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ON THE COVER

Spotlight on Denton

Hundreds of musicians and other performers gather for the annual Denton Arts and Jazz Festival each April, filling Quakertown Park with an impressive a ray of nonstep entertainment through the three-day event. When visitors aren't taking in azz, pop, R&B, blues or orchestral music on one of the festival's seven stages, they can peruse works from a handpicked collection of artists and crafters displaying their creations. Street performers and a children's art tent keep the little ones entertained. This year's event is April 29-May 1-see Page 54 for details.

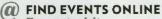
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TAKE IN THE LOCAL COLOR

ORT WORTH'S annual art extravaganza returns for its 31st year on April 14-17, presenting fine art and crafts by a selection of more than 200 artists. The Main Street Fort Worth Arts Festival covers 27 blocks of the city's already vibrant downtown with extra color and energy-hundreds of booths are filled with delicate glasswork, intricate ceramics, eye-catching paintings and more to browse and buy.

More than \$4.6 mi ion worth of art is expected to be sold this year, according to event spokesperson Claire Bloxom Armstrong. There are also more than 120 performances planned on multiple stages, as well as wine tastings, festival foods, children's art and activity areas to keep everyone entertained.

The free, four-day event is antic pated to draw more than 400,000 visitors, with Saturday likely to be the busiest day. To p an your visit, see www.mainstreetartsfest.org.



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CALENDAR at a Glance

MARCH



3-6

FULTON: Oysterfest This salute to the Gulf Coast oyster industry draws thousands of visitors to enjoy live entertainment, arts and crafts, food and competitions like the oyster shucking contest. http://fultonovsterfest.org



10-13

DUBLIN: St. Patrick's Day Celebration Includes a carnival Thursday through Sunday, parade and festival Saturday, pageants, rodeo events and other activities, www.dublintxchamber.com

11-12

MANSFIELD: World's Only St. Paddy's Pickle Parade and Palooza

Celebrate the wearin' and the eatin' of the green at this event in the hometown of Best Maid pickles. Includes entertainment, a parade, children's activities, vendors and running events. www.pickleparade.org

11-13

SWEETWATER: World's Largest Rattlesnake Roundup See snakehandling and milking demonstrations, go
on a guided snake hunt or bus tour, and

on a guided snake hunt or bus tour, and try deep-fried rattler meat. There's also a parade, rodeo, carnival, beard contest, music and dancing for the less snakefriendly folks. www.rattlesnakeroundup.net

18-27

EAGLE PASS: International Friendship Festival Includes the
Abrazo Ceremony on March 18, parade
on March 19, Noches Mexicanas from
March 18-20, and a carnival through the
festival's run. www.eaglepasstexas.com

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PECOS: Texas Proud in Pecos This celebration of Texas Independence Day includes a pony parade, chuck-wagon cooking events, games and more at Windmill Square Pavilion. 432/940-5749

25-26

WOODVILLE: Tyler County Dogwood Festival Western

Weekend This event kicks off dogwood bloom season with trail rides, a rodeo, parade and the Western Dance to celebrate the area's frontier heritage. www.tylercountydogwoodfestival.org

APRIL



1-2

ABILENE: Outlaws and Legends Music Fest This sixth annual festival features dozens of outlaw and country music artists. www.outlawsandlegends.com

8-10

POTEET: Strawberry Festival

Enjoy live entertainment on multiple stages, dances, bull riding, a downtown parade, strawberry judging and auction, the Taste of Texas Food Show, fireworks and a carnival in this little Scuth Texas town known for its fruit crop. www.strawberryfestival.com

9-10

CHAPPELL HILL: Official Bluebonnet Festival of Texas Enjoy shopping, entertainment and tours in this historic town in the heart of bluebonnet country. www.chappellhillmuseum.org



14-17

DRIFTWOOD: Old Settler's Music Festival Features bluegrass, folk and
Americana acts performing on four stages.
www.oldsettlersmusicfest.org

14-24

SAN ANTONIO: Fiesta San Antonio

This citywide celebration features more than 100 unique events, including exciting carnivals, colorful land and river parades, ethnic feasts, lively concerts and other activities that highlight this city's vibrant culture and history, www.fiesta-sa.org

14-30

CORPUS CHRISTI: Buc Days In-

cludes rodeo action, a barbecue, carnival, live performances, GospelFest and an illuminated night parade. www.bucdays.com

20-23

FORT STOCKTON: Big Bend Open Road Race Car enthusiasts rank this 118mile trek among the most exciting openroad races in the world. www.bborr.com

28-1

JEFFERSON: Jefferson Historical

Pilgrimage Battle re-enactments, home tours, performances, demonstrations and other activities bring this city's history to life. www.jeffersonpilgrimage.com

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MIDLAND: Celebration of the Arts

This 33rd annual festival includes a Friday preview party, live entertainment, dancing, food, children's activities and a Mother's Day brunch. www.acmidland.org



12-15

ABILENE: Western Heritage Classic

This festival celebrates Western history and lifestyles with a ranch rodeo, the world's largest bit-and-spur show, a chuck-wagon cook-off, ranch-horse competition and sale, street dance, art show and nightly entertainment. www.westernheritageclassic.com

HOUSTON: Carnival Houston Show and Parade Dance, eat and party at this Mardi Gras-style celebration with Brazilian flair. www.carnivalhouston.com

19-22

SAN ANTONIO: Culinaria Festival

Week This weeklong get-together includes events all over town, from food trucks to haute cuisine and beverages from beer to champagne. Some events require tickets. http://culinariasa.org

ATHENS: Old Fiddlers' Reunion This 85th annual event includes concerts and the popular fiddling contests for musicians in five age groups. www.athenstx.org

ENNIS: National Polka Festival

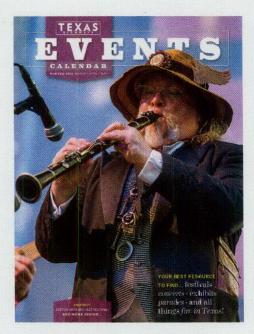
Celebrating its 50th year, this festival offers authentic cuisine, music and costumes of Czech and Slovak heritage. Enjoy live polka bands, a parade, the kolache-eating contest, dancing, shopping and more. www.nationalpolkafestival.com

FREDERICKSBURG: Crawfish

Festival Relax on Memorial Day weekend with live music, entertainment, food and fun inspired by all things Cajun. www.fbgcrawfish.com

ROCKPORT: Festival of Wine and

Food Try a variety of wine and food, watch cooking demonstrations and enjoy live entertainment. www. texasmaritimemuseum.org



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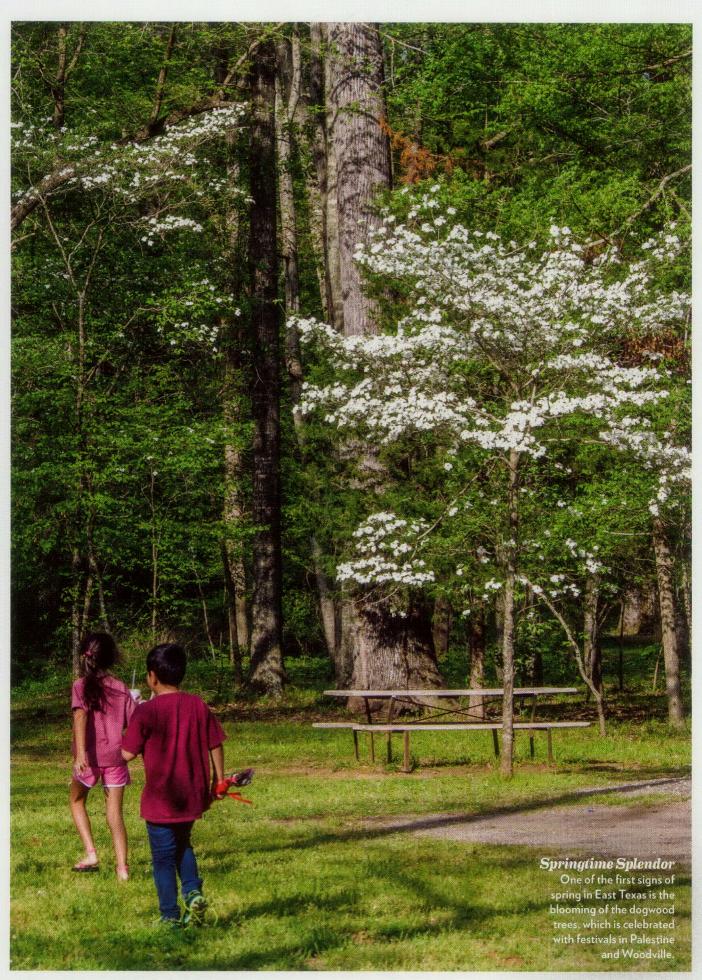
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MARCH 2016

Picks across the state

DOGWOODS RETURN TO PALESTINE

ILDFLOWERS are about to blanket the fields in many places, but if you're in East Texas, don't forget to look up in the trees, as well. In Palestine, dogwood blossoms put on their best show during the Dogwood Trails Celebration, which features a lively roster of activities spread across the last two weekends of March and the first weekend in April. A street festival and parade kick off the first weekend in the Main Street District, including live music, historical tours and exhibits, food and craft vendors. The second weekend features the accompaniment of the Old-Time Music and Dulcimer Festival and Easter activities.

Of course, no visit during dogwood season would be complete without a trek through the trees to see the delicate white or pink flowers for yourself. Davey Dogwood Park has preserved 200 acres of dogwood country since 1941, offering five miles of roads and hiking trails with scenic views. Tips on flowering times and other places to see dogwoods in the area can be found at Dogwood Bloom Watch at http:// dogwoodbloomwatch.blogspot.com.

The Texas State Railroad also offers tickets on the Dogwood Special Brunch Train, treating passengers to a meal along with a 4.5-hour tour of scenic East Texas forest behind a historic steam engine.

Visit the Texas State Railroad website at www.texasstate rr.com or call 877/726-7245 for reservations.

More information on the festival can be found at www.texasdogwoodtrails.com or 903/729-6066, or by contacting the Palestine Visitor Center at www. visitpalestine.com or 903/723-3014.

-Erin Inks



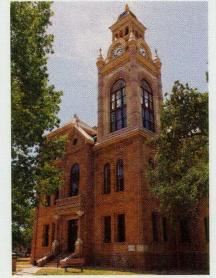
ARTISTS MAKE THEIR MARK IN LLANO

OT ALL of Texas' creative types congregate in art meccas such as Dallas or Hcuston—or want to. Respected local artists and crafters can be found

across the state, often in unexpected places.

Llano puts its talents on the map during the @LAST Llano Art Studio Tour, which introduces visitors to approximately 20 local artists and some of their creative work spaces, many of which are not usually open to the public. There are opportunities to see exhibits in clay, fabric, leather, glass, metal, jewelry, painting, photography, wood and more. Also watch many of the artists at work in their element through demonstrations. The day wraps up with an afterparty with the artists at Llano Fine Arts Gallery. This free event is always set for the last Saturday in March; the sixth-annual tour is March 26.

Visit the event's Facebook page or call the Llano Chamber and Visitors Center at 325/247-5354 for more information.



STARS ALIGN IN DALLAS

OOKS AND performing arts come to life in the newest season of the **DMA Arts** and Letters Live series, which brings an intriguing selection of award-winning authors, musicians and dancers to the stage in **Dallas**. This month kicks off with a fast-paced "Vocalosity" concert on March 2, featuring 12 singers performing a wide range of a capella music. Actor and writer Rainn Wilson talks comedy and creativity on March 19, explaining his awkward climb to stardom via his memoir, "The Bassoon King: My Life in Art, Faith, and Idiocy." Other programs planned through the spring include visits from satirist David Sedaris, "Top Chef" contender and author Padma Lakshmi, and "Eat, Pray, Love" author Elizabeth Gilbert.

A full calendar of this series, sponsored by the Dallas Museum of Art, is available at www.dma.org/programs/arts-letters-live.

-Erin Inks



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BIG BEND COUNTRY

ALPINE: September 19-March 20 "Tom Lea Retrospective" Features 27 paintings and drawings, on loan from the El Paso Museum of Art, that span Tom Lea's long and colorful career. Museum of the Big Bend, 400 N. Harrison St. 432/837-8145

EL PASO: March 4-6 "Riverdance: The 20th Anniversary World Tour" This show captures the imagination of audiences across all ages and cultures with an innovative and exciting blend of dance, music and song. Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: March 5-6 Monster Jam The world's largest and most famous monster truck tour features the biggest names in monster trucks including Grave Digger, Maximum Destruction, Monster Mutt, El Toro Loco, Captain's Curse and Blue Thunder. Sun Bowl Stadium, 2701 Sun Bowl Drive. **www.monsterjam.com 915/747-5234**

EL PASO: March 8 Joe Satriani in ConcertAbraham Chavez Theatre, 1 Civic Center Plaza.
http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: March 11-13 Home and Garden Show El Paso Convention Center, 1 Civic Center Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: March 16 KidsPalooza This all-day family event features children's concerts, games, painting, make-and-take craft workshops, tours, free transportation to a variety of educational stops throughout downtown and special appearances by Curious George and Daniel Tiger. Cleveland Square Park, 510 N. Santa Fe St. www.epso.org 915/532-3776

EL PASO: March 19 Insane Inflatable 5KGet "pumped up" for a course filled with the world's largest and most extreme inflatable obstacles.

Ascarate Park, 6900 Delta Drive. http://insaneinflatable5k.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: March 23 Yanni in Concert Plaza
Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. http://elpasolive.com
915/534-0600

EL PASO: March 30 "STOMP" An eight-member troupe uses everything but conventional percussion instruments—matchboxes, wooden poles, brooms, garbage cans, lighters, hubcaps and more—to fill the stage with magnificent rhythms. Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

ODESSA: March 5 Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra Concert "Mozart's Requiem" concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.mosc.org/concerts/ mozart-requiem.html 432/563-0921

ODESSA: March 13 Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra Concert Concert featuring Beethoven and Brahms works begins at 3 p.m. Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.mosc. org/concerts/late-beethoven-135.html 432/563-0921

ODESSA: March 13 Mike Farris in Concert Wagner Noel Performing Art Center., 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.liveonstage-pb.com 432/563-0921

PECOS: March 19 Texas Proud In Pecos This celebration of Texas Independence Day includes a pony parade, chuck-wagon cooking events, games and more. Windmill Square Pavilion, 115 S. Cedar St. **432/940-5749**

GULF COAST

ANGLETON: March 19-20 Market Days Hosts more than 200 vendors from across the state of Texas. Brazoria County Fairgrounds, 901 S. Downing. www.angleton.tx.us/tourism 979/849-4364

BEAUMONT: March 24-April 3 South Texas State Fair This state festival with a Cajun flair offers a carnival, livestock auction and show, the YMBL Championship Rodeo, an art show, vendors and food.
Ford Park. **www.ymbl.org**

BRAZORIA: March 5 Brazoria Heritage Day The day begins with the Cattle Drive Parade. Also enjoy a chicken-fried steak dinner, children's games, antique car show, tractor show and a gun show. Brazoria Civic Center, 202 W. Smith St. www.brazoriahf.org 979/236-0241 or 979/248-1150

BROWNSVILLE: December 1-March 29 Ranger Walks at Fort Brown Those interested in a program must call the park to make reservations. Programs are held on Tuesdays at 11 a.m. Fort Brown Earthworks, 300 River Levee Road. www.nps.gov/paal/index.htm 956/541-2785 ext. 333

BROWNSVILLE: December 2-March 30 Ranger Walks at Palo Alto Battlefield Walk Palo Alto Battlefield and learn extra details about the causes of war, why a battle occurred at Palo Alto and how the clash developed. Tours are held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10 a.m. Palo Alto Battlefield NHP, 7200 Paredes Line Road. www.nps.gov/paal/index.htm 956/541-2785 ext. 333

BROWNSVILLE: December 3-March 31
Ranger Walks at Resaca de la Palma Battlefield

Tour the site of the second major battle of the U.S.-Mexican War. Tours are held on Thursdays at 2 p.m. Those interested should call the park and make a reservation. Resaca de la Palma Battlefield, 1024 Paredes Line Road. www.nps.gov/paal 956/541-2785 ext. 333

BROWNSVILLE: March 4-6 2016 Texas State Scholastics Chess Championships Rivera High School. www.2016texaschessscholastics.com 956/698-2019

BROWNSVILLE: March 5 Living History Watch demonstrations of U.S.-Mexican War era weapons, tactics and soldier life. Includes live musket and artillery demonstrations. Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Palo Alto Battlefield NHP, 7200 Paredes Line Road. www.nps.gov/paal/index.htm 956/541-2785 ext. 333

CORPUS CHRISTI: March 12 Children's Class: Discovering Reptiles and Amphibians of South

Texas Texas Master Naturalist Chad Huckabee teaches children about habits and habitats of frogs, toads, iguanas, turtles, tortoises, lizards, snakes and other creatures. One-hour program begins at 3 p.m. South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. www.stxbot.org 361/852-2100

CORPUS CHRISTI: March 25 A La Mano Grab some food from a collection of food trucks and enjoy live music and lawn games from 11 a.m.—2 p.m. North Bayfront Park, 1590 N. Shoreline Blvd. www.facebook.com/corpuschristivisitorinformationcenter 361/561-2000 ext. 201

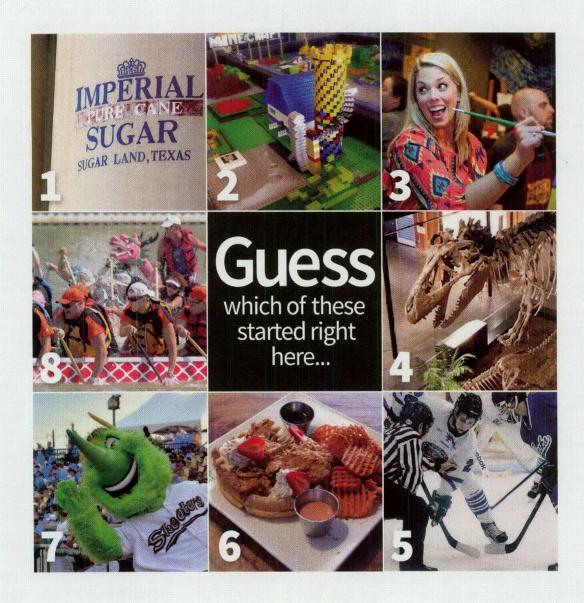
FULTON: March 3-6 Oysterfest This salute to the oyster industry draws thousands of visitors to enjoy food, entertainment, arts and crafts and more. Don't miss the oyster eating, shucking and deocrating contests. Fulton Navigation Park. www.fultonoyster fest.org 361/463-9955

GALVESTON: March 2 "Goodnight Moon" and "The Runaway Bunny" These two children's classics are adapted for the stage by Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia. The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: March 5 Vocalosity This fast-paced evening features 12 dynamic voices singing and swinging to some of today's chart-topping hits in brand-new arrangements. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: March 6 Capitol Steps This entertaining Washington, D.C.-based comedy troupe, which began some 35 years ago as a group of Senate staffers, provides a unique blend of musical and political satire. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: March 13 The Rob Landes Trio:
"Broadway is My Beat" From Jerome Kern to
Andrew Lloyd Webber, the Rob Landes Trio takes you
on a journey down the fabled Great White Way.
Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St.
www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or
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GALVESTON: March 18 Peter Yarrow and Noel Paul Stookey in Concert In this intimate evening of song and reflection, these musicians of Peter, Paul and Mary fame remember their enduring anthems of social change including "If I Had a Hammer" and "Puff the Magic Dragon," as well as their musical partner of 50 years, Mary Travers. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: March 26 An Evening with Kinky Friedman Iconic Texas country singer, songwriter, novelist and humorist Kinky Friedman performs songs from his legendary 40-year career, including selections from his new CD, "The Loneliest Man I Ever Met." 1894 Grand Opera House Galveston, 2020 Post Office St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894

GALVESTON: March 31 "Princess Thimbelina"

This original musical production of Hans Christian Andersen's classic children's tale features Bits 'N Pieces' unique nine-foot-tall puppets. The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.the grand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: March 5 ArtWalk Stroll through art galleries and spaces throughout the Downtown Galveston Cultural Arts District from 6–9 p.m. Various locations. www.galveston.com/artwalk or www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

HOUSTON: September 15-March 31 2016 International Watercolor Exhibition and Workshop Watercolor Art Society-Houston. www.watercolorhouston.org 713/942-9966

HOUSTON: October 30-March 13 "Sojourn in the Shadowlands" After many travels through Europe, an intense interest grew in Houston artist Michael Collins to remember aspects of concentration camps of the Holocaust through his work. Holocaust Museum Houston, 5401 Caroline St. www.hmh.org 713/527-1640

HOUSTON: November 5-June 19 "The Secret of the Hanging Egg: Salvador Dali" Experience pieces from the museum's Surrealist collection in dialogue with the work of Salvador Dali, one of the movement's major figures. Includes 30 works by 12 artists, including Dali's "Eggs on the Plate Without the Plate" on loan from the Dali Museum. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: December 1-March 20 "Vera Lutter: Inverted Worlds" The mysterious, monumental photographs in this exhibition are one-of-a-kind negative prints by New York-based German photographer Vera Lutter. She creates these images by transforming a darkened room, shipping container or a specially constructed box into a huge pinhole camera, with exposures lasting for days or months. The finished exposures suggest an eerie parallel universe. The Menil Collection, 1001 Bissonnet. www.themenil.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: December 4-March 4 "Fine Art by Aurelia Nascu" Originally from Moldova, Houston artist Aurelia Nascu paints a variety of subjects in avant-garde style. Russian Cultural Center "Our Texas." www.ourtx.org 713/395-3301

HOUSTON: December 11-September 5 "La Virgen de Guadalupe: Empress of the Americas"

Keep up with current events

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La Virgen de Guadalupe is said to have appeared to Juan Diego near Mexico City in 1531 and changed his life. Today, her image represents not only a great miracle, but the identity of a nation of believers. Trace the story back to its origins in this limited-time exhibition. Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Drive. www.hmns.org

HOUSTON: December 12-June 5 "Deco Nights: Evenings in the Jazz Age" The term "Jazz Age" was made popular by American expatriate writer F. Scott Fitzgerald and describes the period between the end of World War I and the end of the 1930s. This exhibit celebrates the glamour and luxury of the period through photographs, prints, drawings, books, cameras, glassware, couture costumes and evening accessories that explore nighttime pursuits in the United States and Europe in the 1920s and 1930s. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston. www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: December 12-March 27 "Jennie C. Jones: Compilation" Through exhaustive research and imaginative talent, Jennie C. Jones brings to light the unlikely parallels that emerged between the visual arts and jazz during the social and cultural upheavals in the late 1950s. This mid-career survey chronicles Jones' practice through an 11-year period and includes the artist's iconic "Acoustic Paintings," early works on paper, sculpture and sound works. Contemporary Arts Museum of Houston, 5216 Montrose Blvd. http://camh.org

HOUSTON: December 16-May 1 "The Precarious"

The medium of collage first entered modern art in the early 1900s through artists such as Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque. The 30 works on paper and sculpture by 13 artists in this exhibition explore the sensibilities and background of this practice. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: January 16-May 7 "To MyPlate and Beyond" This tasteful exhibit helps viewers become experts on the five food groups that make the building blocks for a healthy diet: fruits, vegetables, grains, proteins and dairy. The interactive journey includes games that show children how to choose foods, read nutrition labels and appreciate healthy eating. The Health Museum. www.thehealthmuseum.org

HOUSTON: January 30-March 12 Box 13
ArtSpace Exhibits Geri Forkner presents a large collection of strips and squares that has become a

metaphor for everyday life in the exhibition "Daily Weavings." In "Data Shadows," AnnieLaurie Erickson introduces a photographic investigation into the physical apparatus of the Internet and digital surveillance. Shannon Duncan and Delaney Smith create a space between documentation and abstraction in the collaborative exhibition "Strange Containers." BOX 13 ArtSpace, 6700 Harrisburg Blvd.

HOUSTON: February 10-March 6 "Straight White Men" Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen
Parkway. **www.stagestheatre.com 713/527-0123**

HOUSTON: February 19-July 24 "William N. Copley Retrospective" This exhibit is the first retrospective in any U.S. museum devoted to the work of the American artist William N. Copley (1919-1996), creator of madcap narrative paintings, drawings and installations in a playful, ribald style of his own invention. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: February 21-May 30 "Sculpted in Steel: Art Deco Automobiles and Motorcycles, 1929–1940" Today's automotive manufacturers strive for economy and efficiency, but there was a time when art and elegance reigned. This exhibit showcases 14 cars and three motorcycles, alongside historical images and videos that show the classic grace and modern luxury of Art Deco design that dazzled consumers in the United States and around the world. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 5601 Main St. www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: February 25-March 6 "The Sleeping Beauty" In celebration of his 80th birthday, Houston Ballet will revive Artistic Director Emeritus Ben Stevenson's spectacu ar staging of "The Sleeping Beauty," which launched his career as a choreographer in London in 1967. Wortham Theater Center. www.houstonballet.org

HOUSTON: March 2-April 10 "End of the Rainbow"
Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway.
www.stagestheatre.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: March 20 Tour de Houston Now in its 11th year, this annual bike ride offers Houstonians and visitors a unique way to view the city with routes winding through Houston's historic neighborhoods, scenic districts and parks while raising funds for the Reforest Houston program. City Hall. www.houston tx.gov/tourdehouston

HOUSTON: March 3-22 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Rodeo time has been a tradition in Houston since 1932. The event kicks off with the Rodeo Parade as trail riders ride into town and set up camp in Memorial Park. All 20 championship rodeo competitions are concluded with entertainment by music superstars from various genres. NRG Park, 1 NRG Park. www.rodeahouston.com

HOUSTON: March 4-April 3 "Around the World in 80 Days" Alley Theatre. www.alleytheatre.org

HOUSTON: March 4-April 3 "The Night of the Iguana" This Tennessee Williams play tells the story of Rev. Lawrence Shannon, a defrocked Episcopalian priest, and his fight to keep his personal demons at bay as he leads a bus-load of middle-aged church ladies on a tour of the Mexican coast. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org



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HOUSTON: March 4-6 Houston Symphony Concert Discover Beethoven's playful side as Music Director Andres Orozco-Estrada resumes his three-season cycle of Beethoven's nine symphonies. Jones Hall, www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: March 6 "Join in Song" The Bay Area Chorus presents works of Bass, Brahms, Monteverdi, Wolf, Nick Page, Dawson and Hogan. Clear Lake Presbyterian Church, 1511 El Dorado Blvd. http://bayareachorus.org

HOUSTON: March 6 Buffalo Bayou Regatta The Buffalo Bayou Regatta is the largest canoe and kayak race in Texas. Close to 200 vessels are expected to hit the waters in downtown Houston for its 43rd year Buffalo Bayou Park. http://buffalobayou.org/ event/43rd-annual-regatta/713/752-0314

HOUSTON: March 8-20 "Mary Poppins" Armed with song, dance and trusty umbrella, Mary Poppins and her sooty sidekick, Bert, transform the unhappy world of a banker's two children into a magical new fantasy land. Sarofim Hall at The Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. www.tuts.com 713/558-8887

HOUSTON: March 10-20 Houston Ballet Winter Mixed Repertory Program The Houston Ballet introduces three masterpieces into the company's repertory in a thrilling evening of dance. Features a collection of song and dance from "West Side Story," "Dyad 1929" and "Wings of Wax." Wortham Theater Center. www.houstonballet.org

HOUSTON: March 10-13 Houston Symphony Concert Often hailed as the birth of the Romantic era, Beethoven's heroic Symphony No. 3 changed music forever. Also on the program are Shostakovich's humorous yet haunting Concerto No. 1 for Piano, Trumpet and Strings and the innovative "Music of Air and Fire" by Houston composer Pierre Jalbert. Jones Hall, www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: March 10-13 The Texas Salsa Congress This 11th annual event draws teams from all over the world to celebrate all forms of dance, including salsa, bachata, jazz, contemporary and hiphop through shows and other performances. The Westin Oaks Houston Galleria, 5060 W. Alabama St. http://txsalsacongress.com

HOUSTON: March 11-13 Azalea Trail Select homes, gardens and public buildings open for tours while the azaleas are in bloom. River Oaks Garden Club Forum, 2503 Westheimer. www.riveroaksgardenclub.org 713/523-2483

HOUSTON: March 11-April 16 Lawndale Art Center Exhibits Exhibits include "Standpoints," with works by Jeremiah Ariaz, Sandy Carson and David Poltizer; "All things are reflections of other things" by Caroline Roberts, "Gift Shop" by Hillerbrand+Magsamen and "Vanishing Discotecas" by Jeanette Joy Harris. Lawndale Art Center. www.lawndaleart center.org

HOUSTON: March 17-27 "Sweet Potato Queens" This show is loosely based on the life story of No. 1 New York Times best-selling author and SPQ founder, Jill Conner Browne, and the organization's philosophy which was born out of her need for some excitement and a new direction. After its recent successful staged reading at TUTS Underground, "Sweet Potato

More travel resources

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Queens" will be fully stage and produced for the world premiere next March. Hobby Center, 800 Bagby St. www.tuts.com

HOUSTON: March 18-20 Houston Symphony Concert Rejoice with Leonard Bernstein's jubilant Chichester Psalms, a Hebrew-language setting of favorite psalms from the Old Testament, plus a performance of Beethoven's monumental Symphony No. 9. Jones Hall. www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: March 22-27 "Cabaret" As part of their 50th Anniversary Season, Roundabout Theatre Company is proud to present Sam Mendes and Rob Marshall's Tony Award-winning production. The Hobby Center, 800 Bagby St. www.thehobbycenter.org

HOUSTON: March 23-April 10 "Travesties" This freewheeling play centers on the fictional meeting of three extraordinary figures in Zurich in 1917: the novelist James Joyce, the Dadaist performance artist Tristan Tzara and Russian leader Vladimir Ilyich Lenin. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org

HOUSTON: March 24-26 Houston Symphony: An Evening with Matt Morrison The star of TV's "Glee" takes the Houston stage, delivering stellar showmanship. Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: March 25-April 17 "Grounded" In the Nevada desert, a now-pregnant ace F-16 fighter pilot has been reassigned to a new position, flying a remote-controlled drone from an Air Force trailer. Her 12-hour shifts hunting terrorist targets in the Middle East are followed by 12 hours at home, struggling as a wife and mother in suburban Las Vegas. The mounting pressure to track a high-profile target blurs the boundaries between the desert she lives in and the one she patrols, half a world away. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org

HOUSTON: March 26 "Superheroes at the Symphony" Grab your cape, flex your extraordinary powers and discover your fearless inner-self at this "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra" performance. Includes appearances by favorite characters and antics by Theatre Under The Stars. Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: March 28 "Fences" Ensemble Theatre 3535 Main St. www.ensemblehouston.com

HOUSTON: March 31-April 3 Houston Symphony Concert Don't miss an exciting North American Premiere as celebrated film composer James Horner ("Titanic," "Avatar") unveils his new "Concerto for Four Horns," performed by soloists including the Houston Symphony's own William VerMeulen and Robert Johnson, Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houstonsymphony.org

HUMBLE: March 19 Good Oil Days Festival

This 36th annual festival celebrates Humble's rich oil heritage. Features more than 100 vendors selling their wares, live entertainment, food, a children's zone with carnival rides, classic car show and more. Main Street. www.goodoildays.com 281/446-4140

HUMBLE: March 28-April 3 Shell Houston Open More than 150 of the world's best golfers compete in this PGA Tour event, Redstone Golf Club's Tournament Course, 5860 Wilson Road, www.visithouston texas.com 281/454-7000

LEAGUE CITY: March 17-20 South West International Boat Show Features more than 400

boats in water and onshore, plus more than 200 vendors, a comprehensive seminar program, skills training programs, live music, giveaways, craft beer tastings, entertainment for the children and a Saturday evening party. South Shore Harbor Marina. www.southwestinternationalboatshow.com 561/842-8808

NEDERLAND: March 15-20 Nederland Heritage Festival Dutch heritage, the city's Windmill Museum and Acadian house in Tex Ritter Park provide the backdrop for this community event featuring a carnival, costumed characters, music and the Cuisine Walk. Boston Avenue. nhfestival@gt.rr.com 409/724-2269

PORT ARTHUR: March 19 Rotary Taste of Gumbo Local restaurants and civic groups serve up tasting bowls of gumbo. Robert A. "Bob" Bowers Civic Center. www.visitportarthurtx.com 409/985-7822

ROCKPORT: March 5 Whooping Crane Strut Includes a two-mile walk, as well as 5K and 10K runs. Tule Hike and Bike Trail. 361/727-2158

ROCKPORT: May 7-8 Nautical Flea Market Find books, nautical art, fishing items and more. Rockport Harbor. 361/729-3115

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: March 4-6 Heatwave Spring Break Jam Car, truck and motorcycle enthusiasts show off their vehicles. South Padre Island Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Blvd. www.sopadre.com 956/761-3000

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: March 16-19 Ultimate Music Experience UME aims to be the largest Spring Break electronic dance music event in North American history. Schlitterbahn Waterpark, 33261 State Park Road 100. www.sopadre.com or www.umesouthpadre.com 956/761-3000

SUGAR LAND: February 20-May 15 "Amazing Butterflies" Explore this maze-like exhibit and learn about butterflies, their friends and foes, and the unusual relationship between these creatures and their surroundings. The Houston Museum of Natural Science at Sugar Land. www.hmns.org 281/313-2277 GRAPEVINETX

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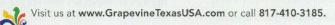
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BOERNE: March 12-13 Boerne Market Days On the second weekend of every month, Main Plaza is home to a magical outdoor market that blends the traditions of the Texas Hill Country with the creations of today's culture. Main Plaza, 100 N. Main St. www.visitboerne.org 210/844-8193

BOERNE: March 12 Second Saturday Art and Wine Participating galleries go all out each month with complimentary beverages and a variety of hors d'oeuvres along with fantastic art. Travel to each gallery in the downtown area on foot or on the Shabby Bus. Downtown. www.visitboerne.org/calendar/second-saturday-art-and-wine-13 325/370-3299

BOERNE: March 13 Boerne Concert Band Spring Concert Boerne High Auditorium, 1 Greyhound Lane. www.visitboerne.org 830/249-8918

BOERNE: March 18 Camerata San Antonio Concert Boerne First United Methodist, 250 E. James. www.cameratasa.com 210/492-9519

BOERNE: March 19 Spring Equinox Concert

The combination of nature's backdrop and acoustical sound with top-notch musicians is a memorable experience. Cave Without A Name-Throne Room, 325 Kreutzberg Road. www.cavewithoutaname. com 830/537-4212

BOERNE: March 26 Hot Rod Night Soda Pops, 103 N. Main. www.visitboerne.org 830/331-8799

CANYON LAKE: March 20 Devil's Backbone Triathlon Canyon Park. www.canyonlakechamber. com 830/964-2223

DRIPPING SPRINGS: March 5 Texas Night Sky Festival This free celebration of the Texas night sky is geared toward those who want to learn more about the night sky and the movement to limit excessive light pollution, which obscures night-sky viewing. Enjoy live presentations, education, science and arts displays, solar observations, a mobile planetarium, demonstrations of glare-reducing lighting, food, and a star party. Dripping Springs Ranch Park, 1042 Event Center Drive. www.texasnightskyfestival.org **512/858-4725**

DRIPPING SPRINGS: March 12 Fancy Feathers Poultry Show Includes a cage show, tabletop serama chicken show, an egg show, raffles, food and a "cluck off." Dripping Springs Ranch Park, 1042 Event Center Drive. **www.fancyfeatherstx.org 512/858-4725**

FREDERICKSBURG: February 19-March 6 "Into the Woods" Presented by Fredericksburg Theater Company. Steve W. Shepherd Theater, 1668 U.S. 87 S. www.fredericksburgtheater.org 830/997-3588

FREDERICKSBURG: March 4 First Friday Art Walk Fredericksburg Tour fine art galleries offering special exhibits, demonstrations, refreshments and extended viewing hours the first Friday of every month. Participating fine art galleries in Fredericksburg. www.ffawf.com 830/997-6523

FREDERICKSBURG: March 11-12, 14-19 Spring Break at The Pioneer Museum Stroll through historic buildings and see living-history demonstrations all week long. Pioneer Museum, 325 W. Main. www.pioneermuseum.net 830/990-8441

FREDERICKSBURG: March 12-19 Texas Hell Week Bicycle Tour Features daily 40-100 mile bicycle tours of Gillespie County Headquarters at Sunset

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Inn Motel. www.hellweek.com/texas.html 806/683-6489

FREDERICKSBURG: March 18-20 Fredericksburg Trade Days Shop with more than 450 vendors or relax in the Biergarten while listening to live music. Sunday Farms. www.fbgtradedays.com 210/846-4094

FREDERICKSBURG: March 19 Hill Country Indian Artifact Show Features more than 70 tables of artifacts including arrowheads, beads and pottery. Pioneer Pavilion at Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park. www. hillcountryindianartifacts.com 830/626-5561

GEORGETOWN: March 12 Market Days on the Square Enjoy shopping, food and entertainment. The Georgetown Square, 103 W. Seventh St. www.TheGeorgetownSquare.com 512/868-8675

GRUENE: March 2 Texas Independence
Celebration To celebrate the 180th anniversary of
Texas independence, Gruene Historic District is
throwing a Texas-sized celebration with special offers
and events. Gruene Historic District. www.Gruene
Texas.com 830/629-5077

GRUENE: March 13 Gospel Brunch with a Texas Twist Serves awe-inspiring gospel music coupled with a mouth-watering buffet from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Advance tickets recommended. Gruene Hall, 1281 Gruene Road. www.gruenehall.com 830/629-5077 or 830/606-1601

GRUENE: March 17 Come and Taste It A featured winemaker showcases three of their newly released, top-selling or hard-to-find wines, alongside a craft brew hand-picked by The Grapevine staff. Also enjoy live music and giveaways. Grapevine Texas Wine Bar, 1612 Hunter Road. www.grapevineingruene.com 830/606-0093

GRUENE: March 19-20 Old Gruene Market Days Nearly 100 vendors offer uniquely crafted items and packaged Texas foods. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Gruene Historic District, 1724 Hunter Road. www.gruenemarketdays.com 830/832-1721

INGRAM: March 18-April 2 "Foxfire" Annie Nations, an indomitable Appalachian widow of 79,

lives on her mountain farm with the acerbic ghost of her husband Hector. Her tranquility is threatened by a brash real estate developer who wants to turn her land into a vacation resort and by concern over her son Dillard, a country singer who has come home with two stranded children because his wife has run away. Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point Theatre Road, www.hcaf.com 830/367-5121

JOHNSON CITY: March 26 Last Saturday Art Walk Find a great selection of Texas goods and Texas art from 4–8 p.m. while enjoying complimentary beer, wine and appetizers. Each month features a different artist in the gallery to meet with visitors and show their work. Texcetera, 207 N. Nugent Ave.

