends with a street dance. *Downtown Square, 102 E. First St. 254-697-4979; cameron-tx.com/pages/steaktobefest*

CHAPPELL HILL: Oct. 12-13 Scarecrow Festival This festival boasts more than 250 juried exhibitors (home decor, gardening, artists, craftsmen, jewelry, and clothing), delicious country-style food, live entertainment and music, and tours of the historic community. A special children's activity corner provides pony rides, a petting zoo, face painting, and a barrel train. Admission is free. *Downtown Chappell Hill, 5060 Main St. 979-836-6033; chappellhillhistoricalsociety.com/scarecrow-festival-2019*

CLEBURNE: Oct. 5 Classic Chevrolet-Buick-GMC Cleburne Car Show This car show gives out 42 awards and free food while it lasts. There is also live music. This show is free to the public. *Classic Chevrolet-Buick-GMC, 822 Walter Holiday Drive. 817-797-1197; ddrockinrods.com*

CLIFTON: Oct. 11-31 Hay Bale Trail View decorated hay bales and vote on your favorite. This is a fundraiser for the Bosque Museum. *Bosque Museum, 301 S. Ave. Q. 254-675-3820; bosquemuseum.org*

CLIFTON: Oct. 19 FallFest Autumn's return is greeted with a warm welcome at this 19th annual event. Set along downtown Clifton's historic avenues, the Bosque Museum Hay Bale Trail and artisans and crafters from around the state set up shop on Main Street. Unique shops, galleries, boutiques, and eateries welcome guests in addition to the festival vendors gathered with their distinctive wares and delicious foods. Classic car enthusiasts can check out the rides at the cruise-in, located at Clifton Classic Chassis Auto Museum. Nellie Pederson Civic Library is also on-site hosting its annual book sale as part of the festivities. A large play space is reserved for the children's area, featuring interactive exhibits, games, and attractions. And with three entertainment stages this year, festival-goers are able to enjoy music and dance performances of regional talents throughout the day. *Historic Downtown Clifton, 403 W. Third St. 254-675-8337; visitclifton.org*

CORSICANA: Sept. 26-Oct. 5 "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" This live theatre performance of Mark Haddon's popular novel is set in Swindon, England, where a 15-year-old boy discovers the slain body of his neighbor's poodle and sets out to uncover the murderer. His investigation is at times aided by, and also hampered by, his mild autism. *Living Arts Warehouse, 119 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5421; warehouselivingartscenter.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 3 Jimmy Fortune in Concert Hear Fortune sing his greatest hits within the famous walls of the historic Palace Theatre, a restored 1921 vaudeville house located in downtown Corsicana with state-of-the-art technology in an intimate setting of only 500 seats. *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 10-Jan. 4 American Plains Artists Juried Art Show The 34th annual juried exhibit and sale celebrates the art of the Plains featuring 115 two- and three-dimensional realistic and representational artworks in traditional media that depict the American Great Plains region—its landscape, wildlife, people, and way of life in historical and modern times. Nationally recognized and global award-winning artists are participating in this annual event. The Pearce Museum contains two galleries of Western art and American Civil War col-



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lections. *Pearce Museum, 3100 W. Collin St. 903-785-7642; pearcemuseum.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 10 The Kindgom Choir in Concert This British gospel choir sang at the wedding of Prince Harry and Meghan Markle. Hear their famous renditions of “Stand by Me” and “Blinded by Your Grace” within the historic Palace Theatre, a 1921 restored vaudeville house located in downtown Corsicana with state-of-the-art technology in an intimate setting of only 500 seats. *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 12 Marquis of Vaudeville’s Carnaval Cryptique Internationally touring Marquis of Vaudeville’s musical menagerie of melodic mischief includes daredevils, dancers, mesmerizing magicians, and exotic musicians. It’s a unique spectacle of splendor inside the historic (and haunted) Corsicana Opry. *Corsicana Opry, 215 E. Fifth Ave. 903-872-6779; corsicanaopry.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 12 Mimosas at the Market Participating businesses offer complimentary mimosas. It starts at a sponsoring shop (this month: Thrift R Us) and continues throughout town. *Historic Downtown Corsicana, Beaton and Fifth Street. 903-654-4850; visitcorsicana.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 19 The Kevin Robinson Band in Concert The Kevin Robinson Band is a truly original Texas band playing real country mixed with a big Texas attitude. *Corsicana Opry, 215 E. Fifth Ave. 903-872-6779; corsicanaopry.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 24 Johnny Rodriguez in Concert Hear Rodriguez perform his classic hits. *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.com*


CORSICANA: Oct. 25 Corsicana Ghost Investigation Led by the Dallas Area Paranormal Society, this three-hour investigation through the historic Corsicana Opry, which was built in the 1800s, reveals at least eight ghosts. Bring your own investigation equipment. Cameras are allowed. *Corsicana Opry, 215 E. Fifth Ave. 903-872-6779; corsicanaopry.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 25 The Others in Concert This classic rock cover band has been rockin’ since 1967, performing music from the ‘60s and ‘70s. *Corsicana Opry, 215 E. Fifth Ave. 903-872-6779; corsicanaopry.com*

CUERO: Oct. 11-13 Turkeyfest Turkeyfest is held annually the second weekend of October and features food, dances, a parade, entertainment for the whole family, and of course the final heat in the “Great Gobbler Gallop” turkey race to see which town gets

the title of “Turkey Capital of the World.” *Cuero Municipal Park, Leonard Roy Harmon Drive. 361-275-2112; turkeyfest.org*

DALLAS: Through Oct. 15 “Celebrate the Children”—Bronze Sculptures by Gary Lee Price Mark your calendar for the return of acclaimed sculptor Price and his newest exhibit, “Celebrate the Children,” which features beautiful, handcrafted bronze sculptures of various children that guests can interact with throughout the garden. *Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Road. 214-515-6615; dallasarboretum.org*



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DALLAS: Through Nov. 3 Goya’s “Visions” in Ink: The Centerpiece of the Meadows Drawings Collection This exhibition highlights the Meadows’s recent acquisition of Goya’s exceptional ink drawing, “Visions,” from his “Witches and Old Women” album. Other select works from the museum’s collection of early 19th-century paintings and works on paper serve to illuminate the fascinating provenance and historical context of Goya’s very personal and technically accomplished drawing. *Meadows Museum, 5900 Bishop Blvd. 214-768-2516; meadowsmuseumdallas.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 21-Oct. 31 Autumn at the Arboretum As one of the Southwest’s most picturesque fall horticultural displays, the garden is a spectacular show of color with 150,000 stunning, fall-blooming plants; the internationally acclaimed Pumpkin Village, featuring more than

90,000 pumpkins; and the outstanding Rory Meyer’s Children’s Adventure Garden. This year’s theme is “It’s the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown.” Festivities include Mommy and Me Mondays, live music, and activities for all ages. *Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Road. 214-515-6615; dallasarboretum.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 21-March 1 The Kinsey African American Art and History Collection This collection celebrates the achievements and contributions of African Americans from 1595 to present. It includes masterful paintings and sculpture, photos, rare books, letters, and manuscripts. *African American Museum of Dallas, 3536 Grand Ave. 214-565-9026; thekinseycollection.com*

DALLAS: Sept. 27-Oct. 20 State Fair of Texas The 24-day fair celebrating all things Texas has more than 110 daily attractions and activities including the Texas Auto Show, four musical stages of Texas music, a nightly starlight parade, and Big Tex there to greet visitors from near and far. *Fair Park, 3921 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. 214-565-9931; bigtex.com*

DALLAS: Oct. 2 Sammons Jazz: “Nothin’ But the Blues” Jazz legends and rising stars of Texas perform the many flavors of jazz in the historic Turtle Creek Pump Station. Admission includes two sets of music, a light dinner, beverages, and valet parking. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DALLAS: Oct. 17 Carson Series of Sammons Cabaret New York-style cabaret gets the Texas treatment with top singers performing the Great American Songbook, Broadway show tunes, and pop, plus the stories behind the music. Admission includes two sets of music, light appetizers, beverages, and valet parking. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DALLAS: Oct. 19-March 22 “Origins: Fossils from the Cradle of Humankind” Explore the shared ancient history of humankind. In partnership with the University of the Witwatersrand and with support from National Geographic, the interactive exhibition (presented in English and Spanish) invites guests to come face-to-face with the never-before-seen fossils of *Australopithecus sediba* and *Homo naledi* – two recently discovered species of ancient ancestors that changed our understanding of the origins of humanity. A hands-on “dig pit” and interactive displays tell the dramatic discovery story of these fossils that have never

been displayed outside of South Africa, and likely never will again. *Perot Museum of Nature and Science, 2201 N. Field St. 214-428-5555; perotmuseum.org*

DALLAS: Oct. 26-27 Festival of the Arts This is a two-day celebration of community and tradition for people of all ages and interests. The festival honors the rich history of Oak Cliff and Kidd Springs Park, and there is an artists market with fine arts and crafts, local food and beverage concessions, and live acoustic entertainment. *Kidd Springs Park, 1003 Cedar Hills Ave. 678-876-1262; dallasfestivalofthearts.net*

DENISON: Oct. 12 Eisenhower Birthday Celebration It’s Ike’s 129th birthday and the 75th remembrance of D-Day. Head to Denison for a full lineup of events at the the Eisenhower Monument, Eisenhower Birthplace, Red River Railroad Museum, Perrin Air Force Base Museum, and in downtown Denison. *Eisenhower Birthplace State Historic Site, 609 S. Lamar Ave. 903-464-4452; denisonlive.com*

DENISON: Oct. 31 Monsters on Main Enjoy downtown trick-or-treating. There is a costume contest for all ages. *Downtown Denison, 324 W. Main St. 903-464-4452; denisonlive.com*


DENTON: Oct. 4-18 “Artist Enclave: Well Blended” The Artists Enclave of Denton County presents this exhibit featuring coffee-themed artworks. *UNT on the Square, 109 N. Elm St. 940-382-3710; untonthesquare.unt.edu*

DENTON: Oct. 12 Artists Enclave Studio Tour Artists Enclave of Denton County has its first studio tour, a free community event with handmade local art and crafts. Dozens of studios, businesses, and artists open their doors to the public. *Various locations, 2806 Santa Monica Drive. 940-382-3710; artistsenclavedenton.com/events-exhibitions*

DIME BOX: Oct. 5 Black Bridge Fest and Mini Marathon This festival features a mini marathon, 2-mile run and walk, dog races, an art fair, quilt show, rodeo, parade, game and food booths, barbecue, children’s activities, and dance. *Downtown Dime Box. 979-884-3227*

EDOM: Oct. 13-14 Edom Art Festival For more than 47 years, the small artists’ community of Edom in East Texas has hosted a festival for working artists presenting their talents to an appreciative audience of gift givers and collectors. High-quality art, fine crafts, live music, and great food and wine fill the festival grounds behind the resident artists’ studios on the one main street in town. Admission is free.


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ELGIN: Oct. 10 Sip, Shop, and Stroll Sip a little wine and shop as you stroll through the stores in Historic Downtown Elgin. Find diverse merchandise, eclectic decor, artwork by local artists, and live music in many of the venues. *Historic Downtown Elgin, 109 Depot St. elgintx.com*

ELGIN: Oct. 24 Hogeeye Stroll The Pearls Before Swine Art Show and Hegalicious Dessert contest include beautiful art, live music, locally made desserts by youth and adults, and extended store hours. *Historic Downtown Elgin, 109 Depot St. hogeyefestival.com*

ELGIN: Oct. 25 Hogeeye Street Dance Enjoy live music featuring Kenny Orts and No Chance, food vendors, and a carnival. *Depot Street at Veterans' Memorial Park, 109 Depot St. hogeyefestival.com*

ELGIN: Oct. 26 Hogeeye Festival The 32nd annual festival features hand-made arts and crafts, live music on three stages, delicious food, a carnival, a car show, a pork cookoff, a farm equipment exhibit, kids activities, cow patty bingo, a cornhole tournament, and plenty of pig puns to go around. *Historic Downtown Elgin, 109 Depot St. hogeyefestival.com*

ELGIN: Oct. 31 Halloween Safe Trick or Treat Trail Businesses pass out treats and provide activities for kids. This safe alternative to Halloween is sponsored by the Elgin Parks and Recreation Department. *Veterans' Memorial Park, 109 Depot St. elgintx.com*

FAIRFIELD: Oct. 5 BritBeat—Beatles Tribute Concert Go on a multimedia concert journey through Beatles music history. Ticket price includes appetizers and the show. The concert benefits the historic Moody-Bradley House, built in 1860. *Twisted Vines, 198 VFW Lane. 903-390-1863; fairfieldhistoryclub.org*

FLATONIA: Oct. 25-27 Czhilispil This three-day festival is a nod to Flatonia's Czech and German heritage. Enjoy "czhili" (chili, but Czech-German style) and barbecue cookoffs with jackpot bean and margarita contests. There is live music under a large, tented biergarten, food vendors, arts and crafts, a carnival, parade, car and truck show, and contests. *Downtown Flatonia, 101 E. N. Main St. 361-865-3920; flatoniachamber.com*

FORT WORTH: Oct. 5-6 Pottery in the Park The 17th annual festival features more than 50 artists specializing in pottery, jewelry, and glass art. There are handicrafts for sale and guests can watch wheel and hand-building demonstrations.

The hands-on demonstration has bisque ware that you glaze yourself and then raku fire. Enjoy food and talk with the artists as you tour the newly remodeled facility. Admission is free, as is parking. *Corporate Employees Recreational Association (CERA), 3300 Bryant Irvin Road. 817-528-1915; cera-fw.org*

FORT WORTH: Oct. 19-20 Bell Fort Worth Alliance Air Show This premier air show attracts the best in aviation talent and ground activities. Featured performers are the U.S. Navy Blue Angels and the F-22 raptor Demo Team. *Alliance Airport, 2221 Alliance Blvd. 817-890-1000; allianceairshow.com*

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FORT WORTH: Oct. 25-27 Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering and Western Swing Festival Enjoy one of the top authentic cowboy festivals in the world, featuring music, a ranch rodeo, and cowboy poetry to celebrate the heritage of the American cowboy. *Fort Worth Stockyards National Historic District, 2501 Rodeo Plaza. 817-336-8791; redsteagallcowboygathering.com*

FORT WORTH: Sept. 14-Dec. 29 "Gordon Parks: The New Tide, Early Work" Organized by the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., in collaboration with The Gordon Parks Foundation, this exhibition highlights Parks' mastery of the camera to create an uplifting vision of African American life in the mid-20th century. *Amon Carter Museum of American Art, 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. 817-738-1933; cartermuseum.org*

FRISCO: Oct. 5 Frisco Arts Walk and Run Enjoy live art demonstrations, street musicians, dancers, face painting, vendor booths, and sculptures at the Texas Sculpture Garden. *Hall Park in Frisco, 6801 Gaylord Parkway. 972-292-5266; visitfrisco.com*

FRISCO: Oct. 17-18 Lone Star Storytelling Festival Share an evening or two of laughter with nationally renowned professional storytellers Lyn Ford and Bill Harley along with local student talent. This is the 16th annual event. *George A. Purefoy Municipal Center, 6101 Frisco Square Blvd. 972-292-5266; visitfrisco.com*

GARLAND: Oct. 17-Nov. 3 "Dial M for Murder" The play that inspired Hitchcock's classic weaves an ever-tightening web of danger and deception. Ex-tennis pro Tony Wendice wants to have his wealthy wife, Margot, murdered so he can get his hands on her inheritance. When he discovers her affair with Mark Halliday, he comes up with the perfect plan to kill her. *Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. 972-205-2790; garlandarts.com*

GARLAND: Oct. 18 Sara Daneshpour with the Garland Symphony Orchestra Internationally acclaimed pianist Daneshpour opens the 2019-2020 Garland Symphony Orchestra season. *Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. 972-205-2790; garlandarts.com*

GLEN ROSE: Oct. 18 Discovery after Dark Program and Tour Enjoy a guided sunset wildlife tour using spotlights to see exotic and native species. An after-dark hike caps off the three-hour event. *Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, 1789 CR 2009. 254-897-2960; fossilrim.org*

GLEN ROSE: Oct. 19 Sweetest Day Safari Dinner and Tour You and your sweetheart arrive at Safari Camp for a glass of wine, then head out on a sunset safari guided tour. Return to the glass-walled pavilion for a candlelight dinner with a view of the wildlife watering hole. A gift is included for your guest. This event is for adults only. *Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, 3022 CR 2010. 254-897-2960; fossilrim.org*

GONZALES: Oct. 5-7 Come and Take It Celebration This festival celebrates the firing of the first shot of the Texas Revolution on Oct. 2, 1835, which took place in Gonzales. *Downtown Square, 414 Saint Lawrence St. 830-672-1095; gonzalestexas.com*