JUNCTION: March 7 Viet Nam Veteran's Welcome Home Run Vietnam veterans travel each year from Perryton to Brownsville along U.S. 83 (Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Highway) to pay tribute to veterans, their families, and friends. Communities on the route gather as the group of motorcycle riders pass through their town to hold various programs and provide meals to help show appreciation and support. Kimble County Courthouse.

JUNCTION: March 26 Easter Pageant On the picturesque hillside beneath a bluff known as Lovers' Leap, local thespians present the re-enactment of the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ. Begins at dusk. Easter Pageant Grounds off F.M. 2169 near Cedar Creek. www.junctiontexas.com 830/459-7037

KERRVILLE: March 2 Texas Heritage Music "Coffee House Series" Features Texas musicians and open-mic performers. Schreiner University, 2100 Memorial Blvd. www.texasheritagemusic.org 830/792-1945

KERRVILLE: March 3-27 Kerr Arts and Cultural Centers March Gallery Exhibits Exhibits on view include "Hot Wax/Cold Wax," "Variety: Spice of Life," and Dinah Bowman's "Explore and Challenge." Kerr Arts and Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett St. www.kacckerrville.com 830/895-2911

KERRVILLE: March 4 First Friday Wine ShareMeet new people and try new wines at this fun and friendly event at a different location each month.
Bring one bottle of wine per two people and your own wine glass. Begins at 6 p.m. www.storkcountry.com

KERRVILLE: March 4 The American Rogues in Concert Band performs high energy, world-inspired Celtic, folk and rock music. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Cailloux Theater. www.caillouxtheater.com 830/896-9393

830/200-1483

KERRVILLE: March 5 Hill Country Swap MeetThis community garage sale and flea market offers all types of merchandise. Hours are 8 a.m.–3 p.m. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3705 Texas 27 E. www.kerrmarketdays.org 830/459-6198

KERRVILLE: March 11-13 San Antonio Kennel Club Spring Cluster Thousands of dogs of all breeds, from all over the world, gather for this competition. **830/895-4523**

KERRVILLE: March 19 Camerata San Antonio Concert First Presbyterian Church, 800 E. Jefferson St. www.cameratasa.com 210/492-9519

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KERRVILLE: March 21 Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament Scott Schreiner Golf Course, 1 Country Club Lane. www.kerrvilletx.com 830/896-1155

KERRVILLE: March 25-27 Easter Hill Country Bike Tour Experience the charm and hospitality of the Texas Hill Country and three days of the best riding Texas has to offer. Based at Schreiner University, 2100 Memorial Blvd. www.ehct.com

KERRVILLE: March 26 Easter Eggstravaganza Family festival includes two egg hunts at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., face painting and other children's activities, a resurrection story skit, food, arts and crafts, and a cake walk. Hours are 10 a.m.–1 p.m. The Salvation Army Kroc Center, 201 Holdsworth Drive. www.kerrvillekroc.org 830/315-5762.

KERRVILLE: March 26 Here's to the Heroes **Easterfest and Cook-off** Includes a chili cook-off, food, games, vendors, live music, a washer-pitching tournament, Easter egg hunt, and car and bike shows. Flat Rock Lake Park, 3840 Riverside Drive. **www.kerrvilleeasterfest.com**

KERRVILLE: March 26 Kerr County Market Days Old-fashioned market on the square features handmade crafts, artwork, and homegrown plants and produce. Kerr County Courthouse, 700 Main St. www.kerrmarketdays.org 830/895-7524

KERRVILLE: March 31-April 24 Kerr Arts and Cultural Center Exhibits Exhibits on view include the Hill Country Youth Art Show, "Behind The Scene Digital Photo Collage" by Leslie Kell and sculpture by Peter Mangan. Kerr Arts and Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett St. www.kacckerrville.com 830/895-2911

LAGO VISTA: March 5-6 La Primavera Bike Race Now in its 25th year as one of the largest road races in the region, this notably hilly 5.5-mile course attracts junior, master and pro cyclists. Highland Lake Drive at American Drive. www.lagovista.org 512/267-7952

LLANO: March 11-13 Llano Earth Art Fest This event, host of the 2016 World Stock Stacking Competition, features art installations, interactive rock balancing, workshops, fine arts and crafts, live music and other performances. Grenwelge Park. www.llano earthartfest.org

LOMETA: March 26 Lometa Diamondback Jubilee Annual festival features rattlesnakes, rodeo action, arts and crafts, a carnival, chili and barbecue cook-offs, live music and a street dance. Downtown. www.lampasaschamber.org 512/752-3106

LUCKENBACH: March 19 Mud Dauber Festival and Chili Cook-off This open chili cook-off and music festival is named in honor of that pesky wasp. www.luckenbachtexas.com 830/997-3224

MARBLE FALLS: March 22-24 Balcones Songbird Festival This event encourages the preservation of critical habitat through educational tours, exhibits and children's activities that provide opportunities to experience the animals, plants and habitats of the Texas Hill Country. Balcones Canyonlands National Wildlife Refuge, 24518 F.M. 1431. http://friendsofbalcones.org/festival512/339-9432

NATALIA: March 24-26 Natalia Bluebonnet
Festival and Parade On the last weekend of March

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each year, visit this Hill Country town for music, a carnival, crafts and food. Palm Courts. https://sites.google.com/a/cityofnatalia.com/natalia-veterans-memorial-library 210/213-1990

NEW BRAUNFELS: September 1-May 1

"Lindheimer's Texas" The "Father of Texas Botany," Ferdinand Lindheimer of New Braunfels, collected close to 100,000 specimens of Texas plants and sent them out to fellow botanists to show off the unique plants and flowers of Texas. They are today in collections as far afield as Paris and St. Petersburg, Russia. This exhibit has collected some of his original works for display. The Sophienburg Museum and Archives, 401 W. Coll St. 830/629-1572

NEW BRAUNFELS: March 12 "The Music of Jerry Lee Lewis and the Blues Brothers" Performed by Tony Gloria and joined by Fairchild Blues Classic. Brauntex Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio. www.braun tex.org 830/627-0808

NEW BRAUNFELS: March 18 An Evening with Pat Boone Brauntex Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio. www.brauntex.org 830/627-0808

NEW BRAUNFELS: March 24 A Tribute to The Who Brauntex Theatre, 290 W. San Antonio. www.brauntex.org 830/627-0808

SAN MARCOS: August 3-July 3 "Rodrigo Moya: Photography and Conscience / Fotografia y conciencia" This exhibit is the first retrospective in the United States of Moya's work. More than 90 images document Mexico and Latin America from revolutionary movements to timeless moments of daily life. The Wittliff Collections, Seventh floor of the Alkek Library. www.thewittliffcollections.txstate.edu 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: August 10-May 13 "Animals Among Us: Photographs from the Permanent Collection" This photography exhibit features cats, dogs, horses, fish, fowl, insects and more in images created with a variety of photographic and printing techniques by 39 artists. The Wittliff Collections, Seventh floor of the Alkek Library. www.thewittliff collections.txstate.edu 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: August 17-July 3 "Places in the Heart: Texas Cinescapes" This exhibit celebrates

Oscar-winning movies and award-winning independent films set in Texas. Screenplays, props, wardrobe pieces, behind-the-scenes photos and other materials show how authentic visions of the Lone Star State have been created on screen. The Wittliff Collections, Seventh floor of the Alkek Library. www.thewittliff collections.txstate.edu 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: March 6 Moe's Better Half Marathon This road race is known for its challenging and scenic course and often colorful race management. Tanger Outlets, 4015 I-35 S. www.sanmarcos runners.org/mbhm 512/396-2584

SPICEWOOD: March 3 Art Trek 3: A Day Away in Waco Tour the Texas Ranger Hall of Fame, enjoy lunch at Ninfa's, tour the historic East Terrace House, and see either the Dr. Pepper Museum or Magnolia Market (as seen on HGTV's "Fixer Upper"). Sign up required by Feb. 18. Begins at the Barton Creek Lakeside clubhouse. www.spicewoodarts.org

SPICEWOOD: March 18 The Artisan String Quartet in Concert Advance tickets recommended. Begins at 7 p.m. Spicewood Vineyard Event Center, 1419 C.R. 409. www.spicewoodarts.org

STONEWALL: March 12 Annual LBJ Kite Day
Come make an old-fashioned 1900s kite with materials provided, or fly your own. Lyndon B. Johnson
State Park and Historic Site. www.tpwd.gov/state-parks/lyndon-b-johnson 830/644-2252

STONEWALL: March 26 Easter at the Sauer-Beckmann Living History Farm Celebrate Easter in the style of a traditional 1915 German farm family. Includes natural-dyed Easter eggs, lamb cake and grass nests as made by the early settlers. Lyndon B. Johnson State Park and Historic Site. www.tpwd. state.tx.us/state-parks/lyndon-b-johnson 830/644-2252

UVALDE: March 11 Four Square Friday Enjoy late night shopping, food, live music and art at this monthly event named for the town's original design with four town squares. Downtown. www.visituvalde.com 830/278-4115

WIMBERLEY: February 12-March 6 "Lend Me a Tenor" Wimberley Playhouse, 450 Old Kyle Road. www.wimberleyplayers.org 512/847-0575

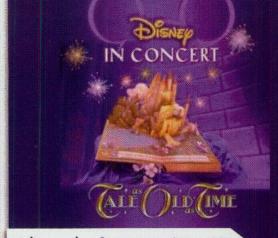
WIMBERLEY: February 27-March 20 "Aladdin" Children's series performances are at 10 a.m. Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. EmilyAnn Theatre and Gardens, 1101 F.M. 2325. www.emilyann.org 512/847-6969

WIMBERLEY: March 5 Market Days Stroll along a shaded path to more than 475 booths filled with a wide variety of arts, crafts, antiques, gift items, clothing and more. Lions Field, 601 F.M. 2325. www.shopmarketdays.com 512/847-2201

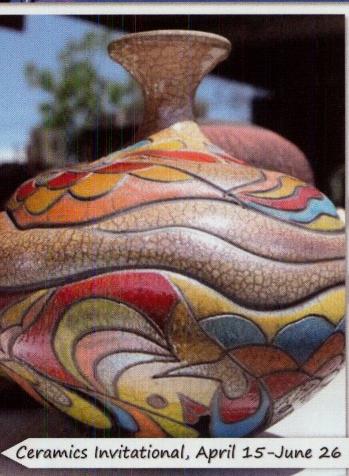
WIMBERLEY: March 12 Second Saturday Gallery Trail More than a dozen galleries offer wine, snacks and art displays from 4–7 p.m. Wimberley Square, 101 Wimberley Square. www.facebook.com/Second SaturdayGalleryTrail 713/732-1543

WIMBERLEY: March 17 Concerts at Susanna's Kitchen On the third Thursday of each month, top musical performers take the stage at this intimate venue. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Susanna's Kitchen, 1200 C.R. 1492. www.wimberleyumc.org 512/722-3316





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PANHANDLE PLAINS

ABILENE: March 5 "Bullets Over Broadway" Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. Sixth St. 800/869-1451

ABILENE: March 6 "The Jungle Book" Begins at 2 p.m. Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. **325/677-1161**,

ABILENE: March 10-12 All Texas Holstein Show Enjoy showmanship at this cattle competition where cows are judged on the quality of their size, udders and milk. Griffin Arena. 325/677-4376

ABILENE: March 10 ArtWalk Downtown. 325/677-8389

ALBANY: February 27-May 14 "Robert Langham: Blackforest Bestiary Exhibition" Photographer Robert Langham finds and rescues wild animals near his home in Tyler, then poses and photographs them in his studio. Printed using traditional processes, the results are curious and beautiful portraits of nature's now "backyard" creatures. Old Jail Art Center, 201 S. Second St. www.theojac.org 325/762-2269

AMARILLO: March 1-27 The Chicano Art
Collection of Cheech Marin Known as an actor,
director, comedian, author and collector of Chicano
arts, Marin's trove has grown to be one of the largest
private collections on Chicano Art in the country and
has been shown extensively throughout the country.
Amarillo Museum of Art, 2200 S. Van Buren St.
www.amarilloart.org 806/371-5050

AMARILLO: March 4 First Friday Art Walk Enjoy

food, music and art by more than 100 artists from the region in dozens of galleries, the Art Institute and Panhandle Art Center. Hours are 5–9 p.m. The Galleries at Sunset Center, 3701 Plains Blvd. www.amarilloartists.com 806/353-5700

BAIRD: March 26 Easter Egg Hunt Children can find more than 5,000 eggs, visit the Easter Bunny and enjoy giveaways. Bell Park. www.bairdchamber. com 325/854-1212 ext. 4

BUFFALO GAP: March 12 Chautauqua Learning Series This lecture series that is based on the Chautauqua movement, which brought educational talks and entertainment to rural U.S. areas in the late 1800s and early 1900s, covers a different topic each month. Buffalo Gap Historic Village, 133 N. William. **325/572-3365**

CANYON: March 5-26 Panhandle Plains
Invitational Art Show and Sale Now in its 17th year,
the Panhandle-Plains Invitational Western Art Show
and Sale features works from established and recognized artists. Sale event is March 5, with pieces not
purchased that night on display through the rest of
the month. Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum,
2503 Fourth Ave. http://panhandleplains.org
806/651-2244

DALHART: March 12 Dust Bowl Marathon Rita Blanca Lake Trails. http://mainlymarathons.com

LUBBOCK: March 4-5 Lubbock Symphony's Masterworks 4: Passion This concert features
Shostakovich's fun "Festive Overture, Op. 96" and
Wagner's passionate "Tristan und Isolde: Prelude and

Liebestod." Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. www.lubbocksymphony.org 806/762-1688

LUBBOCK: March 4 Martha Redbone Roots

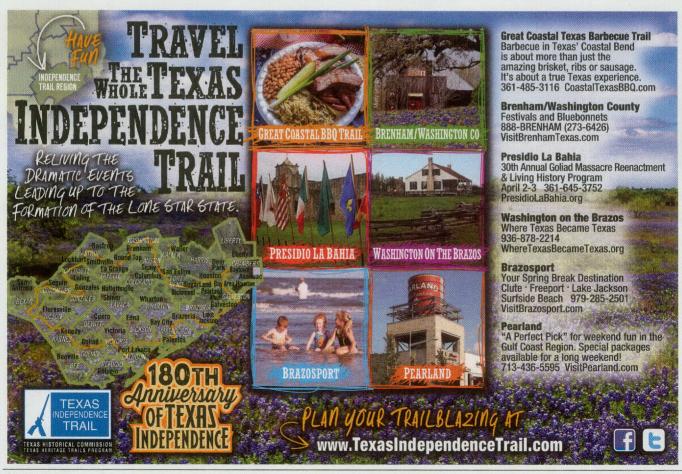
Project Independent Music Award-winning singer Martha Redbone is renowned for blending music from her Native and African American background with R&B grooves, blues and dashes of Appalachian folk. Allen Theatre on the Texas Tech campus. www.selectaseatlubbock.com 806/770-2000

SAN ANGELO: January 29-March 27 "Big: Large Scale Works from SAMFA's Collections"
San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: January 29-March 27 "Chinese Export Porcelain" San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: January 31-May 29 "Honoring Olivewood" Features photographs by young Houstonian Kasey French that showcase the beauty and reverence of historic Olivewood Cemetery, Houston's first incorporated African American cemetery, which pre-dates the end of slavery. National Museum of Funeral History, 415 Barren Springs Drive. www.nmfh.org 281/876-3063

SAN ANGELO: March 4-5 Texas Independence Day Celebration Includes the IBCA-sanctioned Texas State Championship Barbecue Competition, custom cars and hot rods on display, more than 80 arts and crafts vendors, an art contest and live entertainment from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Pavilion at the Paseo. www.rotbbq.com 325/212-4085



SAN ANGELO: March 5 A Tribute to John Williams Featuring Pianist Sean Chen In a career

that spans five decades, John Williams has become one of America's most accomplished and successful composers for film and for the concert stage. Join Van Cliburn Silver winner Sean Chen as he and the San Angelo Symphony perform a tribute to both Williams and George Gershwin in a night of magical music. McNease Convention Center, 500 Rio Concho Drive. www.sanangelosymphony.org 325/658-5877

SAN ANGELO: March 12 Crazy Trail Desert Race

Includes 50K, marathon, half marathon and 10K races. San Angelo State Park, 3900-2 Mercedes Road. www.facebook.com/events/929260653821589 325/655-4136

SAN ANGELO: March 12 Family Day: Tall Tales

Program includes hands-on art activities and a new theme each month. Hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: March 17 Downtown Art Walk

Visit downtown galleries and merchants, and enjoy free admission at the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts on the third Thursday of each month. Hours are 5-9 p.m. Various locations, www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: March 19 Cactus Market Days

Local artists and crafters show their handmade items while local musicians perform live. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Cactus Hotel Parking Lot, 13 E. Twohig. 325/949-6200

SAN ANGELO: March 20 Chamber Music Series

Concert Features a performance by the trio Sin Fronteras from Brownsville. Begins at 2 p.m. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: October 16-August 7 Salmon

Sculpture Competition This annual exhibit of up to 15 large-scale, outdoor sculptures is on display until the next competition's works are placed. Sunken Garden Park, 704 S. David St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SWEETWATER: March 11-13 World's Largest

Rattlesnake Round-Up This annual event includes snake-handling demonstrations, snake-milking techniques, guided snake hunts, guided bus tours, a cookoff, beard contest, parade, carnival, evening dances and hundreds of booths to browse. Head to the Cook Shack to try deep-fried Western Diamondback Rattlesnake meat. Nolan County Coliseum Complex, 220 Coliseum Drive. www.rattlesnakeroundup.net 325/235-5488

VEGA: March 26 Oldham County Easter Eggstravaganza Includes an egg hunt, Easter Bunny visits and other children's activities. Oldham County Courthouse Square, U.S. 385 at Main Street.

www.oldhamcofc.org 806/267-2828

WICHITA FALLS: March 11-26 "Gypsy" Considered by many to be the last great musical comedy, "Gypsy" tells the backstage tale of vaudeville entertainer turned stripper Gypsy Rose Lee and her overbearing mother, Rose, Backdoor Theatre, 501 Indiana Ave. http://backdoortheatre.org 940/322-5000

PINEY WOODS

CROCKETT: March 19 Miro Quartet in Concert Crockett Civic Center 1100 Edminston Drive

www.pwfaa.org 936/544-4276

HENDERSON: February 26-28 and March 4-6 "Little Women" Presented by Henderson Civic Theater. 122 E. Main St. www.hctonline.org 903/657-2968

HUNTSVILLE: March 2 Texas Independence Day And General Sam Houston Birthday Celebration

Includes a breakfast reception with Sam Houston's descendants, a ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery, lunch and birthday celebration, and a ceremony for those who want to be "baptized Texan." Various locations. www.huntsvilletexas.com 800/289-0389 or 936/291-9726

JEFFERSON: March 4-5, 18-19 Jefferson Flea

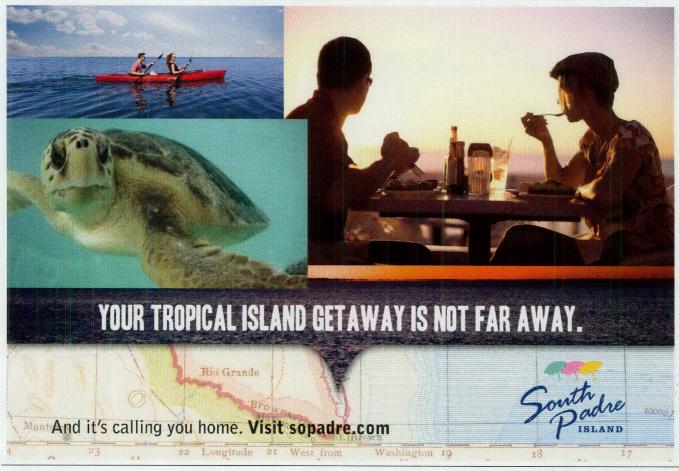
Market Shop for new and antique items, arts and crafts, garage-sale items, furniture, fixtures, books, dishes, office supplies and more. 213 W. Broadway. www.jeffersonfleamarket.net 903/431-0043

JEFFERSON: March 12 St. Patrick's Day Express

Celebrate the wearin' of the green aboard an antique narrow-gauge train running along the scenic Big Cypress Bayou. Historic Jefferson Railway. www.JeffersonRailway.com 866/398-2038

JEFFERSON: March 18-19 Route 49 Rally and

Festival This fifth-annual event includes concerts. games, a poker run, beer garden car and bike show, and a church service. Diamond Don's RV Park, 1602 Texas 49 E. www.route49rally.com 972/226-7205



JEFFERSON: March 26 St. Patrick's Day Express

Ride a historic steam train and celebrate the wearing of the green. Historic Jefferson Railway, 400 E. Austin. www.JeffersonRailway.com 866/398-2038

LIBERTY: March 5, 12 Liberty Opry Enjoy live, family-oriented musical entertainment with a different theme each week and a little comedy, too. Liberty Opry, 1816 Sam Houston St. www.libertyopry.com 936/336-5830

LIBERTY: March 18-19 Liberty Jubilee This family event takes over eight blocks downtown with more than 200 vendors, a children's area, carnival, entertainment, photo contest, barbecue cook-off, book and bake sale, pie-eating contest, 5K Fun Run and a street dance Friday night. Hours are noon-midnight Friday and 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. Downtown, 1829 Sam Houston St. www.cityofliberty.org 936/336-3684

LUFKIN: March 8 Music City Hit-Makers In this Bluebird Cafe-esque style writer's round, three of Nashville's elite songwriters perform and share the stories behind some of the biggest hits they've penned for today's brightest stars set to the sounds of a 10-piece symphony. The Pines Theater, 113 S. First St. www.thepineslufkin.com 936/633-0359

MAGNOLIA: March 12 B-geO Magnolia Miles Bike Ride Magnolia West High School, 42202 F.M. 1774. http://magnoliamiles.org 281/831-0835

NACOGDOCHES: March 1-April 2 Nacogdoches Azalea Trails Annual event features 25 miles of selfguided driving routes, guided tours of the largest azalea garden in Texas on Saturdays through the month. the Little Princess Garden Party and two shopping events March 26. The Bloomin' Good Volkswagen Show rounds out festivities on April 2 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Various locations. www.nacogdochesazaleas. com 888/653-3788

PALESTINE: March 18-20, 25-27, April 1-3 Dogwood Trails Celebration Enjoy the delicate beauty of the Dogwood trees in Davey Dogwood Park and surrounding area, plus activities scheduled each weekend. Various locations. www.visitpalestine. com 903/723-3014

TYLER: February 7-May 15 "Chihuly: Works from Texas Collections" This exhibition features more than 30 unique works by internationally acclaimed glass artist Dale Chihuly, drawn from the museum's collection, as well as public and private collections throughout the state. Tyler Museum of Art, 1300 S. Mahon Ave. www.tylermuseum.org 903/595-1001

TYLER: March 1 Vocalosity This love concert event takes a cappella to a whole new level, with 12 dynamic voices singing some of today's chart-topping hits in brand-new arrangements. UT Tyler R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center, 3900 University Blvd. www.cowancenter.org 903/566-7424

TYLER: March 10 "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" The irresistible family musical follows the Biblical trials and triumphs of Joseph, Israel's favorite son. UT Tyler R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center, 3900 University Blvd. www.cowancenter.org 903/566-7424

TYLER: March 24 "The Irish Tenors" UT Tyler R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center, 3900 University Blvd. www.cowancenter.org 903/566-7424

TYLER: March 25-April 10 Azalea and Spring Flower Trail This 57th annual celebration features miles of blooming azaleas, dogwoods and spring flowers. Various locations. www.visittyler.com 903/592-1661

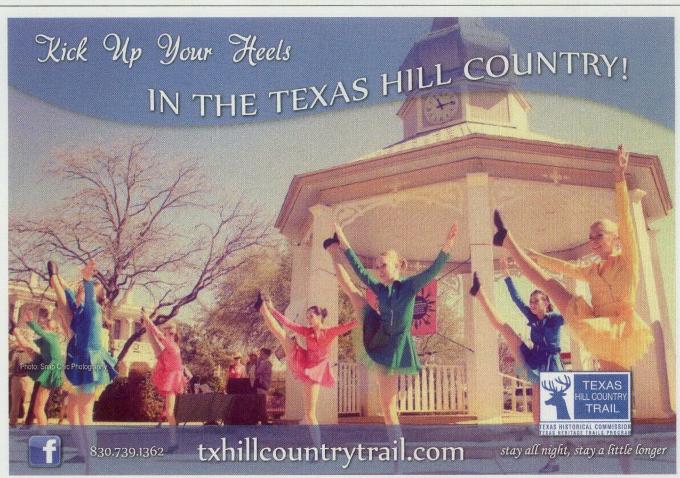
TYLER: March 25-26 Rose City Artisans and Flower Market at the Goodman This upscale openair market features artists and artisans selling a variety of items, including paintings, sculptures, garden decor, roses, herbs, crafts and food. There will be live entertainment and tours of the historic Goodman-LeGrand mansion, Goodman Museum, 624 N. Broadway Ave. www.goodmanmuseum.com 903/531-1286

TYLER: March 25-April 10 Tyler State Park Dogwood Days Driving and Walking Tour Take a

self-quided vehicle tour or enjoy a leisurely stroll down the many trails at Tyler State Park to see beautiful blooming dogwoods. Includes ranger programs on Saturdays. At 789 Park Road 16. www.tpwd. texas.gov/state-parks/tyler 903/597-5338

WOODVILLE: March 2 Toast to Texas

Independence Join Texans and honorary Texans around the world in saluting Texas Independence Day. The Village celebration includes a toast with pure East Texas spring water. Heritage Village, 157 Park Road 6000. www.heritage-village.org 409/283-2272



WOODVILLE: March 19 Festival of the Arts Music and guilts of all ages fill the many buildings of Heritage Village. 157 Park Road 6000. www.heritagevillage.org 409/283-2272

WOODVILLE: March 20 Dinner on the Grounds Enjoy an old-fashioned dinner with entertainment. Heritage Village, 157 Park Road 6000. www.heritagevillage.org 409/283-2272

WOODVILLE: March 25-26 Western Weekend Rodeo and Parade Includes trail rides, a rodeo, parade and the Western Dance, Various locations. www.tylercountydogwoodfestival.org 409/283-2651

PRAIRIES AND LAKES

ARLINGTON: March 31 Mayerick Speaker Series: Jane Goodall A UN Messenger of Peace and one of the world's foremost experts on chimpanzees, Jane Goodall is best known for more than five decades of scientific exploration on the behavior of wild chimpanzees at Gombe National Park in Tanzania. College Park Center at UT Arlington, 601 S. Spaniolo Drive. www.utacollegepark.com 817/272-5584

BELTON: January 16-March 12 "Deadly Medicine: Creating the Master Race Traveling Exhibit"

On loan from the Holocaust Museum in Washington. D.C., this exhibit traces history from the early 20th-century international movement to the Nazi regime's "science of race." It also challenges viewers to reflect on the present-day interest in genetic

manipulation that promotes the possibility of human perfection. The Bell County Museum, 201 N. Main St. www.bellcountymuseum.org 254/933-5243

BELTON: March 12 Bell County Museum Great Garage Sale Includes vendor booths as well as garage sale items. Benefits the museum. Bell County Expo Center, 301 W. Loop 121. www.bellcounty museum.org 254/933-5243

BELTON: March 12-18 Spring Break at the Bell County Museum Children and families enjoy funfilled days of educational activities. The Bell County Museum, 201 N. Main St. www.bellcountymuseum. org 254/933-5243

BELTON: March 19 Discovery Day with Charley Chisholm Features new activities each month. The Bell County Museum, www.bellcountymuseum.ora 254/933-5243

BELTON: March 19-20 Sami Show Marketplace Bell County Expo Center, 301 W. Loop 121. www.samishow.com 512/441-7133

BOWIE: March 11-13 Second Monday Trade Days This indoor/outdoor show features nearly 400 vendors offering everything from chickens and horses to antiques and furniture. Second Monday Trade Days, 1517 E. Wise St. www.cityofbowietx.com 940/872-4861

BURTON: March 19 Texas Ranger Day Enjoy history re-enactments about Texas Ranger and early Texas history, as well as cook-off and live music. Burton, Texas, 507 N. Railroad St. www.burtonheritage society.org 979/353-0050

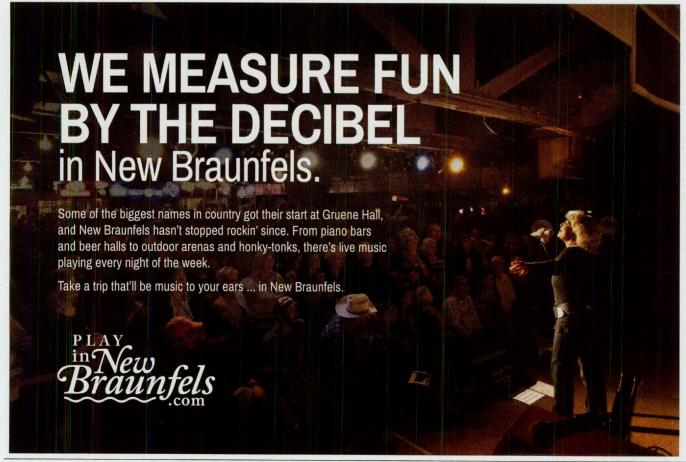
BURTON: March 25-April 2 La Bahia Antique Show Find antiques, collectibles, vintage and repurposed items, garden art, pottery and country cooking. La Bahia Hall, 550 U.S. 290 W. www.labahia antiques.com 979/289-2684

CLEBURNE: March 18-April 23 "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" Millie, a young bride living in the 1850s Oregon wilderness, plans to civilize and marry off her six rowdy brothers-in-law to ensure the success of her own marriage. Shows run Thursday-Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Plaza Theatre Company, 111 S. Main St. www.plaza-theatre.com 817/202-0600

CLIFTON: January 11-March 4 Quanah Parker Exhibit: "A Woman of Two Worlds and a Man IN Two Worlds" This traveling exhibit features rarely seen photos and other items related to settler Cynthia Ann Parker and her son Quanah. Cynthia Ann was kidnapped by Comanches as a child and assimilated into their culture, eventually marrying and giving birth to Quanah, who would be the last chief of his Comanche band. Bosque Museum, 301 S. Avenue Q. www.bosquemuseum.org 254/675-3845

CLIFTON: March 6 Texas History Lecture The Bosque Museum hosts its annual Texas History Lecture in celebration of Texas History Month. Bosque Museum, 301 S. Avenue Q. www.bosquemuseum. org 254/675-3845

CLIFTON: March 13-April 24 Wildflower Art Show This judged and juried show features depictions of local flora and fauna by area artists. Bosque Museum, 301 S. Avenue Q. www.bosquemuseum. org 254/675-3845



DALLAS: September 12-March 20 "Alexander Gorlizki: Variable Dimensions" Experience a fascinating floor-to ceiling feast for the eyes with this stunning, site-specific installation featuring paintings, sculptures, video and the applied arts-carpets, wallpapers and textiles. Crow Collection of Asian Art, 2010 Flora St. www.crowcollection.org 214/979-6430

DALLAS: September 18-July 31 "Spirit and Matter: Masterpieces from the Keir Collection of Islamic Art" Assembled through five decades by the noted art collector Edmund de Unger (1918-2011), the Keir Collection is recognized by scholars as one of the most geographically and historically comprehensive of its kind, encompassing almost 2,000 works spanning three continents and 13 centuries of Islamic cultural production—from rock crystal to metalwork, ceramics, textiles, carpets and works on paper. Dallas Museum of Art. www.DMA.org

DALLAS: November 20-March 20 "Jackson Pollock: Blind Spots" This exceptional presentation of the largest survey of Jackson Pollock's black paintings ever assembled features many works that have not been exhibited for more than 50 years, and several that were considered missing. The exhibit includes 28 of his "black paintings" (nearly twice as many as the next largest survey of his works in 1967), several works on paper that represent Pollock's most important work as a draftsman, and five of his six existing sculptures. Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org

DALLAS: January 9- May 31 "Anne Frank: A History for Today" This exhibit gives us insight into the family and world events that shaped Anne Frank's life, going beyond the pages of her famous diary to provide a wider perspective on the Holocaust, human rights, the Nazis and the Frank family's experiences in hiding, Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance. www.dallasholocaustmuseum. org 214/741-7500

DALLAS: March 1 SYZYGY New Music Ensemble "Masgue of the Red Death," one of Edgar Allan Poe's most famous short stories, is brought to life in a new ballet score by Dallas composer Jordan Kuspa based on the story. SMU Owen Arts Center-Caruth Auditorium. http://mcs.smu.edu/calendar

214/768-2787

DALLAS: March 3 National Geographic Speaker Series: Ami Vitale Cultural photojournalist Ami Vitale presents her endearingly provocative photography and the captivating stories behind them. Through her travels to 85 countries, Vitale has come face-to-face with the disparities of the world, yet has an incredible knack for eloquently capturing the prevailing and powerful spirit of both humans and animals. Perot Museum of Nature and Science. www.perotmuseum.org 214/428-5555

DALLAS: March 4-April 3 "Hansel and Gretel"

Two children in search of food for their hungry family get lost in an enchanted forest. They must depend on all their powers of imagination to save them from the crafty, mysterious old woman in the candy house and (in this less "grim" version) lead them back to the loving arms of their parents. Presented by Dallas Children's Theatre. Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman. www.dct.org

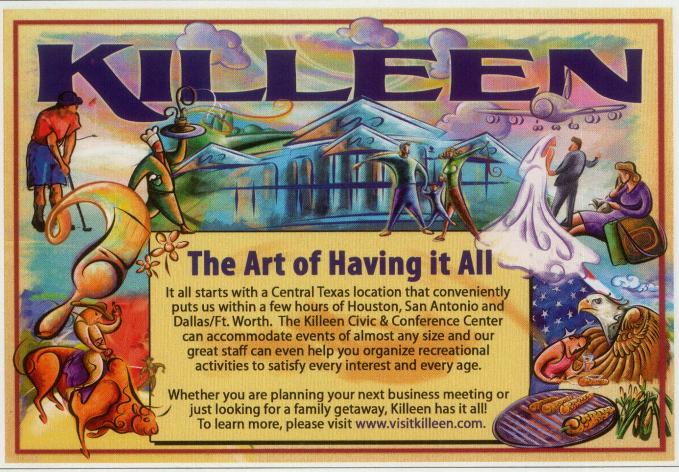
DALLAS: March 7 Quatuor Ebene in Concert

What began in 1999 as a distraction in the conservatory practice rooms for the four young French musicians has become a trademark of the Quatuor Ebene. The four breathe new life into chamber music through their consistently direct, open-minded perspective on the works. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Caruth Auditorium, 6101 Bishop Blvd. www.DallasChamber Music.org 844/326-7844

DALLAS: March 14 "Texas Bound II: In Hindsight" Features actors Doris Roberts, Jeffrey Schmidt and Stephen Toblowsky reading from various works. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art. www.dma.org

DALLAS: March 14-18 Spring Break Fun at the Top Children are welcomed to enjoy games, activities, word puzzles, face painting and other activities while the Dallas skyline revolves around them. Reunion Tower, 300 Reunion Blvd. www.reunion tower.com 214/712-7040

DALLAS: March 17 "Tracy K. Smith and Kevin Young: Poetry, Place and Race" This installment of the Arts and Letters Live series features two acclaimed contemporary poets. Tracy K. Smith won the 2012 Pulitzer Prize for Poetry for "Life on Mars." Her critically acclaimed memoir "Ordinary Light" is shortlisted for the 2015 National Book Award in Nonfiction. Kevin Young is widely regarded as one of the leading poets of his generation, finding inspiration in African American music, particularly the blues, and in the bittersweet history of Black America. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art. www.dma.org 214/922-1200



DALLAS: March 18-April 10 "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane" The award-winning author of "Because of Winn-Dixie" and The National Ambassador for Young People's Literature launches the extraordinary pilgrimage of Edward, a beautiful, much-loved toy rabbit who loves only himself. When he is ripped from the arms of his doting young owner and lost, Edward finds that his breakable heart can learn to love, lose, and love again. Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman, www.dct.org