GRANBURY: Oct. 18-19 Junkin and Holiday Market Enjoy music, food, and shopping with vendors inside and outside. *Warrens Backyard, 2901 Weatherford Highway. 817-219-4859; warrensbackyard.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Oct. 4-6, 11-13 "Legally Blonde" Based on the hit movie, this musical follows the transformation of Elle Woods from a pink-loving SoCal sorority girl to a Harvard law student, all on her own terms. *Uptown Theater, 120 E. Main St. 972-237-8786; uptowntheatergp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Oct. 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26 Live Quarter Horse Racing Catch the fun and excitement of world-class quarter horse racing. *Lone Star Park, 1000 Lone Star Parkway. 972-263-7223; lonestarpark.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Oct. 11 "MasterChef Junior Live!" Experience live cooking demonstrations and audience participation. *Theatre at Grand Prairie, 1001 Performance Parkway. 972-854-5050; theatregp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Oct. 27 "Peppa Pig Live!" Watch this new action-packed show featuring familiar characters. *Theatre at Grand Prairie, 1001 Performance Parkway. 972-854-5050; theatregp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Oct. 31 Farmers Market Street N Treat This free Halloween event includes games, face painting, kid's crafts, and trick-or-treating at the farmers market. Prepare to dress to impress, ask "trick-or-treat," and bring a large bucket for candy. *Market Square, 120 E. Main St. 972-237-4599; gptx.org/farmers-market*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 4 The Wine Magic Parlor with Lindy Phillips Enjoy a 90-minute magic and mind magic show performed in the intimate Messina Hof Grapevine Winery's Wallis Room. This is a fun, unique show where the audience participates and helps create the magic. *Messina Hof Grapevine Winery, 201 S. Main St. 817-442-8463; messinahof.com/grapevine*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 5-6, 12-13, 19-20, 26-27 Grapevine Vintage Railroad Train Excursions Travel along the Historic Cotton Belt Route between Grapevine and the Fort Worth Stockyards. Unique train ride options are provided as well as a variety of special fall events. *Cotton Belt Depot, 705 S. Main St. 817-410-3185; gvrr.com*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 18 Nash Farm Barn Dance Grab your dance partner and enjoy the Lone Star String Band, a fried chicken box supper, and a pie bidding. *Nash Farm, 626 Ball St. 817-410-3185; nashfarm.org*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 18 Symphony in the Park This free late-night happy hour at Messina Hof features beautiful music with a great purpose. Enjoy handcrafted wine cocktails on the bandstand and in Liberty Park while Texas Chamber Music Project

plays classical music. *Messina Hof Grapevine Winery, 201 S. Main St. 817-442-8463; messinahof.com/grapevine*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 19 Butterfly Flutterby During this 22nd annual event, witness hundreds of butterflies being released into the wild as they migrate to Mexico. Butterfly releases are held three times throughout the day. A butterfly-themed parade kicks off the event along with dozens of activities including games, scavenger hunts, and face painting. Free admission. *Grapevine Botanical Gardens, 411 Ball St. 817-410-3185; grapevinetexasusa.com*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 19 Fall Roundup Experience life on the farm at this 19th annual event. Activities include pony rides, pie-making, farm animals, and live music. Free admission. *Nash Farm, 626 Ball St. 817-410-3185; nashfarm.org*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 26 Murder Mystery Dinner: Till Death Do Us Part Celebrate the union of Becky Giovanni to Stanley Simpson with a wedding reception you won't forget. As friends and family come together for a night of food and fun, it quickly turns into a night of mystery and mayhem—leaving one of the guests murdered, and you left to solve the crime. Speak now or forever a killer goes free. *Messina Hof Grapevine Winery, 201 S. Main St. 817-442-8463; messinahof.com/grapevine*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 26 Nash Farm's Bewitched by the Barn Enjoy a night at Nash Farm's historic barn for tales of old, along with popcorn and cider. Stories get spookier as the night wanes. *Nash Farm, 626 Ball St. 817-410-3185; nashfarm.org*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 26-27 Trick 'r Treat Trains Enjoy Halloween fun for all ages. Practice trick-or-treat skills while in costume and enjoy treats. *Cotton Belt Depot, 705 S. Main St. 817-410-3185; gvrr.com*

GRAPEVINE: Oct. 26 Witches Brew Train Scare up some fun on the Grapevine Vintage Railroad. Tickets include two pints of Texas craft brew in a souvenir mug, heavy hors d'oeuvres, and special entertainment. Costumes are not required, but strongly encouraged. *Cotton Belt Depot, 705 S. Main St. 817-410-3185; gvrr.com*

GREENVILLE: Oct. 4-31 The Haunted Landmark Many come, but few may have the courage to return. Things horrific are ready to grip your minds with ghoulis rooms that nightmares are made of. Walk through the doors of The Landmark and experience things heart stopping, sudden, and shocking, just in time for Halloween. *The Landmark on Lee, 2920 Lee St. 903-883-4206; thehauntedlandmark.com*

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GREENVILLE: Oct. 10 Bras for the Cause

Experience the most unique and fun art installation in all of Texas as more than 100 elaborately decorated bras are proudly put on display throughout downtown Greenville. Bring the whole family and vote on your favorites, as the event raises money to fight cancer. *Downtown Greenville, Awards at Emerald Ballroom, 2316 Johnson St. 903-456-2257; huntregional.org/foundation/bras_for_the_cause*

GROESBECK: Oct. 12 Faces and Places of Limestone County

Hop on board for a bus tour of historic places, which includes the Cynthia Ann Parker story at Historic Fort Parker, the Confederate Reunion Grounds, Fort Parker State Park and cemeteries, and old-town Springfield. Lunch is included. *Springfield Hall, 199 Park Road 35. 936-676-7110; masseyfoundationtx.com*

KAUFMAN: Oct. 26 Scarecrow Festival

Join along for a parade, live bands, children's games and amusement, shopping with unique vendors, great food trucks, magic shows, circus acts, and a community blood drive to give back to those in need. *Historic Downtown Kaufman Square, Mulberry Street. 972-932-3118; kaufmanchamber.com*

LA GRANGE: Oct. 5 Oktoberfest on the Square

With more than 100 varieties of craft beer, 12 wineries, authentic German cuisine, children's activities, and live music, this is a can't-miss festival. Ticket prices include 12 samples of craft beer or wine along with a commemorative glass. *Fayette County Courthouse Square, 151 N. Washington St. 979-968-3017; visitlagrangetx.com/oktoberfest-on-the-square*

LEWISVILLE: Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29 Rocktober Concert Series

This free concert series returns with concerts every Tuesday in October. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs for their comfort. Well-behaved pets on a leash are allowed. Limited food, beer, and wine sales are available. Guests are also encouraged to eat before the show or bring food to the event. Free parking is available at City Hall. *Wayne Ferguson Plaza, Old Town, 150 W. Church St. 972-219-3401; visitlewisville.com*

LEWISVILLE: Oct. 19 Best Little Brew-fest in Texas

This event exists to provide an opportunity to sample and learn about a variety of craft beer styles. Patrons get a souvenir tasting cup and card good for 12 two-ounce samples. Through Cloud 9 Charities, this event supports Alzheimer's respite care and teen suicide prevention. *Wayne Ferguson Plaza area, 150 W. Church St. 972-219-3401; bestlittlebrewfestintexas.com*

LIPAN: Oct. 19 Kick-A-Poo Festival and Car Show

Join the Lipan Volunteer Fire Department for a car show with 42 awards and a festival with arts and crafts, music, and entertainment. This event is free to the public. *Kickapoo Park, 200 Caddo St. 817-797-1197; ddrockinrods.com*

LULING: Oct. 12 Night in Old Luling

This festival features games, food, and entertainment with a portion of the proceeds earmarked for a local nonprofit. *Watermelon Thump Pavillion, 300 block of Davis Street. 830-857-0348*

MADISONVILLE: Oct. 19 Texas Mushroom Festival

Every October, the city of Madisonville becomes all about mushrooms. The entire downtown square is converted into an old-time street festival, complete with live music and dance performances, delicious food, and hundreds of vendor booths offering an array of different handcrafted wares. Start your day with the Shiitake 5K run, then visit the auto showcase and enjoy the photography and art contest, Texas craft beers, wine tastings, and kids activities. Admission to the festival is free. *Downtown Madisonville, 113 W. Trinity St. 936-348-9333; texasmushroomfestival.com*

MCKINNEY: Through Dec. 31 "McKinney Then and Now"

Travel back in time with this exhibit that focuses on McKinney history. Various types of audio/visual aids are available along with augmented reality experiences. *Collin County History Museum, 300 E. Virginia St. 972-542-9457; collincountyhistorymuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Aug. 31-Feb. 17 Dinosaurs Live!

Encounter the 46-foot tall T-Rex and nine new life-size animatronic dinosaurs along the nature trails at the 14th annual exhibit. The exhibit always gives families and friends a fun, educational activity to enjoy together. See the dinosaurs move and hear them roar. A photo op and play-area dinosaurs are available as well. This year, the exhibit also features an outdoor fossil dig. The dinosaur trail is jogging stroller friendly (it is not suitable for strollers with small wheels or wheelchairs). *Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place. 972-562-5566; heardmuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Oct. 18-20 Third Monday Trade Days

This is the oldest and largest monthly trade days and flea market in North Texas. Shop from more than 450 vendors who offer almost anything you can imagine. Find unique gifts, delightful home decor, trendy clothing and accessories, sporting goods, antiques and collectibles, dogs, and specialty items along with

many fantastic carnivalesque food concessions at this open-air market. Free admission. *4550 W. University Drive. 972-562-5466; thirdmondaytradedays.com*

MESQUITE: Oct. 4-5 Big Race Productions Enduro Race

Hailed as the Southwest's most famous dirt track, Devil's Bowl Speedway is the premier venue for racing entertainment. A high-banked half-mile with tacky black clay, the track is a unique D shape with the curve on the back straight fifteen feet higher than the front. This purposely designed aspect gives the 10,000 seats in the grandstands an unobstructed view of the entire track. *Devil's Bowl Speedway, 1711 Lawson Road. 972-222-2421; devilsbowl.com*

MESQUITE: Oct. 5-6 Haunted Camp Out

Spooktastic activities include zip lining, a costume contest, a tent decorating contest, and delicious s'mores by a roaring fire. *Camp Rorie Galloway, 3100 Lawson Road. 972-216-6260; visitmesquitetx.com*

MESQUITE: Oct. 11-12 Treasure Barn Sale

Join Historic Mesquite Inc. for this annual event that features items donated by the public to fundraising efforts. Shoppers can find anything from antique items to vintage toys to barely used clothing and linens. *Opal Lawrence Park, 701-711 E. Kearney St. 972-216-6468; visitmesquitetx.com*

MESQUITE: Oct. 12, 26 The Marketplace

Shop downtown for local fare from artisans, growers, and crafters on the second and fourth Saturday from April through October. *Downtown Mesquite, 150 W. Main St. 972-216-6450; visitmesquitetx.com*

MESQUITE: Oct. 18-19 Winter Nationals: Lucas Oil ASCS Sprint National Tour

Hailed as the Southwest's most famous dirt track, Devil's Bowl Speedway is the premier venue for racing entertainment. This purposely designed aspect gives the 10,000 seats in the grandstands an unobstructed view of the entire track for this 46th annual event. *Devil's Bowl Speedway, 1712 Lawson Road. 972-222-2422; devilsbowl.com*

MESQUITE: Oct. 19 PumpkinFest

The 19th annual event includes a live jousting show and competition, an archery show, a falconry show, ghost and goblin storytelling, and a maze. Other activities include arts and crafts, carnival games, bounce houses, food vendors, and trick-or-treating in Peddler's Alley. Costumes are encouraged. *Valley Creek Park, 2482 Pioneer Road. 972-216-6260; visitmesquitetx.com*

PILOT POINT: Oct. 12 Bonnie and Clyde Days

This annual festival is held to com-

memorate and reenact the 1967 filming of the bank robbery scene in the Warner Brothers movie "Bonnie and Clyde," at the historic bank building on the town square. In addition to the movie filming, Pilot Point was a known hangout of the real Bonnie and Clyde and the Barrow Gang. Local legend has it that a family member lived in the area and offered the gang a safe haven. The bank robbery reenactment comes complete with gangsters and police squad cars. See Pilot Point become a piece of living history with 1930s-era fun including a classic car show, historic exhibits, demonstrations, craft and food vendors, live music, children's activities, and the annual Soap Box Challenge, where drivers race in soap box cars. *Historic Town Square, 102 E. Main St. 940-293-7434; bonnieandclydedays.org*

PLANO: Oct. 3 Courtyard Texas Music Series: Prophets and Outlaws

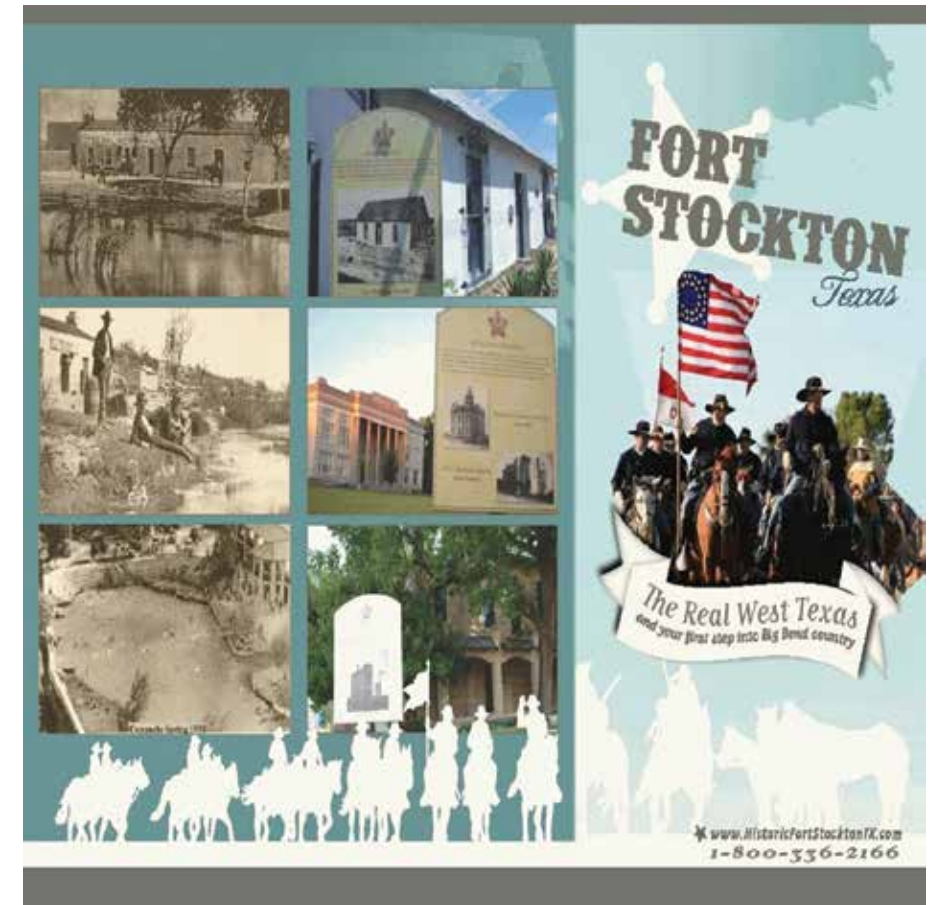
The Southern soul band originated in a Jesuit high school set in the heart of metropolitan Dallas when two brothers and a best friend came together in their shared love of music. Almost a decade and five EPs later, the now band of five boasts a massive fan base. Their commanding instrumental groove, relatable lyrics, and authentic five-part harmonies have sent them to the top of the music charts and earned the band over two million Spotify streams. While on the road more than 100 days a year across the country, this unity is extended as an invitation to their fans every night. All seating is reserved. *Courtyard Theater, 1509 H Ave. 972-941-5600; visitplano.com/events*

PLANO: Oct. 5 Plano Food + Wine Festival

The second annual festival includes wine tastings, delicious food, live music, and shopping. Enjoy more than 100 wines, food from 20 different restaurants and food trucks, four bands, culinary demonstrations, grape stomping, the DFW Photo Bus, and 100 artisans and boutiques. The event is free and family friendly. *The Shops at Willow Bend, 6121 W. Park Blvd. planofoodandwinefestival.com*

PLANO: Oct. 10 Downtown Plano Art and Wine Walk: Dia de los Muertos

Attendees sample select wines around the neighborhood while enjoying live music, local art, and shopping at the fourth annual event. There are approximately 20 wine stops each month, with each location serving a different wine. While enjoying wine samples, attendees keep track of the locations they visit on their tasting cards. Participants turn in their cards to enter the raffle drawing in McCall Plaza. Participants must be present to win. *Downtown Plano Arts District, 1013 E. 15th St. 972-489-8301; planomagazine.com/wine*



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PLANO: Oct. 12 Fall Plano Train Show Experience the largest model train show in the North Dallas area. Everyone's welcome—from the novice inexperienced to the seasoned engineer. The Fall Plano Train Show has club layouts, how-to clinics, and vendors with trains. Tickets available only at the door. Cash only. Parking is free. *Plano Event Center, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. dfwtrainshows.com*