DALLAS: March 19 "Rainn Wilson: Quirks. Comedy and Creativity" For nine seasons, Rainn Wilson made his name playing obnoxious Dwight Schrute, everyone's favorite work nemesis and beet farmer, on the hit television series "The Office." Now, he's ready to explain how he came up with his unique sense of humor and share his socially awkward climb to stardom in his memoir, "The Bassoon King: My Life in Art, Faith, and Idiocy." Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: March 22 "Hanya Yanagihara: Tragedy and Transcendence" This installment of the Arts and Letters Live series features Hanya Yanagihara. author of the 2015 Kirkus Prize for Fiction for "A Little Life," in conversation with KERA's Krys Boyd. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art. 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: March 31 "Erik Larson: A Fatal Voyage" Author Erik Larson returns with the enthralling story of the sinking of the British ocean-liner RMS Lusitania. First United Methodist Church of Dallas. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DENTON: February 5-April 1 "Materials Hard and Soft" This annual exhibit attracts hundreds of entries from across the nation in all visual arts media. Denton Center for Visual Arts, 400 E. Hickory St. www.dentonarts.com/subsite2/materialshands. html 940/382-2787

DENTON: March 5 North Texas Horse Country Tour Take a guided motorcoach tour to meet the stars of the North Texas equine world: million-dollar sires, million-dollar riders, world-champion horses. internationally acclaimed trainers and baby foals. Historical Park of Denton County, 210 S. Elm St. www.horsecountrytours.com 940/382-7895

DENTON: March 10-13 Texas Storytelling Festival People of all ages come to enjoy storytelling at the largest event of its kind in the Southwest. Storytellers from across the nation share their best ghost stories, tall tales, family stories, sacred stories, personal experience stories and folktales from all around the world. Denton Civic Center, 321 E. McKinney St. www.tejasstorytelling.com 940/380-9320

DENTON: March 11-13 35 Denton This walkable music festival includes multiple venues in downtown Denton's burgeoning arts corridor. Downtown. 133 E. Hickory St. http://blog.35denton.com 940/231-8210

DESOTO: March 19 Easter Egg-strayaganza For children ages 9 and younger. Zeiger Park, 400 Eagle Drive. www.ci.desoto.tx.us 972/274-2489

ELGIN: February 4 Flea Market Days Elgin Memorial Park. 512/285-4025

ELGIN: March 10 Sip, Shop and Stroll Hours are

5-8 p.m. Downtown, www.elgintx.com 512/285-5721

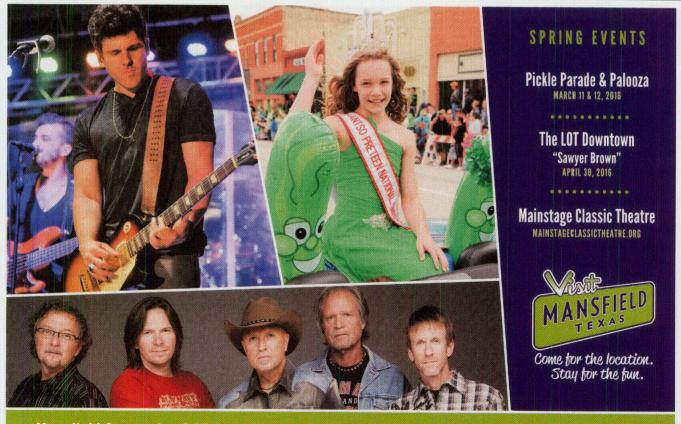
ENNIS: March 18-April 3 "Crimes of the Heart" Ennis Public Theatre, 2705-C N. Kaufman St. www.ennispublictheatre.com 972/878-7529

FAYETTEVILLE: March 19-28 Antiques on the **Square** This show specializes in American primitives, tools, iron, furniture and smalls of all types. Hours are 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Town Square, . 318/465-1603

FLATONIA: March 1-31 Parade of Quilts Local businesses put heirloom quilts on display. Various locations, www.flatoniachamber.com 361/865-3920

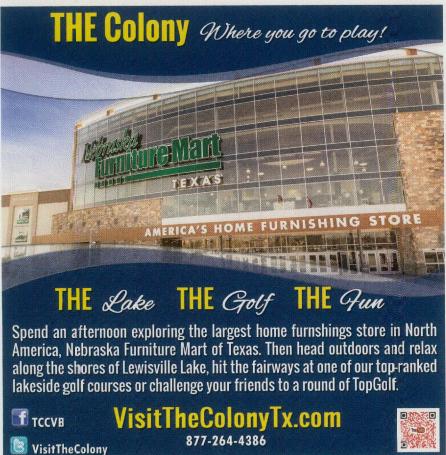
FORT WORTH: May 19, 2015-May 30, 2016 "Pasture Cows Crossing Indian Creek" As part of the museum's program of rotating contemporary artworks in the atrium space, "Pasture Cows Crossing Indian Creek" is an exciting addition to an ongoing exploration of Texas artists and contributions to modern American art. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org 817/738-1933

FORT WORTH: September 12, 2015-September 19, 2016 "Texas Folk Art" This exhibit features the spirited work of some of the state's most original painters and sculptors, including H. O. Kelly, Reverend Johnnie Swearingen, Velox Ward and Clara McDonald Williamson. Developing their own styles, these artists were unfettered by the conventions of academic training and trad tional guidelines of artmaking. Amon Carter Museum of American Art, 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. www.cartermuseum.org 817/738-1933



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FORT WORTH: January 30-April 17 "FOCUS:

Glenn Kaino" Glenn Kaino's assemblage process carefully balances formal and conceptual concerns as the artist combines an often unexpected mix of materials to best communicate an idea, history or system that might be less effective with traditional art media. Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, 3200 Darnell St. www.themodern.org

FORT WORTH: February 6-May 1 "American

Epics: Thomas Hart Benton and Hollywood" The first major exhibition in more than 25 years to feature the life and works of the renowned American painter Thomas Hart Benton (1889-1975) explores the previously overlooked relationship between Benton's art and moviemaking. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org

FORT WORTH: March 3-5 Fort Worth Show of

Antiques and Art Described by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram as "an antique show that lets its hair down," this event features art and antiques of all styles, eras and prices. The 150 top exhibitors from across the U.S. are handpicked for the Fort Worth-Dallas audience. Will Rogers Memorial Center. www.fortworthshow.com 817/291-3952

FORT WORTH: March 5-August 7 "Discarded: Photographs by Anthony Hernandez" This exhibit portrays the halting spread of Los Angeles into the lower reaches of California's Central Valley to the desert region east of Palm Springs. Centering largely on housing developments that have been abandoned at various stages of their construction, the exhibition reminds us of Americans' penchant for discarding what we no longer want, and how individuals sometimes get caught in this same current. Amon Carter

FORT WORTH: March 24-April 16 NCHA

Superstakes Classic Enjoy one of the world's fastest growing equine sports. Will Rogers Memorial Center. www.nchacutting.com 817/244-6188

Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org

FORT WORTH: March 28-31 Lonesome Dove

Reunion Includes a screening of the "Lonesome Dove" miniseries, panel discussions with cast and crew, live music, an auction and more. Tickets required for some events. Sundance Square. http://lonesomedovereunion.com 512/245-2180

FORT WORTH: March 31-April 3 Fort Worth Food and Wine Festival Sundance Square. www.fwfwf.com 817/336-8791

GLEN ROSE: March 12-13 NT Longhorn Show Somervell County Expo Center. 254/897-4509

GLEN ROSE: March 14 Kelly Miller Circus Somervell County Expo Center. 254/897-4509

GLEN ROSE: March 18-20 SW Mini Horse Show Somervell County Expo Center. 254/897-4509

GLEN ROSE: March 31-April 2 Paluxy River Spring Bluegrass Festival Lineup includes Marksmen, Kody Norris, Second Time Around, Garland

Blocker and Blue Tradition, and Joe Bass and Double Mountain Boys. Oakdale Park. 254/897-2321 or 254/897-3081

GRANBURY: February 19-March 20 "Little Shop of Horrors" By Granbury Theatre Company. Shows run Friday through Sunday. Granbury Opera House. http://granburytheatrecompany.org

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 3 "Experience Hendrix"

Concert Features performances by Buddy Guy, Jonny Lang, Kenny Wayne and Zakk. Begins at 8 p.m. Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 5 Festival de Primavera

Enjoy music by popular Hispanic musicians from noon-4 p.m. Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road. www.tradersvillage.com 972/647-2331

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 11 Vance Joy in Concert Begins at 8 p.m. Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 18 Katt Williams Comedy performance begins at 8 p.m. Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place, www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 19 So What? Music Festival Quick Trip Park, 1651 Lone Star Parkway. www.airhogsbaseball.com 972/504-9383

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 19 Tejano Spring Music Concert Features performances by Fama, Escape, Esquina Nortena, and West Katz, plus a DJ. Hours are noon-4 p.m. Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road. www.tradersvillage.com 972/647-2331

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 19 The Piano Guy in Concert Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 24 Star Trek: The Ultimate Voyage Concert Tour The lavish production includes a live symphony orchestra and international special solo instruments. Begins at 7 p.m. Verizon Theatre. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 25 Yanni in Concert Begins at 8 p.m. Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: March 27 Cheep Thrills Bird Show Trained macaws and cockatoos perform unusual feats of balance, memory and coordination in an exciting and fast paced 20 minute show. Also enjoy rides and family entertainment. Traders Village, 2602 Mayfield Road. www.tradersvillage.com

972/647-3666

GRAPEVINE: March 18-19 Jazz Wine Trains Enjoy good jazz, fine wine and a trip back in time on a vintage train. Ticket price includes a box dinner, entertainment, souvenir wine glass and wine from each of Grapevine's winery tasting rooms. Grapevine Vintage Railroad, 705 S. Main St. www.grapevinetexasusa. com/festivals-events/jazz-wine-trains 817/410-3185

HALLETTSVILLE: March 5 State Championship 42 Domino Tournament Hallettsville KC Hall, 321 Hwy 77 S. www.hallettsville.com 361/798-2662

HALLETTSVILLE: March 18-20 South Texas Polka and Sausage Fest Hallettsville KC Hall, 321 U.S. 77 S. www.kchall.com 361/798-2311

INDEPENDENCE: March 12-13 Coles Homes

Tours See one of the oldest homes in Washington County, featuring costumed interpreters and demonstrations, as well as views of a one-room school house. F.M. 50 at F.M. 390. www.independencetx.com 979/251-9227

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Color me nutty 5K fun run/walk, artisans market, sidewalk art, live performances, pet poochanga, poetry readings and a ticketed evening event with live music, wine and beer tastings, appetizers, art show and silent auction





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DALLAS ARBORETUM

Dallas Blooms

The Artistry of Nature February 27 - April 10

Dallas Blooms, the largest floral festival in the Southwest, features more than 500,000 spring-blooming bulbs. New in 2016 is Gary Lee Price's Great Contributors Bronze Statues collection, which will be throughout the garden.

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IRVING: March 10-13 Texas Steel Guitar Association Jamboree Enjoy music by many of the best steel quitar players from Texas and around the world. Also includes seminars and vendors offering guitars and accessories. Sheraton DFW, 4440 W. John Carpenter Freeway. www.texassteelguitar.org

LA GRANGE: March 10-13 The Best Little Cowboy Gathering In Texas This festival offers four days of traditional country, western swing and original cowboy music. Performers include Johnny Bush, Darrell McCall, Tony Booth, Curtis Potter, Jake Hooker, Billy Mata, Jody Nix, Rocky King, Landon Dodd, Rance Norton, Jeff Woolsey, Lake Travis Fiddlers, and an All-Star Girl Band: Kristyn Harris, Devon Dawson, Ginny Mac, Jean Prescott and Brook Wallace. Also enjoy a barbecue cook-off, the Jody Nix Fiddle Extravaganza, Andalusian horse demonstrations, a stick-horse rodeo, blacksmithing demonstrations and Sunday morning gospel service. Fayette County Fairgrounds, 400 W. Fairgrounds Road, www.bestlittle cowboygathering.org 979/966-7846

LA GRANGE: March 19 La Grange Uncorked This wine and food festival includes more than 15 wineries, treats and live music on the Square. Fayette County Courthouse Square, 151 N. Washington St. www.lagrangeuncorked.com 979/968-3017

MANSFIELD: March 11-12 World's Only Pickle Parade and Palooza Includes a parade, Pickle Playground, live entertainment, a market and running events. Historic Downtown, 100 N. Main St. www.pickleparade.org 817/797-3434

MCDADE: February 13-April 3 Sherwood Forest Faire Features more than 40 stage acts, shopping. food and other activities. Open on weekends from 10 a.m.-dusk, rain or shine. Old Potato Road, 1883 Old Hwy 20. www.sherwoodforestfaire.com 512/222-6680

MCKINNEY: March 11-19 "A Reunion of Sorts" McKinney Repertory Theatre debuts its annual new play winner. McKinney Performing Arts Center. www.McKinneyRep.org 214/544-4630

MCKINNEY: March 12 Second Saturday Bird Walk Beginning and intermediate birders explore prairie, woodland and wetland habitats to work on bird spotting and identification techniques. Walks last about 1.5 hours and begin at 8 a.m. Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place. www.HeardMuseum.org 972/562-5566

MCKINNEY: March 18-19 Old Red Lumberyard Find vintage and shabby-chic items in this junk market. Hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Flour Mill District, 600 E. Louisiana. www.visitmckinney.com 214/544-1407

MCKINNEY: March 25 McKinney Community Band Concert Christ Fellowship Church, 2801 Orchid Drive. www.McKinneyCommunity Band.com

MCKINNEY: March 12 Second Saturday on the Downtown Square Includes live music, art demonstrations, art gallery exhibit openings and meet-theartist receptions from 7-10 p.m. Downtown square. www.downtownmckinney.com 972/547-2660

MCKINNEY: March 18-20 Third Monday Trade Days This is one of the largest flea markets in North Texas, featuring more than 900 vendors. Hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 4550 W. University, www.tmtd.com 972/562-5466

MESQUITE: March 2-30 Texas Sculpture Association Art Exhbition Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquiteartscenter.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: March 4-6 "Cash on Delivery!" Presented by Mesquite Community Theatre. Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquite communitytheatre.com 972/216-8126

MESQUITE: March 4-5 National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors Lone Star Regional North Texas' premier watch and clock collecting event features lectures on clocks and clock repair, a clock and watch "road show," and the largest shopping event of its kind in Texas of clocks, watches and associated tools. Mesquite Convention Center, 1800 Rodeo Drive. www.chapter124.org 903/849-3439

MESQUITE: March 11 Florence Ranch Homestead Tours Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. At 1424 Barnes Bridge Road. www.historicmesquite.org 972/216-6468

MESQUITE: March 18 Yuri Anshelevich Cello Concert Currently serving as Associate Principal Cello with the Dallas Symphony Orchestra, Yuri Anshelevich is a Russian-born cello virtuoso. Mesquite Arts Center. www.mesquiteartscenter.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: March 19 Breakfast with the Bunny Enjoy pancakes and pictures with the Easter Bunny from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Also includes children's activities such as a petting zoo, face painting, balloon animals and an egg hunt for children up to nine years of age. Evans Recreation Center, 1116 Hillcrest Ave. www.cityofmesquite.com/pard 972/216-6260

MESQUITE: March 19 Just For Kids: "Peeler and Rose Marionette Show" Mesquite Arts Center Black Box Theatre. www.mesquiteartscenter.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: March 26 Opal Lawrence Historical Park Tours Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. At 701 E. Kearney St. www.historicmesquite.org 972/216-6468

MESQUITE: April 7, 14, 21, 28 Mesquite Outdoor Cover Band Series Mesquite Arts Center North Lawn. www.mesquiteartscenter.org 972/216-6444

NAVASOTA: March 4-5 Texas Birthday Bash Downtown, 200 E. McAlpine St. www.texasbirthday bash.com 936/825-6475

PARKER: March 4-6 Texas Tribute to Elvis Festival This highlight of this event is the Ultimate Elvis preliminary contest, the winner of which will represent Texas in the Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest finals in Memphis. Enjoy Elvis themed shows, vendors, parties, raffles and more. Southfork Ranch, 3700 Hogge Drive. www.texaselvisfestival.com 302/327-8419

PLANO: February 25-March 19 "Rocket Man" Somewhere in the universe is a place where all the roads we never chose converge. Donny is so determined to find this parallel world he has placed everything he owns on his front lawn with a sign that reads: "Here's my life. Make an offer." Will he find what he's looking for? Rover Dramawerks Theatre, 221 W. Parker, www.roverdramawerks.com

PLANO: March 5 Neil Sperry's Home Landscape

School This popular annual school teaches principles of good garden design. Learn about choosing trees and shrubs, annual and perennial color, turf grass, effective entries and front gardens, fun patios and backyards, designing to scale, and other topics. All books and design supplies are included in the price. Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. www.neilsperry.com 972/941-5840

PLANO: March 12 Parastoo (NowRuz Festival)

The Iranian American community of Dallas/Fort Worth presents Persian dance, singing, theater and music at this annual festival. Also enjoy food, exhibitions and more. Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. www.parastoo.us 972/233-0505

PLANO: March 19 "A Tribute to Marvin

Hamlisch" This performance pays tribute to the man who gave us the music for "The Sting," "The Way We Were," "The Spy Who Loved Me," "Sophie's Choice," "Ordinary People" and, of course, "A Chorus Line." The winners of the annual Collin County Young Artist Competition also perform their concerto winning performances. Eisemann Center, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. www.planosymphony.org 972/473-7262

PLANO: March 25-26 Texas Music Revolution

Features live performances on two stages. Oak Point Park and Nature Preserve. www.visitplano.com 214/252-0900

PLANO: March 31-April 23 "When Did You Last

See Your Trousers?" While Howard and his girlfriend Penny are asleep, a burglar climbs through the window and steals Howard's suit. How will he make it back to the suburbs to his wife in his underwear? Rover Dramawerks Theatre, 221 W. Parker. www.roverdramawerks.com

RICHARDSON: March 12 The Quebe Sisters in

Concert Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive. www.eisemanncenter.com 972/744-4650

ROUND TOP: March 12 James Dick in Concert

James Dick, founder of the Round Top Festival Institute and a noted concert pianist, presents an afternoon of solo piano virtuosity. Round Top Festival Institute, 248 Jaster Road. 979/249-3129

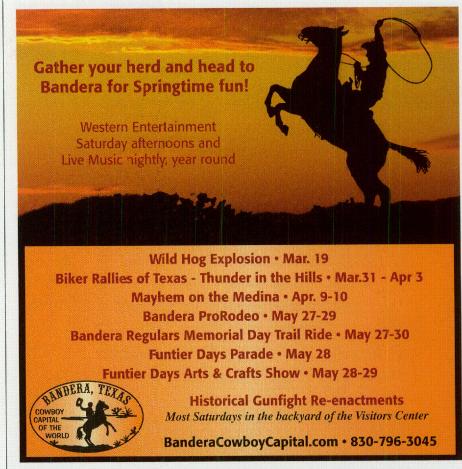
ROUND TOP: March 18-19 Herbal Forum Chili peppers are the Herb of the Year for this two-day annual event that includes seminars and plant sales both days. Round Top Festival Institute, 248 Jaster Road, www.festivalhill.org 979/249-3129

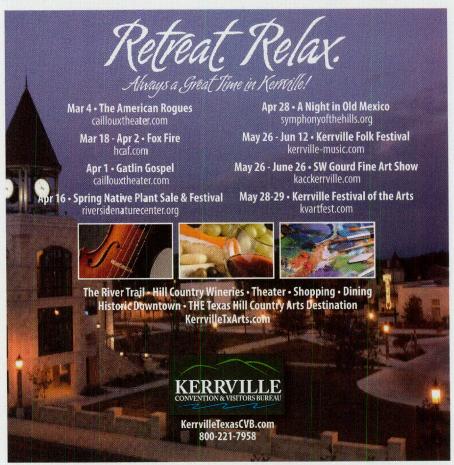
ROUND TOP: March 18-April 3 Round Top-Warrenton Spring Antique Show Antique shows stretch for 20 miles along F.M. 237 between U.S. 290 and Texas 71. www.roundtop.org 979/249-4042

SEGUIN: March 2 Toast To Texas A ceremony starting at 1:30 p.m. honors the heroes and ancestors who fought to make Texas an independent state. Robin Dwyer, a direct descendant of one of the signers of the Declaration, reads William B. Travis' letter from the Alamo. Sebastopol House Historic Site, 704 Zorn St. www.visitseguin.com 830/401-0810

SEGUIN: March 12 ArtsFest Texas Theatre, 425 N. Austin St. 830/401-0810

SHINER: March 19 Citywide Garage Sale Various locations. www.shinertx.com 361/594-4180







SMITHVILLE: March 12 Pedal Through the Pines Road cycling event includes routes of 24, 40 or 70 miles. Downtown. www.pedalthrupines.org 512/321-7760

TEMPLE: January 15-March 18 Beautiful Berbers Watercolors Exhibit Cultural Activities Center, 3011 N. Third St. www.cacARTS.org 254/773-9926

TEMPLE: January 15-March 18 The Cultural Activities Center Art Competition See works by artists from the local area and across Texas. Cultural Activities Center. www.cacARTS.org 254/773-9926

WACO: January 23-May 1 "Tinkertoy: Build Your Imagination" and "The Adventures of Mr.

Potato Head" Embark on an imaginative adventure in these exhibits that let children and families design, build and work together. Build amazing Tinkertoy structures using technology as a guide and experience a silly, out-of-this world adventure with Mr.

Potato Head exploring outer space and under the sea. Mayborn Museum Complex. www.mayborn museum.com 254/710-1110

WACO: March 19-20 South 40 Outdoor Expo Saturday activities include the South 40 Trail Fishing Championship Semi-Finals weigh-in and a barbecue cook-off. Sunday features a car show and the championship fishing weigh-in for the South 40 Trail. Vendors offer RV, boat, motorcycle, outdoor gear, golf carts and more. Hours are 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m.–5 p.m. Sunday. Extraco Events Center, 4601 Bosque Blvd. **www.south40outdoorexpo.com 254/776-1660**

WARRENTON: March 19-20, 25-April 2 The Lone Star Gallery Trade Days and Antiques Week The Lone Star Gallery, 4212 Texas 237 S. www.the lonestargallery.com 512/797-9815

WASHINGTON: March 5-6 Texas Independence Day Celebration Celebrates the 180th anniversary of Texas independence with two days of free events, including costumed interpreters, Texian Army demonstrations, special exhibits and more. Washington-on-the-Brazos State Historic Site, 23400 Park Road 12. www.wheretexasbecametexas.org 936/878-2214

WAXAHACHIE: March 19 Spring Lawn and Garden Show Features more than 200 exhibits, speakers and demonstrations. Waxahachie Civic Center. www.ecmga.com 972/825-5175

WEATHERFORD: March 18-20, 25-26 The Passover Experience Learn the origins and celebrations of the Passover, in which Jesus participated at his Last Supper. Includes a guided tour down the Path of Plagues, Biblical feast traditions in Jerusalem Village including a re-enactment of the Last Supper, a Bible-themed sculpture garden, a Seder meal (Friday and Saturday only), shopping and children's activities. Capernaum First Century Village, 10700 F.M. 920. www.PassoverExperience.com 800/489-1950

WEST: March 19-20 West, Central Texas Ceramic Expo and Handcrafed Items Learn a new hobby, stock up on supplies or shop finished pieces. West Knights of Columbus Club, 2547 Jerry Mashek Road. www.westceramicshow.com 254/716-5227

SOUTH TEXAS PLAINS

BEEVILLE: January 30-April 30 "Paintings from the Nave" See a collection of 40 paintings by Royston Nave, namesake of the Nave Museum in Victoria. Beeville Art Museum. www.bamtexas.org 361/358-8615

EAGLE PASS: March 18-27 The International Friendship Festival Includes the Abrazo Ceremony on March 18, parade on March 19, Noches Mexicanas on March 18-20, and a carnival through the festival's run. Various locations. **www.eaglepasstexas.com 830/773-3224**

LAREDO: March 5 Laredo Northside Market Features handmade arts and crafts, natural foods and products, local entertainers, children's activities and more. Laredo Northside Market, 10202 International Blvd. **956/763-0138**

MERCEDES: March 11-20 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Enjoy a carnival, rodeo action, live music and other fair events. 1000 N. Texas Ave. www.rgvls.com 956/565-2456

SAN ANTONIO: September 18-April 3 "Spurs for Texas: Selections from the Leo Quintanilla Collection" This exhibit presents a selection of spurs reflecting the various Texas spur traditions in the South Texas Heritage Center. The spurs include examples of those worn by the working cowboys and vaqueros in South Texas. South Texas Heritage Center at the Witte Museum, www.WitteMuseum.org

SAN ANTONIO: September 18-April 3 "The Wests of Texas: Cattle Ranching Entrepreneurs"

Discover the remarkable story of how men and women of the West helped save the Texas economy by taking tens of thousands of cattle up the trail in the era after the Civil War. South Texas Heritage Center at the Witte Museum. www.WitteMuseum.org

SAN ANTONIO: December 16-April 17
"Collecting in Context" Drawing from the

"Collecting in Context" Drawing from the strengths of the McNay's print collection, this exhibition will illustrate the connections a curator sees when making an acquisition, thus providing a fascinating view into how a museum builds its collection. McNay Art Museum, 6000 N. New Braunfels. www.mcnayart.org 210/824-5368

SAN ANTONIO: February 5-March 6 "Jesus Christ Superstar" Andrew Lloyd Webber's rock opera brings the story of Easter and Jesus' last days to the San Antonio stage, blending the culture of today with stories from the Bible. The Playhouse San Antonio, 800 W. Ashby. www.theplayhousesa.org

SAN ANTONIO: February 5-March 6 "Rock Of Ages" It's the tail end of the big, bad 1980s in Hollywood, and the party has been raging hard. Amidst the madness, aspiring rock star Drew longs to take the stage as the next big thing. But the rock and roll fairytale is about to end when German developers sweep into town with plans to turn the fabled Strip into just another capitalist strip mall. Woodlawn Theatre, 2818 Coast Plain Drive. www.woodlawntheatre.org 210/267-8388

SAN ANTONIO: March 4-5 San Antonio Symphony in Concert Features a performance of Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 2. Begins at 8 p.m. Tobin Center. www.sasymphony.org 210/554-1010 SAN ANTONIO: March 5-6 Remembering the Alamo Weekend Step back in time on the grounds of the Alamo to the 1830s with narrated battle re-enactments, demonstrations and exhibits. Alamo Plaza www.sanantoniolivinghistory.org 210/273-1730

SAN ANTONIO: March 8 Vadym Kholodenko in Concert Winner of the coveted gold medal at the 14th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in 2013. Vadym Kholodenko captured the attention of audiences and critics alike with exhilarating performances. Ruth Taylor Recital Hall at Trinity University. www.artssa.org/vadym_kholodenko 210/226-2891

SAN ANTONIO: March 11-April 17 "Fancy Nancy And The Mermaid Ballet" Fancy Nancy and her friends are performing in their very first show, "Deep Sea Dances." Can Nancy bring her fancy flair to the role, even though it isn't the one she wanted? The Magik Theatre, 420 S. Alamo, 210/227-2751

SAN ANTONIO: March 11-13 Pops Concert: Bond and Beyond Guest conductor Michael Krajewski returns to San Antonio and brings his wit and sense of humor to this concert celebrating the world's most famous spy-Bond. James Bond. The Tobin Center. www.sasymphony.org 210/554-1010

SAN ANTONIO: March 18-April 10 "Reasons To Be Pretty" When Greg accidentally insults his girlfriend, about her looks it sets off a chain reaction in their lives and their neighbor's with no guarantee that the lovers who started together will stay together. The Playhouse San Antonio, www.theplayhousesa.org 210/733-7258

SAN ANTONIO: March 19 Culinaria 5K Wine and Beer Run This event offers experienced runners and casual walkers the chance to participate in a timed 5K with the beautiful Texas Hill Country as the setting. Includes a post-race reception featuring wine, beer and bites from chefs and restaurants. The Shops at La Cantera. http://culinariasa.org/san-antonio/5kwine-beer-run-details 210/822-9555

SAN ANTONIO: March 20 Camerata San Antonio **Concert** University of the Incarnate Word Concert Hall, www.cameratasa.com 210/492-9519

SAN ANTONIO: March 22 "Mr. and Mrs. Dream" Based on the writings of the absurdist playwright Eugene Ionesco, Marie-Claude Pietragalla and Julien Derouault use themes from his plays to create a fantastical piece of modern dance. Aztec Theatre. www.artssa.org/dream 210/226-2891

SAN ANTONIO: March 24 "Mark Twain Tonight!" In this longest-running show in the history of U.S. theater, Hal Holbrook adds to his Twain interpretation every year, changing it to fit the times. Laurie Auditorium at Trinity University. www.artssa.org/mark_ twain 210/226-2891

SAN ANTONIO: March 25-26 San Antonio Symphony in Concert Features a performance of Rachmaninoff's "Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini." Begins at 8 p.m. Tobin Center. www.sasymphony. org 210/554-1010

WESLACO: March 17 Alfresco Weslaco Music and Art on the Street This monthly festival celebrates the talents of local musicians, artists, crafters, classic car enthusiasts and food vendors from the Rio Grande Valley. Historic downtown, 345 S. Texas Blvd. www. facebook.com/AlfrescoWeslaco 956/969-0838







APRIL 2016

Picks across the state

BURNET IN BLOOM

S IF THE BLOOMS
blanketing the countryside weren't enough reason
to take a springtime drive
through the Hill Country, **Burnet** hosts its
annual **Bluebonnet Festival** on the second
weekend in April to celebrate the state
flower. The event kicks off Friday with a
pancake breakfast, carnival, arts-and-crafts
booths, a flyover by the Highland Lakes
Commemorative Air Force, a pageant and
street dance to close out the evening.

Saturday is the main day of activity, adding the grand parade, a day full of live entertainment and a destruction derby to the mix. The Bluebonnet Festival Flyer offers a

unique way for Austin area passengers to arrive at the event via steam train from Cedar Park on Saturday morning. Passengers enjoy the festival for a few hours before heading back. Details and tickets for the train are found at www.austinsteamtrain.org.

There's even a place for four-legged friends at the festival—the pet parade Friday evening is always a hit, and Sunday's



activities include wiener-dog races and runners towing decorated doghouses to the finish line.

This year's Bluebonnet Festival is **April 8-10**. For more information, visit **www.bluebonnetfestival.org**, or contact the Chamber of Commerce office at **512/756-4297**.

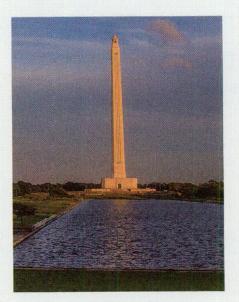
-Erin Inks

CELEBRATING TEXAS INDEPENDENCE

THIS YEAR marks the 180th anniversary of Texas independence from Mexico, and on April 23 the San Jacinto Day Festival in La Porte commemorates the occasion in Lone Star style with the largest battle re-enactment in the state. The event takes place where the decisive fight happened in 1836, when Texian soldiers overran Gen. Santa Anna's Mexican army in a surprise attack.

Visitors can walk among the tents and campfires in faithfully re-created encampments, learning about what soldiers and their families might have done before the battle. At 3 p.m., the battle re-enactment begins, including cannons, pyrotechnics, horses and hundreds of fighters. There's also music and dancing on three stages, a medicine wagon show, old-fashioned craft demonstrations, cultural presentations and other activities to showcase the unique history of Texas.

The free event is expected to draw more than 12,000 people to the grounds surrounding the San Jacinto Monument towering over the battlefield. You can also visit the museum inside and, for a small fee,



take an elevator ride up 489 feet to the observation deck. Camps open at 10 a.m. on the day of the event, and festivities go until 5 p.m.—visit the event website at www.sanjacinto-museum.org for details.

-Erin Inks

HISTORY UNFOLDS IN GOLIAD

PPROXIMATELY 175 miles away from the battlefield where Texas won its independence, **Presidio La Bahia** in **Goliad** hosts a re-enactment **April 2-3** to tell the story of the massacre that became a rallying cause for Texian fighters. Visitors can walk through re-created Mexican and colonial camps to see what life was like in 1836, see battle re-enactments Saturday and join a candlelight tour of the site that evening. The re-enactment of the massacre that felled Col. James Fannin and more than 400 other prisoners of war begins at 10 a.m. Sunday. For more details about the event, visit **www.presidiolabahia.org** or call 3**61/645-3752**.

MORE TO SEE AND DO

Read about a special parade to mark the Bankhead Highway's centennial on Page 58.

PHOTOS: (left and top) Michael Amador: (above) Will van Overbeek

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BIG BEND COUNTRY

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ALPINE: April 14-May 15 30th Annual Trappings of Texas Bringing together the best in Western art and custom cowboy gear, Trappings of Texas is recognized as the longest running sale and exhibit of its kind in the country. Opening events are April 14-16. Some events require tickets. Museum of the Big Bend at Sul Ross State University, 400 N. Harrison. **www.museumofthebigbend.com 432/837-8143**

EL PASO: April 2 Poppy Fest 2016 Bask in the blaze of color that these beautiful flowers provide, and check out the wildlife demonstrations, nature talks and educational exhibits. El Paso Museum of Archeology. http://archaeology.elpasotexas.gov 915/755-4332

EL PASO: April 8, 15, 22, 29 Alfresco Fridays This free concert series offers fresh-air performances in an electrifying atmosphere. Convention Center Plaza, 1 Civic Center Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: April 26 "Joseph and the Technicolor Dreamcoat" Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

FORT STOCKTON: April 20-23 Big Bend Open-Road Race Enthusiasts call this one of the most exciting open-road races in the world. Runs from Fort Stockton to Sanderson and back for a course that totals 118 miles. On U.S. 285. www.bborr.com 432/336-2264

MIDLAND: April 9 CAF High Sky Wing Hops and Props This Commemorative Air Force fundraiser features live music, food and beer tastings amid vintage aircraft. CAF High Sky Wing, 9600 Wright Drive. www.highskywing.org 432/235-7007

MIDLAND: April 23 "The Marriage of Figaro"

The Permian Basin Opera presents this classic comic opera featuring the music of Mozart. Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.mypbo.org 432/688-7777

MIDLAND: April 23 "The Marriage of Figaro"

Permian Basin Opera presents Mozart's comic composition featuring the Tayas Tach University Music

position featuring the Texas Tech University Music Theatre and Orchestra. Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.wagnernoel.com 800/514-3849

ODESSA: April 3 Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra Concert "Odessa—From Texas to Russia" concert begins at 3 p.m. Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.mosc.org/concerts/ odessa.html 432/563-0921

ODESSA: April 5 Stringfever in Concert Brothers Giles, Ralph and Neal Broadbent and their cousin, Graham, are four world class musicians playing five-and six-stringed electric violins, viola and cello in a truly original show. Begins at 7 p.m. Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.live onstage-pb.com 432/563-0921

ODESSA: April 9 Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra Concert "Bravo Broadway!" concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.mosc.org/concerts/ bravo-broadway.html 432/563-0921

ODESSA: April 26 Matt Dusk in Concert Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.liveonstage-pb.com 432/563-0921

PECOS: April 23-24 Sadie Hawkins Couples Golf Tournament Reeves County Golf Course, 80 Starley Drive. 432/447-2858

VAN HORN: April 13-15 Building Bridges Art Show Features sculpture, photography, oil paintings and watercolors by local and regional artists. Van Horn Convention Center, 1801 W. Broadway. www.vanhorntexas.us 432/283-2682

GULF COAST

BEAUMONT: March 24-April 3 South Texas State

Fair This state festival with a Cajun flair offers a carnival, livestock auction and show, the YMBL Championship Rodeo, an art show, vendors and food. Ford Park. www.ymbl.org

BEAUMONT: April 16 Symphony of Southeast Texas Concert Delight in the sounds of the greater-Beaumont area's 70-member professional symphony orchestra. Features guest pianist Sean Chen. Julie Rogers Theater. www.sost.org 409/892-2257

BROWNSVILLE: April 2 Living History Watch demonstrations of U.S.-Mexican War era weapons, tactics and soldier life. Includes live musket and artillery demonstrations. Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Palo Alto Battlefield NHP, 7200 Paredes Line Road. www.nps.gov/paal/index.htm 956/541-2785 ext. 333

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 2 Big Bloom Plant Sale and Garden Festival This annual event offers orchids, plumeria, speciality vendors, a butterfly release, ladybug releases, reptile shows, walk-and-talk tours and children's activities. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. www.stxbot.org 361/852-2100

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 2 Corpus Christi
Chamber Music Society Concert The Calmus vocal
ensemble of Leipzig, Germany, is said to be a perfect
blend of quality, precision, lightness and wit. Their
repertoire from the Renaissance, Baroque and
Romantic eras will be both reflective and innovative
as they delight audiences with their unique sound and
artistry. Wolfe Recital Hall, 101 Baldwin. http://corpus
christichambersociety.org 361/888-7785

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 9 Birds and Spring Migration Short Course Learn about the unique bird species that pass through South Texas during spring migration and why Corpus Christi was named "Birdiest City" in the United States 10 years in a row. Presented by acclaimed birder, naturalist, educator and author Gene Blacklock. Class is from 9 a.m.-noon, and a field trip runs 1:30–5:30 p.m. Registration required. South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. www.stxbot.org 361/852-2100

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 14-30 Buc Days Includes PRCA rodeo action, a ranch rodeo, team roping and mutton bustin' events, plus a barbecue party, carnival, live performances, GospelFest, junior parade and an illuminated night parade. Corpus Christi Bayfront and other locations. www.bucdays.com

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 16 Corpus Christi Chamber Music Society Concert Celebrate the American String Quartet's 40th anniversary year with a performance of quartets by three core composers of Western classical music: Mozart, Haydn and Brahms, Wolfe Recital Hall, 101 Baldwin. http://corpuschambermusicsociety.org

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 23-24 South Texas Botanical Gardens Orchid Show See beautiful blooming specimen plants from Coastal Bend orchid aficionados' private collections. South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. www.stxbot.org 361/852-2100

CORPUS CHRISTI: April 29 A La Mano Grab some food from a collection of food trucks and enjoy live music and lawn games from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. North Bayfront Park. www.facebook.com/corpuschristi visitorinformationcenter 361/561-2000 ext. 201

GALVESTON: April 2 The Grand Kids Festival Galveston's premier festival for children and their families includes three blocks of performances and activities. Hours are 10 a.m.—5 p.m. The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 3 Cirque Mechanics: "Pedal Punk" This unique circus showcases acrobats, cyclists, floating trapeze artists, and "funambulists" dangling and twirling from flying unicycles and a unique pedal-powered apparatus called the Gantry Bike. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 8 "Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat" Begins at 10 a.m. The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894



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GALVESTON: April 9 "The Pirates of Penzance"

Head to the high seas with Gilbert and Sullivan's most popular comic opera. Swaggering swashbucklers, boisterous bobbies, lovely ladies and an "off-his-cups" military commander fill the stage with great fun and delightful hits. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 10 Galveston Symphony

Orchestra Concert Conductor Dr. Trond Saeverud and the Galveston Symphony Orchestra present works by Balakirev, Prokofjev and Tchaikovsky. Begins at 4 p.m. The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 10 Memorial Hermann

Ironman 70.3 This race begins with a 1.2-mile saltwater swim in Offats Bayou followed by a 56-mile bike course along the Gulf Coast and a 13.1-mile run that leads athletes to the finish line at Moody Gardens' Discovery Pyramid. www.ironman.com

GALVESTON: April 12 "Peter Rabbit Tales"

Enchantment Theatre uses fantastic masks, whimsical puppets, gorgeous scenery and original music to bring the magical, marvelous world of Beatrix Potter to life on stage. The Grand 1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 14-17 FeatherFest Birding and Nature Photography Festival This is one of the largest birding festivals in Texas, and the only one with a dedicated nature-photography component. The event features unique outdoor field trips, workshops and social events for nature enthusiasts of all skill levels. The festival is held during spring migration, the best time to visit world-renowned Galveston area birding hot spots such as Bolivar Flats and High Island. Festival headquarters is Island Community Center. www.GalvestonFeatherFest.com

GALVESTON: April 14-17 Galveston Food and Wine Festival Features wines from around the world paired with delicious local food, live entertainment and culinary events where attendees can learn first-rate tips from popular chefs and renowned winemakers. Acclaimed chef, restaurateur and Food Network superstar Robert Irvine takes the stage at The Grand Tasting for an exclusive live cooking demo. Various locations. www.galvestonfoodandwinefestival.com

GALVESTON: April 15-16 Jeanne Robertson The six-foot-two, former Miss North Carolina with an infectious personality and a delightfully familyfriendly brand of humor shares some of her funniest "life lesson" anecdotes, including "Don't Go to Vegas Without A Baptist," "Don't Bungee Jump Naked" and "Don't Send a Man to the Grocery Store." Grand 1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 17 Robert Irvine LIVE The acclaimed chef, restaurateur and Food Network superstar takes his signature culinary sensibilities to a whole new level in this high energy, interactive, multimedia and multi-sensory theatrical experience that offers numerous opportunities for audience participation. Grand 1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 23-24 JA-GA Reggae Festival

The sound of steel drums and smell of jerk chicken bring the joys of Jamaica to Texas. Festival includes live entertainment, food, vendors and special events. including a jerk chicken cook-off, eating contests and a fashion show. Galveston Seawall, 2102 Beach Central Park. www.jagafest.com

GALVESTON: April 28 "Moon Mouse" Join Marvin Mouse on the space adventure of a lifetime: a trip to the surface of the moon on his homemade rocket The Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: April 29-30 Galveston Historic

Homes Tour Galveston Historical Foundation opens the doors to Galveston's architectural history through public tours of privately owned homes. Galveston Historical Foundation, 2228 Broadway.

www.galvestonhistory.org 409/765-7834

GALVESTON: April 16 ArtWalk Stroll through art galleries and spaces throughout the Downtown Galveston Cultural Arts District from 6-9 p.m. Various locations. www.galveston.com/artwalk or www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

HOUSTON: November 5-June 19 "The Secret of the Hanging Egg: Salvador Dali" Experience works from the museum's Surrealist collection in dialogue with the work of Salvador Dali, one of the movement's major figures. Includes 30 works by 12 artists. including Dali's "Eggs on the Plate Without the Plate" on loan from the Dali Museum. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org



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HOUSTON: December 11-September 5 "La Virgen de Guadalupe: Empress of the Americas"

La Virgen de Guadalupe is said to have appeared to Juan Diego near Mexico City in 1531 and changed his life. Today, her image represents not only a great miracle, but the identity of a nation of believers. Trace the story back to its origins in this exhibition. Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Drive. www.hmns.ora

HOUSTON: December 12-June 5 "Deco Nights: Evenings in the Jazz Age" The term "Jazz Age" was made popular by American expatriate writer F. Scott Fitzgerald and describes the period between the end of World War Land the end of the 1930s. This exhibit celebrates the glamour and luxury of that time through photographs, prints, drawings, books, cameras, glassware, couture costumes and evening accessories that explore the nighttime pursuits of the United States and Europe in the 1920s and 1930s. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 1001 Bissonnet. www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: December 16-May 1 "The Precarious"

The medium of collage first entered modern art in the early 1900s through artists such as Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque. The 30 works on paper and sculpture by 13 artists in this exhibition explore the sensibilities and background of this practice. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: January 16-May 7 "To MyPlate and Beyond" This tasteful exhibit helps viewers become experts on the five food groups that make the building blocks for a healthy diet: fruits, vegetables, grains, proteins and dairy. The interactive journey includes games that show children how to choose foods, read nutrition labels and appreciate healthy eating. The Health Museum, 1515 Hermann Drive. www.thehealthmuseum.org

HOUSTON: February 19-July 24 "William N.