PLANO: Oct. 12 Plano International Festival Enjoy multicultural music and dance performances, ethnic food trucks, and cultural displays, all from more than 100 cultures. Hands-on children's activities, a flag parade, and the area's only outdoor naturalization ceremony round out the fun. Come early for the popular Fitness and Wellness Fair with free flu shots and health screenings for kids and adults, plus interactive fitness demos. Admission and parking are free. *Haggard Park, 901 E. 15th St. 214-495-7838; planointernationalfestival.org*

PLANO: Oct. 25-26 Plano Steinfest This free, family-friendly, Oktoberfest-style event is hosted by the Historic Downtown Plano Association and celebrates outstanding beer, great food, and polka music. *Downtown Plano Arts District, 1013 E. 15th St. steinfest.org*

ROANOKE: Oct. 12 Celebrate Roanoke The 14th annual downtown event is a free, fun festival for the whole family. Spend the day shopping artisan and craft vendors, visiting Roanoke's unique boutiques, eating at food booths and local restaurants, watching the game on the jumbo TV, playing in the large children's area, listening to live music, and enjoying fireworks. *Historic Oak Street, Downtown Roanoke, Oak Street. 817-491-2411; roanoketexas.com*

ROCKDALE: Oct. 5 Fall Music Festival Music and fun for all ages. Live music, wiener dog races, a car show, vendor market, street dance, zombie and trick-or-treat runs, a washer tournament, chili cookoff and carnival booths are centered in and around historic downtown for the second annual festival. *Downtown Rockdale, 106 N. Main St. 512-446-2030*

ROUND TOP: Sept. 19-Oct. 6 Fall Antiques Show Shop more than 100 antique venues across Round Top, Carmine, Burton, Warrenton, and the Winedale area. *Various locations. 979-249-4042; exploreroundtop.com/antiques*

SALADO: Oct. 25 Fourth Friday Sip and shop with more than 25 boutiques, art galleries, and wineries. Complimentary drinks and snacks are available at some locations. *Historic Downtown Salado, Main Street. 254-947-0888; facebook.com/salado4thfriday*

SAN FELIPE: Oct. 5-27 Archaeology Awareness Month Every weekend in October at one of the state's most distinguished sites, staff and volunteers are engaged in excavations and field analysis. Enjoy themed walking tours and other archaeological activities. *San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 Second St. 979-885-2181; visitsanfelipedeAustin.com*

SHERMAN: Oct. 19 Sherman Symphony Orchestra: Fall Concert Hear an exciting orchestration by talented North Texan musicians as the Sherman Symphony Orchestra opens its 54th season. *Kidd-Key Auditorium, 400 N. Elm St. 903-267-3227; shermansymphony.com*

SHERMAN: Oct. 24 Trick-or-Treat on Travis Street Bring the kiddos in their most-exciting Halloween costume and enjoy ample sweets distributed by local businesses and organizations along Travis and Wall streets. *Downtown Sherman, 100 N. Travis St. 903-892-7230; facebook.com/shermanmainstreet*

SHINER: Oct. 19 Shiner Music Festival Enjoy a day of music, food, beverages, and fun. The main support groups include American Aquarium, Cory Morrow, and Jarrod Birmingham. *Green-Dickson Park, 65 CR 350. 361-894-5046; shinermusicfest.com*

STEPHENVILLE: Oct. 12 Sundown on the Square The fifth annual event supports the Stephenville Historical House Museum and showcases the beauty and uniqueness of Stephenville's historic town square. Festivities include a street dance featuring live music by Gary P. Nunn and Davin James, food and beverages from local vendors, wine tasting, and shopping on the square. *Downtown Stephenville, 100 W. Washington St. 254-552-1222; sundownsquare.com*

STEPHENVILLE: Oct. 19-20 By-Gone Days on the Bosque Visitors of all ages enjoy stepping back to a time when the community was being settled. Cowboy gunfights, Civil War demonstrations, live entertainment, arts and crafts vendors, a baking and canning contest, and concessions fill the day with historical adventures. On Sunday, there is an exclusive VIP performance by Michael Martin Murphy in the Bosque Chapel with a chicken-fried dinner provided. *Stephenville Historical Museum, 525 E. Washington St. 254-965-6190; ctfac.com*

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Oct. 26 Sulphur Springs Corvette Club Show This annual Corvette Show has turned into a very popular event for Corvette Clubs and individual owners from all over Texas and the surrounding states. *Celebration Plaza, Downtown Sulphur Springs, 100 Church St. ssvetteclub.com*

SULPHUR SPRINGS: Oct. 26 World Champion Hopkins County Stew Contest Have some authentic East Texas fun and enjoy all the delicious homemade stew you can eat at this 50th annual contest. The cookoff features more than 150 teams competing for several thousand dollars of prize money. Cooking over open wood fires, the teams prepare hearty chicken or beef stew in huge cast iron pots. *Buford Park, 733 Connally St. hopkinschamber.org/hopkins-county-stew-contest*

TEMPLE: Oct. 4 First Friday On the first Friday of every month, Historic Downtown Temple transforms into a giant party. Enjoy street music and performances, drinks, food, and after-hours shopping. *Downtown Temple, Main Street. 254-298-5378; discoverdowntowntemple.com*

TEMPLE: Oct. 5 Mythical Monster Day Put on your best costume and join the museum for a day of fantasy. Learn about mythical creatures from legends and lore. Explore the exciting world of dragons, fairies, the Loch Ness Monster, and Big Foot. *Temple Railroad and Heritage Museum, 315 W. Ave. B. 254-298-5172; templerrhm.org*

TEMPLE: Oct. 5 Tractor and Engine Show Check out a flea market with everything from tractor parts to arts and crafts at the 48th annual show. There is also a tractor pull, parade, corn shelling, wheat thrashing, and blacksmith demonstrations. Don't miss the homemade ice cream and food trucks. *Texas Early Day Tractor and Engine Association, 1717 Eberhardt Road. 254-230-9188; texasedtea.org*

TEMPLE: Oct. 31 Main Street Fright Fest No tricks, only treats when you spend Halloween on Main Street. Vendors line the streets selling arts and crafts and food. Fun, free activities for children include ring toss and face painting. Be sure to dress to impress—you could take home first place for the costume contest. All activities are free. Admission is two canned goods per family. *Downtown Temple, Main Street. 254-298-5418; discoverdowntowntemple.com*

VAN: Oct. 12 Oil Festival Celebrate the history of Van with this annual festival. This year marks 90 years of oil in Van, and festivities include a 5K run, barbecue cookoff, a baked and canned goods contest and auction, games, races, train rides, vendors, inflatables, the Dr. Squeek balloon ministry, oil museum tours, a car show, live music, and an introduction of the newly crowned Van Oil Queen and her court. *Van City Park, 300 VZ CR 1527. 903-368-4015; vantx.com*

WACO: Oct. 3-13 Heart O' Texas Fair and Rodeo This year, enjoy one more day of the rodeo, fairgrounds, and attractions.

Over the past 64 years the fair and rodeo have offered Central Texas a place to come and support the community. Activities include a carnival, beer and wine garden, mutton bustin', calf scramble, wiener dog races, petting zoo, school tours, a kids area, and the Wild West Market Place. *Extraco Events Center, 4601 Bosque Blvd. 254-776-1660; hotfair.com*

WACO: Oct. 3 The Stars Over Texas Jamboree This is a family-friendly music stage show presented the first Thursday of the month. Shows rotate between country and oldies, the anniversary edition in September, and the Christmas edition in December. *Lee Lockwood Library and Museum, 2801 W. Waco Drive. 254-755-7257; facebook.com/thestarsvertexasjamboree*

WACO: Oct. 4 McLennan Community College Foundation Golf Classic The 33rd annual tournament benefits student scholarships and special projects through the McLennan Community College Foundation. The top team in each flight is awarded the coveted McLennan Cup, with additional trophies for sixth, ninth, and thirteenth places. Tournament features include a four-person scramble format, hole contests, raffle prizes, and a silent auction. The cost to enter includes the green fee, cart, breakfast, lunch, snacks, drinks, and top-quality gifts. *Cottonwood Creek Golf Course, 5200 Bagby Ave. 254-299-8604; mclennan.edu/foundation/tournament*

WACO: Oct. 5-Jan. 5 Doc McStuffins: The Exhibit See the McStuffins Toy Hospital environment and explore the hospital, assume doctor play roles, and help solve problems, all while learning lessons about healthy habits, empathy, and nurturing care. *Mayborn Museum, Baylor University, 1300 S. University Parks Drive. 254-710-1110; maybornmuseum.com*

WACO: Oct. 13 Brazos River .5K The local chapter of the Society of Lazy and Care-free Runners (SLACR) presents the second annual Brazos River 0.5K. Join in for a strenuous test of endurance. Okay, that may be a little overkill. Join fellow "athletes" as they conquer the course and celebrate achievements. All registered participants receive a custom finisher's medal, 0.5K sticker, and T-shirt. Participants receive a free beer to help with hydration. There is also a costume contest with prizes for best male, female, group, and pet. After the "race," enjoy live music and food from local food trucks. Proceeds benefit the Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation. *Brazos Park East, Cameron Park, 3516 N. MLK Jr. Blvd. 254-977-2413; runsignup.com/race/tx/waco/brazosriver05k*

WACO: Oct. 17-19 Silobration The highly anticipated fifth annual Silobration features more than 90 artisan vendors from every corner of the United States, craft eats from Waco and beyond, lawn activities, and a ticketed after-hours JohnnySwim concert. *Magnolia Silos, 601 Webster Ave. 254-235-6111; magnolia.com/events/silobration-2019*

WACO: Oct. 27 Ironman 70.3 This triathlon begins with a 1.2-mile point-to-point swim in the Brazos River, starting almost directly below the historic suspension bridge. The course keeps swimmers only 50 meters from land, making it an exceptionally beginner-friendly course. The 56-mile, single-loop bike course route then takes athletes through beautiful Central Texas' rural roads, past Lake Waco, and through the Waco wetlands. The 13.1-mile double-loop run course crosses over the Brazos River and the city's beautiful and historic bridges a total of five times. *Cameron Park, 2601 Sturgis Road. 813-868-5940; ironman.com*

WAXAHACHIE: Sept. 27-Oct. 26 SCREAMS Halloween Theme Park The world's largest Halloween theme park is complete with major attractions, scores of professional actors, activities, food and drink, and games. *2511 FM 66. 972-938-3247; screamspar.com*

WAXAHACHIE: Oct. 4-6 Vintage Market Days Shop till you drop at this upscale vintage-inspired indoor/outdoor market. *Ellis County Expo Center, 2300 US 287 Bypass. 918-606-2254; socentraltexas.vintagemarkdays.com*

WAXAHACHIE: Oct. 5 Oddfest The fifth annual event offers art vendors, live music, and food. *Singelton Plaza, 200 N. Rogers St. 972-938-2062; waxa80.com*

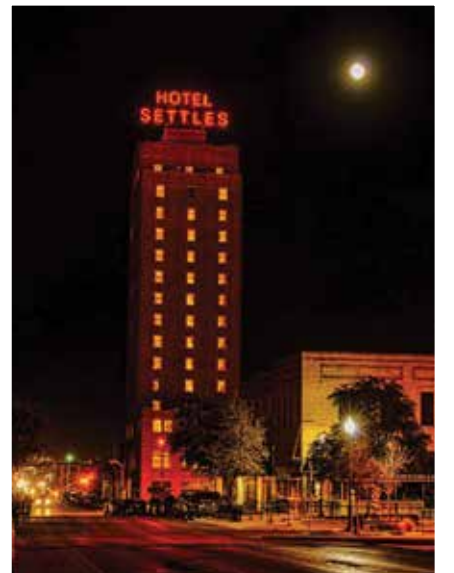
WAXAHACHIE: Oct. 26 Texas Country Reporter Festival The 24th annual event features artists, crafters, music, and food from all over the Lone Star State—much of it featured on TCR over the years. It's free, family-friendly, and fun. *Historic Downtown Waxahachie, 100 W. Main St. 469-309-4040; waxahachiecvb.com*

WEATHERFORD: Oct. 12 A Night in Venice Masked Ball Chandor Gardens Foundation invites you to an evening of 19th-century intrigue and elegance. There is dancing, entertainment, a photo booth, raffles, and Venetian mask and costume contests. Music and food are included. *Chandor Gardens, 711 W. Lee Ave. 817-613-1700; chandorgardensfoundation.org*

WEATHERFORD: Oct. 19 Talking Tombstone Tour: "W. O. W. Sovereigns—Though Silent, They Speak" Docent-




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guided tour groups stroll to various locations throughout the cemetery where characters dressed as departed citizens share their life stories. *Old City Greenwood Cemetery, 300 Front St. 817-596-3801; parkercountyheritagesociety.com*

WEATHERFORD: Oct. 20 Autumn Art Walk Usher in the fall season with this annual event. Area artists set up around the gardens demonstrating and selling a wide variety of their unique, handmade artwork. Enjoy live music, tasty food, and tours of the house and gardens. *Chandor Gardens, 711 W. Lee Ave. 817-613-1700; ci.weatherford.tx.us/1171/garden-happenings*

YORKTOWN: Oct. 18-20 Western Days The 61st annual event is a fundraising festival with free admission. Activities include music, a carnival, arts and crafts vendors, a chainsaw carver, parades, cookoffs, a quilt show, an arrowhead exhibit, and horseshoes and washers. *Various locations, 100 Block of N. Riedel Street. 361-564-2661; yorktowntx.com*

SOUTH TEXAS PLAINS

BEEVILLE: Oct. 3-6 Bee County Western Week Celebrate all things Western with a vendor exhibit hall, carnival, food truck grub, and a parade. *Bee County Expo Center, 214 FM 351 S. 361-358-3267; experiencebeecounty.org/westernweek*

EDINBURG: Oct. 12 University Draft-house BeerFest Come for the coolest craft beer in the country and stay for the mouth-watering food, live music, and fun. Experience an array of unique brews and your favorite porters, stouts, pilsners, ales, wheats, Belgians, ciders, and lagers to name a few. There are 100-plus premium and craft beers from more than 85 breweries from around the world. Enjoy interactive games, a wine garden, and free food. Every drink benefits the arts, culture, education, and historical restoration for the city of Edinburg. *Edinburg City Hall Courtyard, 415 W. University Drive. 956-383-4974; universitydrafthousebeerfest.com*

GOLIAD: Oct. 12 Goliad Market Days This market has vendors placed around the beautiful courthouse square. The vendors and variety change each month, but typically there are 100 or more vendors in attendance. Local shops and restaurants are open with unique clothing, arts, and home decor. *Downtown Goliad, 231 S. Market St. 361-645-3563; goliadcc.org*

GOLIAD: Oct. 19 Missions Tour de Goliad Do you like cycling, nature, and country backroads? Goliad's Missions Tour de Goliad combines all those things into this

one great event. The bicycle ride consists of four routes from the 10-mile ride to the 65-mile route across the backroads of Goliad County. *Goliad Chamber of Commerce, 231 S. Market St. 361-645-3563; bikereg.com/goliad*

LA VERNIA: Oct. 5-Nov. 4 Circle-N-Maze Enjoy a 5.5-acre maze in the San Antonio area. This space is toddler friendly, as there is a miniature maze for young children. There is also a pumpkin patch, picture stations, and a petting zoo. Come for the special "Lights Out" hours to tackle the maze in the dark. Multiple vendors and food trucks are set up, as well as hay bales and games for playing. *Circle-N-Maze, 558 CR 345. 210-274-3816; circlenmaze.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26 Saturday Night Rodeo This rodeo in the San Antonio suburb of Bulverde features all types of Texas entertainment, from live music and dancing to mechanical bulls, mutton' bustin, and calf scrambles. Enjoy beer, wine, and soft drinks coupled with barbecue, tacos, steak, burgers, and more. *Tejas Rodeo Company, 401 Obst Road. 830-980-2226; tejasrodeo.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Oct. 10-13 San Antonio Black International Film Festival The inaugural Black International Film Festival in San Antonio presents indie films in competition throughout the global diaspora, panels, workshops, and networking events. *Various locations. 202-505-3144; sabiff.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Oct. 26-27 Mala Luna Music Festival The fourth annual multi-day music festival is held each year on Halloween weekend. Since its inception in 2016, Mala Luna has showcased national headlining music talent alongside some of today's most exciting up-and-comers, while also paying tribute to the South Texas region's cultural celebration of Dia de los Muertos through a highly curated festival experience for all ages. The weekend features multiple outdoor stages, local vendors, visual artists, themed designs and costumes, and a diverse music lineup. *malalunamusicfestival.com*

SAN ANTONIO: Oct. 27 Hotel Emma's Sunday Supper with Chef Jonathan Perno The executive chef at Los Poblanos in New Mexico, Perno trained at the California Culinary Academy, and worked at Postrio, Splendido, and other renowned restaurants. Perno is a strong advocate of the Slow Food Movement and farm-to-table philosophy. This event includes a menu created by Chef Perno. *Hotel Emma, 136 E. Grayson St. thehotelemma.com*



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Wild Lights

During the holiday season, once the animals are fast asleep, the **Dallas Zoo** transforms into a winter wonderland of light—with more than 1 million twinkle lights illuminating the grounds. In addition to stunning light displays highlighting the zoo's inhabitants, each night presents a variety of events to warmly welcome those seeking some festive flair, from light shows and photo ops to craft workshops. And of course, no holiday event would be complete without a meet-and-greet with Santa Claus himself. Tickets include a full day's admission to the zoo, so attendees are encouraged to visit the animals beforehand—to get their fill of paws before the Claus. Not a parent? Not a problem. On “adults only” night, attendees 21 and older can enjoy specialty cocktails, lawn games, and more. dallaszoo.com

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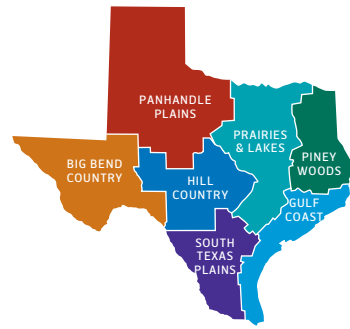
The ever-popular **East Austin Studio Tour**—a free self-guided art experience that attracts some 30,000 attendees annually—is back for two weekends this fall: Nov. 16-17 and 23-24. Local nonprofit Big Medium, which is dedicated to cultivating artists and the contemporary arts throughout Texas through community events like this one, engages more than 1,000 artists and 100,000 attendees each year through EAST, its sister event WEST, and various other annual programs. Last year's event included 277 artist studios, 67 galleries, 185 exhibitions, 42 events, and 10 libraries—all presented to help tour-goers choose their own adventure as they peruse Austin's art scene. east.bigmedium.org

A HOLIDAY CLASSIC

There's a reason why the **Houston Ballet's Nutcracker Market** serves as Houston's holiday season kickoff. What began in 1981 as a humble church bazaar has blossomed into a four-day shopping bonanza in the tradition of a European or Latin American street market, with more than 270 unique merchants offering items from gourmet food and home decor to apparel, toys, accessories, and more. The market expects to welcome more than 100,000 guests through its

doors Nov. 14-17. Last year, attendees spent a whopping \$20 million on gifts at this one-stop shopping event and signature holiday fundraiser. All proceeds from each admission purchased, as well as 11 percent of market purchases, go directly to the Houston Ballet Foundation, which brings arts education to Houston-area students and awards scholarships to students pursuing their dream of studying ballet. houstonballet.org/about/nutcracker-market





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Dates for events listed in this calendar are subject to change. Please confirm dates in advance by calling the number listed or by contacting the local chamber of commerce or convention and visitors bureau.

BIG BEND COUNTRY

ALPINE: Nov. 2 Dia de los Quesos
The fifth annual installment of Alpine's premier queso cookoff features live music and a lot of cheese. *The Ritchey Wine Saloon & Beer Garden, 102 E. Murphy St. ritcheysaloon.com*

ALPINE: Nov. 8-9 Center for Big Bend Studies Conference
This 26th annual event brings together the Sul Ross State University campus historians, archeologists, folklorists, and other researchers studying the past and present of the Big Bend region and northern Mexico. *Espino Conference Center, Sul Ross State University, 400 N. Harrison St. 432-837-8179; cbbs.sulross.edu/conference.php*

ALPINE: Nov. 22-23 Alpine Artwalk
Alpine's 26th annual arts festival spans two days in November to showcase a variety of art exhibitions in many local businesses, all against a backdrop of festivities and live music. *Downtown Alpine, 105 E. Holland Ave. 432-837-3067; artwalkalpine.com*

ALPINE: Nov. 30 Christmas in Alpine Parade
The first of three big holiday weekends in Alpine features a lighted parade, community Christmas tree lighting, caroling, and Santa at the courthouse gazebo. *Downtown Alpine, 201 W. Ave. E. 432-837-3301; visitalpinetx.com/christmas*

ANTHONY: Nov. 23 Flying Horse Half Marathon
With three distance options, this run is for runners of all levels. The race be-

gins and ends in Anthony, the "Gateway to Texas," crossing into New Mexico and taking runners through two states in one race. *Ernie Rascon Memorial Park, 100 Richard White. 915-229-5656; raceelpaso.com/flying-horse*

EL PASO: Nov. 1-3 A Christmas Fair
This is an annual shopping gift market. The event, recognized as an El Paso tradition, features more than 200 merchants and vendors, and draws 12,000 to 15,000 shoppers annually. *Judson F. Williams Convention Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza. 915-584-3511; jlep.org/a-christmas-fair*

EL PASO: Nov. 8 "Peppa Pig's Adventure"
Peppa gets ready to go on an exciting camping trip to the woods with George and her school friends, including Pedro Pony, Suzy Sheep, and Gerald Giraffe. With lunchboxes packed and Daddy Pig driving the bus, Peppa and friends are excited about their outdoor adventure, full of games, laughter, and live music. *Abraham Chavez Theatre, 1 Civic Center Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Nov. 8-10 "The Book of Moron"
If you are yearning for some satire that cuts with a shrewd, sharp edge, then buckle up for a hilarious joyride over the potholed highways of cultural hypocrisy with Robert Dubac's "The Book of Moron." *Philanthropy Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Nov. 8 Christian Nodal in Concert
Christian Nodal demonstrates success in his young age as a talented mariachi and touring musician, with rankings on Billboard, iHeartRadio, and a Latin Grammy under his belt. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Nov. 8-10 Franklin Mountains Trail Run
This is a true Texas mountain race. Most of the trails are desert terrain that allow running with easy technical stability. The climb to the North Franklin Peak is a combination of straight climbing and switchbacks. The start/finish is at the pavilion area circle inside Franklin Mountains State Park. Course options include 50K, 27K, 13.1K, 10K, and 5K. *Franklin Mountains State Park, 1331 McKelligon Canyon Road. 915-566-6441; trailracingovertexas.com/franklin-mountains-trail-run*

EL PASO: Nov. 19-20 "Blue Man Group"
This performance group is best known for their wildly popular theatrical shows and concerts that combine comedy, music, and technology to produce a totally unique form of entertainment. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Nov. 27 La Arrolladora in Concert
This band is a Latin Grammy-winning

Mexican group from Mazatlán, Sinaloa. *Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. 915-534-0660; elpasolive.com*

EL PASO: Nov. 28 Sun Bowl Thanksgiving Parade
Thousands of spectators line Montana Avenue each Thanksgiving morning to watch one of the largest community events in the Southwest, now in its 83rd year. The parade includes floats, giant helium balloons, equestrian units, clowns, marching bands, and a wide variety of specialty units from Mexican Indian dancers to military ceremonial units. *Montana Avenue. 915-533-4416; sunbowl.org*

FORT DAVIS: Nov. 9 Open Day at Davis Mountains Preserve
The Nature Conservancy preserve opens for hiking, biking, equestrian activities, picnics, photography, and birding on selected days. *Davis Mountains Preserve, SH 118, 25 miles northwest of Fort Davis, 10 miles past McDonald Observatory. 432-426-2390; nature.org*

FORT DAVIS: Nov. 11 Veterans Day
Observe Veterans Day at the landmark Fort Davis National Historic Site. *Fort Davis National Historic Site, 101 Lt. Flipper Drive No. 1379. 432-426-3224; fortDavis.com*

VAN HORN: Nov. 29-Dec. 16 Trans Pecos Big Buck Tournament
This is an annual desert mule deer hunting tournament. *Van Horn Convention Center, 1801 W. Broadway. 432-283-2682; vanhorntexas.org*

GULF COAST

BEAUMONT: Nov. 16 The Symphony of Southeast Texas: "A Celebration of Mozart, Rossini, and SOST!"
Musical spirits come to life with the music of Rossini, Mozart, and Vaughn Williams. Hear how Mozart's impressions live on in Rossini's "Barber of Seville Overture," based on the central character of Figaro from the opera bearing his name. One of Mozart's final symphonies, No. 39, reveals the example his music had on future generations of composers. *Julie Rogers Theatre, 765 Pearl St. 409-892-2257; sost.org*

BRAZORIA: Nov. 14 Henry Smith Day
This day honors Smith at his statue on the grounds of the Brazoria Heritage Foundation. In 1832, Smith took an active part in the Battle of Velasco. In 1833, he was elected Alcalde of the jurisdiction of Brazoria. Historical groups and elementary students come to give talks and play music to honor one of the early citizens of Brazoria. *Brazoria Civic Center, 202 W. Smith. 979-824-0455; brazoriahf.org*

BROWNSVILLE: Nov. 25-Jan. 1 Holiday Village
A collection of 34 life-size cottages

provide a glimpse through a window of a holiday scene which may be historic, cultural, or whimsical in nature. Some examples include Santa's workshop, holiday in space, and the elf scouts' bunkhouse. It is best viewed at night when each cottage is lit inside and out. Santa is available to visit with children on weekends until Christmas. *Dean Porter Park, 501 E. Ringgold St. 956-592-2001; holidayvillagebrownsville.com*

CLUTE: Oct. 15-Nov. 10 Moments of Light Art Show
This art exhibit features different light influences. The center is closed on Mondays. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Nov. 5, 12, 19, 22, 26 Planetarium Show
The show features a 30-foot dome equipped with a Spitz Star Ball projector to produce the night sky as it appears to the naked eye, together with a large variety of high-tech equipment to give a close-up feel for things like comets, exploding stars, and black holes. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Nov. 12-Jan. 3 Art Market
This exhibit and sale benefits Habitat for Humanity. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CLUTE: Nov. 29-Dec. 8 "Christmas Belles"
This play is a Southern farce about squabbling sisters, family secrets, a surly Santa, a vengeful sheep, and a reluctant Elvis impersonator. *Center for the Arts & Sciences, 400 College Blvd. 979-265-7661; brazosportcenter.com*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Sept. 1-Nov. 30 Parrot Talk Visitor Interaction
Botanical Gardens visitors meet and interact with several stars of the colorful exotic parrot collection along with animal care specialists and trainers. *South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Sept. 1-Nov. 25 Tortoise Tales Visitor Interactions
Botanical Gardens visitors may interact with and learn about the collection of large and small tortoises with the animal care specialists and trainers. *South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. 361-852-2100; stxbot.org*

CORPUS CHRISTI: Nov. 2 Dia de los Muertos Festival
This festival is commonly named one of the top Dia de los Muertos celebrations in the country. Thousands attend the event each year, and many vendors sell out. *Downtown Corpus Christi. 361-887-6834; diadelosmuertoscc.com*

EDNA: Nov. 7-9 Texana Chili Spill
The 19th annual event includes a veteran's appreciation dinner, fireworks, and a cookoff that includes salsa, Dutch oven, chili, and bean competitions. Activities include a wine garden, helicopter rides, vendors, and a horseshoe and washer tournament. *Brackenridge Main Event Center, 284 Brackenridge Parkway. 361-782-5229; texanachilisfill.com*

FREEPORT: Nov. 10 Freeport Market Square
Local vendors showcase homemade goods and farm fresh items. *Freeport Historical Museum, 311 E. Park Ave. 979-233-0066; facebook.com/cfhmuseum*

FREEPORT: Nov. 23 Schuster Home Open House
Built by the Schuster family in 1917, the same year the city of Freeport was incorporated, this home was a special place for family gatherings and holidays. It serves as an example of family life during the founding of Freeport. *Schuster Home, 1130 W. Second St. 979-297-0868; facebook.com/brazoshistoricalsociety*

GALVESTON: Oct 31-Nov. 3 Lone Star Motorcycle Rally
Experience the largest four-day biker rally in the country. The event features bike shows, live concerts, and celebrity appearances. *Downtown Galveston, Strand Street, and Seawall locations. lonestarrally.com*

GALVESTON: Nov. 9 “Bandstand” From three-time Tony winner and “Hamilton” choreographer Andy Blankenbuehler, this musical follows six soldiers as they return from war and, through the power of music, finally find a place to call home. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Nov. 12 “The Velveteen Rabbit” The power of play and childhood fancy, the pure light of unconditional love—these timeless forces illuminate Margery Williams’ tale of friendship and the passing of time. Experience a particular innocence and wisdom that has much to say about the present culture of instant gratification and disposable friends. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Nov. 16-17 “Once” Winner of eight Tonys and a Grammy, “Once” tells the tale of a Dublin street musician who’s about to give up on his dream when a woman takes a sudden interest in his haunting love songs. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Nov. 22 Vienna Boys Choir For more than 500 years, the world-famous choir has delighted listeners with Strauss waltzes, classical masterpieces by Mozart and Haydn, and folk songs from around the world. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Nov. 30 “Doo-Wop Holiday” Tracing the evolution of doo-wop from the classic sound of five guys singing tight harmonies on a street corner to the biggest hits on the radio today, The Doo Wop Project puts a holiday spin on a show featuring Broadway stars to recreate—and in some cases entirely reimagine—some of the greatest music in American history. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

GALVESTON: Nov. 30 ArtWalk at The Grand: A Holiday Arts Market Part of the Galveston Arts Center’s Thanksgiving Weekend ArtWalk, this holiday market features a variety of art mediums and a special appearance by Santa. *The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. 800-821-1894; tickets.thegrand.com*

HARLINGEN: Nov. 23 Fall Festival There is live music, food and business vendors, animal exhibits, carnival rides, and a pumpkin patch. *Harlingen Field, 1216 Fair Park Blvd. 956-622-5053; visitharlingentexas.com*

HOUSTON: Nov. 2 Da Camera Presents Blue Note Records 80th Birthday Celebration Celebrate the legendary jazz record label with performances by three artists: Houston native and pianist James Francies, singer Kandace Springs, and Detroit saxophonist James Carter. *Cullen Theatre, Wortham Theatre Center, 501 Texas Ave. 713-524-5050; dacamera.com*

HOUSTON: Nov. 9 Da Camera Presents “A Woman’s Life: The Diary of Virginia Woolf” Metropolitan Opera mezzo-soprano Jennifer Johnson Cano joins Artistic Director Sarah Rothenberg in this musical, literary, and visual exploration of artist-women’s lives. Two exquisite song cycles depict radically different views of a woman’s life, a century apart. Composer Robert

have competed to help raise more than \$750,000 for local charities in the 14 productions of the festival since 2000. *Houston Design Center, 7026 Old Katy Road. 713-864-2660; risottofestival.com*

HOUSTON: Nov. 14-18 Houston Cinema Arts Festival This five-day, multi-venue festival includes a multitude of narrative and documentary films, an interactive video installation gallery, live multimedia performances, panel discussions, Meet the Makers workshops, and free outdoor and student field-trip screenings. In its relatively short history, HCAS has brought notable guest artists such as Tilda Swinton, Alex Gibney, Guillermo Arriaga, Isabella Rossellini, John Turturro, Shirley MacLaine, Rick Linklater, Ethan Hawke, Fisher Stevens, Robert Redford, Tracy Letts, James Ivory, Julie Taymor, Will Forte, and Thomas Haden Church to the festival. *Various locations, 4409 Montrose Blvd. 713-429-0420; cinemahtx.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Nov. 2 Abner Jackson Plantation Site Tour Visit the historic archeological site of Maj. Abner Jackson, the namesake of the city of Lake Jackson. Once a prosperous sugar plantation, the site was destroyed by the same hurricane that devastated Galveston. Discover the sugar-making process of the 1840s and how convict labor replaced slave labor during the 1870s. *Abner Jackson Plantation Site, 1030 FM 2004. 979-297-1570; ljhistory.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Nov. 5 The Great Outdoors Symphony Show The Brazosport Symphony Orchestra performs music inspired by the great outdoors. *The Clarion, 500 College Drive. 979-230-3658; brazosport.edu/clarion*

LAKE JACKSON: Nov. 16 Bird Banding Watch volunteers collect baseline data on bird populations at the sanctuary. The banding station is an excellent opportunity to see birds up close and to learn about all the birds of the Brazosport area. *Gulf Coast Bird Observatory, 299 SH 332. 979-480-0999; gcbo.org*

LAKE JACKSON: Nov. 21-24 Festival of Lights Kickoff the holiday season with snow, a carnival, games, and a parade. Carnival runs Thursday-Sunday. Official tree lighting ceremony is on Friday. Entertainment, games, snow, ice skating, and parade are on Saturday. *Lake Jackson Civic Center, 333 SH 332. 979-415-2600; lakejackson-tx.gov*

LAMAR: Nov. 2 Lamar Market Days The Lamar Fire department hosts this fundraiser that features a giant garage sale, plant sale, and barbecue plate sale

with home desserts. *Lamar Fire Dept. 361-205-0070; rockport-fulton.org*

QUINTANA: Nov. 2 Pollinator Palooza What are pollinators and why are they so important? Come find out at this free event with craft activities for kids, and live bees and butterflies. Look through the microscope, talk with beekeepers, and learn how to plant for pollinators. *Quintana Beach County Park, 330 Fifth St. 979-233-1461; brazoria-county.com/parks*