Copley Retrospective" This exhibit is the first retrospective in any U.S. museum devoted to the work of the American artist William N. Copley (1919-96), creator of madcap narrative paintings, drawings and installations in a playful, ribald style of his own invention. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: February 21-May 30 "Sculpted in Steel: Art Deco Automobiles and Motorcycles, **1929–1940**" Today's automotive manufacturers strive for economy and efficiency, but there was a time when art and elegance reigned. This exhibit showcases 14 cars and three motorcycles, alongside historical images and videos. The classic grace and modern luxury of Art Deco design dazzles in vehicles from the United States and around the world. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 5601 Main St. www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: March 2-April 10 "End of the Rainbow" Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway, www.stagestheatre.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: March 4-April 3 "Around the World in 80 Days" Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org

HOUSTON: March 4-April 3 "The Night of the Iquana" This Tennessee Williams play tells the story of Rev. Lawrence Shannon, a defrocked Episcopalian



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priest, and his fight to keep his personal demons at bay as he leads a bus-load of middle-aged church ladies on a tour of the Mexican coast. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org

HOUSTON: March 11-April 16 Lawndale Art Center Exhibits Exhibits include "Standpoints," with works by Jeremiah Ariaz, Sancy Carson and David Poltizer: "All things are reflections of other things" by Caroline Roberts, "Gift Shop' by Hillerbrand+Magsamen and "Varishing Discotecas" by Jeanette Joy Harris. Lawndale Art Center. www.lawndaleartcenter.org

HOUSTON: March 23-April 10 "Travesties" This freewheeling play centers on the fictional meeting of three extraordinary figures in Zurich in 1917: the rovelist James Joyce, the Dadaist performance artist Tristan Zara and Russian leader Vladimir Ilyich Lenin. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org

HOUSTON: March 25-April 17 "Grounded" In the Nevada desert, a now-pregnant ace F-16 fighter pilot has been reassigned to a new position, flying a remote-controlled drone from an Air Force trailer. Her 12-hour shifts hunting terrorist targets in the Middle East are followed by 12 hours at home, struggling as a wife and mother in suburban Las Vegas. The mounting pressure to track a high-profile target blurs the boundaries between the desert she lives in and the one she patrols, half a world away. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.visithoustontexas.com/ event/grounded/28677 or www.alleytheatre.org HOUSTON: March 31-April 3 Houston Symphony Concert Don't miss an exciting North American Premiere as celebrated film composer James Horner ("Titanic," "Avatar") unveils his new "Concerto for Four Horns," performed by soloists including the Houston Symphony's own William VerMeulen and Robert Johnson. Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: April 1 "Voices Appeared: Silent Cinema and Medieval Music" In collaboration with Da Camera of Houston, The Orlando Consort returns to Houston with the soundtrack for Carl Dryer's 1928 cinematic masterpiece "La Passion de Jeanne d'Arc." The acclaimed British vocal ensemble performs music drawn from the period depicted in the film, the early 15th century—plainchant, antiphons and motets, including works by Binchois and Dufay. Begins at 8 p.m. Presented by Houston Early Music. Wortham Center, 500 Texas Ave. www.houstonearlymusic. org 281/846-4222 or 713/524-5050

HOUSTON: April 2, 4 NCAA Men's Final Four Features the nation's best college basketball teams. NRG Park. www.visithoustontexas.com or www.ncaa.com/tickets/basketball-men/d1

HOUSTON: April 5-17 "Oliver" Rediscover the story of a runaway orphan who finds himself in the grimly fascinating underbelly of 18th-century London. Befriended by the Artful Dodger and his fellow gang of youthful pickpockets, the pure-hearted Oliver is introduced to a witty, gritty world of new friends, formidable foes and an abundance of merry mischief. Presented by Theatre Under the Stars.

Sarofim Hall at The Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. www.tuts.com 713/558-8887

HOUSTON: April 6-May 1 "Miss Teen" Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway. www.stages theatre.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: April 7 Bridget Barkan: "Joe's Pub Series" Bridget Barkan has been working since childhood as an actress on Sesame Street and other television programs, film and the stage. She brings her new show to Houston while also welcoming two local Houston artists to the stage on this very special evening. Lott Entertainment, 3400 Main St. www.visit houstontexas.com/event/bridget-barkan/30390

HOUSTON: April 8-10 Houston Symphony Concert Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houston symphony.org

HOUSTON: April 8-17 WorldFest: Houston International Film Festival WorldFest brings a blend of feature films, shorts, screenplays, TV commercials, music videos and documentaries to viewers throughout the area. Founded in 1968, past winners include Steven Spielberg, Oliver Stone, George Lucas and David Lynch—all early in their careers. Various locations. https://worldfest.org 713/965-9955

HOUSTON: April 16 Art Car Parade More than 250,000 spectators line the streets of downtown Houston to view this parade, which showcases the region's most outlandish folk art creations on wheels. The Fruit Mobile, a 1967 Ford station wagon, started the craze in 1986. Downtown. www.visithouston texas.com

HOUSTON: April 16 Houston Barbecue Festival

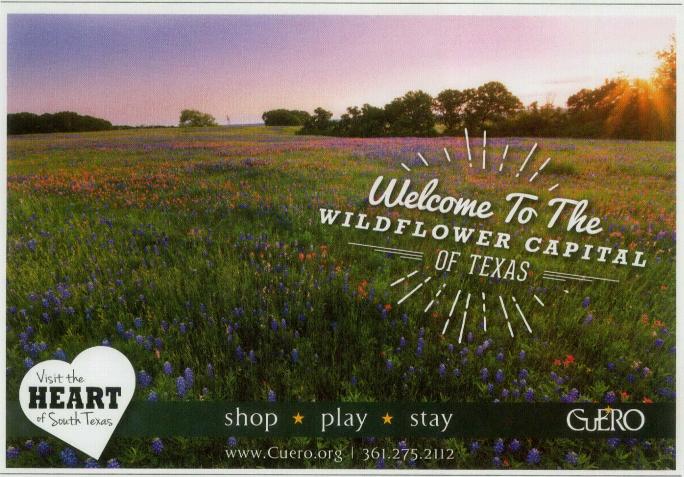
The annual event brings barbecue joint favorites together and welcomes new additions to the Houston Barbecue scene. NRG Park. http://houbbq.com 832/454-6106

HOUSTON: April 16-17 Houston Wing Open House The Houston Wing of the Commemorative Air Force hosts an open house and fly-in featuring aircraft and vehicles from WWII, Korea and Vietnam. Rides in some aircraft will be available for purchase. In Hangar B-5. West Houston Airport, 18000 Groschke Road. www.houstonwing.org 281/579-2131

HOUSTON: April 16 Japan Festival Hermann Park. www.visithoustontexas.com 713/963-0121

HOUSTON: April 17-August 14 "High Society: The Portraits of Franz X. Winterhalter" Franz Xaver Winterhalter, the 19th century's most renowned portraitist of European aristocracy, captured the elegance and opulence of his distinguished sitters with an unrivaled brilliance. This comprehensive exhibition presents a selection of these canvases, complemented by select items of clothing by sought-after fashion designer Charles Frederick Worth and several of Worth's contemporaries. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 1001 Bissonnet. www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: April 22-May 15 "The Christians" On the anniversary of his church's founding, Paul is about to preach a sermon that will shake the foundation of his congregation's beliefs. What happens to the flock when the shepherd has a change of heart? Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alleytheatre.org



HOUSTON: April 23-24 Houston Children's

Festival Children enjoy five stages of entertainment, Disney and Nickelodeon celebrities, plus 10 family adventure zones with family activities. Hours are 10:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Downtown. www.houston childrensfestival.com

HOUSTON: April 24 "The Food of Love: Songs, Dances and Fancies for Shakespeare" The

Baltimore Consort offers a fascinating program of 16th century English music commemorating the 400th anniversary of the Bard's death in 1616. Courtly and popular songs and dances of the day are interspersed with the music referenced in Shakespeare's plays, performed by vocalists, plucked strings, viola da gamba and Renaissance wind instruments. A pre-concert talk begins at 3:15 p.m., and music at 4 p.m. First Christian Church, 1601 Sunset Blvd. www.HoustonEarlyMusic.org 281/846-4222

HOUSTON: April 27-May 1 "Disney's Beauty and the Beast" Hobby Center, 800 Bagby St. http://houston.broadway.com

HOUSTON: April 27-May 22 "Land You" Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway, www.stages theatre.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: April 27 "Two Trains Running" A local diner owner fights to stay open as a municipal project encroaches on his establishment, and his regulars must deal with racial inequality and the turbulent, changing times. Ensemble Theatre, 3535 Main St. www.ensemblehouston.com

HOUSTON: April 28-May 8 "Heathers The

Musical" In this musical based on the classic 1989 film, Westerberg High is ruled by Heather, Heather and Heather-the hottest and cruelest girls in all of Ohio. But misfit Veronica Sawyer rejects their evil regime for a new boyfriend, the dark and sexy stranger J.D., who plans to put the Heathers in their place-six feet under. Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. www.tuts.com 713/558-8887

HOUSTON: April 28-May 1 Houston Symphony Concert Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houston symphony.org

HOUSTON: April 29-May 1 Bayou City Art Festival Memorial Park This juried festival is the nation's premier spring outdoor fine art event and kicks off the spring Texas art festival circuit. The festival has been consistently ranked among the top 10 in Sunshine Artist's 200 Best. Memorial Park. www.art colonyassociation.org 281/571-3102

HUMBLE: March 28-April 3 Shell Houston Open More than 150 of the world's best golfers compete in this PGA Tour event. Redstone Golf Club's Tournament Course, 5860 Wilson Road, www.visithouston texas.com 281/454-7000

KATY: April 29-30 Katy Jazz Festival This event features world-class professional jazz musicians and student musicians together for performances in three venues. Katy High School Performing Arts Center, 6331 Highway Blvd. www.katyjazzfestival.com 832/444-5756

LA PORTE: April 23 San Jacinto Day Festival and Battle Re-enactment This living-history event features music, entertainment, food, crafts, games and other activities. Booming cannons, musket fire, thun-



dering hooves and battle cries resound as hundreds of history re-enactors recreate the events leading up to Texas winning independence from Mexico at the decisive Battle of San Jacinto. Sar Jacinto Battleground State Historic Site. www.sanjacinto-museum.org/ The_Battle/Our_Annual_Reenactment

ORANGE: April 9 Art in the Park Includes art, crafts, live entertainment and food. Stark Park, 711 Green Ave. www.orangetexas.org 409/883-1010

PALACIOS: April 2 Colorful 5K Run By the Bay, Main and Sixth streets. www.palacioskids.org 361/972-2642

PALACIOS: April 2-3 Palacios Trail Riders Association Trail Ride This two-day ride goes from Palacios to Precinct 4 on the first day and continues

to Carl Park on the second day. 361/920-2719

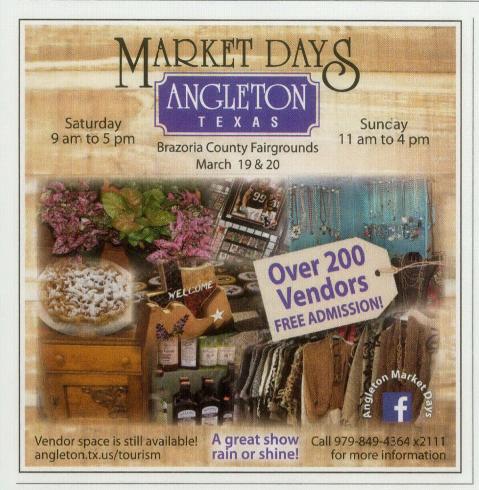
PALACIOS: April 9 Palacios Rotary Club Golf Tournament Palacios Golf Course, 289 R. B. Trull Blvd. 979/236-9800

PORT ARANSAS: April 1-3 IFA Redfish

Tournament Captain's meeting is Friday, fishing day is Saturday and a kayak tournament is on Sunday. Robert's Point Park, www.redfishtour.com

PORT ARANSAS: April 29-May 1 Texas SandFest

This three-day sand sculpture competition is one of the largest beach festivals in the state. Master sculptors from around the world create artistic and imaginative sculptures for more than 100,000 attendees. Also includes music, children's activities, food and craft booths. Mustang Island Beach, between beach markers 9-14. www.texassandfest.com or www. facebook.com/TexasSandFest 361/758-9800



PORT NECHES: April 27-May 1 RiverFest:

Thunder on the Neches Includes family activities. music and tunnel boat races. Port Neches Park. www.portnecheschamber.com or www.pnriver fest.com 409/722-9154

ROCKPORT: April 9-10 Tour of Homes and Boats Features five or s x unique, fashionable homes and one or two boats the public may tour Various loca-

tions. 361/729-5519

ROCKPORT: May 13-14 Babes on Bay Fishing Tournament Rockport Festival Grounds. www.babesonthebay.com

SEABROOK: April 23-24 Keels and Wheels Concours D'Elegance Features a classic car and vintage wooden boat show. Lakewood Yacht Club, 2425 NASA Road 1. www.keels-wheels.com 713/521-0105

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: April 15-17 Beach-N-Biker Fest Includes live concerts, a parade, poker run, biker games, ride-in bike show, great food, vendors and more. South Padre Island Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Blvd, www.sopadre.com or www.beachnbikerfest.com 956/761-3000

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: April 23-25 "The Bold, the Young and the Murdered" The El Paseo Arts Foundation presents this parody of maudlin soap operas. South Padre Island Convention Centre, 7355 Padre Blvd. www.sopadre.com 956/761-3000

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: April 28-May 1 Splash South Padre LGBTQ weekend includes parties, concerts and more. Various venues.

www.sopadre.com or www.splashsouthpadre. com 956/761-3000

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: April 30 Sand Crab Beach Run The Sand Crab, run entirely on beach sand, is a great way to get a little exercise under the stars on beautiful South Padre Island Beach. www.sopadre.com or www.runintexas.com/spicrab 956/761-3000

SPRING: April 29-May 1, 6-8 Texas Crawfish and Music Festival This 30th annual festival features live entertainment by top country, zydeco and rock acts on two stages along with carnival rides, midway games, exhibitions and activities for children, alligator wading pool and exotic snakes and petting zoo. Also enjoy the best southern Louisiana food, Cajun-style crawfish and the spiciest fixings in the land. Old Town Spring, 130 Spring School Road. www.texascrawfish festival.com 281/353-9310

SUGAR LAND: February 20-May 15 "Amazing Butterflies" Come explore this maze-like exhibit and learn all about butterflies. Embark on a challenging journey teeming with friends and foes, revea ing the unusual relationship between caterpillars, butterflies and their natural surroundings. The Houston Museum of Natural Science at Sugar Land, 13C16 University Blvd. www.hmns.org 281/313-2277

SUGAR LAND: April 6-10 Sugar Land Wine and Food Affair This annual food-and-wine extravaganza includes a VIP kickoff dinner, the On the Rocks Bartenders Challenge, informative wine and spirit seminars, the upscale Grand Tasting, Sip and Stroll at

Imperial, and the Bistro Brunch in the Sugar Land Town Square. Various locations. www.sugarland townsquare.com 281/276-6000

SUGAR LAND: April 9 Sip 'n' Stroll Sip and stroll your way through this event showcasing chefs, restaurants and wines. Constellation Field, 1 Stadium Drive. www.SugarLandSkeeters.com 281/240-4487

SUGAR LAND: April 16 Deacon's Stars and Stripes Softball Classic This year's charity softball game pits celebrities against first responders. Constellation Field, 1 Stadium Drive. www.SugarLand Skeeters.com 281/240-4487

SUGAR LAND: April 16 Reduce, Reuse, Recycle and Rock Earth Day Event Interactive booths and performances address recycling, waste reduction, clean water, water conservation, tree care, nature appreciation and other topics. Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. www.sugarlandtown square.com 281/276-6000

SUGAR LAND: April 23 Corvette Club of Houston Spring Car Show See Corvettes along with many other types of vehicles that are sure to make viewers feel a need for speed. Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. www.sugarlandtownsquare.com 281/276-6000

SUGAR LAND: April 24 RESOLVE: Walk of Hope

This event invites participants to walk one mile to unite one community and support services and programs for the 7.3 million women and men living with infertility. Sugar Land Town Square, 2711 Plaza Drive. www.sugarlandtownsquare.com 281/276-6000

TOMBALL: April 30-May 1 Rails and Tails Mudbug Festival Enjoy tasty crawfish along with music, a competitive boudin ball eating contest and mudbug racing. Historic Downtown Depot, 201 S. Elm St. www.tomballtx.gov 281/351-5484

VICTORIA: April 2-3 Historic Homes Tour Guided tours of five historic homes include late Victorian, Queen Anne and craftsman-style bungalows. Various locations. www.vpitx.org 361/573-1878

VICTORIA: April 2 Polo at McFaddin Annual fundraiser for the Nave Museum and Victoria Regional Museum Association features polo matches, gourmet tailgate tastings, beer, wine, auctions and live music. McFaddin Ranch. www.navemusem.ocm 361/575-8227

VICTORIA: April 9 Scott Taylor Band Crawfish Festival Enjoy music by some of best acts in Texas Country, plus family activities crawfish. Victoria Community Center, 2905 E. North St. www.thescott taylorband.com

VICTORIA: April 16 Art Car Victoria This annual event features an art-car parade with more than 50 moving works of art. Afterward, enjoy a free family festival at the Nave Museum with tours, craft activities, food and vehicles on display. Downtown, 101 N. Main St. www.explorevictoriatexas.com 361/485-3116

VICTORIA: April 16 JAM Fest This street festival includes live music, fine arts and crafts, car exhibits, a petting zoo, quick-draw artists, food and drinks. Downtown, 101 N. Main St. www. jamfestvictoria.com

VICTORIA: April 22-24, 28-30 Theatre Victoria presents "VANYA and SONIA and MASHA and **SPIKE**" Theatre Victoria presents this classic farce that pokes fun at the theatre and film worlds with biting, satiric and refreshingly irreverent wit. Leo J. Welder Center for the Performing Arts, 214 N. Main St. www.theatrevictoria.org 361/570-8587

VICTORIA: April 28 Downtown Rhythms The Symphony performs pops, jazz and movie favorites at this family event. Downtown, 101 N. Main St. www.victoriasymphony.com 361/576-4500

VICTORIA: April 30 Victoria Symphony Master Series Concert features Haochen Zhang, the 2009 Gold Medal Van Cliburn Winner, Victoria Fine Arts Center, 1002 E. Sam Houston Drive, www.victoria symphony.com 361/576-4500

HILL COUNTRY

AUSTIN: December 12-April 3 "The Crusader Bible: A Gothic Masterpiece" The Crusader Bible, from the collection of the Morgan Library in New York, is considered one of the most important and fascinating illuminated manuscripts in history. See more than 40 unbound folios by seven anonymous artists in which Old Testament stories are brought to life through bright images of medieval castles, towns, and battling knights in armor, reflecting the world of the Crusades in 13th-century France. Blanton Museum of Art. www.blantonmuseum.org

AUSTIN: December 21-May 29 "Shakespeare in Print and Performance" This exhibition draws on the Ransom Center's notable and unique collections of internationally recognized performance materials, set designs and printed books, many of which have never been exhibited. Harry Ransom Center. www.hrc.utexas.edu 512/471-8949

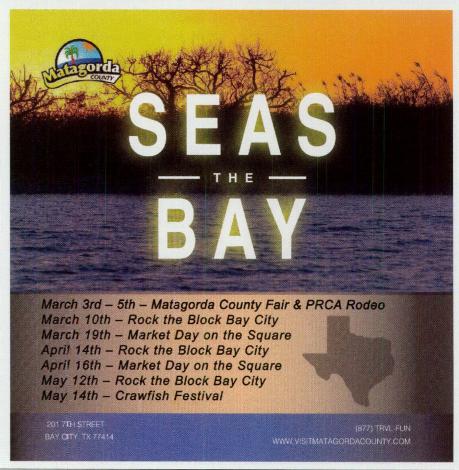
AUSTIN: January 17-June 9 "Texas Czechs: Rooted in Tradition" Learn about contemporary Texas Czech culture in his exhibition that introduces this vibrant community and the many facets of its culture through stories, films, and photography. State Capitol Visitors Center, 112 E. 11th St. www.polka works.org 512/799-6842

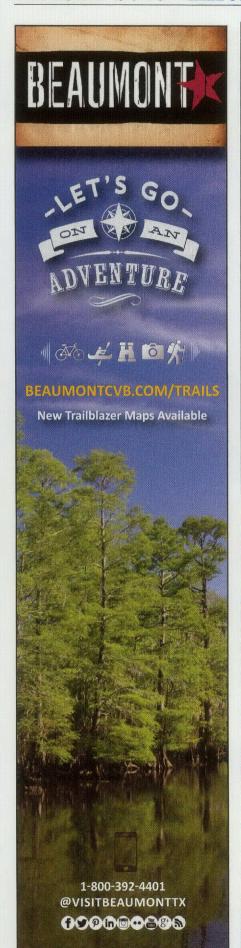
AUSTIN: February 9-May 29 "Look Inside: New Photography Acquisitions" The Harry Ransom Center's photography collection is one of the world's largest and most comprehensive. This exhibit introduces nearly 200 of the center's newest acquisitions, tracing photography from its unprecedented post-war expansion to its central position in contemporary art. Harry Ransom Center. www.hrc.utexas.edu

AUSTIN: February 21-May 15 "Come As You Are: Art of the 1990s" This exhibit is the first major American museum survey to historicize art of this pivotal decade. The exhibition showcases approximately 60 works in a diverse range of media by 45 artists. Blanton Museum of Art. www.blantonmuseum.org

AUSTIN: March 12-July 24 "Our Global Kitchen" Through digital interactives, dioramas, artifacts and models, this exhibition tells the stories of the complex and entwined relationship between humans and food. Bullock Museum, 1800 Congress Ave. www.TheStoryofTexas.com







AUSTIN: March 29-April 3 "Cabaret" Bass Concert Hall, 2350 Robert Dedman Drive. www.Broadway InAustin.com 800/731-7469

AUSTIN: April 1-3 "The Graham Reynolds

Project" This performance is the perfect marriage of the styles of artistic director Stephen Mills and Austin-based composer Graham Reynolds, featuring three original works. The Long Center for the Performing Arts. www.balletaustin.org 512/476-2163

AUSTIN: April 3 Austin 10/20 This live-music race in the Live Music Capital of the World features 20 bands bands along the 10-mile race course in North Austin with a headliner concert at the finish. Domain Central Park, 11100 Alterra Parkway, www.Austin 1020.com 512/299-9190

AUSTIN: April 3 Austin Symphonic Band Concert AISD Performing Arts Center, 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd. www.austinsymphonicband.org

AUSTIN: April 4-September 16 "Wish You Were Here: Postcards from the Texas State Archives" From the arid lands of West Texas to the rolling hills of the Gulf Coast and everything in between, Texas has plenty to offer the wayward traveler. Featuring more than 100 postcards, photographs and documents highlighting timeless tourist destinations, this exhibit explores Texas by region and invites visitors to travel back in time with vintage postcards from the collection of the Texas State Archives. Lorenzo de Zavala State Library and Archives Building, 1201 Brazos St. www.tsl.texas.gov 512/463-5455

AUSTIN: April 8-10 Moto GP Top riders compete in the world's premier motorcycle racing championship. Circuit of the Americas, www.circuitofthe americas.com

AUSTIN: April 8-10 Sesame Street Live: "Make a New Friend" Elmo, Grover, Abby Cadabby, and their Sesame Street friends welcome Chamki, Grover's friend from India, to Sesame Street. Together, they explore the universal fun of friendship and celebrate cultural similarities, from singing and dancing to sharing cookies. Frank Erwin Center. www.uterwincenter. com/events/2016/sesame-street-live

AUSTIN: April 8-10 Spring Plant Sale and Gardening Festival Enjoy tours, lectures, book signings and other activities. Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, 4801 La Crosse Ave. http:// wildflower.org

AUSTIN: April 13-17 "Where the Wild Things Are" The Long Center for the Performing Arts. www.thelongcenter.org

AUSTIN: April 14-17 Old Settler's Music Festival This music festival features bluegrass, folk and Americana acts performing on four stages over four days, along with camping in the beautiful Texas Hill Country. Salt Lick Pavilion and Camp Ben McColloch, 18300 F.M. 1826. www.oldsettlersmusicfest.org 512/478-0578

AUSTIN: April 16 Yamandu Costa in Concert Guitarist Yamandu Costa's music incorporates a variety of traditional Brazilian styles. AISD Performing Arts Center, 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd. www.austin classicalguitar.org 512/300-2247

AUSTIN: April 20-23 Moontower Comedy and Oddity Festival Lineup includes Martin Short, Kevin Smith, Maria Bamford, Jim Norton and more, Various venues. www.moontowercomedvfest.com 512/474-1221

AUSTIN: April 22-September 18 "Journey Into Big Bend" In honor of the 100th anniversary of the formation of the National Park Service, the Bullock Museum shines the spotlight on the Big Bend region with stunning photography and personal artifacts and reflections from those who've protected, explored, adventured, and come to love this vast and valued ecosystem. Bullock Museum, 1800 Congress Ave. www.thestorvoftexas.com

AUSTIN: April 23 Monster Jam Frank Erwin Center, 1701 Red River St. www.uterwincenter. com/events/2016/monster-jam 512/471-7744

AUSTIN: April 26-May 1 "Motown the Musical" Bass Concert Hall, 2350 Robert Dedman Drive. www.BroadwayInAustin.com 800/731-7469

AUSTIN: April 29 "Black Violin" Black Violin blends classical, hip-hop, rock, R&B and bluegrass music in this performance accompanied by a drummer and a DJ. Begins at 8 p.m. The Long Center for the Performing Arts. www.thelongcenter.org

AUSTIN: April 29-May 1 Levitation Fest This music festival includes performances by Brian Wilson, Animal Collective, Flying Lotus, Lee Scratch Perry, Ty Segall, Caribou, Slowdive, The Black Angels, Nicolas Jaar, Parquet Courts, Allah-Las, Thurston Moore, Oneohtrix Point Never, Shabazz Palaces and others. Carson Creek Ranch, 9507 Sherman Road. http://levitation-austin.com

AUSTIN: April 30-May 1 Citywide Garage Sale Palmer Events Center, 900 Barton Springs Road. www.cwgs.com 512/441-2828

AUSTIN: January 23-April 3 "Life and Death on the Border 1910-1920" This exhibit re-examines the events and context surrounding some of the worst racial violence in United States history. Through display of rare artifacts, photographic records, court documents, newspapers, family histories and eyewitness accounts, this poignant exhibition offers a fresh perspective on a little-known story that shaped the Mexican American civil rights movement and continues to have lasting impact today. Bullock Texas State History Museum, 1800 N. Congress Ave. www.the storyoftexas.com/visit/exhibits/life-and-deathon-the-border 512/936-8746

BANDERA: March 31-April 3 Thunder in the Hills Includes a poker run, field events, a bike show, tattoo contest, tent camping, live bands Thursday-Saturday nights, special entertainment Friday-Saturday, food and vendors. Mansfield Park, 2886 Texas 16 N. www.bikerralliesoftexas.com 936/776-1699

BANDERA: April 5 Cowboy Capital Opry Enjoy "Grand Ole Opry"-style entertainment hosted by Gerry and Harriet Payne. Begins at 7 p.m. Silver Sage, 803 Buck Creek, www.silversagecorral.org/ music-happenings.html 830/796-4969

BANDERA: April 9-10 Mayhem on the Medina

This national competition of the re-enactment guild of America includes living-history campsites, costumes, mock qunfights, live music, stagecoach rides, exhibits and food. Bandera City Park, 1102 Maple St. www.mayhemonthemedina.com 830/796-4447

BOERNE: May 7 Boerne Handmade Market All

items in this market are handmade items, ranging from bath and body products to home decor to children's items. Also enjoy live music, food and children's activities. The Pavillion, 826 John's Road. www.visit boerne.org/calendar/boerne-handmade-market-2 210/663-9046

BOERNE: April 8 "Pirates of Penzance" This New York Gilbert and Sullivan Players production brings together swashbuckling buccaneers, bumbling British bobbies, frolicsome Victorian maidens, and the delightfully dotty "model of a modern Major-General" for a rollicking romp over the rocky coast of Cornwall. Boerne Champion Auditorium, 201 Charger. www.visitboerne.org/calendar/boerneperforming-arts-pirates-penzance 830/331-9079

BOERNE: April 9-10 Boerne Market Days On the second weekend of every month, Main Plaza is home to a magical outdoor market that blends the traditions of the Texas Hill Country with the creations of today's culture. Main Plaza, 100 N. Main. www.visit boerne.org/calendar/boerne-market-days-82 210/844-8193

BOERNE: April 9-10 Boerne Parade of Artists

Hundreds of art enthusiasts from around the country visit various art venues in Boerne. It is a self-guided tour of local galleries, studios and other venues principally located along the Hill Country Mile in the Arts and Design and Historic districts of downtown Boerne, Various Galleries, www.visitboerne.org/ calendar/boerne-parade-artists-3

BOERNE: April 9 Second Saturday Art and Wine

Participating galleries go all out each month with complimentary beverages and a variety of hors d'oeuvres along with fantastic art. Travel to each gallery in the downtown area on foot or on the Shabby Bus. Downtown. www.visitboerne.org/calendar/ second-saturday-art-and-wine-15

BOERNE: April 16 Texas Corvette Association 24th Annual Open Car Show This show is expected to draw more than 350 entrants and hundreds of car enthusiasts. Downtown. www.visitboerne.org 830/226-5386

BOERNE: April 22 Camerata San Antonio Concert Boerne First United Methodist, 250 E. James. www.cameratasa.com 210/492-9519

BRADY: April 9 McCulloch County Early Days

This family-oriented, frontier-themed living history event includes military and civilian exhibits, Dutch oven cookers, music, gunslingers, Sahawe Indian Dancers, old-time magic show, a children's petting zoo and food vendors. Richards Park, U.S.87 N. www.mchc1.com 325/597-4123

BURNET: April 8-10 Bluebonnet Festival

This 33rd annual festival features live music, a carnival, food, competitions, shopping and other activities. Downtown. www.burnetchamber.org 512/756-4297

BURNET: April 23 Bluebonnet Airshow This 25th annual air show features WWII aircraft in static and flight demonstrations. Air show performances run from noon-4 p.m. Also includes children's activities and aircraft rides after 4 p.m. Burnet Municipal Airport, 2402 S. Water St. http://bluebonnetairshow. com 512/756-2226





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CANYON LAKE: April 30 Barbecue Cook-Off Jacob's Creek Park. www.canyonlakechamber.com 830/964-2223

COMFORT: April 30-May 1 Comfort Village Spring Antiques Show Browse collections of Americana antiques for sale, including country furniture, textiles and linens, blue willow, majolica, antique tools, stoneware, baskets and more. Rain or shine. Comfort Park, 403 Texas 27. http://texasantique shows.com 830/329-2870

FREDERICKSBURG: April 1 First Friday Art Walk Tour fine art galleries offering special exhibits. demonstrations, refreshments and extended viewing hours the first Friday of every month. Participating fine art galleries in Fredericksburg. www.ffawf.com 830/997-6523

FREDERICKSBURG: April 1-17 Texas Hill Country Wine and Wildflower Trail Enjoy the Texas Hill Country wineries and wildflowers. Self-guided tour includes special events, tastings and discounts. Participating Texas Hill Country wineries. www.texas winetrail.com 872/216-9463

FREDERICKSBURG: April 2 Historic Country Schools Open House Tour Enjoy a self-quided tour of six area schools listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Various locations in Gillespie County. www.historicschools.org 830/997-5116

FREDERICKSBURG: April 2-17 Wildflower Celebration at Wildseed Farms Celebrate spring's arrival and Texas wildflowers with colorful fields, great shopping, butterfly gardens and special activities. Wildseed Farms. www.wildseedfarms.com 830/990-8080

FREDERICKSBURG: April 9 Bluebonnet Tractor Ride Antique tractors, cars and trucks make a 20 mile loop through scenic Gillespie County. www.rustyiron.org 830/889-9348

FREDERICKSBURG: April 15-17 Fredericksburg Trade Days Shop with more than 450 vendors or relax in the Biergarten while listening to live music. Trade Days at Sunday Farms. www.fbgtradedays. com 210/846-4094

FREDERICKSBURG: April 22-23 Fort Martin Scott Days Military and civilian living-history interpretations reflect this frontier fort's active days from 1848-66. Fort Martin Scott, 1606 E. Main. www.ftmartinscott.org 830/217-3200

FREDERICKSBURG: April 28-May 1 Hill Country Film Festival This annual film festival screens the best of independent film from Texas and around the world. Fritztown Cinema. 2254 U.S. 87 S. www.hill countryff.com 512/838-6828

FREDERICKSBURG: April 29-May 1 Wings Over the Hills Nature Festival This festival is an educational and entertaining opportunity for the whole family to experience the unique winged wildlife features of the Texas Hill Country. Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park. www.wingstx.org 830/990-9823

GEORGETOWN: April 1-2 Georgetown Quilt and Stitchery Show This show's theme is "Poppy Panache." Includes vendors, a tea room, raffle quilt and a silent auction. Georgetown Community Center, 445 E. Morrow St. www.handcraftsunlimited.com 512/658-6973

GEORGETOWN: April 22-24 Red Poppy Festival

Includes nightly concerts, a parade and street dance Saturday, car show, more than 100 artisan booths. children's zone and other activities. Hours are 6-9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Georgetown Square, 103 W. Seventh St. www.RedPoppyFestival.com 800/436-8696

GRUENE: April 10 Gospel Brunch with a Texas Twist Serves awe-inspiring gospel music coupled with a mouth-watering buffet from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Advance tickets recommended. Gruene Hall, 1281 Gruene Road. www.gruenehall.com 830/629-5077 or 830/606-1601

GRUENE: April 16-17 Old Gruene Market Days Nearly 100 vendors offer uniquely crafted items and packaged Texas foods. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Gruene Historic District, 1724 Hunter Road, www.gruenemarketdays.com 830/832-1721

GRUENE: April 21 Come and Taste It A featured winemaker showcases three of their newly released, top-selling or hard-to-find wines, alongside a craft brew hand-picked by The Grapevine staff. Also enjoy live music and giveaways. Grapevine Texas Wine Bar. www.grapevineingruene.com 830/606-0093

INGRAM: March 18-April 2 "Foxfire" Annie Nations, an indomitable Appalachian widow of 79, lives on her mountain farm with the acerbic ghost of her husband Hector. Her tranquility is threatened by a brash real estate developer who wants to turn her land into a vacation resort and by concern over her son Dillard, a country singer who has come home with two stranded children because his wife has run away. Hill Country Arts Foundation, 120 Point Theatre Road. www.hcaf.com 830/367-5121

JOHNSON CITY: April 30 Last Saturday Art Walk Find good Texas goods and great Texas art from 4-8 p.m. while enjoying complimentary beer, wine and appetizers. Each month features a different artist in the gallery to meet with visitors and show their work. Texcetera, 207 N. Nugent Ave. www.texcetera. net 830/868-2419

JONESTOWN: April 2 Cajun Cook-Off This sixth annual festival offers Cajun food, live music, games and other activities. Jones Brothers Park, 10301 Lakeside Drive. www.lagovista.org 512/267-7952

JUNCTION: April 16 Outdoor Women Gone Wild Women learn or hone their skills in archery, team wagon driving, fly-fishing, bird watching, hands on self-defense, trailer backing, tomahawk throwing, kayaking, shooting, make mosaic crosses, outdoor photography and more. South Llano River State Park. www.junctiontexas.com 325/446-3190

KERRVILLE: March 31-April 24 Kerr Arts and Cultural Center Exhibits Displays on view include the Hill Country Youth Art Show, "Behind The Scene Digital Photo Collage" by Leslie Kell and sculpture by Peter Mangan. Kerr Arts and Cultural Center. www.kacckerrville.com 830/895-2911

KERRVILLE: April 1-3 Texas Packard Meet This 39th annual event features an early-bird tour, all Packard swap meet, seminars, people's choice competition, banquet and awards program. Inn of the Hills Resort. http://texaspackardmeet.com 210/347-1064





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KERRVILLE: April 1-3 Dog Agility Show Watch dogs run and jump as their handlers direct them through an obstacle course. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3785 Texas 27 E. www.heartof texasdogsports.com

KERRVILLE: April 1 First Friday Wine Share Meet new people and try new wines at this fun and friendly event at a different location each month. Bring one bottle of wine per two people and your own wine glass. Begins at 6 p.m. www.storkcountry.com 830/200-1483

KERRVILLE: April 2 Hill Country Swap Meet

This community garage sale and flea market offers all types of merchandise. Hours are 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3705 Texas 27 E. www.kerrmarketdays.org 830/459-6198

KERRVILLE: April 2 Regional Cub Scout Pinewood Derby Enjoy derby races and family activities starting at 9 a.m. Salvation Army Kroc Center, 201 Holdsworth Drive. www.pinewoodderby.org 713/724-4751

KERRVILLE: April 5 Texas Heritage Music "Coffee House Series" Features Texas musicians and open-mic performers. Schreiner University, 2100 Memorial Blvd. www.texasheritagemusic.org 830/792-1945

KERRVILLE: April 15 Larry Gatlin and The Blackwood Quartet in Concert The incomparable Larry Gatlin will sing his famous Gospel Hits on stage alongside the world famous Blackwood Quartet. Cailloux Theater. www.caillouxtheater.com 830/896-9393

KERRVILLE: April 23 Camerata San Antonio Concert First Presbyterian Church, 800 E. Jefferson St. www.cameratasa.com 210/492-9519

KERRVILLE: April 23 Kerr County Market Days Old-fashioned market on the square features handmade crafts, artwork, and homegrown plants and produce. Kerr County Courthouse, 700 Main St. www.kerrmarketdays.org 830/895-7524

KERRVILLE: April 26 Johnny Lee Dinner Show Buckhorn Lake RV Resort, 2885 Goat Creek Road. www.buckhornlake.com 830/895-0007

KERRVILLE: April 28-May 22 Kerr Arts and Cultural CenterMay Gallery Exhibits Displays on view include the "Kerrville Art Club Annual Juried Show," "Deeper Than Beauty" with fiber art by Caryl Gaubatz and watercolors by Martha Allen, and "Patrick McDaniel: Glassworks." Kerr Arts and Cultural Center, 128 Earl Garrett St. www.kacckerrville.com 830/895-2911

KERRVILLE: April 28 Symphony of the Hills Concert "A Night in Old Mexico" concert features favorites from south of the border. A wine and cheese reception precedes the show at 7:30 p.m. 910 Main St.

www.symphonyofthehills.org 830/792-7469. LAMPASAS: April 2 Bloomin' Fest Find arts and crafts, plants, wine tastings, food, live entertainment and children's activities. Downtown, www.lampasas

LAMPASAS: April 9 Lampasas Hillacious Bike Tour www.lampasashillaciousbiketour.com 512/556-5172

chamber.org 512/556-5172











LAMPASAS: April 30 Citywide Garage Sale Various locations. 512/556-5434

NEW BRAUNFELS: September 1-May 1

"Lindheimer's Texas" The "Father of Texas Botany." Ferdinand Lindheimer of New Braunfels, collected close to 100,000 specimens of Texas plants and sent them out to fellow botanists to show off the unique plants and flowers of Texas. They are today in collections as far afield as Paris and St. Petersburg, Russia. This exhibit has collected some of his original works for display. The Sophienburg Museum and Archives, 401 W. Coll St. 830/629-1572

NEW BRAUNFELS: April 9 Folkfest This annual family heritage festival features living history re-enactments, pioneer craft demonstrations, free furniture museum tours, children's activities, musical entertainment and delicious food. The Kindermasken Parade, dating back to the founding of New Braunfels, is held in conjunction with this event. Hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Heritage Village, 1370 Church Hill Drive. www.nbheritagevillage.com 830/625-2385

NEW BRAUNFELS: April 9 Kindermasken Parade Take part in the only costumed children's heritage parade of its type in the nation, which has been celebrated here since 1856. Begins at 10 a.m. Downtown. www.nbheritagevillage.com 830/625-2385

NEW BRAUNFELS: April 9-10 Train Show Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, New Braunfels Civic Center, 375 Castell Ave. http://newbraunfelsrailroadmuseum.org/train show.htm

SAN MARCOS: August 3-July 3 "Rodrigo Moya: Photography and Conscience / Fotografia y conciencia" This exhibit is the first retrospective in the United States of Moya's work. More than 90 images document Mexico and Latin America from revolutionary movements to timeless moments of daily life. The WIttliff Collections, Seventh floor of the Alkek Library. www.thewittliffcollections. txstate.edu/exhibitions-events/exhibitions/ current.html 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: August 10-May 13 "Animals Among Us: Photographs from the Permanent Collection" This photography exhibit features cats, dogs, horses, fish, fowl, insects and more in images created with a variety of photographic and printing techniques by 39 artists. The Wittliff Collections, Seventh floor of the Alkek Library. www.thewittliff collections.txstate.edu/exhibitions-events/ exhibitions/current.html 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: August 17-July 3 "Places in the Heart: Texas Cinescapes" This exhibit celebrates Oscar-winning movies and award-winning independent films set in Texas. Screenplays, props, wardrobe pieces, behind-the-scenes photos and other materials show how authentic visions of the Lone Star State have been created on screen. The Wittliff Collections, Seventh floor of the Alkek Library. www.thewittliff collections.txstate.edu/exhibitions-events/ exhibitions/current.html 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: April 1-3 Swing on the Square Features Western Swing music and other styles that make up its roots-blues, '40s jazz, big band and

country. Downtown, www.SMTXswingfest.com 512/393-8430

SAN MARCOS: April 2 Youthfest Family festival includes live entertainment all day, crafts and children's activities. 206 N. CM Allen Parkway. www.qsmyc.org/youthfest.html 512/754-0500

SPICEWOOD: April 7 Art Trek 4: Castroville, a Step Back in Time Board a bus in Spicewood to take a guided tour of Castroville, including lunch at Castroville Cafe, Landmark Inn State Historic Site, and local art galleries and shops. Begins at the Barton Creek Lakeside clubhouse. www.spicewoodarts.org

STONEWALL: April 2 LBJ 100 Bicycle Ride This ninth annual ride begins and ends on the LBJ Ranch airstrip. Cyclists can choose from routes of 10, 30, 42, 62 or 85 miles, taking riders through the Hill Country past the historical landmarks that figured prominently in the LBJ presidency. LBJ National Historical Park. www.nps.gov/lyjo 830/868-7128

STONEWALL: April 23 Spring Shindig The Lyndon Baines Johnson Museum of San Marcos hosts this event with performances by country singer Michael Martin Murphey, Ryan Scott Travis, Jan Seides and other special guests. In true LBJ style, there will also be delicious barbecue, as well as wine and beer tasting from Hill Country vineyards and breweries. LBJ National Historic Park. www.lbjmuseum.com

STONEWALL: April 30-May 1 Lavender Festival at Becker Vineyards Celebrate everything lavender, as well as vendors, cooking demonstrations, live music and more. Becker Vineyards. www.becker vineyards.com 830/644-2681

UVALDE: April 8 Four Square Friday Enjoy late night shopping, food, live music and art at this monthly event named for the town's original design with four town squares. Downtown. www.visituvalde. com 830/278-4115

WIMBERLEY: April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Blue Hole Concerts Enjoy live music in the park along Cypress Creek. Blue Hole Regional Park, 100 Blue Hole Lane. www.blueholeregionalpark.com 512/660-9111

WIMBERLEY: April 2 Market Days Stroll along a shaded path to more than 475 booths filled with a wide variety of arts, crafts, antiques, gift items, clothing and more. Lions Field, 601 F.M. 2325. www.shopmarketdays.com 512/847-2201

WIMBERLEY: April 9 Second Saturday Gallery Trail More than a dozen galleries offer wine, snacks and art displays from 4-7 p.m. Wimberley Square, 101 Wimberley Square. www.facebook.com/Second Saturday Gallery Trail 713/732-1543

WIMBERLEY: April 10 Starlight Symphony Orchestra Concert Wimberley First Baptist Church, 15951 Winters Mill Parkway. www.starlightsymphony. org 512/703-7029

WIMBERLEY: April 15-May 8 "Good People" Wimberley Playhouse, 450 Old Kyle Road. www.wimberleyplayers.org 512/847-0575

WIMBERLEY: April 16 Butterfly Festival Includes a Commemorative Air Force flyover, live butterfly releases every 30 minutes, butterfly art, a native butterfly flight house, live entertainment, games and other nature activities. EmilyAnn Theatre and Gardens. www.emilyann.org 512/847-6969

WIMBERLEY: April 21 Concerts at Susanna's

Kitchen On the third Thursday of each month, top musical performers take the stage at this intimate venue. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Susanna's Kitchen, 1200 C.R. 1492. www.wimberleyumc.org 512/722-3316

WIMBERLEY: April 23-24 Arts Fest This annual festival includes a juried selection of more than 75 artists, plus live music and food. Blue Hole Regional Park, 100 Blue Hole Lane. www.wimberleyartsfest. com 512/826-4286

PANHANDLE PLAINS

ABILENE: April 1-2 Outlaws and Legends Music Fest This sixth annual event features dozens of outlaw and country music artists in one weekend. Back Porch of Texas, 3350 N. Clack St. www.outlawsand legends.com 325/518-9977

ABILENE: April 2 Texas High School Powerlifting State Championships Watch some of the best powerlifters in the state compete. Taylor County Expo Center. www.abilenevisitors.com

ABILENE: April 6 "Pinkalicious: The Musical"

Pinkalicious can't stop eating pink cupcakes despite warnings from her parents. Her pink indulgence lands her at the doctor's office with Pinkititis, an affliction that turns her pink from head to toe-a dream come true for this pink loving enthusiast! Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. 325/677-1161

ABILENE: April 9 Cajun Festival Enjoy a dinner of crawfish and shrimp, 5K walk/run, live entertainment, children's activities, a car show, vendors and more. Taylor County Expo Center, 1801 E.S. 11th St. 325/677-1444

ABILENE: April 9 Heart Beat Gala This themed event offers an evening of dinner, dancing and auctions. Abilene Country Club, 4039 S. Treadway Blvd. 325/513-9887

ABILENE: April 14-15 Noah Project "Playing it Caddyshack Style" Golf Tournament Includes a pregame party on Thursday evening at 6 p.m., and tee times starting at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. Friday. Diamondback Golf Club. 325/676-7107

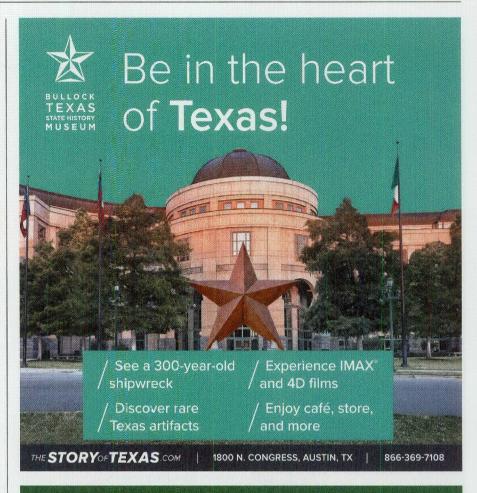
ABILENE: April 16 Abilene Philharmonic Orchestra Concert "A Night at the Opera" concert features four world-class singers: sopranos Jennifer Youngs and Molly Fillmore, tenor William Joyner and baritone Jeffrey Snider. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. Sixth St. 325/677-6710

ABILENE: April 21-22 American Southwest Conference Track and Field Championships Hardin-Simmons University, 2200 Hickory St. 325/671-2227

ABILENE: April 29-30 Key City Blues Festival

Features headliner acts as well as local and regional R&B and blues musicians. Frontier Texas!, 625 N. First St. 325/677-1841

ABILENE: April 14 ArtWalk Enjoy entertainment and special events at restaurants, shops, museums and galleries. Hours are 5-8 p.m. Downtown. 325/677-8389



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ALBANY: February 27-May 14 "Robert Langham: Blackforest Bestiary Exhibition" Photographer Robert Langham finds and rescues wild animals near his home in Tyler, then poses and photographs them in his studio. Printed using traditional processes, the results are curious and beautiful portraits of nature's now "backyard" creatures. Old Jail Art Center, 201 S. Second St. www.theojac.org 325/762-2269

ALBANY: April 3-July 23 "Lonesome Dove: Highlights of The Wittliff Collections" Go behind the scenes of one of the most beloved Westerns of all time with this exhibit featuring the costumes, props, photographs, and more on loan from the extensive Lonesome Dove Production Archive. Old Jail Art Center, 201 S. Second St. www.theojac.org 325/762-2269

AMARILLO: April 1 First Friday Art Walk Enjoy food, music and art by more than 100 artists from the region in dozens of galleries, the Art Institute and Panhandle Art Center. Hours are 5–9 p.m. The Galleries at Sunset Center, 3701 Plains Blvd. www.amarilloartists.com 806/353-5700

AMARILLO: April 2-3 "The Pirates of Penzance" The Amarillo Opera performs this Gilbert and Sullivan classic. Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts, 401 S. Buchanan St. www.amarilloopera.org 806/372-7464

AMARILLO: April 8 Chamber Music Amarillo Friday Family Night The Fibonacci Building, 3306 S.W. Sixth Ave. www.cmama.org 806/236-3545

ANDREWS: April 28-May 1 Wild, Wild West Fest Enjoy family activities including Cowboy Mounted Shooting and Wild West Shows, Outlaw Truck and Tractor Pulls, the Texas ShootOut Barbecue Cookoff, a carnival and music under the stars. ACE Arena, 1441 E. Hwy 176. www.andrewstx.com or www.facebook.com/wildwildwestfest.andrews.tx/info 432/523-2695

BIG SPRING: April 23 Big Spring Symphony
Concert: "Swing with the Symphony" Jody Nix
and the Texas Cowboys are the highlight the symphony's final concert of the year, featuring David Alexander on guitar. Municipal Auditorium, 310 E. Third St.
www.bigspringsymphony.com 432/264-7223

BUFFALO GAP: April 22-24 Buffalo Gap Wine and Food Summit This 12th annual event features award-winning winemakers and chefs under majestic oak trees. Perini Ranch., 3002 F.M. 89. www.buffalo gapsummit.com 800/367-1721

Series This lecture series based on the Chautauqua movement, which brought educational talks and entertainment to rural U.S. areas in the late 1800s and early 1900s, covers a different topic each month. Buffalo Gap Historic Village, 133 N. William. **325/572-3365**

CANYON: April 9-September 5 "Jose Arpa, A Spanish Painter in Texas" This exhibit showcases Arpa as one of the Texas artists who brought Impressionism to the Lone Star State. Born in Spain in 1858, he traveled to San Antonio in 1899 and exhibited at the San Antonio International Fair in 1900. His work is known for its use of the color black (a reflection of Spanish influence), as well as his consistent off-

balance compositions in landscapes. Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum. www.panhandleplains.org

CANYON: April 23 Petroleum Exhibit Grand Re-opening Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum celebrates the re-opening of the Panhandle Petroleum Story exhibit with a day of family fun. Join museum staff and demonstrators while participating in exciting activities and enjoying refreshments from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, 2503 Fourth Ave. www.panhandleplains.org 806/651-2244

COLEMAN: April 15-16 Petticoats on the Prairie Vintage Market Browse antiques, vintage and repurposed treasures, clothing, furniture, jewelry, architectural salvage, handmade goods and more. Open noon-6 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, with an early shoppers' brunch Friday from 9 a.m.-noon. Bill Franklin Center/Goree Expo, 13172 Texas 206. www.colemantexas.org or www.facebook.com/petticoatsontheprairie 325/242-3356

DALHART: April 23 Eta Upsilon Golf Tournament Twisted Elms Golf Club. **806/674-0194**

EASTLAND: April 9 Rip's Ribs Cook Off Fifty cooking teams square off to see who can cook the best St. Louis-style pork ribs. Also enjoy vendor booths and live entertainment. Downtown. www.ripsribscookoff.com 254/629-2332

Ballet America's original multicultural dance company seamlessly and boldly intersects the lives of dancers from various artistic and cultural backgrounds. Allen Theatre on the Texas Tech campus. www.selectaseatlubbock.com 806/770-2000

LUBBOCK: April 9 Ranch Day This popular event highlighting ranch heritage includes hands-on ranch or range science and history demonstrations, music, dancing, chuck-wagon cooking, and an old-fashioned "Snake Oil Magic Show" in the 6666 Barn. Guests are welcome to enjoy the park and participate in what were once the daily activities of pioneer life. Hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. National Ranching Heritage Center. www.nrhc.ttu.edu 806/742-0498

LUBBOCK: April 29-30 Lubbock Symphony's Masterworks 5: Revelation Lubbock Memorial Civic Center, 1501 Mac Davis Lane. www.lubbock symphony.org/index.php 806/762-1688

SAN ANGELO: January 31-May 29 "Honoring Olivewood" Features photographs by young Houstonian Kasey French that showcase the beauty and reverence of historic Olivewood Cemetery, Houston's first incorporated African American cemetery, which pre-dates the end of slavery. National Museum of Funeral History, 415 Barren Springs Drive. www.nmfh.org 281/876-3063

SAN ANGELO: April 6, 13, 20, 27 Fort Concho Speakers Series Lunch time talks begin at noon and cover local and regional heritage. Fort Concho National Historic Landmark. www.fortconcho.com 325/657-4441

SAN ANGELO: April 9 Family Day: Art and Science Includes hands-on art activities and a new theme each month. Hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: April 10 Chamber Music Series

Concert Features music by Sin Fronteras from Brownsville, Begins at 2 p.m. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: April 15-June 26 San Angelo **National Ceramic Competition** The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts hosts a juried ceramic competition every two years—this year's invited artist is Ron Meyers of Athens, Georgia. Opening weekend includes exhibits, special events at the Chicken Farm Art Center, a ceramic workshop, a free Friday symposium, barbecue dinner on Saturday and opening receptions. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: April 16 Cactus Market Days

Local artists and crafters show their handmade items while local performers play live. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Cactus Hotel Parking Lot, 13 E. Twohig. 325/949-6200

SAN ANGELO: April 18 Gallery Talk with Roger Allen Begins at noon, San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: April 21 Downtown Art Walk

Visit downtown galleries and merchants, and enjoy free admission at the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. Hours are 5-9 p.m. Various locations. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: April 21-23 Regional Cavalry

Competition Riders in period uniforms compete in contests of skill in jumping, the pistol and saber course, and general horsemanship in keeping with the traditions of the U.S. Cavalry, Fort Concho National Historic Landmark, 630 S. Oakes. www.fortconcho. com 325/234-0316

SAN ANGELO: April 23 Fort Concho Frontier Day

This annual festival celebrates Western heritage with a pancake breakfast, demonstrations, displays, children's events, living history and the finals of the Regional Cavalry Competition. Fort Concho National Historic landmark, 630 S. Oakes. www.fortconcho. com 325/234-0316

SAN ANGELO: April 23 San Angelo Symphony Presents "A Tale As Old As Time" This Disney In Concert production features well-loved music and high-definition film clips from some of Disney's most treasured films. Vocal soloists present favorite songs from the Disney movies, featuring the orchestrations from the original Disney soundtracks by the San Angelo Symphony orchestra. Angelo State University Junell Center, 2235 S. Jackson St. www.sanangelo symphony.org or www.visitsanangelo.org 325/658-5877 or 325/655-4136

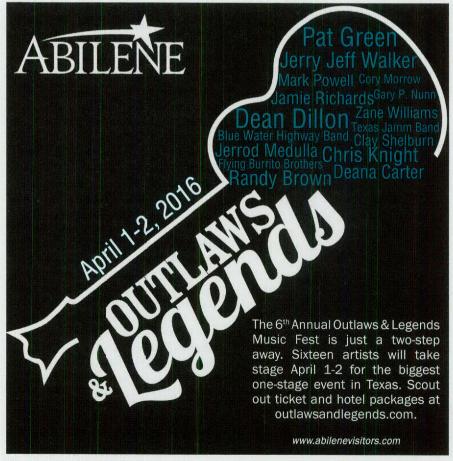
SAN ANGELO: April 24 Play It Again Concert

Features big band and dance tunes by the West Texas Jazz Orchestra and The San Angelo Jazz Project led by Jim Bode Jazz. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: October 16-August 7 Salmon

Sculpture Competition This annual exhibit of up to 15 large-scale, outdoor sculptures is on display until the next competition's works are placed. Sunken Garden Park, 704 S. David St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333







VERNON: April 23 Roy Orbison Birthday Picnic and Music Festival Downtown Main Street District. www.GoVernon.com 940/552-2581

WICHITA FALLS: April 8-23 "Sordid Lives"

This Southern comedy about acceptance and family values shows that sometimes it takes a death to bring a family together. Dinner starts at 6:30 p.m., and the show begins at 7:30 p.m. Backdoor Theatre, 501 Indiana Ave. http://backdoortheatre.org 940/322-5000

WICHITA FALLS: April 16 Red River Wine and Beer Festival The largest wine- and beer-tasting event in the Wichita Falls area. J.S. Bridwell Ag Center, 111 N. Burnett St. www.redriverwinefestival. com 940/733-0936 or 940/781-5570

WICHITA FALLS: April 16 Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra Concert Memorial Auditorium, 1300 Seventh St. www.wfso.org 940/723-6202

WICHITA FALLS: April 22-23 Wichita Falls PRCA Rodeo Begins at 7 p.m. nightly, including barrel racing, saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, steer wrestling, team roping, calf roping and bull riding. J.S. Bridwell Ag Center, 111 N. Burnett. www.facebook.com/WFPRCA/timeline 940/867-8022

PINEY WOODS

CONROE: April 2 Texas Wildlife and Woodland Expo and Spring Fling This free, educational and

interactive land and nature event includes live demonstrations, outdoor adventures and skills training. LSC-Montgomery, 3200 College Park Drive. http://expo.tamu.edu

CROCKETT: April 2 Bill Haley Jr. and the Comets in Concert Piney Woods Fine Arts Association presents Bill Haley Jr. and the Comets, a high-energy five-piece combo performing crowd-pleasing songs by the legendary Bill Haley and the Comets, and other popular tunes from the '50s and '60s. Crockett Civic Center, 1100 Edminston Drive. www.pwfaa.org 936/544-4276

GLADEWATER: April 16 East Texas Gusher Days

Features a car show, arts-and-crafts vendors, food, live entertainment, a chili cook-off and a parade. Related events include an April 15 kickoff luncheon and the bass tournament April 23. Downtown. 903/845-5501

HUNTSVILLE: April 1-9 Walker County Fair and Rodeo Includes pro rodeo events, livestock exhibits, a carnival, contests, dances and a barbecue cook-off. Walker County Fairgrounds, 3925 Texas 30 W. www.walkercountyfair.com 936/291-8763

HUNTSVILLE: April 9 Herb Festival at the Wynne Home Find garden and herbal vendors, food, speakers, children's crafts, music and art. Wynne Home Arts Center, 1428 11th St. www.texasthymeunit.org 936/891-5024

JEFFERSON: April 1-3 Citywide Rummage Sale Various locations. www.jefferson-texas.com 903/665-2672 JEFFERSON: April 1-3, 15-16 Jefferson Flea

Market Shop for new and antique items, arts and crafts, garage-sale items, furniture, fixtures, books, dishes, office supplies and more. 213 W. Broadway. www.jeffersonfleamarket.net 903/431-0043

JEFFERSON: April 2 History, Haunts and

Legends This is an exciting event for history buffs, avid ghost hunters and people with an interest in the unexplained and things that go bump in the night. Jefferson Transportation and Visitor Center, 305 E. Austin. www.jeffersonghostwalk.com 902/665-6289

JEFFERSON: April 7-10 Diamond Don's 14th Annual AHRMA Riverport National Vintage

Motocross This natural-terrain track motocross race features international legends of the sport. Features a charity golf tournament Thursday, cross-country and trials Friday, vintage racing Saturday and post-vintage racing Sunday. Diamond Don's RV Park, 1602 Texas 49 E. www.diamonddon.com 866/398-2038

JEFFERSON: April 15-17 Outlaw Nationals Classic Car Show Features classic cars from 1972 or earlier. Downtown. 903/665-7121

JEFFERSON: April 28-May 1 Jefferson Historical Pilgrimage This collection of annual events includes re-enactments of the Battle for Jefferson at Cypress River Ranch, historic home tours downtown, the Great Locomotive Chase and Naval Battle at the Historical Jefferson Railway, a craft fair, twilight garden stroll, quilt exhibits and demonstrations, the Pilgrimage Parade and performances of the Diamond Bessie Murder Trial play. Various venues. www.jeffersontexas.com/events or www.jeffersonpilgrimage.com 903/665-3733

LIBERTY: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Liberty Opry Enjoy live, family-oriented musical entertainment with a different theme each week and a little comedy, too. Liberty Opry, 1816 Sam Houston St. **www.libertyopry.com 936/336-5830**

LONGVIEW: April 8-10 Beauty and the Beast Ballet Longview Ballet Theatre and Ballet West 2 present this beloved fairy tale. Belcher Performance Center, 2100 Mobberly Ave. www.longviewballet. org 903/238-7625

LUFKIN: April 7 Jane Monheit in Concert The Pines Theater, 113 S. First St. www.thepineslufkin. com 936/633-0359

LUFKIN: April 20-23 Angelina Benefit Rodeo George H. Henderson, Jr. Exposition Center, 1200 Ellen Trout Drive. http://angelinabenefit rodeo.com 936/637-3976

MAGNOLIA: April 1-2 Barbecue Cook-Off
This event is sanctioned by the IBCA. Unity Park,
19450 Unity Park Drive. www.magnoliatexas.org
281/356-1488

MAGNOLIA: April 1-2 Magnolia Showdown
Barbecue Cook-Off Cookers from all over Texas
show off their skills in this event sanctioned by the
Lone Star Barbecue Society. The 2016 Grand Champion winner receives tickets to compete at The
American Royal in Kansas City, Mo. Unity Park,
19450 Unity Park Drive. www.magnoliatexas.org
281/356-1488

MAGNOLIA: April 16 Depot Day Includes children's activities, live demonstrations by the Houston Blacksmith Association, music, an arts-and-crafts market and famous Johnny Rollins barbecue, Historic Magnolia Depot, 426 Melton St. www.magnoliatx historicalsociety.com 281/356-8514 or 281/259-6600

MONTGOMERY: April 2 Texas Wildlife and Woodland Expo This free, educational and interactive land and nature event includes live demonstrations, outdoor adventures and skills training. Lone Star College-Montgomery, www.lonestar.edu/ montgomery

PALESTINE: March 18-20, 25-27, April 1-3 **Dogwood Trails Celebration** Enjoy the delicate beauty of the Dogwood trees in Davey Dogwood Park and surrounding area, plus activities scheduled each weekend. Various locations, www.visitpalestine. com 903/723-3014

PALESTINE: April 15-24 The 1836 Chuckwagon Race Bring horses, mules and wagons to camp out on the ranch and participate in the many activities on the schedule, or just come and watch the fun. Races begin Friday at 1 p.m., drawing competitors from all over the U.S. in four wagon classes, bronc fanning. pasture roping, mounted shooting and the Alamo race. Diamond B Ranch, 11589 F.M. 321.

http://1836chuckwagonrace.com 903/721-9111

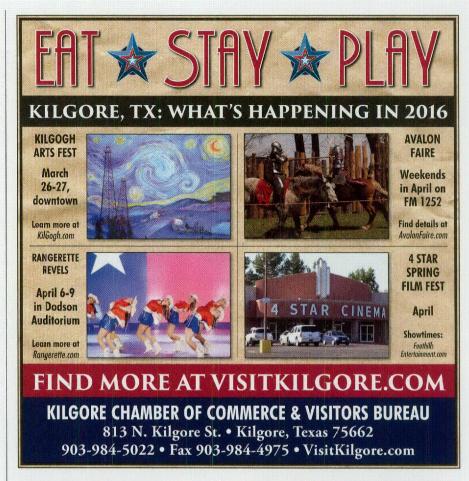
PALESTINE: April 30-May 1 Railfan Photographer's Special Railfans get an opportunity to photograph a Texas State Railroad Engine at several locations along the track. Wear closed-toe shoes for the rough and rural terrain in some locations. Saturday is a night shoot and Sunday is a day shoot. Texas State Railroad Palestine Depot, U.S. 84 at Park Road 70. www.texasstaterr.com 877/726-7245

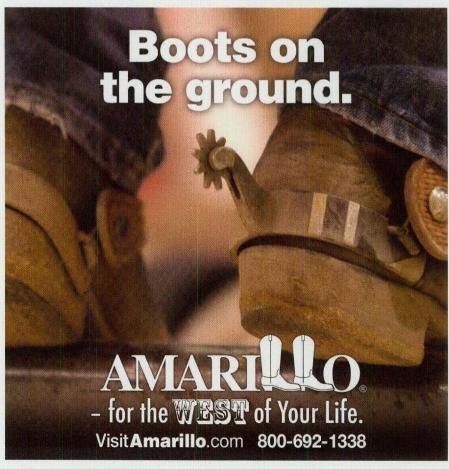
TEXARKANA: April 20-24 Bankhead Highway Centennial Parade Across Texas Vintage cars of the 1920s-1960s participate in a parade through 50 Texas towns between Texarkana and Odessa to celebrate the 100th anniversary of U.S. Senator John Hollis Bankhead's Federal Aid Highway Act creating the first nationwide, coast-to-coast federally subsidized highway. The Bankhead Highway was named in honor of Sen. Bankhead, who became know as the "Father of Good Roads." Cars assemble Wednesday night at the Texarkana Four States Museum for a brief display. The four-day parade across Texas begins Thursday with brief stops in every small town and city. Various locations. http://clubs.hemmings.com/ americanindependentautos 903/886-7664 or 903/366-1036

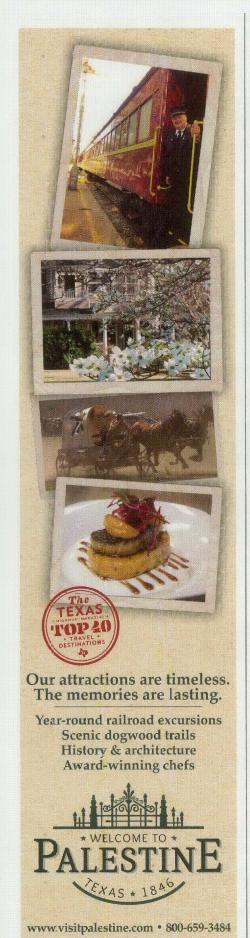
THE WOODLANDS: April 3 Mumford and Sons in Concert Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, 2005 Lake Robbins Drive. www.woodlandscenter.org

THE WOODLANDS: April 8 Bryan Adams in Concert Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, 2005 Lake Robbins Drive, www.woodlandscenter.org

TYLER: February 7-May 15 "Chihuly: Works from Texas Collections" This exhibition features more than 30 unique works by internationally acclaimed glass artist Dale Chihuly, drawn from the museum's collection, as well as public and private collections throughout the state. Tyler Museum of Art, 1300 S. Mahon Ave. www.tylermuseum.org 903/595-1001







TYLER: March 25-April 10 Azalea and Spring Flower Trail This 57th annual celebration features miles of blooming azaleas, dogwoods and spring flowers. Various locations. www.visittyler.com 903/592-1661

TYLER: March 25-April 10 Tyler State Park Dogwood Days Driving and Walking Tour Take a self-guided vehicle tour or enjoy a leisurely stroll down the many trails at Tyler State Park to see beautiful blooming dogwoods. Includes ranger programs on Saturdays, Tyler State Park, 789 Park Road 16. www.tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/tyler 903/597-5338

TYLER: April 1-2 ETSO Piano Festival The East Texas Symphony Orchestra Association presents this third-annual piano festival featuring master classes and two nights of concerts. Liberty Theatre, 103 E. Erwin St. www.etso.org 903/526-3876

TYLER: April 2 Camp Ford Living History This living-history event features Civil War cannon firing, women's wear, children's clothes and toys, blacksmith, flag display, arms, antiques and a small military scrimmage. Camp Ford. 903/522-1904

TYLER: April 7 The Hot Sardines This group's sound is steeped in hot jazz, salty stride piano and the kind of music Louis Armstrong, Django Reinhardt and Fats Waller used to make: straight-up, foot-stomping jazz. UT Tyler R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center, 3900 University Blvd. www.cowan center.org 903/566-7424

TYLER: April 8-10 Texas Rose Dressage Classic

Dressage-occasionally referred to as "horse ballet"is a competitive equestrian sport where horse and rider are expected to perform from memory a series of predetermined movements. Texas Rose Horse Park, 14078 Texas 110 N. www.texasrosehorsepark. com 903/882-8696

TYLER: April 9 "Spirits of Oakwood" Take a quided walking tour through this Texas Historic Cemetery, visiting grave sites of historical and early Tyler pioneers where historians in period dress tell their stories. Tours begin at 1 p.m., with the last tour starting at 4:30 p.m. Oakwood Cemetery. 903/593-4642

TYLER: April 9-10 Azalea Arts-and-Crafts Fair Features more than 80 vendors offering handmade art, jewelry, wood crafts and more. Bergfeld Park, 1510 S. College Ave. www.tylerparksandrec.com 903/531-1214

TYLER: April 9 Junior Brown in Concert Liberty Theater, 103 E. Erwin St. www.libertytyler.com 903/595-7274

TYLER: April 11 "The Cat in the Hat" UT Tyler R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center. www.cowancenter.org 903/566-7424

TYLER: April 16 Frank Caliendo Comedian, actor and impressionist Frank Caliendo is an 11-year veteran of television sketch comedy and is currently a regular contributor on ESPN's "Mike and Mike," He's also been seen on comedy specials on TBS and Comedy Central, and is a regular on the late night talk show circuit including "Jimmy Kimmel Live!" and "The Tonight Show." UT Tyler R. Don Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center. www.cowancenter.org 903/566-7141

TYLER: April 16 Funky Junk Roundup One-day shopping extravaganza features vintage finds, handcrafted items, antique decor, repurposed items, boutiques and more. Harvey Convention Center, 2000 W. Front St. www.montagefestivals.com 405/401-7193