RICHMOND: Nov. 2 Saturday Spotlight: Plein Air Painting En plein air is the act of painting outdoors. Watch local artists find inspiration throughout George Ranch Historical Park. The day ends with a special public reception and showing of the art created at the park on that day. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Nov. 9 Saturday Spotlight: Veteran’s Day In honor of Veteran’s Day, get a taste of soldier life in multiple eras and learn about the conflicts that helped shape this one Texas family. Admission for veterans and active-duty military personnel and their families is free on this day. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Nov. 14-17 Buster & Sheryl McLaury Horsemanship and Cow-Working Clinic Learn how to develop a stronger, safer bond with your horse through a deeper understanding of the horse/human relationship, and simple, yet precise exercises. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Nov. 16 Saturday Spotlight: Candle-Making Make candles to prepare for winter at the 1830s Jones Stock Farm. Walk through this important 19th-century task and learn about this complicated process. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

RICHMOND: Nov. 30 Before Thanksgiving was Thanksgiving Historic Lunch Though Thanksgiving as we know it is one of our more modern holidays, its roots lie in the harvest festival traditions of our ancestors. Journey back in time to the beginnings of this important holiday for a special meal at the 1830s Jones Stock Farm, which includes a whole roasted hog. *George Ranch Historical Park, 10215 FM 762 Road. 281-343-0218; georgeranch.org*

ROCKPORT: Nov. 2-3 Rockport Film Festival This event celebrates the best of independent cinema on the Texas coast. Showcasing shorts, features, documentaries, animations, and student films, the three-day

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event highlights talent from Texas and beyond. *Rockport Center for the Arts, Austin Street. 361-729-5519; rockportartcenter.com*

ROCKPORT: Nov. 9 Art Center Market Second Saturday Member artists exhibit and sell their unique and one-of-a-kind fine art, photography, jewelry, pottery, wood carving, yard art, fiber art, and more. Live music and food truck on-site. *Down-town Rockport, Austin Street. 361-729-5519; rockportartcenter.com*

ROCKPORT-FULTON: Nov. 15-17 Rockport-Fulton Market Days More than 100 vendors and live music add extra fun during the third weekend of the month. The pet-friendly market offers more than a dozen food trucks and food vendors, with seating in the shade. *Festival Grounds at Rockport Harbor, 100 Seabreeze. 361-463-0125*

ROSENBERG: Nov. 2 Seabourne Nature Fest The eighth annual free festival by the Coastal Prairie Chapter of Texas Master Naturalists offers many family-friendly activities. Visitors can see butterflies, alligators, snakes, hawks, and owls, and see beekeepers at work. Kids enjoy a petting zoo, crafts, and face painting. Experts lead nature walks, and there is an edible plant display, prairie walks, hayrides, musical entertainment, food trucks, and native plants and seeds. *Seabourne Creek Nature Park, 3831 SH S. 281-663-7033; txmn.org*

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Nov. 2 SPI Mariachi Run This 5K/10K run is infused with live mariachi music. *Schlitterbahn Beach Waterpark & Resort, 100 Padre Blvd. 956-761-3000; sopadre.com*

SPRING: Sept. 10-Jan. 11 "Grand Canyon Photographs: Celebrating the Centennial" This timely exhibition commemorates the establishment of Grand Canyon National Park 100 years ago. *Pearl Fincher Museum of Fine Arts, 6815 Cypresswood Drive. 281-376-6322; pearlifa.org*

SUGAR LAND: Nov. 9 Sugar Land Heritage Hike This historic walking tour takes one back to the time when Sugar Land was a company town, with virtually all enterprises managed by the Imperial Sugar Company or its affiliate, Sugarland Industries. *Sugar Land Heritage Museum & Visitor Center, 198 Kempner St., Building B, Second Floor. 281-275-2045; slheritag.org*

SUGAR LAND: Nov. 8 Opry on the Square Enjoy "Country Now and Then," featuring country favorites that appeal to all generations of country music fans. *Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. 281-276-6000; sugarlandtownsquare.com*

SUGAR LAND: Nov. 11 Sara Bareilles in Concert Bareilles brings her *Amidst the*

Chaos Tour to Texas. Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net

SUGAR LAND: Nov. 23 Sleeping Beauty Dreams Contemporary dance meets real-time avatar-mapping projection technology and contemporary music to create a new kind of multidimensional scenic experience. *Smart Financial Centre at Sugar Land, 18111 Lexington Blvd. 281-207-6278; smartfinancialcentre.net*

TOMBALL: Nov. 23 Holiday Parade The 55th annual parade has more than 175 festive entries with more than 40,000 in attendance. *Main Street, FM 2920 from the railroad tracks to Buvinghausen Street. 281-351-7222; tomballchamber.org*

VICTORIA: Sept. 26-Nov. 3 Madeline O'Connor Exhibit The exhibit features a well-known and respected local artist whose art is an abstraction from nature. *The Nave Museum, 306 W. Commercial St. 361-575-8227; navemuseum.com*

VICTORIA: Nov. 7 Victoria Main Street Harvest Dinner Enjoy a delicious dinner under shady oaks. *DeLeon Plaza, 101 N. Main St. 361-578-0060; victoriainmainstreet.org*

VICTORIA: Nov. 14-17 "Over the River and Through the Woods" Theatre Victoria presents this funny and touching comedy by Joe DiPietro. *Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts, 214 N. Main St. 361-570-8587; theatrevictoria.org*

VICTORIA: Nov. 21-Jan. 12 GAGA—The Exquisite Rainbow Corpse Redux Exhibit Members of the Gentileschi Aegis Gallery Association blindly select paint swatches and create works based on those selections. *The Nave Museum, 306 W. Commercial St. 361-575-8227; navemuseum.com*

HILL COUNTRY

AUSTIN: Through Jan. 26 Motown: The Sound of Young America This exhibit celebrates the 60th anniversary of the birth of Motown Records. The exhibit traces the evolution of the label, focusing on its major artists and musical achievements, and explores how the sound of Motown continues to influence pop music today. *LBJ Presidential Library, 2313 Red River St. 512-721-0200; lbjlibrary.org*

AUSTIN: Nov. 1-3 Formula 1 Pirelli United States Grand Prix The pinnacle of motorsports returns to Circuit of The Americas for a weekend-long celebration of speed and sound featuring performances from P!nk and Imagine Dragons. The weekend welcomes professional drivers and race fans from all over the world. *Circuit of*

The Americas, 9201 Circuit of the Americas Blvd. 512-301-6600; circuitoftheamericas.com/fl

AUSTIN: Nov. 2-3 "Texas Monthly" Barbecue Fest Weekend The 10th annual celebration of the magazine's latest list of the Top 50 barbecue joints in Texas kicks off Saturday with "Cue Course," a barbecue education course at Stiles Switch hosted by "Texas Monthly" BBQ editor Daniel Vaughn; and the first-ever Franklin and Friends' event hosted by barbecue maestro Aaron Franklin himself. The main festival, which features a lineup of 30 of "Texas Monthly"'s top barbecue joints in Texas, takes place on Sunday. *The Long Center, 701 W. Riverside Drive. texasmonthly.com/event/tmbbq-fest-2019*

AUSTIN: Nov. 3 Run for the Water Runners of all ages and experience levels are invited to take part in this inspiring event which has helped bring clean water to nearly 100,000 people in Burundi, one of the world's poorest nations. The city's second-largest annual charity run raises money for the Gazelle Foundation, a non-profit co-founded by Austin resident and Burundian genocide survivor Gilbert Tuha-bonye. This year, the foundation hopes to register 4,000 runners to raise more than \$300,000 for water projects that could transform lives in Burundi. *Downtown Austin, 100 Lance Armstrong Bikeway. 512-422-1660; runforthewater.com*

AUSTIN: Nov. 23 Santa's Arrival and Tree Lighting Ceremony Hill Country Galleria kicks off the holiday season with this annual free event. Guests enjoy a special appearance by Santa, the holiday tree lighting ceremony, a live concert, fireworks, and more. *Hill Country Galleria, 12700 Hill Country Blvd. hillcountrygalleria.com*

BOERNE: Nov. 1-2 Boerne Handmade Market This biannual, two-day event boasts creative and new vendors selling all handmade items. *Cana Ballroom, 202 W. Kronkosky St. 210-663-9046; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 1-3 Vintage Market Days This upscale vintage-inspired market features original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade treasures, home décor, outdoor furnishings, food, and seasonal plantings. *Kendall County Youth Ag and Equestrian Center, 649 FM 289. 281-832-1734; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 2 Fall Family Festival Enjoy children's activities, arts and crafts, family yoga, live music, demonstrations, and tours of the farm. *Herff Farm, 33 Herff Road. 830-249-4616; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 2 Kendall County Wild Game Dinner Go hog wild at this annual wild game dinner. Enjoy old favorites like smoked turkey, smoked pulled pork, brisket tacos, and beans, then move on up to something a little more exotic. *Kendall County Fairgrounds, 1307 River Road. 210-316-4297; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 7 Diva Night Evening festivities include shopping, live music, dining, and great specials. The first 200 divas to check in at The Dienger Trading Co. and The Flower Shop get a tiara or a boa. *Boerne's Hill Country Mile, 100 N. Main St. 210-861-7333; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 9 Concert in the Cave The Fredericksburg Music Festival on Tour performs in the cave's Queen's Throne Room. *Cave Without A Name, 325 Kreutzberg Road. 830-537-4212; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 9-10 Holiday Market Days On the second weekend of every month, Main Plaza is home to an outdoor market that blends the traditions of the Texas Hill Country with the creations of today's culture. Hundreds of festive booths display everything from collectibles and remembrances of the past to modern innovations. *Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. 210-844-8193; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 9 Kuhlmann-King Museum Tour Located behind Boerne City Hall, the Kuhlmann-King house gives the public the opportunity to step back in time to see what a historic Boerne home looked like "way back when." The museum is open every second Saturday of the month. *Historic Kuhlmann-King Homestead, 402 E. Blanco Road. 830-331-1033; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 9 Second Saturday Art Beat Boerne shops and art galleries team up to bring fine art to the people every second Saturday of the month. Look for flashy banners displayed through town. *Boerne's Hill Country Mile, 100 N. Main St. 210-954-6659; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 21 A Thirst for Nature Learn about the area's different plant and wildlife. Those who are of age can sip on an adult beverage made to match the theme for that month, or choose the non-alcoholic version for kids. *Cibola Nature Center, 140 City Park Road. 830-249-4616; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 23-24 Boerne Fall Antiques Show Exhibitors gather their treasures from across the country and save their best for this nationally acclaimed antiques show. *Kendall County Fairgrounds,*

1307 River Road. 830-329-2870; visitboerne.org/calendar

BOERNE: Nov. 29-Dec. 31 Christmas on the Ranch Join Don Strange Ranch for a monthlong celebration of family, friends, and neighbors with brand-new displays, interactive carriage and hayrides, food, and Christmas shopping. *Don Strange Ranch, 103 Waring Welfare Road. 830-537-3156; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 29-30 Dickens on Main The 20th annual celebration officially kicks off the holiday season in Boerne, spreading tidings of good cheer and merriment galore. *Boerne's Hill Country Mile, 100 N. Main St. 830-248-1617; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 29-Dec. 31 Old West Christmas Light Fest Enjoy holiday flavors and fun at an all-new location for this event's sixth year of Christmas magic. *Enchanted Springs Ranch, 242 SH 46 W. 210-570-7669; visitboerne.org/calendar*

BOERNE: Nov. 30 Concert in the Cave: Sounds of the Season Tinsel performs in the Queen's Throne Room for a special holiday celebration. *Cave Without A Name, 325 Kreutzberg Road. 830-537-4212; visitboerne.org/calendar*

CEDAR PARK: Nov. 9 Veterans Parade and Ceremony Honor veterans and show patriotic pride. *Vererans Memorial Park, 2525 New Hope Drive. 512-401-5500; cedarparktexas.gov*

CEDAR PARK: Nov. 16 MercyMe in Concert See MercyMe live on their Imagine Nation Tour with special guests Crowder and Micah Tyler. *H-E-B Center at Cedar Park, 2100 Ave. of the Stars. 512-600-5000; hebcenter.com/events*

COMFORT: Nov. 16-19 Diva Day and Girls Night Out Downtown merchants pull out the stops to give the ladies all the best reasons to come to Comfort and shop. Selections for the Christmas season, sumptuous tasty treats, and drinks top off the experience. Saturday is Diva Day and Tuesday evening is Girls Night Out. Guys are welcome to come along. *Historic Downtown Comfort. 830-995-3131; comfort-texas.com*

COMFORT: Nov. 30 Christmas in Comfort Every year on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, 125-plus arts and crafts and food vendors line downtown streets for a day of shopping and fun. Enjoy live entertainment throughout the day, kids activities, and a nighttime lighted parade followed by fireworks. *Historic Downtown Comfort. 830-995-3131; comfort-texas.com*

FREDERICKSBURG: Nov. 8-10 Die Künstler Fine Art Show and Sale The 27th an-

nual weekend exhibition and sale features more than 300 original artworks by DK's member artists. Free admission. *St. Joseph's Halle, 212 W. San Antonio St. 713-201-1351; dkfredericksburg.org*

FREDERICKSBURG: Nov. 9 Fort Martin Scott Living History and Pageant During the day, military and pioneer interpreters in period attire bring 1848 to life at the fort. In the evening, a short pageant at the adjacent Texas Rangers Heritage Center tells the story of this first fort on the Texas frontier. *Fort Martin Scott, 1606 E. Main St., adjacent to Texas Rangers Heritage Center. 830-307-8715; ftmartinsscott.org*

INGRAM: Nov. 16, 19-23, 26-30; Dec 3-7, 10-14 Artmart Christmas Gift Showcase This holiday shopping showcase features artists from across the state. *Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point Theatre Road. 830-367-5121; hcac.com*

INGRAM: Nov. 22-23, 29; Dec 1, 6-8 "It's a Wonderful Life Radio Show" A beloved American holiday classic comes to life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. *Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point Theatre Road. 830-367-5121; hcac.com*

JOHNSON CITY: Nov. 29-Dec. 1 Market Days Local artisans sell handmade items, jewelry, and plants. Food and beverages are available. *City Park, US 290 at Avenue G. 830-868-7684; johnsoncitytexas.info*

JOHNSON CITY: Nov. 30 Art Walk All galleries are open for new exhibits and are serving adult beverages and snacks. *North Nugent and Main streets. 830-868-7684; johnsoncitytexas.info*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 1 First Friday Wine Share A fun way to meet new or different wines, people, and places of business or art. Bring no more than one bottle of wine per couple and a glass. *Kerrville-Kerr County Airport, 1877 Airport Loop. 830-896-6600; firstfridaywineshare.com*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 1-Dec. 14 Texas Furniture Makers Show The 20th annual juried exhibit features the best furniture makers in Texas on select dates. *Kerr Arts & Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett St. 830-895-2911; kacckerrville.com*


KERRVILLE: Nov. 2 Hill Country Swap Meet Enjoy a giant community garage sale, flea market, and trade days all in one. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-459-6198; kerrmarketdays.org*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 2 Kerr County Market Days Peruse an indoor marketplace of vendors with original handcrafted goods, artwork, and homegrown plants and pro-

duce. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-895-7524; kerrmarketdays.org*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 2 Holiday Magic Gift Market Shop for Christmas decor, handmade crafts, clothing, and jewelry, plus enjoy a bake sale, and lunch. *Elks Lodge, 1907 Junction Highway. 830-542-9611*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 8-10 Kid 'N Ewe and Llamas Too Fiber Arts Festival Texas' premier fiber arts festival for anyone who enjoys the wide variety of fiber arts. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. kidnewe.com*



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KERRVILLE: Nov. 9 "An Evening to Remember" with Don Irwin in Memory of John Iman Listen to a Steinway piano memorial performance. *Kerrville First United Methodist Church, 321 Thompson Drive. 830-792-4044; dietertcenter.org*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 9 Kerrville VA Open Car Show and Parade A car show and parade benefit patients at Kerrville VA Hospital. Entertainment and food are included. *Kerrville VA Hospital, 3600 Memorial Blvd. 830-792-2580; everycarshow.com*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 16-17 Texas Gun and Knife Show Shop new and used guns, knives, gold and silver coins, jewelry, camping gear, and military supplies. *Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 SH 27. 830-285-0576; texasgunandknifeshows.com*

KERRVILLE: Nov. 23 Holiday Lighted Parade and Courthouse Lighting Ceremony Welcome the holiday season with an

annual lighted parade and the arrival of Santa on his signature fire truck. After the parade, enjoy a Christmas program with caroling, and the lighting of the courthouse with a 45-foot tree. *Kerr County Courthouse, 700 Main St. 830-792-7812; kerrvillex.gov*