WOODVILLE: April 2 Tyler County Dogwood Festival This 73rd annual outdoor festival offers a 5K fun run, arts and crafts, antique autos, parade, coronation ceremony, historical play and fireworks. Downtown, 100 W. Bluff St. www.tylercountydogwood festival.org 409/283-2632

PRAIRIES AND LAKES

ADDISON: April 9 Walk MS Addison Circle Park, 4950 Addison Circle Drive. www.addisontexas.net 972/450-2800

ADDISON: April 16-17 Wellness Expo Features lectures and more than 100 exhibitors offering nutritional products, Reiki, reflexology and more. Addison Conference Centre, 15650 Addison Road. www.addisontexas.net 972/450-6241

ARLINGTON: April 3 WWE Wrestlemania 32 The world's largest event in wrestling descends on Arlington for its 32nd year. AT&T Stadium, 1 AT&T Way. http://stadium.dallascowboys.com 817/892-4000

ARLINGTON: April 22-23 Festival of Quilts Show The Quilters' Guild of Arlington presents their annual show-this year's theme is "The Ties That Bind." Features more than 200 quilts, vendors, appraisals and a silent auction of miniature quilts benefiting Susan G. Komen Foundation. Bob Duncan Community Center, 2800 S. Center St. www.qgoa.org 682/518-3074

BASTROP: April 29-30 Yesterfest This celebration of the myriad cultures that settled in this area includes music, historical re-creations and demonstrations, costumed characters, tours of historic homes, pony rides and hayrides, vendors and children's activities. Downtown. http://bastrop yesterfest.org

BELTON: April 2 Tour of The Gault Site The Gault Site has been home to humans for more than 13,000 years. This tour of the famous archaeological site lasts about 2.5 hours and goes over 1 mile of gentle terrain. Registration is required. Participants meet at the museum and head to the site, about 30 minutes away, in their own vehicles at 8:30 a.m. The Bell County Museum, 201 N. Main St. www.bellcounty museum.org 254/933-5243

BELTON: April 13-August 6 "Grand Ole Opry-Classics" See 30 black-and-white images by commercial photographer Gordon Gillingham, which offer a rare glimpse inside the Nashville-based radio show that brought country music to the masses. The Bell County Museum, 201 N. Main St. www.bellcountymuseum.org 254/933-5243

BELTON: April 16 Discovery Day with Charley Chisholm Features new activities each month. The Bell County Museum, 201 N. Main St. www.bellcountymuseum.org 254/933-5243

BONHAM: April 16 Red River Art, Wine and Music Fest Includes artists, vendors, wine tasting, music and a silent auction. Creative Arts Center, 200 W. Fifth St. www.creativeartscenter.us 903/640-2196

BRENHAM: April 10 Heritage Society Spring Homes Tour Heritage Belles in period dress guide quests through three homes of historic and architectural note. Giddings Stone Mansion, 2203 Century Circle. www.giddingsstonemansion.com 979/836-1690

BRYAN: April 23 Wine and Roses This festival celebrates the 32nd anniversary of the budding of the vines and the blooming of the roses at the winery and estate. Guests can enjoy wine tastings, local vendors and artisans, pairing classes, the infamous grape stomp competition and more. Messina Hof Winery and Resort, 4545 Old Reliance Road, www.messina hof.com/wineandroses 800/736-9463 ext. 234

BURTON: March 25-April 2 La Bahia Antique Show Find antiques, collectibles, vintage and repurposed items, garden art, pottery and country cooking, La Bahia Hall, 550 U.S. 290 W. www.labahiaantiques.com 979/289-2684

BURTON: April 15-16 Burton Cotton Gin Festival

The cotton era comes alive with tours, a parade, auctions, live music, folklife demonstrations, a tractor pull, petting zoo and contests at this 27th annual festival Texas Cotton Gin Museum, 307 N. Main. www.cottonginmuseum.org 979/289-3378

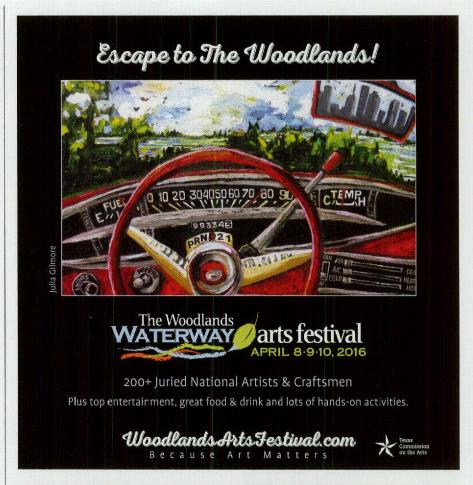
CHAPPELL HILL: April 9-10 Official Bluebonnet Festival of Texas Features vendor booths, food. live entertainment and tours of this historic community in the heart of bluebonnet country. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. Downtown. www.chappellhillmuseum.org or www.chappellhillhistoricalsociety.com 979/836-6033

CHAPPELL HILL: April 9-10 Official Bluebonnet Festival of Texas Enjoy live music, shopping with more than 400 vendors, food and other family fun during wildflower season. Downtown. www.chappell hillhistoricalsociety.com 979/836-6033

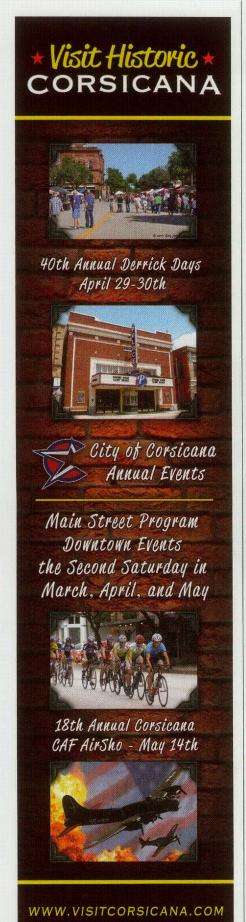
CLEBURNE: March 18-April 23 "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" Millie, a young bride living in the 1850s Oregon wilderness, plans to civilize and marry off her six rowdy brothers-in-law to ensure the success of her own marriage. Shows run Thursday-Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Plaza Theatre Company, 111 S Main St. www.plaza-theatre.com 817/202-0600

CLEBURNE: April 29-May 21 "Heaven Can Wait" When Joe, a young prize-fighter, finds himself in heaven after his passing, he is certain that he's there too soon. Shows are Thursdays-Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Plaza Theatre Company, 111 S. Main St. www.plazatheatre.com 817/202-0600

CLEBURNE: April 29-30 Cowboys for Kids PBR Bull Riding Begins Friday with the Roping the Stars Gala, including music, a program, and live and silent auction. Saturday includes a children's stick-horse rodeo, a ranch rodeo and celebrity team roping Saturday night. Johnson County Sheriff's Posse Grounds, 1315 S. Main St. www.cowboysforkids-jc.org 817/558-1599







CLEBURNE: April 30 SpringFest Celebrate spring in downtown Cleburne with with vendors, food, entertainment, a carnival and other activities. Hulen Park, 900 Hillsboro St. www.cleburnedowntown association.com 817/645-2455

CLIFTON: March 13-April 24 Wildflower Art Show Features area artists. Bosque Museum, 301 S. Avenue Q. www.bosquemuseum.org 254/675-3845

CLIFTON: April 8 T.G. Sheppard in Concert T.G. Sheppard is the legendary singer of country hits "Last Cheater's Waltz." "Slow Burn." "Do You Wanna Go To Heaven,"and "I Loved 'Em Every One." Bosque Arts Center, 215 S. College Hill Drive. www.BosqueArts Center.org 254/675-3724

CLIFTON: April 9 Big Event This annual live auction and dinner features original artwork by nationally renowned artists, dinner, activities and exciting trips and items up for grabs. Bosque Arts Center, 215 S. College Hill Drive. www.BosqueArtsCenter.org 254/675-3724

CLIFTON/MERIDIAN: April 15-16 Bosque Countywide Garage Sale Find vendors and bargains in the communities of Clifton, Meridian, Walnut Springs, Iredell, Cranfills Gap, Walnut Springs, Lakeside Village, Laguna Park and others. A full listing with exact locations of the sales and what each location is offering can be found online. Hours are

8 a.m.-5 p.m. Various locations. http://bosque. agrilife.org 254/435-2331

COLLEGE STATION: April 1-2 Living History Weekend Features military vehicle and living-history displays, including an American Signal Corps unit, U.S. infantry and airborne paratroopers camps, and German infantry camps. There's also a WWII battle re-enactment at 3 p.m. Saturday, weapons demonstrations at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, vendors and more. Museum of the American G.I., 19124 Texas 6 S. http://americangimuseum.org/events/livinghistory-weekend 979/446-6888

COLLEGE STATION: April 29 RIOULT Dance NY Begins at 7 p.m. Rudder Theatre, 401 Joe Routt Blvd. http://academyarts.tamu.edu

CORSICANA: April 29-30 Derrick Days Pro

Rodeo Exciting rodeo action features contestants from the CPRA and UPRA, as well as thrilling American Freestyle Bullfights and McCoy's Mutton Bustin' for the little ones. The action-packed, fast-paced performance will also feature five-time CPRA Contract Act of the Year Ronald Burton, four-time UPRA Announcer of the Year West Huggins, and the award-winning livestock of the Hat Brand Rodeo Company. Navarro County Exposition Center, 4021 Texas 22 W. www.derrickdays.com 903/654-1653

CORSICANA: April 30 Derrick Days Discover Corsicana's rich history, which includes Texas' first oil boom at the turn of the century, in this hometown festival. Includes a parade, chili cook-off, entertainment stages, vendors, food booths, carnival, oil field tours, rodeo and volleyball tournament. Downtown. www.derrickdays.com 903/654-4851

DALLAS: September 18-July 31 "Spirit and Matter: Masterpieces from the Keir Collection of Islamic Art" Assembled through five decades by the

noted art collector Edmund de Unger (1918-2011), the Keir Collection is recognized by scholars as one of the most geographically and historically comprehensive of its kind, encompassing almost 2,000 works spanning three continents and 13 centuries of Islamic cultural production. Dallas Museum of Art. www.DMA.org

DALLAS: January 9- May 31 "Anne Frank: A History for Today" This exhibit gives us insight into the family and world events that shaped Anne Frank's life, going beyond the pages of her famous diary to provide a wider perspective on the Holocaust, human rights, the Nazis and the Frank family's experiences in hiding. Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance, 211 N. Record St. www.dallasholocaustmuseum.org 214/741-7500

DALLAS: March 4-April 3 "Hansel and Gretel"

Two children in search of food for their hungry family get lost in an enchanted forest. They must depend on all their powers of imagination to save them from the crafty, mysterious old woman in the candy house and (in this less "grim" version) lead them back to the loving arms of their parents. Presented by Dallas Children's Theatre. Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman. www.dct.org

DALLAS: March 18-April 10 "The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane" The award-winning author of "Because of Winn-Dixie" and The National Ambassador for Young People's Literature launches the extraordinary pilgrimage of Edward, a beautiful, much-loved toy rabbit who loves only himself. When he is ripped from the arms of his doting young owner and lost, Edward finds that his breakable heart can learn to love, lose, and love again, Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman. www.dct.org

DALLAS: April 4 Minetti Quartet in Concert Presented by the Dallas Chamber Music Society. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Caruth Auditorium, 6101 Bishop Blvd. www.DallasChamberMusic.org 844/326-7844

DALLAS: April 5 "Dominic Smith: Dutch Masters and Deceit" In Dominic Smith's spellbinding new novel, "The Last Painting of Sara De Vos," one 17th-century painting changes the course of three lives: the woman who paints it, the lawyer who inherits it, and the art history student who forges it. This event serves as the launch party for the novel. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: April 7 National Geographic Speaker Series: Charlie Hamilton James Award-winning photographer, filmmaker and TV presenter Charlie Hamilton James is best known for his wildlife photography. A man of many cameras, James prolifically delivers compelling photography, from the evasive kingfisher to the commanding lion to the Amazonian people. Perot Museum of Nature and Science, 2201 N. Field St. www.perotmuseum.org 214/428-5555

DALLAS: April 8 "Padma Lakshmi: Food and Family" This installment of the Arts and Letters Live series presents an evening with Padma Lakshmi. A vivid memoir of food and family, survival and triumph punctuated with recipes, "Love, Loss, and What We Ate" traces Lakshmi's journey from a humble kitchen to "Top Chef" and beyond. First United Methodist Church of Dallas. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: April 12 "Daniel James Brown: Guts and Glory" This installment of the Arts and Letters Live series presents author Daniel James Brown, whose longtime No. 1 New York Times bestseller also won the distinction of 2014 Nonfiction Book of the Year by the American Booksellers Association. First United Methodist Church of Dallas, www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: April 15-September 5 "Eye of the

Collector" This exhibit brings together amazing personal collections of nine very different people-from the exquisite to the quirky, from historical artifacts to pop culture. Not only can visitors marvel at the items themselves, they'll also get a glimpse into the minds of the collectors and find out what inspired them to see the magic in items ranging from everyday utensils to rare treasures. Perot Museum of Nature and Science. www.perotmuseum.org

DALLAS: April 19 "Skip Hollandsworth: The Hunt for America's First Serial Killer" Skip Hollandsworth-award-winning journalist, executive editor for Texas Monthly and screenwriter of the acclaimed film "Bernie"—can now add author to his impressive resume. This event celebrates the release of his first book, "The Midnight Assassin: Panic, Scandal, and the Hunt for America's First Serial Killer," about Austin's "servant girl annihilator" in the mid-1880s. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

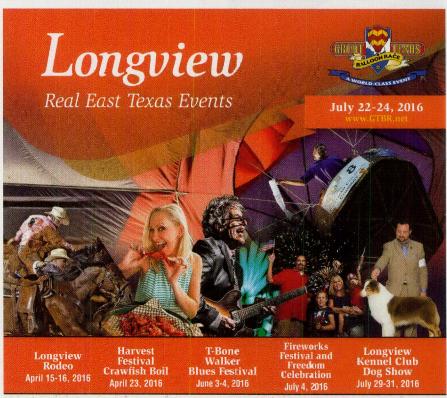
DALLAS: April 27-29 David Sedaris Sedaris presents new and unpublished material in his seventh annual visit to Dallas. Sedaris has become one of America's pre-eminent humor writers, with bestselling books such as "Barrel Fever" and "Holidays on Ice," as well as collections of personal essays. Sedaris' pieces appear regularly in the New Yorker and on the public radio show "This American Life," and have twice been included in "The Best American Essays." Dallas City Performance Hall. www.attpac.org

DALLAS: April 29-May 22 "Roald Dahl's 'The BFG' (Big Friendly Giant)" For a young orphan, the sight of a giant outside her window is terrifying, and she fears for her life when he whisks her away to an enchanted land. This Big Friendly Giant is not like other giants, and they embark on a guest to save England from the "gizzard-gulping" giants who don't have the BFG's tender heart. Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman, www.dct.org

DALLAS: April 29 Soundings: New Music at the Nasher At once a painfully intimate poetic cry and an anthem for the Beat Generation, Soundings presents Allen Ginsberg's "Howl" in Lee Hyla's setting for string quartet and narrator, with baritone William Sharp and the Brentano String Quartet. Nasher Sculpture Center, 2001 Flora St. www.Nasher SculptureCenter.org

DALLAS: April 30 "Curtis Sittenfeld: Jane Austen Remixed" Sittenfeld is the bestselling author of the novels "Prep," "The Man of My Dreams," "American Wife" and "Sisterland," which have been translated into 25 languages. Her nonfiction has been published by the New York Times and broadcast on public radio's "This American Life." Dallas Public Library Auditorium, www.dma.org 214/922-1200





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DECATUR: April 9 Glitzy Girls Trailer Park

Remodeled vintage travel trailers fill the historic Decatur square. Tour the trailers, shop with local boutiques and vendors, enjoy live music, play games and enjoy other activities. Decatur Square. 940/627-3177

DENTON: February 5-April 1 "Materials Hard and Soft" This annual exhibit attracts hundreds of entries from across the nation in all visual arts media. Denton Center for Visual Arts, 400 E. Hickory St. www.dentonarts.com/subsite2/materialshands. html 940/382-2787

DENTON: April 2 North Texas Horse Country Tour Take a guided motorcoach tour to meet the stars of the North Texas equine world: million-dollar

stars of the North Texas equine world: million-dollar sires, million-dollar riders, world-champion horses, internationally acclaimed trainers and baby foals. Historical Park of Denton County, 210 S. Elm St. www.horsecountrytours.com 940/382-7895

DENTON: April 28 Twilight Tunes The region's most talented musicians perform on the courthouse lawn at this weekly event. Denton Courthouse-on-the-Square lawn, 110 W. Hickory St. www.denton mainstreet.org 940/367-7321

DENTON: April 29-May 1 Denton Arts and Jazz Festival This annual celebration of the arts features more than 2,500 professional and amateur performers on seven stages showcasing the best in jazz, pop, rhythm and blues and full orchestra music. Also see works by a juried selection of fine artists and craftspeople from all over the region and enjoy children's entertainment and activities. Quakertown Park, 321 E. McKinney St. www.dentonjazzfest.com 940/565-0931

ELGIN: February 4 Flea Market Days Elgin Memorial Park. **512/285-4025**

ELGIN: April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Music in the Park Series Bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy an evening of live music. Begins at 8 p.m. Veterans' Memorial Park, 109 Depot St. www.elgintx.com 512/285-6190

ELGIN: April 14 Sip, Shop and Stroll Hours are 5-8 p.m. Downtown. www.elgintx.com 512/285-5721

ENNIS: March 18-April 3 "Crimes of the Heart" Ennis Public Theatre, 2705-C N. Kaufman St. www.ennispublictheatre.com 972/878-7529

ENNIS: April 8-24 "Cinderella" Theatre Rocks!, 505 N.W. Main St. www.theatrerocks.com 972/878-5126

ENNIS: April 15-17 Bluebonnet Trails Festival

This event pays tribute to the Texas state flower with arts and crafts, food, live music, children's activities, vendors and maps to wildflower hot spots. Downtown, 101 N.W. Main St. W. www.visitennis.org 972/878-4748

FLATONIA: April 2 Flatonia Rail Fan Pavilion
Party Train enthusiasts gather at a popular watching
spot to see the trains go by. Rail Road Photo Pavilion
at the Crossroads. www.sidetracktommy.com
979/743-5366

FLATONIA: April 2 Spring Market Day with the Texas Independence Relay Exchange Zone

Browse arts-and-crafts vendors and enjoy food, games for children, and the excitement of relay-race

handoffs as runners compete on a course from Gonzales to the San Jacinto Monument in La Porte.

Downtown, www.flatoniachamber.com

FLATONIA: April 16 Crawfest Enjoy a crawfish feat with all the trimmings plus live music, beer and wine from 6 p.m.-midnight. Flatonia American Legion Hall, 1225 U.S. 90 E. www.flatoniachamber.com

FORT WORTH: May 19, 2015-May 30, 2016
"Pasture Cows Crossing Indian Creek" A visionary storyteller, Esther Pearl Watson blends memories and imagination to capture her Texas upbringing. She is presently at work on a mural-size painting specifically for the Amon Carter's atrium. As part of the museum's program of rotating contemporary artworks in the atrium space, "Pasture Cows Crossing Indian Creek" is an exciting addition to an ongoing exploration of Texas artists and their contributions to modern American art. Amon Carter Museum of American Art, 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. www.carter museum.org 817/738-1933

FORT WORTH: September 12, 2015-September 19, 2016 "Texas Folk Art" This exhibit features the spirited work of some of the state's most original painters and sculptors, including H. O. Kelly, Reverend Johnnie Swearingen, Velox Ward and Clara McDonald Williamson. Developing their own styles, these artists were unfettered by the conventions of academic training and traditional guidelines of artmaking. Lively storytelling was their primary focus, and they used any pictorial means necessary to create animated narratives about working, playing and worshipping in Texas. Amon Carter Museum of American Art, 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. www.cartermuseum. org 817/738-1933

FORT WORTH: January 30-April 17 "FOCUS: Glenn Kaino" Glenn Kaino's assemblage process carefully balances formal and conceptual concerns as the artist combines an often unexpected mix of materials to best communicate an idea, history or system that might be less effective with traditional art media. Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, 3200 Darnell St. www.themodern.org

FORT WORTH: February 6-May 1 "American Epics: Thomas Hart Benton and Hollywood" The first major exhibition in more than 25 years to feature the life and works of the renowned American painter Thomas Hart Benton (1889–1975) explores the previously overlooked relationship between Benton's art and movie making. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org

FORT WORTH: March 5-August 7 "Discarded: Photographs by Anthony Hernandez" This exhibit portrays the halting spread of Los Angeles into the lower reaches of California's Central Valley to the desert region east of Palm Springs. Centering largely on housing developments that have been abandoned at various stages of their construction, the exhibition reminds us of Americans' penchant for discarding what we no longer want, and how individuals sometimes get caught in this same current. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org

FORT WORTH: March 24-April 16 NCHA Superstakes Classic Enjoy one of the world's fastest growing equine sports. Will Rogers Memorial Center. www.nchacutting.com 817/244-6188 FORT WORTH: March 31-April 3 Fort Worth Food and Wine Festival Sundance Square. www.fwfwf.com 817/336-8791

FORT WORTH: April 14-17 Main Street Fort Worth Art Festival Nine blocks of Fort Worth's historic brick-paved Main Street become a marketplace of arts, crafts, food and entertainment, On Main Street from Belknap to Ninth. www.mainstreetarts fest.org 817/870-1692

FORT WORTH: April 17-September 4 "Frank Stella: A Retrospective" This exhibition presents Frank Stella's career to date, showcasing his prolific output from the mid-1950s to the present through approximately 100 works, including paintings, reliefs, maquettes, sculptures and drawings. Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth. www.themodern.org 817/738-9215

FORT WORTH: April 23-May 8 Fort Worth Opera Festival Includes performances of "JFK," "Buried Alive," "Embedded" and "the Barber of Seville." Schedule is available on the website. Various venues. www.fwopera.org 877/396-7372

FORT WORTH: April 28-May 1 Mayfest This family festival features food, arts and crafts, and live performances on the banks of the Trinity River. Trinity Park, 2401 University Drive. www.mayfest.org 817/332-1055

FORT WORTH: April 30-July 17 "FOCUS:

Thomas Demand" The photographs of Thomas Demand merge truthful documentation and unsettling artifice-two polarities raised by photography since its inception. For more than two decades, Demand has built intricate, life-sized, 3-D models made of colored construction paper and cardboard that faithfully replicate specific architectural spaces and natural settings. He photographs the ephemeral structure and destroys it once the image is made. He uses the same sculptural techniques with stop-motion animation in his films. Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, 3200 Darnell St. www.themodern.org

FRISCO: April 2-3 Arts in the Square This juried arts-and-crafts festival features more than 120 of the best local and regional artists selling their handmade creations. Also enjoy live music, food and other activities. Frisco Square, 8874 Coleman Blvd. www.friscosquare.com/AITS

GAINESVILLE: April 9 Medal of Honor Parade

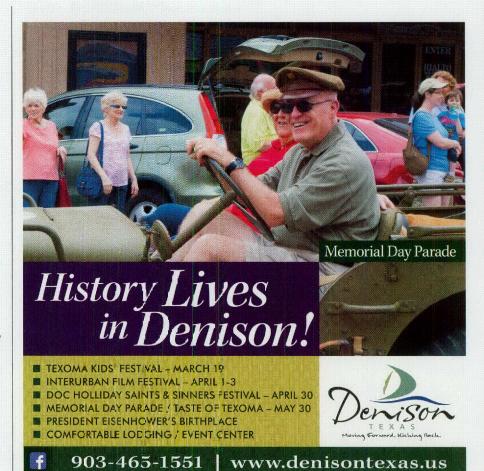
A parade and program with military and high school bands, police and firefighters from across the state, floats and restored military vehicles fill downtown Gainesville while vintage planes and helicopters circle overhead. Downtown, 311 S. Weaver St.

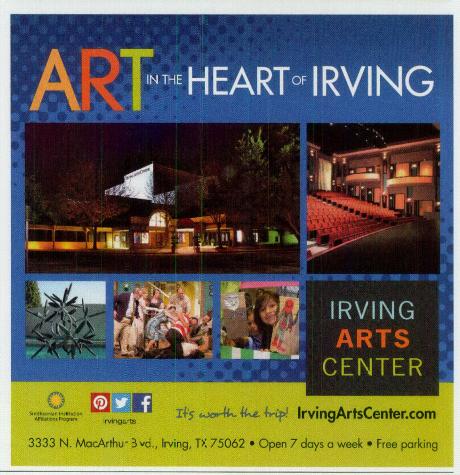
http://medalofhonorhostcity.com 940/665-2831

GARLAND: April 9 Urban Flea This outdoor market features vintage and homemade vendors, live music and food trucks. 701 W. Avenue A. www.resurrected designs.com 469/298-0042

GARLAND: April 16 The Marketplace Browse fresh local produce, culinary items and artisan vendors. Downtown. www.themarketplacedfw.com

GARLAND: April 18 Dallas Charity Drive Golf Tournament 2016 Firwheel Golf Park—The Lakes Course, 600 W. Campbell Road. www.armsofhope. org/pages/home 830/522-2200







GARLAND: April 23 Wheels of Hope Car Show

Car show supports the Hope Clinic for low-income patients. Downtown on the Square, 150 N. Sixth St. http://wheelsofhopegarland.com 469/800-2500

GLEN ROSE: March 31-April 2 Paluxy River Spring Bluegrass Festival Lineup includes Marksmen, Kody Norris, Second Time Around, Garland Blocker and Blue Tradition, and Joe Bass and Double Mountain Boys. Oakdale Park. 254/897-2321 or 254/897-3081

GLEN ROSE: April 16 Murder Mystery Dinner and

Tour Do you have what it takes to follow the clues and find the culprit? Participants will be e-mailed their character description and instructions before meeting at Foothills Safari Camp for the first clue. Board the vans for a mini tour of Fossil Rim Wildlife Center and listen carefully for clues. After the mini tour, dinner will be served. Runs from 5–9 p.m. Fossil Rim Wildlife Center, 2299 C.R. 2008. **www.fossil rim.org 254/897-2960**

GLEN ROSE: April 21-24 Lone Star Hunter Jumper Show Somervell County Expo Center. 254/897-4509

GRANBURY: April 29-30 Granbury Wine Walk

Experience the authentic character of Texas through its wine, food, music and art. Includes a "Sip and Savor" VIP event Thursday evening with food pairings from some of North Texas' favorite chefs. Wine Walk hours are 2–8 p.m. Friday and 11 a.m.–7 p.m. Saturday. Enjoy offerings from more than Texas wineries, food, art and live local music at several clusters around Granbury's Historic Square. At 201 E. Pearl St. www.granburywinewalk.com 682/498-3087

GRAND PRAIRIE: April 9 Bryan Adams in Concert Begins at 8 p.m. Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRAND PRAIRIE: April 18 Ellie Goulding in Concert Begins at 7 p.m. Verizon Theatre, 1001 Performance Place. www.verizontheatre.com 972/854-5111

GRANDVIEW: April 15-17 Antique Alley Texas and 30 Miles of Shopping Shop for treasures in five towns across the area: Grandview, Cleburne, Sand Flat, Maypearl and Alvarado. Downtown Grandview hosts hundreds of flea market-style vendors downtown. Find more vendors on the route from Grandview to Cleburne in pastures full of sales with safe and free parking (don't park on the highway). Maypearl and Alvarado offer more downtown sales and festivities. Pop and Gran's Antiques, 300 E. Criner St. www.AntiqueAlleyTexas.com 817/240-4948

GRAPEVINE: April 1-3, 8-10 A Day Out with

Thomas Enjoy a day full of fun with a real train ride aboard Thomas the Tank Engine's coaches, meet Sir Topham Hatt, and enjoy activities and crafts. Grapevine Vintage Railroad, 705 S. Main St. www.Historic Trains.org or www.museumoftheamerican railroad.org 866/468-7630

GRAPEVINE: April 9 Blessing of the Vines and New Vintage Wine and Gallery Trail Start the day at Delaney Vineyards and take part in the Blessing of the Vines, a centuries-old European ceremony to ensure robust vines and savory grapes, including wine tastings and live entertainment afterward. Then make your way to other tasting rooms on the New Vintage

Wine and Gallery Trail. Various locations, 2000 Champagne Boulevard. www.grapevinetexasusa. com/festivals-events/newvintage 817/410-3185

GRAPEVINE: April 15-16 ChocolateFest This event kicks off Friday with an evening of chocolate and wine, featuring the finest chocolatiers in the Dallas/Fort Worth region from 7-10 p.m. (for adults 21 and older only). On Saturday, enjoy a day of more chocolate with art. All proceeds from the event will go toward Travelers Aid Dallas/Fort Worth. Grapevine Convention Center, 1209 S. Main St. www.Chocolate FestGrapevine.org 817/410-3185

GRAPEVINE: April 16 Spring Into Nash Farm

Learn about life on the farm through heritage toys, kitchen gardening, cotton planting, farm animals, wagon rides, demonstrations of wood carving and blacksmithing, and wood-stove cooking. Hours are 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Nash Farm, 626 Ball St. www.Nash Farm.org 817/410-3185

HALLETTSVILLE: April 21-24 Texas State Championship Fiddler's Frolics Features the fiddling contest, plus a barbecue cook-off and craft vendors. Hallettsville KC Hall, 321 U.S. 77 S. www.kchall.com

INDEPENDENCE: April 2-3, 9-10 Coles Homes

Tours Tour one of the oldest homes in Washington County, featuring costumed interpreters and demonstrations, as well as views of a one-room school house. Coles Homes, intersection of F.M. 50 at F.M. 390. www.independencetx.com 979/251-9227

LEWISVILLE: April 9 Colorpalooza: A Celebration of Spring This celebration of the arts features art and music activities for all ages. Old Town Lewisville, 100 N. Charles St. www.cityoflewisville.com 972/219-3400

MANSFIELD: April 30 Sawyer Brown in Concert The LOT Downtown, 108 S. Main St. www.thelot downtown.com 817/791-4422

MCDADE: February 13-April 3 Sherwood Forest Faire Features more than 40 stage acts, shopping, food and other activities. Open on weekends from 10 a.m.-dusk, rain or shine. Old Potato Road, 1883 Old Hwy 20. www.sherwoodforestfaire.com 512/222-6680

MCKINNEY: April 9 Arts in Bloom Experience art in all its beautiful and intriguing forms at this all-day event featuring local and regional artists in the center of the magic of McKinney's historic shopping district. Also find music, food and shopping. Hours are 10 a.m.–6 p.m. Downtown. www.DowntownMcKinney.com 972/547-2660

MCKINNEY: April 9 Second Saturday Bird Walk

Beginning and intermediate birders explore prairie, woodland and wetland habitats to work on bird spotting and identification techniques. Walks last about begin at 8 a.m. and last about an hour and a half. Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary, 1 Nature Place. www.HeardMuseum.org 972/562-5566

MCKINNEY: April 15-16 Old Red Lumberyard

Find vintage and shabby-chic items in this junk market. Hours are 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Flour Mill District, 600 E. Louisiana. www.visitmckinney.com 214/544-1407



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MCKINNEY: April 9 Second Saturday on the Downtown Square Includes live music, art demonstrations, art gallery exhibit openings and meet-theartist receptions. Hours are 7–10 p.m. Historic downtown square. www.downtownmckinney.com 972/547-2660

MCKINNEY: April 15-17 Third Monday Trade
Days This is one of the largest flea markets in North
Texas, featuring more than 900 vendors. Hours are
8 a.m.-5 p.m. 4550 W. University. www.tmtd.com
972/562-5466

MESQUITE: April 2-30 Mesquite Creative Artists Association Exhibit Mesquite Arts Center Main Gallery, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquitearts center.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: April 2 Mesquite Rodeo Parade The parade follows its traditional route starting on Belt Line at Newsom, proceeding through downtown and ending on Galloway Avenue at New Market. Downtown. www.realtexasflavor.com 972/204-4925

MESQUITE: April 7, 14, 21, 28 Mesquite Outdoor Cover Band Series Mesquite Arts Center North Lawn, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquiteartscenter. org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: April 9 Florence Ranch Homestead Tours Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Florence Ranch Homestead, 1424 Barnes Bridge Road. www.historic mesquite.org 972/216-6468

MESQUITE: April 9 Mesquite Community Band Concert Begins at 4 p.m. Mesquite Arts Center Concert Hall, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquitearts center.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: April 15-17, 22-24, 29-May 1
"Brighton Beach Memoirs" Presented by
Mesquite Community Theater. Mesquite Arts Center
Black Box Theatre, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquite
communitytheatre.com 972/216-8126

MESQUITE: April 23 Opal Lawrence Historical Park Tours Hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Opal Lawrence Historical Park, 701 E. Kearney St. www.historic mesquite.org 972/216-6468

MOUNT VERNON: April 22-23 Bankhead Highway Centennial Celebration Enjoy the Time Travel Parade, Bankhead Highway Short Film Festival, brunch and other activities. Bankhead Highway, 113 Main St. www.mountvernonmainstreet.com 903/537-4070

NECHES: April 22-24 The 1836 Chuckwagon Race Includes five classes of wagon racing, team roping, mounted shooting matches and more at this Western event. Diamond B Ranch, 11589 F.M. 321.

www.1836chuckwagonrace.com 903/723-3014

PLANO: March 31-April 23 "When Did You Last See Your Trousers?" While Howard and his girlfriend sleep, a burglar climbs through the window and steals his suit. How will Howard make it back to the suburbs to his wife in his underwear? Rover Dramawerks Theatre. www.roverdramawerks.com

PLANO: April 16 The Plano Symphony Orchestra in Concert Conductor Hector Guzman and the Plano Symphony conclude the season with Beethoven's monumental Symphony No. 9. St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 5801 W. Plano Parkway. www.planosymphony.org 972/473-7262



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EVEN THE most seasoned modern road tripper probably hasn't traveled the original Bankhead Highway-or they have and don't know it. To trace the historic highway's path the 100th anniversary of its birth, vintage cars from 1920-1960 will take to the roads April 20-24 as part of the Bankhead Highway Centennial Parade Across Texas.

The Bankhead Highway became one of the first coast-to-coast, federally subsidized highways after it was initiated by U.S. Sen. John Hollis Bankhead's Federal Aid Highway Act in 1916. Starting in Washington, D.C., it swung south before heading out west to San Diego. Of course, many more highways have been built since then, and the original path of the Bankhead Highway was largely forgotten or abandoned in many places. The Texas Historical Commission conducted a two-year study to trace the route through the state, using old maps to determine the path from Texarkana to El Paso, roughly following present-day U.S. 80, U.S. 67 and I-10.

The classic car parade will run from Texarkana to Odessa, cruising through wildflower season at a leisurely "1930s pace" so the older vehicles can stay with the pack. Drivers and passengers are encouraged to dress in vintage clothing to match their car's era. Vehicles assemble Wednesday night, April 20, at Texarkana's Four States Museum for a brief display, then head out the next day for a four-day parade. It will include brief stops in 50 Texas towns, including Mount Pleasant, Mount Vernon, Sulphur Springs, Greenville, Dallas, Fort Worth, Weatherford, Abilene and Sweetwater.

For more information, including a more detailed itinerary of stops, visit http://clubs. hemmings.com/americanindependentautos. or call 903/886-7664 or 903/366-1036. To learn more and plan your own trip, visit Texas Time Travel's page on the Bankhead Highway at http://texastimetravel.com/ node/28707. -Erin Inks

PLANTERSVILLE: April 29-30 St Mary's Quilt

Show See beautiful quilts on display in one of the area's historic "painted churches." St Mary Catholic Church, 8227 County Road 205. www.stmarysquilt show.com

RICHARDSON: April 10 "The Greatest Pirate Story Never Told" This improvised, interactive, musical pirate adventure was nominated as "Best Family Show of 2014" by the Off-Broadway Alliance Awards. Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive. www.eisemanncenter.com 972/744-4650

RICHARDSON: April 14-17 "Wiesenthal" Filled with hope, humanity and humor, this performance tells the riveting true story of Simon Wiesenthal, an ordinary man who did extraordinary things, Nicknamed the "Jewish James Bond," he devoted his life to bringing more than 1,100 Nazi war criminals to justice. Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive. www.eisemanncenter.com 972/744-4650

RICHARDSON: April 18 Jeffrey Siegel's Keyboard Conversations: "Musical Pictures"

This piano concert includes lively commentary that makes the music more accessible and meaningful for all. Each piece is performed in its entirety, and there is a question-and-answer session afterward. Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive. www.eisemann center.com 972/744-4650

RICHARDSON: April 23 The Summit: The Manhattan Transfer meets Take 6 Combining forces for the first time. The Manhattan Transfer and Take 6, two of the most award-winning vocal groups in pop music, create an unforgettable concert to thrill audiences of all ages. Eisemann Center, 2351 Performance Drive. www.eisemanncenter.com 972/744-

ROUND TOP: March 18-April 3 Round Top-**Warrenton Spring Antique Show** Antique shows stretch for 20 miles along F.M. 237. FM 237 between U.S. 290 and Texas 71. www.roundtop.org 979/249-4042

ROUND TOP: April 15-17 Poetry Forum Features readings, workshops, presentations and conversations. Round Top Festival Institute, 248 Jaster Road. http://festivalhill.org 979/249-3129

SALADO: April 1 Pub Crawl Enjoy April's Fools Day by sampling brews at a select group of pubs. Various locations. www.salado.com 254/947-5040

SALADO: April 2 "Edgy" Live Art Competition Watch art happen live as cutting-edge artists practice their talents for the public to see. Your vote for the winners enters you in a drawing to win one of the competition pieces. Along Main Street in Salado. www.salado.com 254/947-5040

SALADO: April 2-3 Texas Wine and Roque Art Fest Enjoy an afternoon of wine tasting and art featuring 20 wineries, a tremendous viewing of artists' works from around Texas and delicious foods. Wine tastings available noon-5 p.m. Saturday and noon-4 p.m. Sunday. Salado Winery and Salado Wine Seller, 841 N. Main St. http://saladowinefestival. com 254/947-8011

SALADO: April 2-3 Wildflower Art and Arts-and-Crafts Show Features works by various artists, as well as handcrafted items from woodworking to fine

jewelry. Main Street. www.salado.com 254/947-

SALADO: April 29-May 1 Ultra520KTexas Ultra Endurance Triathlon Day 1 features a 6.2-mile swim in Stillhouse Hollow Lake and 93-mile bike ride; Day 2 is a 172-mile bike ride; Day 3 is a 52.4-mile run. Various venues. www.salado.com 254/947-5040

SCHULENBURG: April 2 Schulenburg Sausagefest Includes a sausage-making contest, live music, a street dance, antique cars and tractors, arts-andcrafts booths and children's activities. Downtown, 618 N. Main. www.schulenburgsausagefest.com 979/743-4514 or 866/504-5294

SEALY: April 8-9 Spring Picnic This event celebrates of the history of the many cultural groups that settled Texas. Entertainment includes Polish folk dancing, Native American dancing, mariachi bands and Czech music. Friday features a crawfish boil and music by Mike Blakely and the Whiskey Traders. From 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, enjoy old-fashioned games and competitions, a puppet show, scavenger hunt, the Vintage Baseball Tournament, cast iron cook-off and 1920s fashion show, Liedertafel, 116 Lux Road. www.sealyhistoricalsociety.org 832/492-4244

SEGUIN: April 8 Moonlight and Roses Local restaurants offer hors d'oeuvres to enjoy with the sounds of live music. Memorial Rose Garden/Walnut Springs Park, 317 W. Court St. www.visitsequin.com 830/401-2475

SEGUIN: April 8 The Heritage Museum Anniversary Heritage Museum, 114 N. River St. www.theheritagemuseum.org 830/379-6717

SEGUIN: April 30 Trade Days/Earth Day Browse more than 80 booths featuring arts, crafts, clothing, jewelry, antiques, artwork and more. Hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Central Park, 201 S. Austin St. www.visitseguin.com 830/401-2475

SHERMAN: April 23 Earth Day Texoma This free, family-oriented event features recycling opportunities, entertainment, children's activities, workshops on practical ways to improve the health of the planet and its people, plant sales and food vendors. Sherman Municipal Grounds, 405 N. Rusk. www.earthday texoma.org 903/821-8198

SMITHVILLE: April 2, 2016 Citywide Garage Sale Includes more than 100 sites to shop in one day. Various locations, 107 Texas 71 W. www.smithville chamber.org 512/237-2313

SMITHVILLE: April 7-10 Smithville Jamboree The town's oldest and largest celebration includes a Main Street Parade, arts and crafts, food, a carnival, sports tournaments, livestock show and dance. Riverbend Park. www.smithvilletx.org 512/237-2313

SOUTHLAKE: April 22-24 Art in the Square Take the whole family on a journey through art, sculpture, music, food and fun at this 17th annual festival. Southlake Town Square, Carroll Avenue at F.M. 1709. www.artinthesquare.com 817/944-4408

TEMPLE: April 23 Intersection in Concert This trio of piano, violin and cello mix of styles to appeal to a broader audience. Reception begins at 6 p.m., and concert starts at 7:30 p.m. Cultural Activities Center, 3011 N. Third St. www.cacARTS.org 254/773-9926

TEMPLE: April 29-30 Bloomin' Temple Festival

Includes a carnival, concerts with local and nationally known performers, car show, arts and crafts, a barbecue cook-off and children's area. Downtown, 315 W. Avenue B. www.discovertemple.com 254/298-5900

WACO: January 23-May 1 "Tinkertoy: Build Your Imagination" and "The Adventures of Mr.

Potato Head" Embark on an imaginative adventure in these exhibits that let children and families design, build and work together. Build amazing Tinkertoy structures using technology as a guide and experience a silly, out-of-this world adventure with Mr. Potato Head, all while exploring outer space and under the sea. Mayborn Museum Complex, 1300 S. University Parks Drive. www.maybornmuseum.com 254/710-1110

WACO: April 2 The Texas Food Truck Showdown

Features 40 food trucks from across Texas, live music, and a sunset cinema. Food trucks open at 10 a.m., and the movie begins at 8 p.m. Heritage Square, Third Street at Washington Avenue. http://wacochamber.com/community/sports-special-events/texas-food-truck-showdown 254/757-5600

WACO: April 9 Art on Elm Features local artists, musicians, food and craft vendors. Hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Elm Street. http://artonelmavenue.com 254/752-1647

WARRENTON: March 19-20, 25-April 2 The Lone Star Gallery Trade Days and Antiques Week The Lone Star Gallery, 4212 Texas 237 S. www.thelone stargallery.com 512/797-9815

WAXAHACHIE: April 2 Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra in Concert Southwestern Assemblies of God University (Hagee Communication Center), 1200 Sycamore, www.waxahachiesymphony.org

WAXAHACHIE: April 9-May 30 Scarborough

Renaissance Festival Immerse yourself in an interactive event set in the days of King Henry VIII. Enjoy the thrill of full combat jousting and birds of prey exhibitions, the enchantments of Mermaid Lagoon, Renaissance rides and games of skill, and 21 stages of nonstop Renaissance entertainment. Discover more than 200 shoppes of exquisite crafts and amazing artisan demonstrations, and feast on food and drink fit for a king. For the more discerning tastes, there are daily wine and beer tastings. Every weekend has a different theme and a variety of special events. Scarborough Faire Site, 2511 F.M. 66. www.SRFestival.com 972/938-3247

WAXAHACHIE: April 22-24 Vintage Market Days

This upscale vintage-inspired indoor/outdoor market features original art, antiques, clothing, jewelry, handmade treasures, home decor, outdoor furnishings, plants and more. Ellis Co. Expo Center, 2300 U.S. 287 Bypass. http://socentraltexas.vintagemarketdays.com 918/606-2254

SOUTH TEXAS PLAINS

BEEVILLE: January 30-April 30 "Paintings from the Nave" See a collection of 40 paintings by Royston Nave, namesake of the Nave Museum in Victoria. Beeville Art Museum. www.bamtexas.org 361/358-8615



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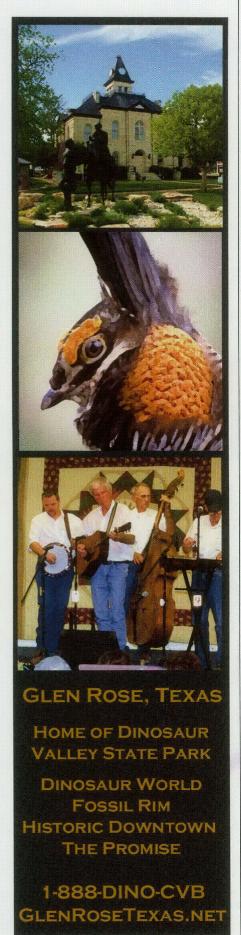
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GOLIAD: April 2-3 Goliad Massacre Re-enactment and Living History Program This 30th annual event brings the last days of Col. Fannin's command to life through exciting battle re-enactments, recreated camps and candlelit tours. Take a stroll through the camps of both the Mexican and Texian armies, and visit with re-enactors as they go about their daily activities. Grab a front row seat for one of the battle re-enactments in front of Presidio La Bahia and stay late for a candlelight tour Saturday evening to learn about the turbulent times surrounding Fannin and his men. Sunday's activities include a re-creation of the final days of Fannin's men, as well as a memorial at the Fannin Monument. Presidio La Bahia, 217 Loop 71. www.presidiolabahia.org or www.texasarmy. org/events/goliad-massacre 361/645-3752

LAREDO: April 2 Laredo Northside MarketFeatures handmade arts and crafts, natural foods and products, local entertainers, children's activities and more. Laredo Northside Market, 10202 International

more. Laredo Northside Market, 10202 International Blvd. 956/763-0138 POTEET: April 8-10 Poteet Strawberry Festival

Enjoy continuous live entertainment on multiple stages, dances on Friday and Saturday nights, rodeo and bull-riding action, a downtown parade, food and craft vendors, strawberry judging and auctions, the Taste of Texas Food Show, fireworks and a carnival. Strawberry Festival Grounds, 9199 Texas 16. www.strawberryfestival.com

SAN ANTONIO: September 18-April 3 "Spurs for Texas: Selections from the Leo Quintanilla Collection" This exhibit presents a selection of spurs reflecting the various Texas spur traditions in the South Texas Heritage Center. The spurs include examples of those worn by the working cowboys and vaqueros in South Texas. South Texas Heritage Center at the Witte Museum. www.WitteMuseum.org

SAN ANTONIO: September 18-April 3 "The Wests of Texas: Cattle Ranching Entrepreneurs"
Discover the remarkable story of how men and women of the West helped save the Texas economy by taking tens of thousands of cattle up the trail in the era after the Civil War. South Texas Heritage Center at the Witte Museum. www.WitteMuseum.org

SAN ANTONIO: December 16-April 17

"Collecting in Context" Drawing from the strengths of the McNay's print collection, this exhibition will illustrate the connections a curator sees when making an acquisition, thus providing a fascinating view into how a museum builds its collection. McNay Art Museum, 6000 N. New Braunfels. www.mcnayart.org 210/824-5368

SAN ANTONIO: March 11-April 17 "Fancy Nancy And The Mermaid Ballet" Fancy Nancy and her friends are performing in their very first show, "Deep Sea Dances." Can Nancy bring her fancy flair to the role, even though it isn't the one she wanted? The Magik Theatre, 420 S. Alamo. 210/227-2751

SAN ANTONIO: March 18-April 10 "Reasons To Be Pretty" When Greg accidentally insults his girlfriend, about her looks it sets off a chain reaction in their lives and their neighbor's with no guarantee that the lovers who started together will stay together. The Playhouse San Antonio, 800 W. Ashby. www.theplayhousesa.org 210/733-7258

SAN ANTONIO: April 1 "Pedal Punk" From the inventive Cirque Mechanics comes "Pedal Punk," a Steampunk-inspired acrobatic whirlwind where cycling is the escape from technology-obsessed society. Majestic Theatre, 224 E. Houston St. www.artssa.org/pedal_punk 210/226-2891

SAN ANTONIO: April 1-2 San Antonio Symphony in Concert Begins at 8 p.m. The Tobin Center. www.sasymphony.org 210/554-1010

SAN ANTONIO: April 5-10 "Cinderella" This Tony Award-winning Broadway musical from Rodgers + Hammerstein delights audiences with its contemporary take on the classic tale. Majestic Theatre, 224 E. Houston St. www.majesticempire.com/shows/cinderella

SAN ANTONIO: April 8-May 8 "Memphis" With an original score, this show tells the fictional story of DJ Huey Calhoun, a good ol' local boy with a passion for R&B music, and Felicia Farrell, an up-and-coming black singer that he meets one fateful night on Beale Street. Woodlawn Theatre, 1920 Fredericksburg Road. www.woodlawntheatre.org 210/267-8388

SAN ANTONIO: April 10 Musical Evenings At San Fernando Cathedral Three outstanding international artists and members of The Silk Road Ensemble will come together in "Sakura." Starts at 6:30 p.m. San Fernando Cathedral, 115 Main Plaza. https://www.facebook.com/events/1002150689829128 210/464-1534

SAN ANTONIO: April 12 Lachezar Kostov And Viktor Valkov in Concert Bulgarian cellist Lachezar Kostov, hailed for the "awesome purity of his playing," and Bulgarian pianist Viktor Valkov, highly acclaimed as "lion of the keyboard," debuted at Carnegie Hall in 2009. Laurel Heights United Methodist Church, 227 W. Woodlawn Ave. www.satmc.org/artist-series-tickets

SAN ANTONIO: April 14 "Memories of Rio:"
Sergio and Odair Assad with Clarice Assad in
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sidered the most accomplished guitar duo alive.
Noted for their exquisite ensemble work and visionary interpretations of the great composers from Brazil, they have a profound ability to re-invent music. Charline McCombs Empire Theatre, 226 N. Saint Marys St. www.artssa.org/assad 210/226-2891

SAN ANTONIO: April 14-24 Fiesta San Antonio More than 100 unique events, each produced by a nonprofit organization that gives back to this vibrant city, satisfy diverse tastes and interests. Includes exciting carnivals, spectacular sports, fantastic fireworks, lively entertainment, ethnic feasts, art exhibits and colorful parades that glide down San Antonio's River Walk and downtown streets. www.fiesta-sa.org 210/227-5191 or 877/723-4378

SAN ANTONIO: April 15-17 Fiesta Pops Concert
Join the San Antonio Symphony for the annual Fiesta
Pops concert featuring the music, dance and culture
of Mexico and Latin American through the local
talents of San Antonio. The Tobin Center.
www.sasymphony.org 210/554-1010

SAN ANTONIO: April 18-24 Valero Texas Open See 156 PGA Tour pros play golf. TPC San Antonio, 23808 Resort Parkway, www.valerotexasopen.com

SAN ANTONIO: April 19-22 "A Night In Old San Antonio" Each year the historic downtown village of La Villita takes center stage as 85,000 visitors gather for four nights to celebrate the city's unique heritage. More than 250 elaborately decorated food and drink booths and more than a dozen nonstop entertainment stages represent the diverse cultures and customs of our city in 15 heritage-themed areas. La Villita Historic Arts Village, www.niosa.org 210/226-5188

SAN ANTONIO: April 24 Camerata San Antonio Concert University of the Incarnate Word Concert Hall, www.cameratasa.com 210/492-9519

SAN ANTONIO: April 29-May 22 "Born Yesterday" In this classic American comedy, corrupt junk dealer Harry Brock brings his showgirl mistress Billie Dawn with him to Washington, D.C. When Billie's ignorance becomes a liability to Brock's business dealings, he hires a journalist to educate his girlfriend, leading her to realize how corrupt Harry really is. The Classic Theatre of San Antonio, 1924 Fredericksburg Road. www.classictheatre.org 210/589-8450

SAN ANTONIO: April 29-June 12 "Charlotte's Web" Determined to save barnyard pig Wilbur, Charlotte the spider begins her campaign with the "miracle" of her web in which she writes, "Some pig." It's the beginning of a victorious campaign that results in the now-safe Wilbur doing what is most important to Charlotte. The Magik Theatre, 420 S. Alamo. www.magiktheatre.org 210/227-2751

SAN ANTONIO: April 29 Lisa Fischer in Concert Singer and songwriter Lisa Fischer has accompanied the Rolling Stones as a backup vocals on every tour with the band since 1989, in addition to touring and recording with such divas as Tina Turner, Chaka Khan, Beyonce, Alicia Keys and others. Carver Community Cultural Center, Jo Long Theatre, 226 N. Hackberry. www.thecarver.org 210/207-7211

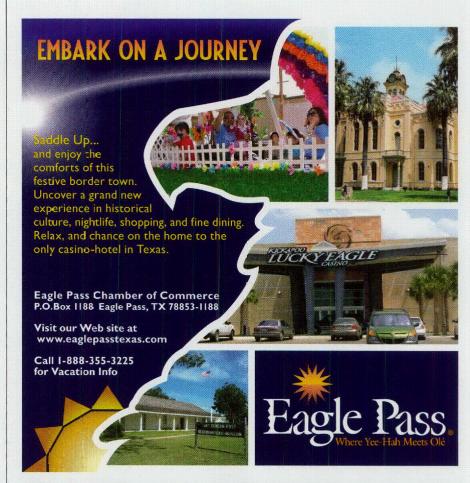
SAN ANTONIO: April 29-30 San Antonio Symphony in Concert Features Mozart's Concerto for Flute and Harp. Begins at 8 p.m. The Tobin Center. www.sasymphony.org 210/554-1010

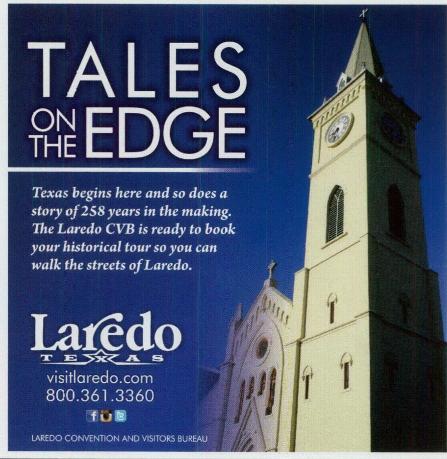
SAN ANTONIO: October 21-April 10 "The **Extraordinary Ordinary: Three Installations**"

Artists Tom Burckhardt, Ernesto Pujol and Sandy Skoglund use the stuff of ordinary life to create extraordinary environments. The walk-through installation depicts a mythical artist's studio, with sly references to luminaries including Edward Hopper, Jasper Johns and Jackson Pollock. McNay Art Museum, 6000 N. New Braunfels. www.mcnayart.org 210/824-5368

WESLACO: April 2 Texas Onion Fest This festival celebrates the development of the world-famous Texas 1015 Texas Sweet Onion, developed in Weslaco. Includes live entertainment on two stages, a dancing horse show, cooking demonstrations, children's rides. a car show and the famous onion eating contest. City Park. www.weslaco.com/OnionFest 956/968-2102

WESLACO: April 21 Alfresco Weslaco Music and Art on the Street This monthly festival celebrates the talents of local musicians, artists, crafters, classic car enthusiasts and food vendors from the Rio Grande Valley. Downtown, 345 S. Texas Blvd. www. facebook.com/AlfrescoWeslaco 956/969-0838







MAY 2016

Picks across the state

REMEMBERING THE NATION'S FALLEN

S THE NATION honors those who have died in military service on Memorial Day, dozens of events are planned to celebrate American freedom as well as the unofficial start of the summer

In Fredericksburg, activities include living-history programs at the National Museum of the Pacific War, a USO-Style dance at the Hangar Hotel Pacific Showroom on Saturday, and an observance at 10 a.m. Monday back at the war museum. While you're in town, you also can enjoy Cajun-inspired food and music at the Fredericksburg Crawfish Festival in the Marktplatz.

San Angelo's Fort Concho National Historic Landmark hosts a 9 a.m. program honoring servicemembers' sacrifices and is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. for the rest of the day. It's a great chance to explore a historic army fort established in 1867, with 23 original and restored structures that still survive today and illustrate life on the wild Texas frontier.

There are plenty of other events to choose from this Memorial Day weekend—see our list below for some ideas, or browse the May listings for an event near you.

BANDERA: Bandera ProRodeo. May 27-29

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EAGLE PASS: Memorial Day Ceremony. May 30

ENNIS: 50th Annual National Polka Festival, May 27-29

FLATONIA: Memorial Day Service, May 29

FREDERICKSBURG: Fredericksburg Crawfish Festival, May 27-29

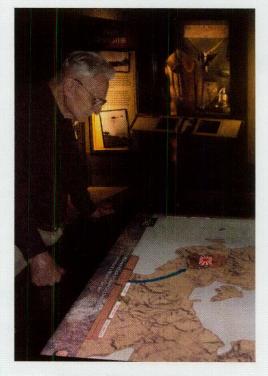
FREDERICKSBURG: USO-Style Memorial Day Hangar Dance, May 28

FREDERICKSBURG: Memorial Day Observance, May 30

MCKINNEY: Pecan Grove Historic Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony, May 30

ROCKPORT: Festival of Wine and Food. May 28-29

PLANO: "A Salute to America" Free Concert, May 29



SAN ANGELO: Memorial Day Exercises. May 30

SHINER: Memorial Day Tribute, May 30

SUGAR LAND: Memorial Day Ceremony, May 30

VICTORIA: Memorial Weekend Bash, May 27-29

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CINCO DE MAYO

HE HISTORY and culture of Mexico are inextricably linked to those of Texas, which is especially evident during Cinco de Mayo celebrations across the state. The festivities commemorate the date of Mexico's surprise military victory over French invaders during the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862, led by Texas-born Gen. Ignacio Zaragosa. Celebrations in the United States add the flair of cultural pride to the festivities, demonstrated in folklorico dancing, mariachi music and delicious food. Here are just a few events where you can experience the distinctive flavor this event takes on in Texas.

AUSTIN: May 5 Downtown on Second Street. www.facebook.com/cincoaustin

BIG SPRING: May 6-7 St. Thomas Hall. www.facebook.com/northsidem 432/264-6111

DENTON: May 14 Quakertown Park. www.dentoncinco.org 940/349-8272

GARLAND: May 7 Downtown square. www.cincodemayogarlandtx.com

ODESSA: May 6-8 Downtown. www.odessacvb.net

SAN ANTONIO: May 7 Market Square. www.marketsquaresa.com

MARTINDALE: May 7 Main Street. http://vivacincosmtx.com

SONORA: May 7 Sutton County Park. www.sonoratexas.org 888/387-2880

VAN HORN: May 7 Van Horn City Park. www.vanhorntexas.us 432/283-2682

VICTORIA: May 7 Downtown. www.victoriafiesta.com 361/573-5227

WAXAHACHIE: May 5-7 Singleton Plaza. www.elliscountyhispanicorg.com/ cinco-de-mayo.html 469/309-4040

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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: April 14-May 15 Trappings of Texas

Bringing together the best in Western art and custom cowboy gear, Trappings of Texas is recognized as the longest running sale and exhibit of its kind in the country. Opening events are April 14-16. Some events require tickets. Museum of the Big Bend at Sul Ross State University, 400 N. Harrison. www.museumof thebigbend.com 432/837-8143

EL PASO: May 6, 13, 20, 27 Alfresco Fridays

This free concert series offers fresh-air performances in an electrifying atmosphere. Convention Center Plaza, 1 Civic Center Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: May 13 "Celtic Woman" This performance showcases three world-class vocalists— Mairead Carlin, Susan McFadden and newest member Eabha McMahon—along with brilliant Celtic violinist Mairead Nesbitt and a group of talented musicians and dancers to fuse centuries of musical and cultural tradition. Plaza Theatre, 125 Pioneer Plaza. http://elpasolive.com 915/534-0600

EL PASO: May 27-29 Neon Desert Music Festival

Local and regional artist displays and a diverse music line-up on multiple stages light up the southwestern skies each Memorial Day weekend. Downtown, 510 N. Santa Fe St. www.neondesertmusicfestival. com 915/534-0600

MIDLAND: May 6-8 Celebration of the Arts

This 33rd annual weekend tribute to the visual and performing arts includes a Friday preview party (tickets required), live entertainment, dancing, food, an auction, children's activities, a Mother's Day brunch and more. The Horseshoe, 2514 Arena Trail. www.acmidland.org 432/687-1149

MONAHANS: May 21-22 Monahans Chamber Golf Tournament Ward County Golf Course, 2028 Texas 18 N. www.monahans.org 432/943-2187

ODESSA: May 7 Midland-Odessa Symphony
Orchestra Concert "Feel the Force" concert featuring the exciting movie music of John Williams begins at 7:30 p.m. Wagner Noel Performing Art Center, 1310 F.M. 1788 N. www.moscorg/converts/feel-the-force.html 432/563-0921

ODESSA: May 20-22 West Texas Jazz Party In its 50th anniversary year, this event features 20 international jazz performers. Headliners include Bucky Pizzarelli, Ken Peplowski, Warren Vache, Dan Barrett, Rebecca Kilgore and Nicki Parrott. MCM Elegante Hotel, 5200 E. University Blvd. www.wtjs.org

432/552-8962

PECOS: May 28-29 PMGA Memorial Golf Tournament Reeves County Golf Course, 80 Starley Drive. 432/447-2858

VAN HORN: May 7 Cinco De Mayo Celebrate the culture and traditions of Old Mexico with food, arts and crafts, mariachi bands, folklorico dancers and local talent. Van Horn City Park, Second and Austin streets. www.vanhorntexas.us 432/283-2682

GULF COAST

BROWNSVILLE: May 7 Living History Watch demonstrations of U.S.-Mexican War era weapons, tactics and soldier life. Includes live musket and artillery demonstrations. Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Palo Alto Battlefield NHP, 7200 Paredes Line Road. www.nps.gov/paal/index.htm 956/541-2785 ext. 333

CLUTE: May 13-15 Texas Gulf Coast Arts Festival More than 100 artists show and sell work including fine wooden furniture, beautiful paintings, photography, glass, clay, metal and jewelry. Brazosport Center for the Arts and Sciences, 400 College Blvd. www.bcfas.org 979/265-7661

CLUTE: May 13-15 Texas Gulf Coast Arts Festival Features professional artists from near and far, as well as hands-on activities for children, live music and food. Find high-quality art in a variety of media, including paintings, drawings, woodworking, sculpture, glass, photography and jewelry. Admission to

the Art Stroll on Friday is \$25. The Center for the Arts and Sciences. www.bcfas.org 979/265-7661

CORPUS CHRISTI: May 14 Shorebird Identification Short Course Acclaimed birder, naturalist, educator and author Gene Blacklock leads this one-day course for all levels of birders. Study Coastal Bend shorebirds and learn about life histories, migration timelines and summer breeding plumage. Class is 9 a.m.-noon, and a field trip goes from 1–5 p.m. Registration required. South Texas Botanical Gardens and Nature Center, 8545 S. Staples St. www.stxbot.org 361/852-2100

CORPUS CHRISTI: May 27 A La Mano Grab some food from a collection of food trucks and enjoy live music and lawn games from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. North Bayfront Park, 1590 N. Shoreline Blvd. www.face book.com/corpuschristivisitorinformationcenter 361/561-2000 ext. 201

CRYSTAL BEACH: May 6-8 Texas Crab Festival

Dive into more Gulf Coast-style music, art and crabs than you can shake a claw at! Includes a crab gumbo cook-off, carnival, games and food booths offering seafood and fair goodies. Gregory Park, 2292 Texas 87. www.texascrabfestival.org 281/923-1440

FRIENDSWOOD: May 9 "Spring Into Song" The Bay Area Chorus presents Mozart's Requiem with orchestra and Gloria by Randol Alan Bass. Friendswood United Methodist Church, 110 N. Friendswood Drive. http://bayareachorus.org

GALVESTON: May 1, 6-8 Galveston Historic Homes Tour Galveston Historical Foundation opens the doors to Galveston's architectural history through public tours of privately owned homes. Galveston Historical Foundation, 2228 Broadway. www.galvestonhistory.org 409/765-7834

GALVESTON: May 1 Galveston Symphony
Orchestra Concert Conductor Dr. Trond Saeverud
and the Galveston Symphony Orchestra present
works by Schreker, Copland, Frazier and Brahms.
Begins at 4 p.m. The Grand 1894 Opera House.
www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: May 8 Paul Anka Anka is the only singer/songwriter in history to have records on Billboard's Top 50 chart for seven consecutive decades. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: May 13-14 "Mamma Mia" A mother, a daughter, three possible dads—and a trip down the aisle set to the storytelling magic of ABBA's timeless songs. Grand 1894 Opera House, 2020 Postoffice St. www.thegrand.com 409/765-1894 or 800/821-1894

GALVESTON: May 13-14 Yaga's Wild Game and Barbecue Cook-off Backyard chefs, sportsmen and women, and outdoor enthusiasts to show off their culinary skills. Features cook-offs, live entertainment, silent auction, the "Run Wild 5K" and children's activities. Pier 21. www.ycfund.org

GALVESTON: May 20-21 Galveston Island Beach Revue This two-day, family-friendly event culminates in the Bathing Beauties Contest, featuring vintage swimsuits and parasols in an old-fashioned competition. Beach Central, 2102 Seawall Blvd. www.beach revue.com 806/236-0715

HOUSTON: November 5-June 19 "The Secret of the Hanging Egg: Salvador Dali" Experience works from the museum's Surrealist collection in dialogue with the work of Salvador Dali, one of the movement's major figures. Includes 30 works by 12 artists, including Dali's "Eggs on the Plate Without the Plate" on loan from the Dali Museum. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: December 11-September 5 "La Virgen de Guadalupe: Empress of the Americas"

La Virgen de Guadalupe is said to have appeared to Juan Diego near Mexico City in 1531 and changed his life. Today, her image represents not only a great miracle, but the identity of a nation of believers. Trace the story back to its origins in our limited engagement exhibition. Houston Museum of Natural Science, 5555 Hermann Park Drive. www.hmns.org

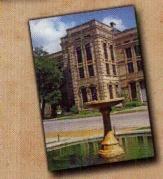
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HOUSTON: December 12-June 5 "Deco Nights: Evenings in the Jazz Age" The term "Jazz Age" was made popular by American expatriate writer F. Scott Fitzgerald and describes the period between the end of World War I and the end of the 1930s. This exhibit celebrates the glamour and luxury of the period through photos, prints, drawings, books, cameras, glassware, couture costumes and evening accessories. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: December 16-May 1 "The Precarious" The medium of collage first entered modern art in the early 1900s through artists such as Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque. The 30 works on paper and sculpture by 13 artists in this exhibition explore the sensibilities and background of this practice. The Menil Collection, 1515 Sul Ross St. www.menil.org

HOUSTON: January 16-May 7 "To MyPlate and Beyond" This tasteful exhibit helps viewers become experts on the five food groups that make the building blocks for a healthy diet: fruits, vegetables, grains, proteins and dairy. The interactive journey includes games that show children how to choose foods, read nutrition labels and appreciate healthy eating. The Health Museum. www.thehealthmuseum.org

HOUSTON: February 19-July 24 "William N. Copley Retrospective" This exhibit is the first retrospective in any U.S. museum devoted to the work of the American artist William N. Copley (1919-1996), creator of madcap narrative paintings, drawings and installations in a playful, ribald style of his own invention. The Menil Collection, www.menil.org

HOUSTON: February 21-May 30 "Sculpted in Steel: Art Deco Automobiles and Motorcycles, **1929–1940**" Today's automotive manufacturers strive for economy and efficiency, but there was a time when art and elegance reigned. This exhibit showcases 14 cars and three motorcycles, alongside historical images and videos. The classic grace and modern luxury of Art Deco design dazzles in vehicles from the United States and around the world. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: April 6-May 1 "Miss Teen" Stages Repertory Theatre. www.stagestheatre.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: April 17-August 14 "High Society: The Portraits of Franz X. Winterhalter" Franz

Xaver Winterhalter, the 19th century's most renowned portraitist of European aristocracy, captured the elegance and opulence of his distinguished sitters with an unrivaled brilliance. This comprehensive exhibition presents a selection of these canvases, complemented by select items of clothing by sought-after fashion designer Charles Frederick Worth and several of Worth's contemporaries. Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, 1001 Bissonnet. www.mfah.org

HOUSTON: April 22-May 15 "The Christians"

On the anniversary of the founding of his church, Paul is about to preach a sermon that will shake the foundation of his congregation's beliefs. What happens to the flock when the shepherd has a change of heart? Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alley theatre.org

HOUSTON: April 27-May 22 "I and You" Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway. www.stages theatre.com 713/527-0123

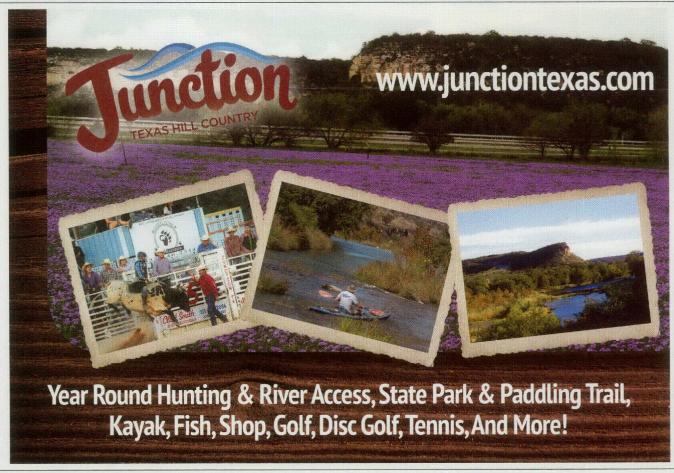
HOUSTON: April 27-May 1 Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" Based on the animated feature film, this spectacular stage show is filled with talented performers, lavish sets and costumes, and dazzling production numbers such as "Be Our Guest." The Hobby Center for the Performing Arts, 800 Bagby St. www. broadwayatthehobbycenter.com 713/622-7469

HOUSTON: April 28-May 8 "Heathers The Musical" In this musical based on the classic 1989 film, Westerberg High is ruled by Heather, Heather and Heather-the hottest and cruelest girls in all of Ohio. But misfit Veronica Sawyer rejects their evil regime for a new boyfriend, the dark and sexy stranger J.D., who plans to put the Heathers in their place—six feet under. Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. www.tuts.com 713/558-8887

HOUSTON: April 28-May 1 Houston Symphony Concert Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houston symphony.org

HOUSTON: April 29-May 1 Bayou City Art Festival Memorial Park This juried festival is the nation's premier spring outdoor fine art event and kicks off the spring Texas art festival circuit. Memorial Park. www.artcolonyassociation.org 281/571-3102

HOUSTON: May 3-15 "A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder" This show tells the uproarious story of Monty Navarro, a distant heir to a family fortune who sets out to jump the line of succession. All the while, he's got to juggle his mistress (she's after more than just love), his fiancee (she's his cousin but who's keeping track?), and the constant threat of landing behind bars. Presented by Theatre Under the Stars. Hobby Center. www.tuts.com



> GULF COAST

HOUSTON: May 5 "Star Trek: The Ultimate

Voyage" This lavish production includes an impressive live symphony orchestra and soloists performing beloved music from "Star Trek" while the most iconic film and TV footage is shown in high definition on a 40-foot wide screen. Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. http://www.spahouston.org/show?ShowId=150

HOUSTON: May 6-8 Houston Symphony Concert Encapsulating three decades of classic rock, the symphony ends its season with a compilation concert featuring bands and musical acts of the 1960s. '70s and

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HOUSTON: May 7 Houston Dragon Boat Festival

This festival showcases 30 teams competing on the banks of Buffalo Bayou at Allen's Landing, plus Asian cuisine, music, arts and crafts, and cultural performances. Allen's Landing on Buffalo Bayou.

www.texasdragonboat.com 713/524-3567

HOUSTON: May 16 Carnival Houston Show and Parade This event draws on Caribbean, Brazilian and

New Orleans Mardi Gras-style celebrations to throw a uniquely Houston party. Enjoy music, cuisine, revelry, a costume parade and live performances. Various locations. www.carnivalhouston.com 832/614-9337

HOUSTON: May 18-June 26 "Big Fish" Stages Repertory Theatre, 3201 Allen Parkway. www.stages theatre.com 713/527-0123

HOUSTON: May 19-June 12 "The Nether"

Set in the year 2050, "The Nether" is an intricate sci-fi crime drama that tells the story of a new virtual digital world. Alley Theatre, 615 Texas Ave. www.alley theatre.org

HOUSTON: May 19-21 Houston Symphony Concert Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houston symphony.org

HOUSTON: May 23 "Jitney" This performance tells the story of a group of men who drive unlicensed cabs that serve as a vital means of transportation for the working class in Pittsburgh and other urban centers. The men must band together in their struggle to earn a living (and respect) as urban redevelopment threatens their livelihood with demolition. Ensemble Theatre, 3535 Main St. www.ensemblehouston.com

HOUSTON: May 26-June 5 Houston Ballet's Spring Repertory George Balanchine's romantic masterpiece "Serenade," a showcase for the company's classical technique, opens the evening. The performance continues with "Gloria," a haunting elegy for "the lost generation" of young men who perished in World War I. Closing the evening is "Cacti," a gleeful parody of the excesses of contemporary dance. Wortham Theater Center. www.houstonballet.org

HOUSTON: May 27-29 Houston Symphony: "The Cosmos—An HD Odyssey" The Houston Symphony presents "The Cosmos—An HD Odyssey," set to the score of Dvorak's Symphony No. 9. Jones Hall, 615 Louisiana St. www.houstonsymphony.org

HOUSTON: May 31-June 5 "Beautiful: The Carole King Musical" This performance tells the inspiring true story of Carole King's remarkable rise to stardom, from being part of a hit songwriting team with her husband Gerry Goffin, to her relationship with fellow writers and best friends Cynthia Weil and Barry Mann, to becoming one of the most successful solo acts in popular music history. The Hobby Center

for the Performing Arts. www.broadwayatthehobby center.com 713/622-7469

ORANGE: May 21-22 DSRA Boat Races Drag boats rumble on the Sabine River. City of Orange Boat Ramp, 1000 Simmons Drive. www.orangetexas.org 409/883-1010

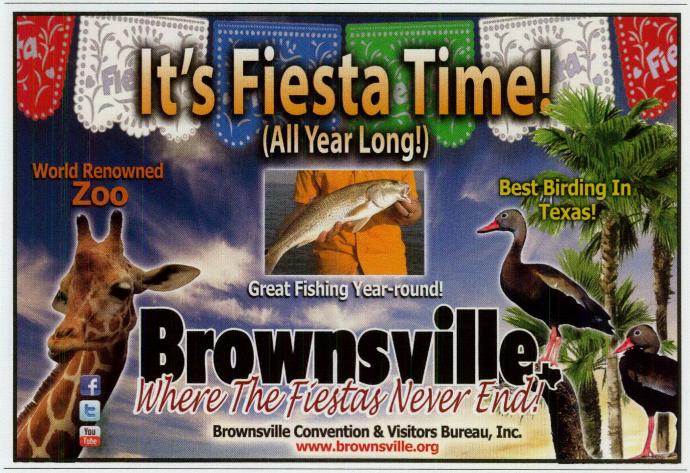
PASADENA: May 20-22 Pasadena Strawberry Festival Features live entertainment on two stages, a children's area and the world's largest strawberry shortcake, a mud volleyball tournament, barbecue cook-off, washer pitching, pig races, thrill shows, Wild West shows, jugglers and other performers, 300 vendors and a carnival. Pasadena Fairgrounds, 7902 Fairmont Parkway. www.strawberryfest.org 281/991-9500