LAMPASAS: Nov. 1 Hunter's Welcome The Lampasas County Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center usher in the hunting season by welcoming area hunters to the Lampasas community with a barbecue sack lunch. The first 250 people in line get a goodie bag. *H-E-B, 705 S. Key Ave. 512-556-5172; lampasaschamber.org*

LLANO: Oct. 19-Nov. 2 Western Trappings on the Llano Experience an art-filled Western weekend on the banks of the Llano River and see the finest in custom Western gear and original art. *Llano County Historical Museum, 310 Bessemer Ave. 214-801-0944; westerntrappings.com*

LLANO: Nov. 1 Hunter Appreciation Day The opening of deer season proves to be a holiday worthy of celebration in the Deer Capital of Texas. The Llano Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Center welcome hunters with maps, information, prizes, and raffles along with refreshments. *Llano Visitor Center, 100 Train Station Drive. 325-247-5354; llanochamber.org*

LLANO: Nov. 29-Dec. 31 Starry Starry Nights Lighted Christmas Park Sip hot chocolate and stroll along the Llano River enjoying all of the displays that light up Badu Park. Santa is at the park every Friday and Saturday until Dec. 21. *Badu Park, 300 W. Legion Drive. 325-247-5354; llanostarrystarrynights.com*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Nov. 1-10 Wurstfest Join in a unique celebration rich in German culture. Enjoy food, music, dancing, carnival rides, games, German and Texan beers, special events, and the finest in Alpine- and Bavarian-style entertainment. *Landa Park, 120 Landa St. 830-625-9167; wurstfest.com*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Nov. 8-10 North American Jewelry and Gift Show Shop all things jewelry and gifts for finds like beads, gold, silver, gemstones, clothing, handbags, accessories, and vintage jewelry. There is free wine, parking, and hourly prizes. *Civic and Convention Center, 375 S. Castell Ave. 210-410-0737; nashows.com*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Nov. 9 Heritage Day This yearly production features a day-long demonstration of life in early Texas featuring some of the preeminent living historians in the state. Activities include open-hearth cooking, weaving, calligra-

phy, blacksmithing, and 19th century toys. There are also military firing demonstrations of muskets, rifles, and artillery. *Museum of Texas Handmade Furniture, 1370 Churchill Drive. 830-629-6504; texashandmade.com*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Nov. 14-16 Heirloom Rubber Stamp and Paper Arts Festival Enjoy artistic rubber stamps, scrapbooking, card making, paper crafting, artist trading cards, demonstrations, and a make-and-take shop. Enjoy shopping, prizes, meals, and snacks. *Civic and Convention Center, 375 S. Castell Ave. 541-574-8000; heirloompro.com/product/new-braunfels-texas*

NEW BRAUNFELS: Nov. 21 Kathy Mattea in Concert With two Grammy wins, four CMA Awards, four No. 1 country singles, and five gold albums (plus a platinum collection of her greatest songs), Mattea sings hits like "Goin' Gone," "Come from the Heart," and "Eighteen Wheels and a Dozen Roses." *Brauntex Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio St. 830-627-0808; brauntex.org*

OZONA: Nov. 1-Dec. 7 Remembering Crockett County Veterans Exhibit Each year, the Crockett County Museum honors veterans with an exhibit featuring photos, artifacts, and memorabilia submitted by local families. There are hundreds of photos and other items dating to the Civil War. *Crockett County Museum, 404 11th St. 325-392-2837*

SAN MARCOS: Nov. 9 Commorative Air Force Veterans Day Dinner and '40s Swing Band Hangar Dance Honor and celebrate the brave men and women who gave us our freedom. Swing dance along to authentic '40s music amongst restored and functional WWII aircraft. *Commemorative Air Force Exhibit—Edward Gary Army Training Base, 1841 Airport Drive. 512-396-1943; centraltexaswing.org/events/dinner-dance*

SAN MARCOS: Nov. 28-Dec. 8 Sights and Sounds of Christmas Founded in 1987, this community holiday celebration runs Wednesdays through Saturdays for two consecutive weeks. The event includes more than 1 million lights, live music, rides, local vendors, 20-plus food vendors, and family activities. *San Marcos Park Plaza, 206 N. C M Allen Parkway. 512-393-5900; sights-n-sounds.org*

TAYLOR: Nov. 11 Veteran's Day Breakfast Graham D Luhn, Post 39, and its sponsoring partner, the Salvation Army, host free breakfast. *Legion Hall Post 39, 1310 Sycamore St. 512-713-4543*

UVALDE: Nov. 2 "Cabaret" Based on the book by Christopher Isherwood, "Cabaret" tells the story of a seedy nightclub in 1930s Berlin where a young English performer strikes up a relationship with an American writer, all while a devout master of ceremonies leads the action at the Kit Kat Klub. *Uvalde Opera House, 104 W. North St. 830-278-4184; uvaldeoperahouse.org*

UVALDE: Nov. 8 Four Square Friday Enjoy late-night shopping, food, live music, and art. *Historic Downtown Uvalde, North Getty Street. 830-278-4115; visituvalde.com*

UVALDE: Nov. 10 Ducks Unlimited Annual Banquet and Fundraiser Celebrate more than 80 years of conservation with live auction items, raffles, and games where you can win limited-edition merchandise, outdoor and hunting gear, and trips. This event supports wetlands conservation. *Uvalde County Fairplex, 215 Veterans Lane. 210-844-9306; ducks.org/texas/events*

WIMBERLEY: June 8-Dec. 14 Second Saturday Gallery Trail On the second Saturday of every month, come early and stay late for wine, light bites, and an art-filled evening at the galleries in and around the Wimberley square. *Various locations, 13811 RR 12. 260-290-5001; gallerytrail.com*

WIMBERLEY: Nov. 2 Market Day More than 450 outdoor booths are filled with art, furniture, collectibles, and treasures of all kinds. Live music and food and drink make for a shopper's delight. *Lions Field, 601 FM 2325. 512-847-2201; shopmarketdays.com*

WIMBERLEY: Nov. 15-16 Winter Wonderland Visit the wonderland of Thanksgiving and Christmas trees, wreaths, and centerpieces created by local artists and talented, crafty people. Bid on your favorite to take home or to your office. Enjoy holiday music, refreshments, and a visit with Santa. *Wimberley Community Center, 14068 RR 12. 512-847-2201; wimberley.org*

WIMBERLEY: Nov. 21 Susanna's Kitchen Coffee House Concert Series Every third Thursday, musicians perform in an intimate venue. Texas Pie Company's famous pies, tamales, pizza, coffee, and soft drinks are available. *Wimberley United Methodist Church, 1200 CR 1492. 512-847-3109; wimberleyumc.org/susannas-kitchen*

WIMBERLEY: Nov. 30-Dec. 28 Trail of Lights More than 100 Christmas displays are set along a winding path. Enjoy the yule log, live entertainment, visits with Santa, train rides, and food and drink. *EmilyAnn Theatre and Gardens, 1101 FM 2325. 512-847-6969; emilyann.org*



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ABILENE: Nov. 1-3 Thanksgiving Marketplace One weekend a month, more than 40 local artists, crafters, and merchants show and sell their wares of reclaimed, restored, and upcycled goods. Seasonal decor, furniture, art, estate sale goods, and goods already stateside—not massively imported—are the anchor of selections. Goods are also created from raw products and shoppers can find locally made confections, fashions, and sterling jewelry. *Warehouse 14 Marketplace, 1502 South Treadaway. 325-829-0855; facebook.com/pg/warehouse14marketplace*

ABILENE: Nov. 1 Art Adventure This monthly mom and tot program for pre-schoolers combines different aspects of visual and verbal literacy by exposing the children to books and art based on the featured artist in the gallery. *National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature, 102 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Nov. 2-3 24fps International Short Film Festival This unique short film festival, now in its 20th year, is a juried competition for student and independent filmmakers worldwide. Two evenings of short film programs feature projects of 20 minutes or less. Past winners have gone on to receive student Academy Awards, and exhibit at the Cannes and Sundance Festivals. *Historic Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Family Fun Saturdays A come-and-go family program where little ones create a work of art using the style and medium of the featured artist in the gallery. *National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature, 102 Cedar St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*


ABILENE: Nov. 3 Jeff Boyer's Big Bubble Bonanza Guinness Book of World Records-holder and master bubble wrangler Boyer blows bubbles like no one else, creating big bubble effects such as bubble rainbows with people inside and gigantic bubbles that blow their own bubbles. Mixing comedy, music, and millions of bubbles, Boyer engages and delights audiences of all ages. *Historic Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Nov. 8-10 ABWA Christmas in November Peruse arts, crafts, gifts, and prizes. *Convention Center, 1100 N. Sixth St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*

ABILENE: Nov. 29-Dec. 1 Happy Holidays Gift and Furniture Show One weekend a month, more than 40 local artists, crafters, and merchants show and sell their wares of reclaimed, restored, and upcycled goods.

Seasonal decor, furniture, art, estate sale goods, and goods already stateside—not massively imported—are the anchor of selections. Goods are also created from raw products and shoppers can find locally made confections, fashions, and sterling jewelry. *Warehouse 14 Marketplace, 1502 South Treadaway. 325-829-0855; facebook.com/pg/warehouse14marketplace*

ABILENE: Nov. 29-30 Thanksgiving Throwdown Enjoy drag racing at its finest. *The Big Country Raceway, 5601 W. Stamford St. abilenevisitors.com/calendar*



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AMARILLO: Nov. 7-10 Working Ranch Cowboy Association World Championship Ranch Rodeo Cowboys from ranches across the West come to town for this serious rodeo. *Amarillo Civic Center Complex, 401 S. Buchanan St. 806-374-9722*

AMARILLO: Nov. 29 Center City Electric Light Parade This annual parade kicks off the holiday season in Amarillo. *Downtown Amarillo, Polk Street. 806-372-6744*

COLEMAN: Nov. 1 Coleman County Deer Hunter Festival Paid admission to this event makes you eligible for all door-prize drawings. There are 20 guns plus other prizes to be given away. *Bill Franklin Center, 13152 SH 206. 325-280-9931*

COLORADO CITY: Nov. 1 Hunter's Appreciation Dinner A fajita dinner is served and patrons enjoy raffles for guns, deer feeders, and lots of other hunting accessories. Door prizes are also handed out. *Railhead Building, 150 E. First St. 325-728-3403*

COLORADO CITY: Nov. 16-17 Holiday Palooza Shop a collection of arts and

crafts, antiques, home décor, great gifts, and food vendors. *Railhead Building, 150 E. First St. 325-728-3403; coloradocitychamberofcommerce.com*

DALHART: Nov. 11 Veteran's Day Parade Parade honors all military personnel. A ceremony is held immediately afterward. *Downtown Denrock, Denrock Avenue. 806-244-5646; dalhart.org*

DUMAS: Nov. 16 Candy Cane Lane This annual event features Christmas lights, holiday-themed lighted displays, food booths, arts and crafts booths, a Santa House, free pictures with the jolly old man himself, wagon rides, school choirs, and bands. To kick off the holiday, Santa throws the switch that turns on the Christmas lights throughout downtown. *Moore County Courthouse, 715 S. Dumas Ave. 806-922-3451; dumaschamber.com*

ELECTRA: Nov. 30 Holiday of Lights Parade Ring in the Christmas holiday with lighted floats and vehicles, the lighting of the angels, and dance performances. *Downtown Electra, 112 W. Cleveland St. 940-495-3577; electratexas.org*

LUBBOCK: Sept. 6-Nov. 4 West Texas Watercolor Society Fall Show Member artists exhibit and sell their beautiful water media artworks. *Legacy Event Center, 1500 14th St. 806-928-6735; wtws.org*

LUBBOCK: Nov. 22-Jan. 19 West Texas Watercolor Society Winter Show Member artists exhibit and sell their beautiful water media artworks. *Buddy Holly Center, 1801 Crickets Ave. 806-928-6735; wtws.org*

LUBBOCK: Nov. 25-Jan. 31 "High and Dry" Photography Exhibit Celebrate the unique beauty of the world's arid and semi-arid landscapes. Since 2001, the Office of International Affairs at Texas Tech University has curated this juried photographic exhibition of peoples and places of the world's dry lands. Images have been shot as far as Morocco, Iran, and Chile, and as near as Caprock Canyon. *Texas Tech University International Cultural Center, 601 Indiana Ave. 806-742-3667; depts.ttu.edu*

MINERAL WELLS: Nov. 30 Merry Wells Christmas Festival and Lighted Parade Enjoy artisan-made goods, yummy food, a lighted Christmas parade, live performances throughout the day, photos with Santa, and hot cocoa. *Downtown Mineral Wells. 940-325-2557; merrywells.org*

POST: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 "A Rhapsody of Angels" A live Biblical drama occurs every Saturday in November. *Ragtown Gospel Theater, 870 Ragtown Road. 877-724-8696; ragtown.com*

POST: Nov. 8-10 Old Mill Trade Days Shop for arts, crafts, furniture, jewelry, clothing, home decor, homemade candy, candles, goat milk soap, antiques, and gifts. Plus, enjoy live entertainment and food. *Old Mill Trade Days, 318 S. Ave. F. 432-934-1479; oldmilltradedays.com*

SAN ANGELO: Sept 17-Nov. 3 "Bus Stops: Photos of the Middle of Nowhere by Michael Kruscha" The German artist debuts a series of photographs showing bus stops he found while traveling over many years. His photos show the enormous variety of architectural styles and constructions that exist in different countries, from iron sculptures, wooden or mud-brick shelters, and tin-roof huts, to monstrous concrete constructions. They are places where time stands still and every single shelter tells its own story. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org*

SAN ANGELO: Sept 17-Nov. 3 "Highlights from the Permanent Collection" See selections from the Art Museum's permanent collection. *San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. 325-653-3333; samfa.org*

WICHITA FALLS: Nov. 29-30; Dec. 6-7, 13-14, 20-24 Electricritters With the flip of a switch, more than 60,000 lights on more than 150 lighted displays glitter and sparkle. Santa, Mrs. Claus, and the Butterfly Queen make an appearance each night. *River Bend Nature Center, 2200 Third St. 940-767-0843; riverbendnaturecenter.org*

PINEY WOODS

CONROE: Nov. 8-9 Cooking 4 Courage This annual event raises funds for veterans, active military, and first responders and is anchored by a sanctioned barbecue cookoff, which is currently the second largest in Montgomery County. There are guest speakers, carnival games, a kids cookoff, and live and silent auctions. VFW Post 4709 sponsors a free veterans dinner, and evenings are capped off by Texas country music. *The Lonestar Convention and Expo Center, 9055 Airport Road. 936-538-8000; tufffoundation.org/cooking-4-courage*

CONROE: Nov. 29-Dec. 1 Conroe Kennel Club Holiday Classic This event consists of two all-breed dog conformation shows and a specialty show. Other activities include obedience and rally competition, CAT trials—which are lure-coursing trials for all dogs, junior showmanship, an owner-handler competition, and canine good citizen testing for all dogs. Last year, the event had more than 2,000 participants. *Montgomery County Fairgrounds, 9055 Airport Road. 936-538-8000; conroekennelclub.org*

CROCKETT: Nov. 23 Christmas in Crockett The 38th annual festival is a family-friendly shopping and entertainment event with over 200 vendors, a classic car show, a quilt show, and a visit from Santa. *Downtown Crockett, 401 E. Houston Ave. 936-544-2359; facebook.com/christmasincrockett*

DAINGERFIELD: Nov. 16 Holidays on the Square A wonderland of shops and vendors help you get your shopping started. A Mrs. Claus Kitchen is filled with treats, and the Elf Tent is filled with fun art and play projects for children. A Christmas movie matinee is shown at the Morris Twin Cinema. *Various locations, 102 Coffey St. 903-645-2646*

GLADEWATER: Nov. 9 Holiday Open House The Gladewater Antique District begins the Christmas season with seasonal entertainment, Texas-style hospitality, and the lighting of the city tree. *Antique District, South Main Street. 903-845-5501*

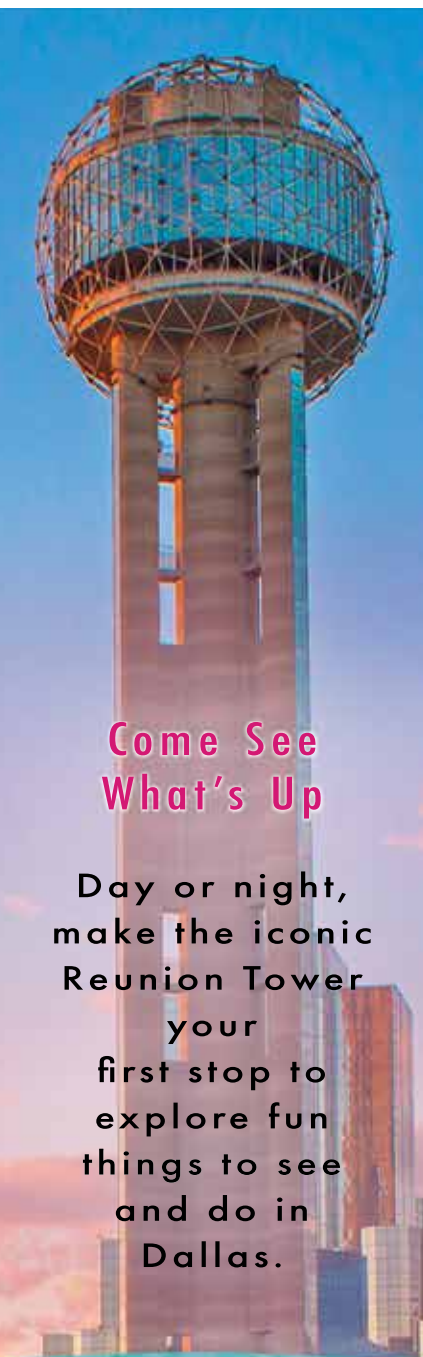
HENDERSON: Nov. 9 Heritage Syrup Festival The 31st annual festival is the only folk-life festival in East Texas. The Depot Museum has mule-powered, old-time syring tractors. Downtown has more than 250 shopping booths, cloggers, square dancers, more than 150 antique and classic cars, music, a melodrama, and children's activities. Hayride shuttles are available. *Historic Downtown Henderson and the Depot Museum, 514 N. High St. 903-646-5440; visithendersontx.com*

JACKSONVILLE: Nov. 2 Cherokee Craft and Trade Fair Enjoy free admission to a show featuring a variety of arts and crafts vendors, some new and many returning. Each event assists a local charity. *Norman Activity Center, 526 E. Commerce St. jacksonvilletexas.com*

JEFFERSON: Nov. 2 History, Haunts, and Legends Enjoy special guest speakers, vendors, tours, and nighttime investigations at some of Jefferson's historic—and rumored to be haunted—locations. A fun event for those who enjoy history, mystery, the unexplained, and things that go bump in the night. *Jefferson Convention and Visitor Center, 305 E. Austin St. 903-665-3375*


JEFFERSON: Nov. 15 Cruise Night Every third Friday of the month from March to November, enjoy drawings, door prizes, music, like-minded folks, food, and drinks. Show off that special car of yours or mingle with the spectators. Proceeds benefit the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department. *Downtown Jefferson, Austin Street. 903-665-9200*

JEFFERSON: Nov. 30 Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting Ceremony The parade




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begins downtown, ending at Lions Park for the “Enchanted Forest” Tree Lighting Ceremony. More than 100 beautifully decorated Christmas trees light up and ring in the holidays. The event also includes Christmas carols, entertainment, and visits with Santa. *Lions Club Park, 500-598 E. Jefferson St. 903-665-3733; visitjeffersonstexas.com*

KILGORE: Nov. 10-14 East Texas Pipe Organ Festival Look and listen for renowned organists to perform on Aeolian-Skinner pipe organs at the First Presbyterian Church and the St Luke’s First United Methodist Church. This year’s artists includes Brink Bush, Jared Cook, Scott Dettra, Jan Kraybill, and John Walthausen. *First Presbyterian Church, 815 E Main St. easttexaspipeorganfestival.com*

KILGORE: Nov. 14-17 REEL East Texas Film Festival This third annual festival brings together audiences, filmmakers, and film industry representatives. Hosted by filmmakers for filmmakers, this event showcases independent documentaries and short and feature films. *Texan Theater, 201 S. Kilgore St. reeleasttexas.com*

KILGORE: Nov. 16 A Very Derrick Christmas Celebrate Christmas early under the stars as the derricks are lit up like bright ornaments. This year’s event includes food vendors, arts and crafts, kid’s activities, entertainment, and music. *World’s Richest Acre, 100 N. Commerce St. 903-218-6896*

KILGORE: Nov. 30 Mingle and Jingle Historic downtown is merry for holiday shopping as it’s transformed into a holiday wonderland with Christmas lights and holiday fun. *Various locations. 903-988-4117; kilgoremaintstreet.com*

PALESTINE: Nov. 16-Dec. 28 The Polar Express Train The Palestine Depot offers a festive holiday setting featuring lights, tinsel, garland, and costumed characters for everyone age 2 to 92. The adventure is even more fun when families and friends show up in their pajamas. *Texas State Railroad Palestine Depot, 789 Park Road 70. 855-632-7729; texasstaterailroad.net*

PALESTINE: Nov. 22-Dec. 7 Fall Foliage Driving Trails Palestine is located in the Texas Forest Trail Region, where autumn color is a featured attraction. Enjoy outdoor adventures, train excursions, local cuisine, and historic shops along the way. The Texas State Railroad offers train experiences to see Texas landscapes like Davey Dogwood Park, where 200 acres of forested land features miles of hard-surface roads, hiking and biking trails, and amazing views. The season also offers great colors for picnics, photo

shoots, hiking, and nature walks in the 700-acre community forest. *Texas Forest Trail Region, 825 W. Oak St. 903-723-3014; visitpalestine.com*

TEXARKANA: Nov. 29-Dec. 1 T & K Promotions Texarkana TX Sportsman’s Gun & Knife Expo Shop a 200-table show on Black Friday weekend. There is a rifle valued at \$1,000 being given away and door prizes. Merchandise includes weapons, firearms, knives, and guns. *Texarkana Convention Center, 4610 Cowhorn Creek Road. 903-431-0043; tandkpromotions.com*

TYLER: Nov. 2-3 Dallas Hunter Jumper Scholarship Circuitry Year-End Horse Show This nonprofit organization provides competition for horse and rider from cross rails to hunter derbies and jumper classics. This is a fun, outdoor family activity. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*



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TYLER: Nov. 9 Hit the Bricks Downtown businesses and attractions burst with things to do every second Saturday. *Downtown Tyler, 110 W. Erwin St. 903-593-6905; visittyler.com/hitthebricks*

TYLER: Nov. 9-10 Texas Rose Horse Park Fall Trials An equestrian sport that could be termed an “equestrian triathlon,” these trials involve working with a horse both on the flat and over fences. The three phases are: dressage, endurance (or cross country), and show jumping. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Nov. 16-17 North Texas Hunter Jumper Club Year-End Horse Show This nonprofit organization provides competition for horse and rider from cross rails to hunter derbies and jumper classics. This is a fun, outdoor family activity. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Nov. 22-24 Texas Rose Autumn All-Breed Horse Show This all-breed horse show features Andalusian, Lusitano, Welsh, and Friesian breeds to name a few. There is in-hand classes, carriage driving, and jumping. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

TYLER: Nov. 24 Texas Rose Winter Western Dressage Show Western dressage integrates the historically validated principles of Western stock horse tradition. It is a systematic and progressive system of training, and tests provide the opportunity for horse and rider to demonstrate growth through a series of progressive elements by advancing as they develop in physical skill, mental maturity, and partnership. *Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 SH 110N. 903-882-8696; texasrosehorsepark.com*

WINNSBORO: Nov. 8-9 Art and Wine Festival Art ranges from traditional to abstract, painting to pottery, and glass to silk—more than 45 artists, authors, and dozens of wineries and breweries at this free festival. *Market Street. 888-559-4333; winnsboroonlineguide.com/wfam_fineartmarket*

PRAIRIES AND LAKES

ADDISON: Nov. 16 Addison After Dark’s Harvest Hootenanny Join a night of family fun and hootenanny. Get your face painted, play outdoor games, visit the petting zoo, and grab some delicious food. Then sit back and enjoy folk music and a family-friendly movie. *Addison Circle Park, 4970 Addison Circle. 972-450-2800; addisonafterdark.com*

ADDISON: Nov. 29-Jan. 1 Vitruvian Lights Vitruvian Park transforms into a magical holiday wonderland during this event. Special performances include the Jordan Kahn Orchestra, Phat Strad, and Sonny’s Holliday. The park is illuminated with bright, sparkling lights to celebrate the holiday season. *Vitruvian Park, 3966 Vitruvian Way. vitruvianpark.com*

ARLINGTON: Sept. 28-Nov. 3 Six Flags Over Texas Fright Fest Thrills by day and fright by night are back. Enjoy activities for the entire family throughout the day and

come back for an evening of spine-chilling scares after the sun goes down. *Six Flags Over Texas, 2201 Road to Six Flags. 817-640-8900; sixflags.com/overtexas*

ARLINGTON: Nov. 29-Dec. 22 Texas Christkindl Market Enjoy a German-inspired, open-air holiday market. This family-friendly market is open to the public and features a unique shopping experience for holiday gifts, decorations, and one-of-a-kind finds. Opening night brings the tree-lighting ceremony. *Texas Live!, 1650 E. Randol Mill Road. txchristkindlmarket.com*

BASTROP: Nov. 8-9 Heroes and Hot Rods Veterans Day Cruise In and Car Show Everyone loves great car shows and our American heroes. This family event combines both. Come on down and let The Bastrop Area Cruisers Car Club treat you to its classic car display and veterans ceremony. Come admire the cars cruise down Main Street and enjoy special discounts at local stores and restaurants. Car show awards are given out in 33 classes including Best Engine, Paint, and Interior. *Bastrop Museum and Visitor Center, 904 Main St. 512-956-8507*

CLEBURNE: Nov. 15-16 Pioneer Days Celebrate Texas and Western history with cowboys, Native Americans, gun fighters, a Civil War-era reencampment, pioneers, mountain men, food trucks, arts and crafts vendors, and kids games. *Chisholm Trail Outdoor Museum, 101 Chisholm Trail. 817-648-4633; jcchisholmtrail.com*

CLEBURNE: Nov. 25-Dec. 31 Whistle Stop Christmas Lighting Ceremony Enjoy various festivities for the whole family and the lighting of the park. Whistle Stop Christmas displays over 3.5 million lights in Cleburne every evening at Hulen Park, around the courthouse, and throughout the city. *Hulen Park, 409 W. Westhill. 817-645-2455; whistlestopchristmas.com*

COLLEGE STATION: Nov. 8-Dec. 30 Santa’s Wonderland Celebrate Christmas at Santa’s Wonderland, featuring Texas-style snow, horse and carriage rides, toboggan races, live music, 25,000 square feet of shopping, a petting zoo, classic Christmas movies, delicious food, and millions of dazzling holiday lights. *Santa’s Wonderland, 18898 SH 6. 979-690-7212; santas-wonderland.com*

CORSICANA: Oct. 10-Jan. 4 American Plains Artists Juried Art Show The 34th annual juried exhibit and sale celebrates the art of the Plains featuring 115 realistic and representational artworks that depict the American Great Plains region—its landscape, wildlife, people, and way of life in historical








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and modern times. Nationally recognized and global award-winning artists are participating. *Pearce Museum, 3100 W. Collin St. 903-785-7642; pearcemuseum.com*

CORSICANA: Nov. 2 LeftyFest The home of Lefty Frizzell is the location of his museum and this annual event where country legends come together to celebrate his life through song, including his famous hit, "If you've got the money, honey, I've got the time." *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.com*

CORSICANA: Nov. 5-Dec. 3 "Annexation: Celebrating Texas Statehood" This traveling exhibit created by the Texas Capitol Visitors Center and produced by Humanities Texas narrates the story of Texas as a Mexican colony and Republic, its campaign to join the United States, the vote for annexation, and the consequences of that vote. *Pearce Museum, 3100 W. Collin St. 903-875-7642*

CORSICANA: Nov. 9 Mimosas at the Market Participating businesses offer complimentary mimosas. It starts at a sponsoring shop (this month: Victorian Sample Florist) and continues throughout town. *Historic Downtown Corsicana, 325 N. Beaton St. 903-654-4850; visitcorsicana.com*

CORSICANA: Nov. 16 100W Artist and Writer Residency Studio Opening See the works created during the residencies of Michelle Weinberg and Nicholas Moenich, both from New York, and writer Kerri Arsenault from Connecticut. 100W is the original International Order of Odd Fellows hall now used to allow artists and writers to work and live in this large, unique space while enjoying the charm of a small Texas town. *100W Artist and Writer Residency, 100 W. Third Ave. 480-677-0928; 100westcorsicana.com*

CORSICANA: Nov. 21-24 "The Wizard of Oz" Warehouse Living Arts presents this classic musical. *Palace Theatre, 112 W. Sixth Ave. 903-872-5411; corsicanapalace.showare.com*

CORSICANA: Nov. 22 Christmas Tree Lighting and Celebration Each year, a three-story Christmas tree in the middle of historic downtown Corsicana is lit with 10,000 lights to kick off the holiday season. Activities for children and adults include train rides for kids of all ages and portraits with Santa, live entertainment, and complimentary milk and cookies. Shops and restaurants are open, and a fireworks display caps off the night. *Historic Downtown Corsicana, Beaton Street. 903-654-4850; visitcorsicana.com*

CUERO: Nov. 25-Jan. 1 Christmas in the Park Marvel at more than 100 displays of

Victorian and Western, 12-car train, and gingerbread house scenes. Highlights are the 17-piece Lake Island nativity, the 85-foot paddlewheel boat, a sea serpent, the Peace on Earth globe, and the 30-foot U.S. flag. Santa and his reindeer fly over Lakeview Knoll while his elves are busy with gifts in other scenes. The drive through the park is a self-guided tour with nutcrackers showing the way. Donations are accepted. *Cuero Municipal Park, Lenoard Roy Harmon Drive. 361-275-8178; cuerochristmasinthepark.org*

DALLAS: Through Nov. 3 Goya's "Visions" in Ink: The Centerpiece of the Meadows Drawings Collection This exhibition highlights the Meadows' recent acquisition of Goya's exceptional ink drawing, "Visions," from his "Witches and Old Women" album. Other select works from the museum's collection of early 19th-century paintings and works on paper serve to illuminate the fascinating provenance and historical context of Goya's very personal and technically accomplished drawing. *Meadows Museum, 5900 Bishop Blvd. 214-768-2516; meadowsmuseumdallas.org*

DALLAS: Sept. 21-March 1 The Kinsey African American Art and History Collection This collection celebrates the achievements and contributions of African Americans from 1595 to present. It includes paintings and sculptures, photos, rare books, and letters. *African American Museum of Dallas, 3536 Grand Ave. 214-565-9026; thekinseycollection.com*

DALLAS: Nov. 2 Texas Veggie Fair The 10th annual fair is a statewide celebration of plant-based living. It is a free event that's open to the public. Vegans, vegetarians, omnivores, and everyone in between are welcome. Experience vegan food, guest speakers, and live music. *Dallas Farmers Market, 920 S. Harwood St. 214-519-4514; texasveggiefair.com*

DALLAS: Nov. 6 Sammons Jazz: "Many Keys, Many Voices" Jazz legends and rising stars of Texas perform the many flavors of jazz in the historic Turtle Creek Pump Station. Admission includes two sets of music, a light dinner, beverages, and valet parking. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DALLAS: Nov. 8-10 EDGE: The Texas Monthly Festival The event features a concert by Leon Bridges, and interviews with Annie Clark (also known as St. Vincent) and fashion designer Brandon Maxwell. A special performance of *Texas Monthly LIVE* featuring the magazine's editors and special guests is also part of the festival. *Various locations. edge.texasmonthly.com*

DALLAS: Nov. 9-Dec. 31 Holiday at the Dallas Arboretum The elaborately decorated Victorian-style gazebos are on display for the final year at the Dallas Arboretum. Take a festive stroll through the gardens and revel in the "12 Days of Christmas" exhibition with a dozen breathtaking gazebos depicting each day in the beloved Christmas carol. Each gazebo is encased in glass and extravagantly decorated on all sides to provide a dramatic, three-dimensional experience that adds to its music-box quality, depicting the English carol from the Victorian era. *Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Road. 214-515-6615; dallasarboretum.org*

DALLAS: Nov. 14 Conception Art Show Join in for a fun night of networking, displaying, and selling artwork. There are painters, sculptors, photographers, and mixed media artists as well as specialty wood, glass, and metal artisans. Conception exhibits are now taking place across the U.S. *Community Beer, 1531 Inspiration Drive. 212-369-7971; conceptionarts.com*

DALLAS: Nov. 21 Carson Series of Sammons Cabaret New York-style cabaret gets the Texas treatment with top singers performing the Great American Songbook,

Broadway show tunes, and pop, plus the stories behind the music. Admission includes two sets of music, light appetizers, beverages, and valet parking. *Sammons Center for the Arts, 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7788; sammonsartcenter.org*

DENISON: Nov. 2 Dia de los Muertos Festival Enjoy food, fabulous art and vendors, music, dancing, fun, and the giant puppet parade. *Heritage Park, 324 W. Main St. 903-464-4452; smalltownbigart.com*

DENTON: Nov. 2 Guided Tour of North Texas Horse Country Wind your way through the beautiful North Texas horse country aboard a luxury motorcoach while a fun and knowledgeable guide narrates the facts and back story of the area. The tour visits two premier horse ranches where you can get an up-close and personal look at the equine industry. *Daybreak Parking Lot, 216 W. Mulberry. 888-381-1818*

ELGIN: Nov. 2 Veterans' Appreciation Parade The American Legion sponsors the parade to show appreciation for veterans, their families, and their service. *Historic Downtown Elgin, 109 Depot St. elgintx.com*

ELGIN: Nov. 14 Sip, Shop, and Stroll Sip a little wine and shop as you stroll through

downtown stores. Find diverse merchandise, eclectic decor, artwork by local artists, and live music. *Historic Downtown Elgin, 109 Depot St. elgintx.com*

FORT WORTH: Nov. 13-17 Lone Star Film Festival Hosted by the Lone Star Film Society, this year-round series of programs culminates in a five-day celebration of cinema. Events include industry panel discussions, parties, celebrity appearances, and a lineup of more than 150 films. *Sundance Square, 209 W. Second St. 817-924-6000; lonestartfilmsociety.com*

FORT WORTH: Nov. 24 GM Financial Parade of Lights The magic of the holiday season returns for its 37th year, featuring more than 100 floats, balloons, and 500,000 lights. Additionally, the 1.59-mile parade route is lined with decorated horse-drawn carriages, antique cars, festive marching bands, strolling carolers, and a special appearance from Santa and Mrs. Claus. *Downtown Fort Worth, 777 Taylor St. 817-336-2787; fortworthparadeoflights.org*

FORT WORTH: Sept. 14-Dec. 29 "Gordon Parks: The New Tide, Early Work" Organized by the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., in collaboration with The



Gordon Parks Foundation, this exhibition highlights Parks' mastery of the camera to create an uplifting vision of African American life in the mid-20th century. *Amon Carter Museum of American Art, 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. 817-738-1933; cartermuseum.org*

FRISCO: Nov. 29-Dec. 31 Christmas in the Square More than 650,000 visitors flock to this pedestrian-friendly event each year to get into the holiday spirit. *Frisco Square, 8843 Coleman Blvd. 972-292-5266; visitfrisco.com*

GARLAND: Oct. 17-Nov. 3 "Dial M for Murder" The play that inspired Hitchcock's classic weaves an ever-tightening web of danger and deception. Ex-tennis pro Tony Wendice wants to have his wealthy wife, Margot, murdered so he can get his hands on her inheritance. When he discovers her affair with Mark Halliday, he comes up with the perfect plan. *Granville Arts Center, 300 N. Fifth St. 972-205-2790; garlandarts.com*

GARLAND: Nov. 1 Dia de Los Muertos Celebration This annual Day of the Dead celebration features colorful cultural performances by Garland ISD students, calavera face painting, ballet folklórico and mariachi performances, and altar displays. *Downtown Garland Square, 520 W. State St.*

GIDDINGS: Nov. 24 Merry Marketplace Arts and Crafts Fair Enjoy arts and crafts of every type just in time for Christmas shoppers looking for the perfect present. There is Christmas music and a chance to win door prizes from the vendors. *Lee County Youth Center, 1010 E. Industry St. 979-542-3455; giddingstx.com*

GONZALES: Nov. 1-2 Rusted Gingham Barn Sale This barn sale has more than 100 vendors selling antiques, crafts, and collectibles, plus food and entertainment. *JB Wells Arena and Expo Center, 2301 CR 197. 830-203-0714; rustedgingham.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Nov. 1-2, 8-9 Live Quarter Horse Racing Catch the fun and excitement of world-class quarter horse racing. *Lone Star Park, 1000 Lone Star Parkway. 972-263-7223; lonestarpark.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Nov. 9 The Kingston Trio in Concert This American folk and pop music group helped launch the folk revival of the late 1950s to late 1960s. They've been described as "the most envied, the most imitated, and the most successful singing group, folk or otherwise, in all show business" and "the undisputed kings of the folk-singing rage by every yardstick." *Uptown Theater, 120 E. Main St. 972-237-8786; uptowntheatergp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Nov. 16 KSCS Country Fest Enjoy Old Dominion on their Make it Sweet Tour, along with Scotty McCreery and Ryan Hurd. *Theatre at Grand Prairie, 1001 Performance Parkway. 972-854-5050; theatregp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Nov. 22-24 "Nick Jr. Live!" Sing, clap, and dance along to your kids' favorite Nick Jr. characters live on stage. *Theatre at Grand Prairie, 1001 Performance Parkway. 972-854-5050; theatregp.com*

GRAND PRAIRIE: Nov. 28-Dec. 31 Prairie Lights Drive through 4 million holiday lights set along 2 miles of path. *Lynn Creek Park, 5610 Lake Ridge Parkway. 972-237-4569; prairielights.org*



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GRAND PRAIRIE: Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 14-15, 21-22 Holiday Market with Santa Get into the Christmas spirit with thousands of dealers selling holiday gifts. Kids of all ages can have their photo taken with Santa, with donations for photos benefiting the Grand Prairie Chamber of Commerce. *Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road. 972-647-2331; tradersvillage.com/grandprairie*

GRAPEVINE: Nov. 2 Candlelight Tour of Homes The 13th annual event features properties throughout Grapevine. As participants stroll through the Historic District, listed in the National Register of Historic Places, owners are present to greet and discuss the distinguishing characteristics of their properties. *Ted R. Ware Plaza & Museums, 206 W. Hudgins St. 817-410-3185; grapevintexasusa.com*

GRAPEVINE: Nov. 2-24 Grapevine Vintage Railroad Train Excursions Travel the historic Cotton Belt route between Grapevine and the Fort Worth Stockyards. Unique train ride options and special fall events are available. *Cotton Belt Depot, 705 S. Main St. 817-410-3185; gvrr.com*

GRAPEVINE: Nov. 9 Grapevine Veterans Day Parade Salute military veterans and experience this meaningful day for the country's military servicemen and women. See a variety of veteran groups displaying their patriotism, as well as many of Grapevine's civic and service groups showing their support for veterans. *Various locations. 817-410-3185; grapevintexasusa.com*

GRAPEVINE: Nov. 18-Jan. 10 Christmas Capital of Texas With 1,400 events in 40 days, Grapevine's charming Christmas setting makes the city a must-visit Texas destination of the season. Enjoy ICE! at the Galyord Texan, Scuba Diving Santa, North Pole Express on the Grapevine Vintage Railroad, millions of twinkling lights, enormous decorations, Christmas photo opportunities, and more, all perfectly capturing the spirit of Christmas in Grapevine. *Various locations. 817-410-3185; grapevintexasusa.com*

GREENVILLE: Nov. 1-2 Bob Wills Fiddle Festival and Contest Join fiddlers from around the world for the sixth annual Bob Wills Fiddle Festival and Contest. Enjoy vendors, fiddle players, Western swing entertainment, and concerts. *Downtown Greenville, Contest at Texan Theater, 2712 Lee St. 903-457-3126; bobwillsfiddlefest.com*

LULING: Nov. 27-Jan. 1 Lighted Yule Trail Downtown Luling dazzles during the holidays with the large, festive decorations, lighted for better viewing in the evenings. Holiday greetings from local businesses, individuals, and civic groups are extended to residents and guests. *Downtown Luling, 300-500 blocks of Davis Street. 830-875-5058; lulingmainstreet.com*

MADISONVILLE: Nov. 22-23 Gingerbread Market Start your holiday shopping with locally made gifts. There is a large, indoor pavilion filled with handcrafted items, food, entertainment, and pictures with Santa. *Cattleman's Pavilion, 800 N. May St. 936-348-9333; visitmadisonville.org*

MCGREGOR: Nov. 3 Christmas Open House All of the shops and boutiques downtown are open for a day of early Christmas shopping. Take photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus, and drink hot apple cider. *Historic Downtown McGregor, 201 S. Main St. 254-840-2292; mcgregorchamber.com*

MCKINNEY: Through Dec. 31 "McKinney Then and Now" Travel back in time with this exhibit that focuses on McKinney history. Various types of audio/visual aids are available along with augmented reality experiences. *Collin County History Museum, 300 E. Virginia St. 972-542-9457; collincountyhistorymuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Aug. 31-Feb. 17 Dinosaurs Live! Encounter the 46-foot tall T. rex and nine new life-size animatronic dinosaurs along the nature trails at the 14th annual exhibit. See the dinosaurs move and hear them roar. A photo op and play-area dinosaurs are available as well. This year, the exhibit also features an outdoor fossil dig. *Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place. 972-562-5566; heardmuseum.org*

MCKINNEY: Nov. 9-10 McKinney Art Studio Tour Since 2009, this tour has connected the art-loving public with local artists, including painters, potters, sculptors, wood carvers and turners, photographers, mixed media artists, and stagecraft and theatrical designers. *Various locations. 214-544-1407; mckinneyartstudiotour.com*

MCKINNEY: Nov. 15-17 Third Monday Trade Days This is the oldest and largest monthly trade days and flea market in North Texas. Shop from more than 450 vendors offering unique gifts, home decor, trendy clothing and accessories, sporting goods, antiques and collectibles, and specialty items along with many carnivalesque food concessions. Free admission. *4550 W. University Drive. 972-562-5466; thirdmondaytradedays.com*

MCKINNEY: Nov. 16 Bluegrass Saturday Night This is a night of incredible bluegrass music by Grammy and Dove-nominated Kenny and Amanda Smith Band and Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Bluegrass Band. *McKinney Performing Arts Center, 111 N. Tennessee. 972-547-2650; mckinneytexas.org*

MCKINNEY: Nov. 29-Dec. 1 Home for the Holidays—A McKinney Christmas Visit McKinney's historic downtown for family activities, food, and entertainment at this 38th annual event. The community tree lighting ceremony is Friday evening followed by a street concert. *Historic Downtown McKinney, 111 N. Tennessee. 972-547-2660; mckinneytexas.org*

MESQUITE: Nov. 9 Veterans Day Celebration This celebration at City Lake Park honors all veterans. *City Lake Park, 403 S. Galloway Ave. visitmesquitetx.com*

MESQUITE: Nov. 26 Christmas Tree on the Square This annual tree lighting event held at Heritage Square offers complimentary cookies and hot cocoa, and food




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available for purchase. Enjoy free children's craft activities and pictures with Santa. *Downtown Mesquite, 223 W. Davis St. 972-216-6260; visitmesquitetx.com*

PLANO: Nov. 7-10 Neath the Wreath Holiday Gift Market Kicking off its 23rd year, this holiday market features holiday and home decor, clothing, gifts, jewelry, children's items, and gourmet food from more than 100 carefully selected merchants. More than 10,000 shoppers are expected. *Plano Event Center, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. visitplano.com/events*

PLANO: Nov. 14 Downtown Plano Art and Wine Walk: Alma Mater Sample select wines while enjoying live music, local art, and shopping. There are approximately 20 wine stops each month. *Downtown Plano Arts District, 1013 E. 15th St. 972-489-8301; planomagazine.com/wine*

PLANO: Nov. 21 Plano Magazine Beer Walk This event includes craft brews, live music, prizes, a chance to meet the brewers, pop-up vendors, and Willow Bend store discounts. *The Shops at Willow Bend, 6121 W. Park Blvd. 972-489-8301; planomagazine.com/beer-walk*

ROCKDALE: Nov. 23 Whistle Stop Wine Tour and Holiday Lights Festival Get your tour passport and follow the map

to enjoy appetizers and Texas wines. Return your completed tour ticket to Wolf Park for a grand prize drawing and tree lighting. *Rockdale I&GN Depot, 11 Main St. 512-446-2030; rockdalechamber.com*

ROUND TOP: Nov. 1-3 Round Top Wine Fest Enjoy three days of sipping, shopping, savoring, and celebrating in the town that's big-time small. There is live music, food and drinks, a wine trail at participating shops, and Sunday brunch at participating restaurants. *Various locations. 979-249-4042; exploreroundtop.com/events*

SAN FELIPE: Nov. 2 Father of Texas Celebration Take part in a birthday celebration for Stephen F. Austin, "The Father of Texas." The event includes hands-on programming for families, living history demonstrations including surveying and printing activities, guest authors and lecturers, and thematic tours of the grounds and museum. *San Felipe de Austin State Historic Site, 220 Second St. 979-885-2181; visitsanfelipedeastin.com*

SHERMAN: Nov. 9 Sherman Veteran's Day Parade Celebrate the service of U.S. military veterans at this downtown parade. *Grayson County Courthouse, 100 W. Houston St. 903-892-7230; facebook.com/shermantx*

STEPHENVILLE: Nov. 7-10 "The Wall That Heals" This exhibit includes a

three-quarter scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial along with a mobile education center. The traveling exhibit honors the more than 3 million Americans who served in the U.S. Armed Forces in the Vietnam War, and it bears the names of the more than 58,000 men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in Vietnam. *Stephenville City Park, 709 Riverside Drive. 202-393-0090; thewallthatheals.org*

TEMPLE: Nov. 1 First Friday Historic downtown transforms into a giant party every first Friday. Enjoy street music and performances, drinks, food, and shopping. *Downtown Temple, Main St. 254-298-5378; discoverdowntowntemple.com*

TEMPLE: Nov. 2 Part of the Art Get in touch with your inner artist at the first Part of the Art event. Explore different types of art styles and even make some of your own. *Temple Railroad and Heritage Museum, 315 W. Ave B. 254-298-5172; templerrhm.org*

WACO: Oct. 5-Jan. 5 "Doc McStuffins: The Exhibit" See the McStuffins Toy Hospital environment and explore, assume doctor play roles, and help solve problems, all while learning lessons about healthy habits, empathy, and nurturing care. *Mayborn Museum, Baylor University, 1300 S. University Parks Drive. 254-710-1110; maybornmuseum.com*

WACO: Nov. 7 The Stars Over Texas Jamboree This is a family-friendly music stage show presented the first Thursday of the month. Shows rotate between country and oldies, the anniversary edition in September, and the Christmas edition in December. *Lee Lockwood Library and Museum, 2801 W. Waco Drive. 254-755-7257; facebook.com/thestarsvertexasjamboree*

WACO: Nov. 9 H-E-B Zoo Stampede This annual family fun run features certified 5K and 10K courses as well as the uncertified 1K fun run and walk for all. A chip-timed run takes you through the zoological park and along and across the Brazos River, eventually leading back to a wild finish line party at the zoo. *Cameron Park Zoo, 1701 N. Fourth St. 254-750-8400; runsignup.com/race/tx/waco/hebzoorun*

WAXAHACHIE: Nov. 2 Farm-to-Table on the Square This harvest-themed dinner invites diners to experience a four-course meal while sitting communally at one long table stretching along the streets of the historic town square. *Downtown Waxahachie, 100 W. Main St. 469-309-4040; downtownwaxahachie.com*

WAXAHACHIE: Nov. 8-10 Waxahachie Veterans Weekend and WWII Reenactment Reenactors from all over the state set up camp and reenact battles from

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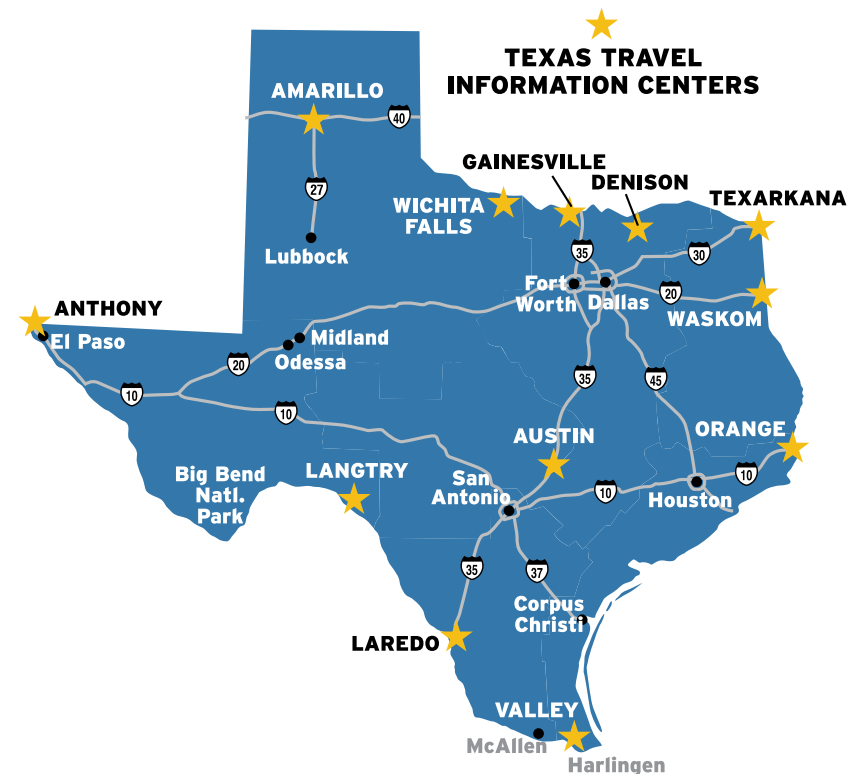
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