PORT ARANSAS: April 29-May 1 Texas SandFest

This three-day sand sculpture competition is one of the largest beach festivals in the state. Master sculptors from around the world create artistic and imaginative sculptures for more than 100,000 attendees. Also includes music, children's activities, food and craft booths. Mustang Island Beach, between markers 9-14. www.texassandfest.com 361/758-9800

PORT ARANSAS: May 13-15 Art Festival and Songwriter's Showcase Features arts and crafts booths and performances by local musicians. Robert's Point Park. www.portaransasartcenter.org 361/749-7334

PORT NECHES: April 27-May 1 RiverFest:
Thunder on the Neches Includes family activities,
music and tunnel boat races. Port Neches Park.
www.pnriverfest.com 409/722-9154



ROCKPORT: May 13-14 Babes on Bay Fishing Tournament Rockport Festival Grounds. www.babesonthebay.com

ROCKPORT: May 28-29 Festival of Wine and Food Enjoy a wide variety of wines of the Americas, food demonstrations, and specialty food concessions. Live bands and entertainment make the event lively and fun. Texas Maritime Museum. www.texas maritimemuseum.org

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: April 28-May 1 Splash South Padre LGBTQ weekend includes parties, concerts and more. Various venues. www.sopadre.com or www.splashsouthpadre.com 956/761-3000

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: May 7 Run the Jailbreak
This is a challenging 5K run over more than 20 sandy,
wet, crazy obstacles on the sunny beaches of South
Padre Island, concluding with a Texas-sized beach
party at Clayton's Beach Bar. www.sopadre.com or
www.runthejailbreak.com/padre-2016.php
956/761-3000

SPRING: April 29-May 1, 6-8 Texas Crawfish and Music Festival This 30th annual festival features live entertainment by top country, zydeco and rock acts on two stages along with carnival rides, midway games, exhibitions and activities for children, alligator wading pool and exotic snakes and petting zoo. Also enjoy the best southern Louisiana food, Cajun-style crawfish and the spiciest fixings in the land. Old Town Spring, 130 Spring School Road. www.texascrawfish festival.com 281/353-9310

SUGAR LAND: February 20-May 15 "Amazing Butterflies" Explore this maze-like exhibit and learn

all about butterflies. Embark on a challenging journey teeming with friends and foes, revealing the unusual relationship between caterpillars, butterflies and their surroundings. The Houston Museum of Natural Science at Sugar Land. www.hmns.org 281/313-2277

SUGAR LAND: May 6 Giving Spirits Concert
Benefits Mental Health America of Fort Bend Count.
2711 Plaza Drive. www.sugarlandtownsquare.com
281/276-6000

SUGAR LAND: May 14 Sugar Land Bash This family festival is a fundraiser for pediatric cancer patients in the area. Sugar Land Town Square. www.sugar landtownsquare.com 281/276-6000

SUGAR LAND: May 24-28 Southland Conference Baseball Tournament Constellation Field. www.SugarLandSkeeters.com 281/240-4487

SUGAR LAND: May 30 Memorial Day Ceremony Includes patriotic music, wreath and flag ceremonies, while a veteran reads the roll call list of Sugar Land's fallen soldiers. Enjoy other patriotic performances and activities throughout the day. Sugar Land Memorial Park, 15300 University Blvd. www.sugarlandtx.gov/index.aspx?nid=921 281/275-2825

TOMBALL: April 30-May 1 Rails and Tails Mudbug Festival Enjoy tasty crawfish along with music, a competitive boudin ball eating contest and mudbug racing. Historic Downtown Depot, 201 S. Elm St. www.tomballtx.gov 281/351-5484

TOMBALL: May 7 Vintage Car Festival Features vintage vehicles, entertainment, food, vendor booths, a silent auction and kids' activities. First Presbyterian

Church, 30410 Tomball Parkway. www.fpctomball. org 281/351-2199

VICTORIA: May 7 Cinco de Mayo Celebration This celebration of music, contests and traditions features foods, crafts and entertainers from the Gulf Coast of Texas. Downtown, 101 N. Main St. www.victoria fiesta.com 361/573-5227

VICTORIA: May 8 Swim, Bike, Run with HONOR361 Triathlon Saxet Lake Park. www.swimbikerunofvictoria.com 361/485-0771

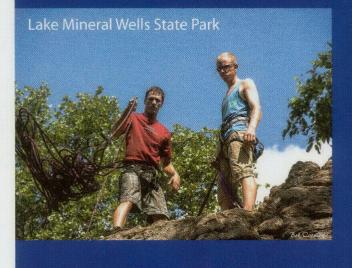
VICTORIA: May 27-29 Memorial Weekend Bash One of Victoria's biggest celebrations features live Tejano and country music, a carnival, arts and crafts, food vendors and more. Riverside Park, 311 Memorial Drive. www.salazarpromotions.com 361/237-0351

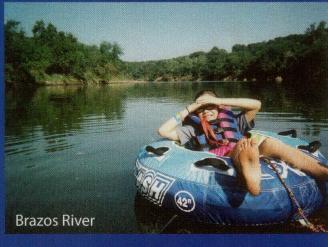
WHARTON: May 21 Wharton County Freedom
Fest Hometown festival offers a barbecue cook-off,
farmers' market, car/motorcycle/antique tractor show,
live music, helicopter rides, the veterans salute, food
and craft booths and old-fashioned fireworks. Downtown. www.whartonchamber.com 979/532-1862

HILL COUNTRY

AUSTIN: December 21-May 29 "Shakespeare in Print and Performance" This exhibition draws on the Ransom Center's notable and unique collections of internationally recognized performance materials, set designs and printed books. Harry Ransom Center. www.hrc.utexas.edu 512/471-8949

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AUSTIN: January 17-June 9 "Texas Czechs: Rooted in Tradition" Learn about contemporary Texas Czech culture in his exhibition that introduces this vibrant community and the many facets of Texas Czech culture through stories, films, and photography. State Capitol Visitors Center, 112 E. 11th St. www.polkaworks.org 512/799-6842

AUSTIN: February 9-May 29 "Look Inside: New Photography Acquisitions" This exhibit introduces nearly 200 of the Ransom Center's newest acquisitions, tracing photography from its unprecedented post-war expansion to its central position in contemporary art. Harry Ransom Center, 300 W. 21st St. www.hrc.utexas.edu

AUSTIN: February 21-May 15 "Come As You Are: Art of the 1990s" This is the first major American museum survey to historicize the art of this pivotal decade. The exhibition showcases approximately 60 works in a diverse range of media by 45 artists. Blanton Museum of Art. www.blantonmuseum.org

AUSTIN: March 12-July 24 "Our Global Kitchen" Through digital interactives, dioramas, artifacts and models, this exhibition tells the stories of the complex and entwined relationship between humans and food. Bullock Museum. www.TheStoryofTexas.com

AUSTIN: April 4-September 16 "Wish You Were Here: Postcards from the Texas State Archives' From the arid lands of West Texas to the rolling hills of the Gulf Coast and everything in between, Texas has plenty to offer the wayward traveler. Featuring more than 100 postcards, photographs and documents highlighting timeless tourist destinations, this exhibit explores Texas by region and invites visitors to travel back in time with vintage postcards from the collection of the Texas State Archives. Lorenzo de Zavala State Library and Archives Building, 1201 Brazos St. www.tsl.texas.gov 512/463-5455

AUSTIN: April 22-September 18 "Journey Into Big Bend" In honor of the 100th anniversary of the formation of the National Park Service, the Bullock Museum shines the spotlight on the Big Bend region with stunning photography and personal artifacts and reflections from those who've protected, explored, adventured, and come to love this vast and valued ecosystem. Bullock Museum, 1800 Congress Ave. www.thestoryoftexas.com

AUSTIN: April 26-May 1 "Motown the Musical" Bass Concert Hall, 2350 Robert Dedman Drive. www.BroadwavInAustin.com 800/731-7469

AUSTIN: April 29-May 1 Levitation Fest This music festival includes performances by Brian Wilson, Animal Collective, The Black Angels, Oneohtrix Point Never and others. Carson Creek Ranch, 9507 Sherman Road, http://levitation-austin.com

AUSTIN: April 30-May 1 Citywide Garage Sale Palmer Events Center, 900 Barton Springs Road. www.cwgs.com 512/441-2828

AUSTIN: May 5 Jeff Dunham's "Perfectly Unbalanced" Tour Jeff Dunham, the popular and internationally acclaimed comic/ventriloquist, brings his cast of characters to Texas. Frank Erwin Center, 1701 Red River St. www.uterwincenter.com/ events/2016/jeff-dunham 512/471-7744

AUSTIN: May 6-8 "Cinderella" The enduring ragsto-princess story offers the promise of "happily ever after" with a dose of humor and the majesty of classical ballet. The Long Center for the Performing Arts. www.balletaustin.org 512/476-2163

AUSTIN: May 8 Mother's Day at the Capitol Presented by the Austin Symphonic Band. South Steps of the State Capitol, www.austinsymphonicband.org

AUSTIN: May 9-15 National Wildflower Week Enjoy special exhibits in honor of these natural treasures. Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center, 4801 La Crosse Ave. http://wildflower.org 512/232-0100

AUSTIN: May 13-15 The Ferrari Challenge Circuit of the Americas. www.circuitoftheamericas.com

AUSTIN: May 18 Journey and The Doobie Brothers Austin360 Amphitheater at Circuit of the Americas, www.circuitoftheamericas.com

AUSTIN: May 26-June 2 "Clybourne Park" A spinoff of Lorraine Hansberry's "A Raisin in the Sun," this razor-sharp new satire takes a jab at race and real estate in a fictional Chicago neighborhood. Long Center of the Performing Arts, 701 W. Riverside Drive. www.penfoldtheatre.org 512/850-4849

AUSTIN: May 26 Janet Jackson in Concert Frank Erwin Center, 1701 Red River St. www.uterwincenter. com/events/2016/janet-jackson 512/471-7744

BANDERA: May 3 Cowboy Capital Opry Enjoy "Grand Ole Opry"-style entertainment hosted by Gerry and Harriet Payne. Begins at 7 p.m. Silver Sage, 803 Buck Creek. www.silversagecorral.org



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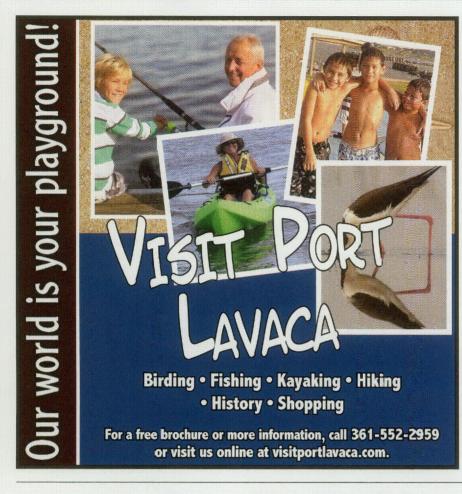


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BANDERA: May 27-29 Bandera ProRodeo PRCA rodeo action begins at 7:30 p.m. Mansfield Park. 2886 Texas 16 N. www.banderaprorodeo.org 830/522-0054

BANDERA: May 28-29 Funtier Days Shop with more than 75 vendors on the court nouse square. A Memorial Day parade is Saturday. Courthouse Lawn, 500 Main St. www.banderatex.com 830/796-3280

BOERNE: May 7 Boerne Handmade Market The Pavillion, 826 John's Road, www.visitboerne.org 210/663-9046

BOERNE: May 7 "All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten" Based on Robert Fulghum's best-selling books, this show takes a funny, insightful, heartwarming look at what is profound in everyday life. Boerna Community Theatre, 907 E. Blanco Road. www.visitboerne.org 830/249-9166

BOERNE: May 7 Hauptstrasse Quiltfest Enjoy music, quilts, special exhibits, presentations and more. Main Plaza and downtown. www.visitboerne. org 830/249-9511

BOERNE: May 14 Art Waddle Neighborhood Art Walk Begins at 204 W. San Antonio, www.visit boerne.org

BOERNE: May 14-15 Boerne Market Days Main Plaza. www.visitboerne.org 210/844-8193

BOERNE: May 14 Second Saturday Art and Wine Participating galleries offer complimentary beverages and hors d'oeuvres a ong with fantastic art. Downtown, www.visitboerne.org

BOERNE: May 28 Axiom String Quartet in

Concert Enjoy music by this talented ensemble combined with nature's staging and natural cave acoustics. Cave Without A Name. 325 Kreutzberg Road. www.cavewithoutaname.com 830/537-4212

COMFORT: April 30-May 1 Comfort Village Spring Antiques Show Browse collections of Americana antiques for sale, including country furniture, textiles and linens, blue willow, majolica, antique tools, stoneware, baskets and more. Rain or shine. Comfort Park. http://texasantiqueshows.com 830/329-2870

FREDERICKSBURG: April 28-May 1 Hill Country Film Festival This annual film festival screens the best of independent film from Texas and around the world. Fritztown Cinema. www.hillcountryff.com 512/838-6828

FREDERICKSBURG: April 29-May 1 Wings Over the Hills Nature Festival This festival is an educational and entertaining opportunity for the who e family to experience the unique winged wilclife of the Texas Hill Country. Lady Bird Johnson Municipal Park. www.wingstx.org 830/990-9823

FREDERICKSBURG: May 1 Maifest German Chorale Concert Enjoy an evening of German song and Fredericksburg Gemutlichkeit (hospitality). St. Joseph's Halle, 212 W. San Antonio. 830/456-1713

FREDERICKSBURG: May 6 First Friday Art Walk Tour fine art galleries offering special exhibits, demos, refreshments and extended viewing hours. Various locations. www.ffawf.com 830/997-6523

FREDERICKSBURG: May 7 Texas Flower Country Women's 5K and 10K Run Run through fields of beautiful wildflowers and enjoy a post-race champagne brunch. Wildseed Farms. www.runintexas. com/flower 830/990-8441

FREDERICKSBURG: May 11 Conspirare Chorale Concert Grammy Award-winning chorale group performs the works of late American composer Stephen Paulus. St. Mary's Church, 306 W. San Antonio. www.conspirare.org 830/997-9554

FREDERICKSBURG: May 14 Founders Day Celebration A wreath laying at Marktplatz and special activities celebrate the founding of Fredericksburg. Pioneer Museum. www.pioneermuseum.net

FREDERICKSBURG: May 20-22 Fredericksburg Trade Days Shop with more than 450 vendors or enjoy live music in the Biergarten. Sunday Farms. www.fbgtradedays.com 210/846-4094

FREDERICKSBURG: May 27-29 Fredericksburg Crawfish Festival Three-day festival is dedicated to music, entertainment, food, beverages and fun inspired by all things Cajun. Marktplatz, 100 W. Main. www.fbgcrawfish.com 830/433-5225

FREDERICKSBURG: May 28 USO-Style Memorial Day Hangar Dance Dress in your best 1940s inspired outfit at this event that supports the USO in Ft. Hood. Includes swing dance lessons and music by the Lone Star Swing Orchestra. Hangar Hotel Pacific Showroom. www.hangarhotel.com 844/596-2300

FREDERICKSBURG: May 30 Memorial Day **Observance** A ceremony honors all of those who have lost their lives serving in the United States Armed Forces, National Museum of the Pacific War. www.pacificwarmuseum.org 830/997-8600

GEORGETOWN: May 14 Market Days on the Square Georgetown Square, 103 W. Seventh St. www.VisitGeorgetown.com 512/868-8675

GRUENE: May 22 KNTB Americana Music Jam Gruene Hall. www.gruenehall.com 830/629-5077

GRUENE: May 8 Gospel Brunch with a Texas Twist Advance tickets recommended. Gruene Hall, 1281 Gruene Road. www.gruenehall.com 830/629-5077 or 830/606-1601

GRUENE: May 19 Come and Taste It A featured winemaker showcases three of their newest released, top-selling or hard-to-find wines, alongside a craft beer. Grapevine Texas Wine Bar. www.grapevinein gruene.com 830/606-0093

GRUENE: May 21-22 Old Gruene Market Days Nearly 100 vendors offer uniquely crafted items and packaged Texas foods. Gruene Historic District. www.gruenemarketdays.com 830/832-1721

JOHNSON CITY: May 28 Last Saturday Art Walk Find good Texas goods and great Texas art from 4-8 p.m. while enjoying complimentary beer, wine and appetizers. Downtown. 830/868-2419

KERRVILLE: April 28-May 22 Kerr Arts and Cultural Center May Gallery Exhibits Exhibits on view include the "Kerrville Art Club Annual Juried Show," "Deeper Than Beauty" with fiber art by Caryl Gaubatz and watercolors by Martha Allen, and "Patrick McDaniel: Glassworks." Kerr Arts and Cultural Center, 128 Earl Garrett St. www.kacckerrville.com KERRVILLE: May 6 First Friday Wine Share Meet new people and try new wines at this fun and friendly event at a different location each month. Bring one bottle of wine per two people and your own wine glass. Begins at 6 p.m. www.storkcountry.com 830/200-1483

KERRVILLE: May 7 Hill Country Swap Meet This community garage sale and flea market offers all types of merchandise. Hours are 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Kerr County Hill Country Youth Event Center, 3705 Texas 27 E. www.kerrmarketdays.org 830/459-6198

KERRVILLE: May 26-June 12 Kerrville Folk Festival This Texas Hill Country based international songwriters' festival features more than 100 songwriters and bands. Quiet Valley Ranch, 3876 Medina Hwy. www.kerrville-music.com 830/257-3600

KERRVILLE: May 26-June 26 Southwest Gourd Fine Art Show See the finest examples of gourd art by the best gourd artists from across the nation. Kerr Arts and Cultural Center, 228 Earl Garrett St. www.kacckerrville.com 830/895-2911

KERRVILLE: May 28-29 Kerr County Market Days Old-fashioned market on the square features handmade crafts, artwork, and homegrown plants and produce. Kerr County Courthouse, 700 Main St. www.kerrmarketdays.org 830/895-7524

LAMPASAS: May 13-14 Riata Roundup Festival Includes bull riding, mutton bustin', bucking ponies and other rodeo favorites. 580 Sports Complex, 2351 F.M. 580 W. www.lampasaschamber.org 512/556-5172

LUCKENBACH: May 6-8 Hill Country Run Motorcycle Rally Includes bike rides through the hills, live music, a cowboy breakfast and the Brew and 'Que. www.hillcountryrun.com 830/997-8515

MARBLE FALLS: May 7-8 "Howdy Roo" CASI Regional Chili Cook-Off, Lonestar Barbecue State Championship and Backbone Creek Chili Cook-Off Includes chili, beans and barbecue competitions as well as vendors and a silent auction. Johnson Park. www.marblefalls.org

NEW BRAUNFELS: September 1-May 1

"Lindheimer's Texas" The "Father of Texas Botany," Ferdinand Lindheimer of New Braunfels, collected close to 100,000 specimens of Texas plants and sent them out to fellow botanists to show off the unique plants and flowers of Texas. This exhibit has collected some of his original works for display. The Sophienburg Museum and Archives. 830/629-1572

NEW BRAUNFELS: May 7 Wein and Saengerfest This German-style wine and singing festival includes beer and wine tastings, live music, a grape stomp, art market, food seminars, chef showdown and children's activities. Downtown. www.weinandsaengerfest.com 830/625-2385

NEW BRAUNFELS: May 14 "The Music of the Carpenters" Lisa Rock and her six-piece band perform such hits as "Close to You." Brauntex Theatre. www.brauntex.org 830/627-0808

OZONA: May 20-21 Fort Lancaster Western Frontier Days The story of this historic site comes alive with soldiers, settlers, wagons and live animals in this living-history event. Fort Lancaster State Historic Site. www.visitfortlancaster.com 432/836-4391





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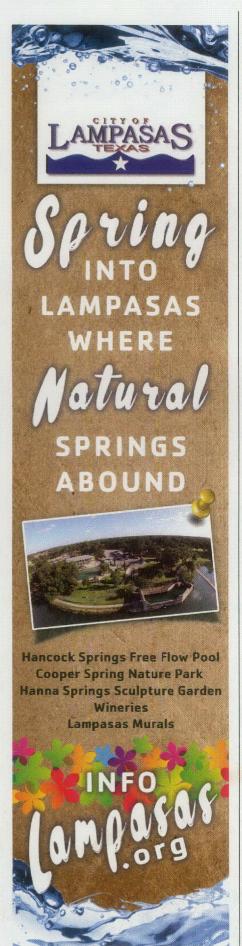
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PFLUGERVILLE: May 20-22 Deutschen Pfest

Family festival includes music, children's games and activities, shopping booths, a Saturday parade and thrilling rides at the carnival. Pfluger Park, 515 City Park Road. www.pflugervilletx.gov/dpfest

SAN MARCOS: August 3-July 3 "Rodrigo Moya: Photography and Conscience / Fotografia y conciencia" This exhibit is the first retrospective in the United States of Moya's work. More than 90 images document Mexico and Latin America from revolutionary movements to timeless moments of daily life. The Wittliff Collections. www.thewittliffcollections. txstate.edu 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: August 10-May 13 "Animals Among Us: Photographs from the Permanent Collection" This photography exhibit features cats, dogs, horses, fish, fowl, insects and more in images created with a variety of photographic and printing techniques by 39 artists. The Wittliff Collections. www.thewittliffcollections.txstate.edu 512/245-2907

SAN MARCOS: August 17-July 3 "Places in the Heart: Texas Cinescapes" This exhibit celebrates Oscar-winning movies and award-winning independent films set in Texas. Screenplays, props, wardrobe pieces, behind-the-scenes photos and other materials show how authentic visions of the Lone Star State have been created on screen. The Wittliff Collections. www.thewittliffcollections.txstate.edu 512/245-2907

SONORA: May 7 Cinco De Mayo Includes festive music, dancing, children's games and the crowning of Miss Cinco De Mayo. Sutton County Park, 1700 Crockett. www.sonoratexas.org 888/387-2880

SPICEWOOD: May 6 "A Toast to Tony" Annual jazz concert in honor of Tony Campise features performances by trumpeter Bobby Shew and saxophonist Elias Haslanger. Spicewood Vineyard Event Center, 1419 C.R. 409. www.spicewoodarts.org

STONEWALL: April 30-May 1 Lavender Festival at Becker Vineyards Celebrate everything lavender, as well as vendors, cooking demonstrations, live music and more. Becker Vineyards. www.becker vineyards.com 830/644-2681

STONEWALL: May 7 "The Fandangle" Sampler at the LBJ Ranch Features a shortened version of the Fort Griffin Fandangle with barbecue and live music. LBJ National Historical Park. www.friendsoflbj nationalpark.org 830/868-7128 ext. 222

UVALDE: May 13 Four Square Friday Enjoy late night shopping, food, live music and art at this monthly event named for the town's original design with four town squares. Downtown. www.visituvalde. com 830/278-4115

UVALDE: May 28 Fishing Derby Uvalde National Fish Hatchery, 754 City Road 203. www.fws.gov/fisheries/uvalde 830/278-2419

WIMBERLEY: April 15-May 8 "Good People" Presented by the Wimberley Players. Wimberley Playhouse, 450 Old Kyle Road. **www.wimberleyplayers. org 512/847-0575**

WIMBERLEY: May 7 Market Days Stroll along a shaded path to more than 475 booths filled with a wide variety of arts, crafts, antiques, gift items, cloth-

ing and more. Lions Field, 601 F.M. 2325. www.shop marketdays.com 512/847-2201

WIMBERLEY: May 14 Garden Tour Discover beautiful gardens at several homes. Various locations. www.wimberleygardenclub.org 512/940-2577

WIMBERLEY: May 14 Second Saturday Gallery Trail More than a dozen galleries offer wine, snacks and art displays from 4–7 p.m. Wimberley Square, 101 Wimberley Square. www.facebook.com/Second SaturdayGalleryTrail 713/732-1543

WIMBERLEY: May 19 Concerts at Susanna's Kitchen Top musicians take the stage at this intimate venue. Begins at 7:30 p.m. Susanna's Kitchen, 1200 C.R, 1492. www.wimberleyumc.org 512/722-3316

PANHANDLE PLAINS

ABILENE: May 7 Abilene Philharmonic Orchestra Concert The "Star Wars and Beyond" concert features music of discovery, adventure and courage. Abilene Civic Center. 325/677-6710

ABILENE: May 12-15 Western Heritage Classic

This event features a ranch rodeo and other activities that highlight Western history and lifestyles. Activities include a street dance, preview gala, the world's largest bit-and-spur show, a Western art show, a chuck wagon cook-off, ranch rodeo, nightly dances, invitational ranch-horse sale, a working ranch-horse competition and children's rodeo events. Taylor County Expo Center. www.westernheritageclassic.com 325/677-4376

ABILENE: May 12 ArtWalk Downtown. 325/677-8389

ALBANY: February 27-May 14 "Robert Langham: Blackforest Bestiary Exhibition" Photographer Robert Langham finds and rescues wild animals near his home in Tyler, then poses and photographs them in his studio. Printed using traditional processes, the results are curious and beautiful portraits of nature's now "backyard" creatures, Old Jail Art Center, 201 S. Second St. www.theojac.org 325/762-2269

ALBANY: April 3-July 23 "Lonesome Dove: Highlights of The Wittliff Collections" Go behind the scenes of one of the most beloved Westerns of all time with this exhibit featuring costumes, props, photographs, and more on loan from the extensive Lonesome Dove Production Archive. Old Jail Art Center, 201 S. Second St. www.theojac.org 325/762-2269

AMARILLO: May 6 First Friday Art Walk Enjoy food, music and art by more than 100 artists from the region in dozens of galleries, the Art Institute and Panhandle Art Center. Hours are 5–9 p.m. www.amarilloartists.com 806/353-5700

AMARILLO: May 15 Muttfest Includes music, food, canine contests, pet products and services, and a huge silent auction. Memorial Park, 2501 S. Washington. www.amarillospca.net 806/622-0555

ANDREWS: April 28-May 1 Wild, Wild West Fest Enjoy family activities including Cowboy Mounted Shooting and Wild West Shows, Outlaw Truck and Tractor Pulls, the Texas ShootOut Barbecue Cookoff, a carnival and music under the stars. ACE Arena. www.andrewstx.com 432/523-2695

BAIRD: May 21 Baird Railhead Festival Includes live music, a car show, cook-off, vendors and children's activities Downtown www.bairdchamber.com 325/854-1212 ext. 4

BIG SPRING: May 6-7 Cinco de Mayo Celebration of Hispanic culture features dancers, mariachis, food, games and Tejano music. St. Thomas Hall, 605 N. Main St. www.facebook.com/northsidem 432/264-6111

BUFFALO GAP: May 14 Chautauqua Learning

Series This lecture series based on the Chautaugua movement, which brought educational talks and entertainment to rural U.S. areas in the late 1800s and early 1900s, covers a different topic each month. Buffalo Gap Historic Village. 325/572-3365

CANYON: April 9-September 5 "Jose Arpa, A Spanish Painter in Texas" This exhibit showcases Arpa as one of the Texas artists who brought Impressionism to the Lone Star State. Born in Spain in 1858, he traveled to San Antonio in 1899 and exhibited at the San Antonio International Fair in 1900. Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum. www.panhandleplains.org

SAN ANGELO: January 31-May 29 "Honoring Olivewood" Features photographs by young Houstonian Kasey French that showcase the beauty and reverence of historic Olivewood Cemetery, Houston's first incorporated African American cemetery, which pre-dates the end of slavery. National Museum of Funeral History. www.nmfh.org 281/876-3063

SAN ANGELO: April 15-June 26 San Angelo National Ceramic Competion The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts hosts a juried ceramic competition every two years—this year's invited artist is Ron Meyers of Athens, Georgia. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts, 1 Love St. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

SAN ANGELO: May 7 National Train Day Celebration Railway Museum of San Angelo. www.visitsanangelo.org 325/655-4136

SAN ANGELO: May 12 First Saturday Find art and crafts, food and live entertainment, Old Chicken Farm Art Center, 2525 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. www.visitsanangelo.org 325/655-4136

SAN ANGELO: May 14 Family Day: Summer!

Program includes hands-on art activities and a new theme each month. Hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

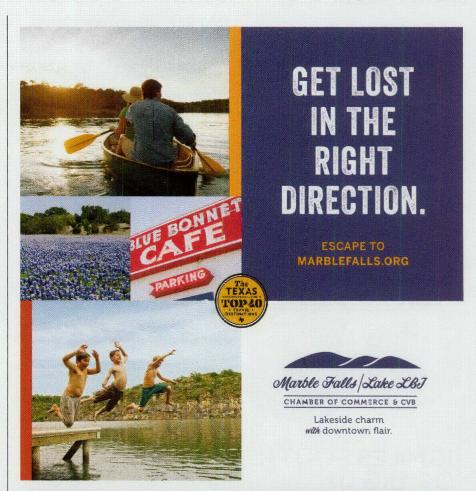
SAN ANGELO: May 19 Downtown Art Walk Visit downtown galleries and merchants, and enjoy free admission at the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. Hours are 5-9 p.m. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

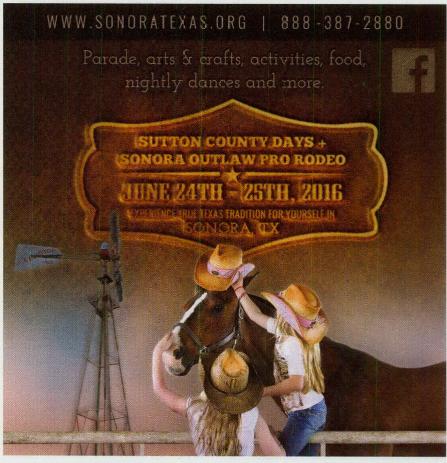
SAN ANGELO: May 21 Cactus Market Days

Local artists and crafters show their handmade items while local performers play live. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Cactus Hotel Parking Lot, 13 E. Twohig. 325/949-6200

SAN ANGELO: May 30 Memorial Day Exercises

Begins at 9 a.m. with a ceremony to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our nation, featuring an artillery salute and a quest speaker. Fort Concho National Historic Landmark, 630 S. Oakes. www.fortconcho.com 325/234-0316









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SAN ANGELO: October 16-August 7 Salmon Sculpture Competition This annual exhibit of up to 15 large-scale, outdoor sculptures is on display until the next competition's works are placed. Sunken Garden Park. www.samfa.org 325/653-3333

VERNON: May 7 Battle on the Red Cattledog Trials Wilbarger County Events Center. www.south westcattledogassoc.com 940/552-5474

VERNON: May 7 Doan's May Picnic Gather at the Historic Doan's Adobe House and Cattle Crossing Site for the longest running picnic in Texas to learn about the first family who settled in Wilbarger County. About 13 miles north via U.S. 283.

www.vernontx.gov 940/552-2581

VERNON: May 18-21 Santa Rosa Roundup Rodeo Santa Rosa Rodeo Grounds. www.santarosaround up.com 940/552-2581

WICHITA FALLS: May 6-21 "A Streetcar Named Desire" Backdoor Theatre, 501 Indiana Ave. http://backdoortheatre.org 940/322-5000

WICHITA FALLS: May 7 Tornado Alley Craft Beer Tasting Enjoy a wide variety of craft beers along with live music. Hours are 2-7 p.m. Tickets required. J.S. Bridwell Ag Center. www.tornadoalleybrewfest.org 940/782-2624

wichita Falls: May 20-21 Homesteader's Fair and Ranch Rodeo Take a trip back to yesteryear, when Wichita County was first settled, and learn about the skills and daily lives of people who called this area home. Also enjoy live music, exhibits, vendors, the Kids' Corral, food, and the Cowboy Church Challenge Ranch Rodeo on Friday and Saturday nights. J.S. Bridwell Ag Center. 940/716-9300

WICHITA FALLS: May 20-21 Pro Wrestling Hall of Fame Induction Doors open at 6 p.m. for a banquet starting at 6:30 p.m. Tickets required. Separate meetand-greet autograph session tickets also are available. Ray Clymer Exhibit Hall (MPEC), 1000 Fifth St. www.wfmpec.com 800/799-6732

WYLIE: May 1 Wylie 500 Pedal Car Races More than 100 children select unique pedal cars provided and decorated by local merchants. They race 500 inches down Ballard Avenue in heats of six, by age group. Downtown, 112 N. Ballard Ave. www.discover wylie.com 972/516-6016

PINEY WOODS

GLADEWATER: May 14 Apron Strings Looking back at the history of the apron from necessity to accessory and honoring those who wore them, the Antique District is lined with fabulous vintage aprons. **www.gladewaterchamber.org 903/845-5501**

FORK PESTIVAL E: May 13-15 General Sam Houston Folk Festival Celebrate the life of Gen. Sam Houston with at this living-history event. Visitors to the bustling frontier settlement can see educational re-enactments, listen to music, shop for crafts and enjoy food while strolling the same grounds where Sam and Margaret Houston lived with their children. Sam Houston Memorial Museum, 1836 Sam Houston Ave. www.samhoustonfolkfestival.blogspot.com 936/294-1832

JEFFERSON: April 28-May 1 Jefferson Historical Pilgrimage This annual heritage festival features an array of events, including re-enactments of the Battle for Jefferson at Cypress River Ranch, historic home tours downtown, the Great Locomotive Chase and Naval Battle at the Historical Jefferson Railway, a craft fair, twilight garden stroll, quilt exhibits and demonstrations, the Pilgrimage Parade and performances of the Diamond Bessie Murder Trial play. Various venues. www.jefferson-texas.com/events or www.jeffersonpilgrimage.com 903/665-3733

JEFFERSON: May 6-7, 20-21 Jefferson Flea Market Shop for new and antique items, arts and crafts, garage-sale items, furniture, fixtures, books, dishes, office supplies and more. 213 W. Broadway. www.jeffersonfleamarket.net 903/431-0043

JEFFERSON: May 13 Friday the 13th Ghost Train Have a haunting good time aboard this special Friday the 13th train ride through the eerie woods along the Big Cypress Bayou. Is the tale of the Bigfoot sightings along the railroad track fact or fiction? What else awaits you in the dark and scary woods? Historic Jefferson Railway. www. Jefferson Railway.com 866/398-2038

JEFFERSON: May 14-15 Jefferson Train Days See R. D. Moses' Texas and Pacific model train layout, the Historic Jefferson Railway, Jay Gould railcar and other model train layouts. Also enjoy the rough-andready cowboys and cowgirl of the Lonely West Traveling Gun Show about the Historic Jefferson Railroad, complete with cannons, gunfights and a train robbery on every train. Downtown and at the Historic Jefferson Railway, 400 E. Austin. www.jeffersontrain days.com 903/665-2775 or 866/398-2038

LIBERTY: May 7, 14, 21 Liberty Opry Enjoy live, themed musical entertainment with a little comedy, too. At 1816 Sam Houston St. www.libertyopry.com 936/336-5830

MAGNOLIA: May 14 Corks and Canvas on The Stroll Enjoy an evening of art, wine, live music, local artists and crafts. The Stroll in Downtown Magnolia, 410 Commerce St. www.cityofmagnolia.com 713/806-4401 or 281/356-2266 opt. 3

PALESTINE: April 30-May 1 Railfan Photographer Special Railfans get an opportunity to photograph a Texas State Railroad Engine at several locations along the track. Wear closed-toe shoes for the rough and rural terrain in some locations. Saturday is a night shoot and Sunday is a day shoot. Texas State Railroad Palestine Depot, U.S. 84 at Park Road 70. www.texasstaterr.com 877/726-7245

THE WOODLANDS: May 7 The 1975 in Concert Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, 2005 Lake Robbins Drive. **www.woodlandscenter.org**

THE WOODLANDS: May 21 Journey in Concert with the Doobie Brothers and Dave Mason Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, 2005 Lake Robbins Drive. www.woodlandscenter.org

TYLER: February 7-May 15 "Chihuly: Works from Texas Collections" This exhibition features more than 30 unique works by internationally acclaimed glass artist Dale Chihuly, drawn from the museum's collection, as well as public and private collections throughout the state. Tyler Museum of Art, 1300 S. Mahon Ave. www.tylermuseum.org 903/595-1001

TYLER: May 14 Red Dirt Barbecue and Music Festival 100 N. Broadway Ave. http://reddirtbbq fest.com 903/581-0606

PRAIRIES AND LAKES

ARLINGTON: May 13-15 Texas Scottish Festival and Highland Games This 30th annual event hosts a variety of entertainment, Scottish-style athletic competitions, a military living-history encampment, Scottish clan tents, food, dancing, children's activities. the bonniest knees contest, Ceilidh and more, Maverick Stadium at UT Arlington, www.texasscottish festival.com

BELTON: April 13-August 6 "Grand Ole Opry-Classics" See 30 black-and-white images by commercial photographer Gordon Gillingham, which offer a rare glimpse inside the Nashville-based radio show that brought country music to the masses. The Bell County Museum. www.bellcountymuseum. org 254/933-5243

BELTON: May 21 Discovery Day with Charley Chisholm Features a new activity each month. The Bell County Museum www.bellcountymuseum.org 254/933-5243

BONHAM: May 7 Bonham Heritage Day Festival Includes entertainment, car and truck shows. Civil War re-enactors, food and vendors, Downtown Square. www.visitbonham.com 903/583-9830

BRENHAM: May 6-7 Maifest One of the oldest German festivals in Texas-now in its 126th year-includes a colorful parade, spectacular performances, Blue Bell ice cream, German food, live entertainment, quality arts-and-crafts booths and kids' activities. Fireman's Park. www.maifest.org 888/273-6426

BRIDGEPORT: May 6-7 Butterfield Stage Days Festival and PRCA Rodeo Celebrate this community's Western heritage with a PRCA rodeo and festival featuring live entertainment, food and family activities. Harwood Park. www.bridgeportchamber.org 940/683-2076

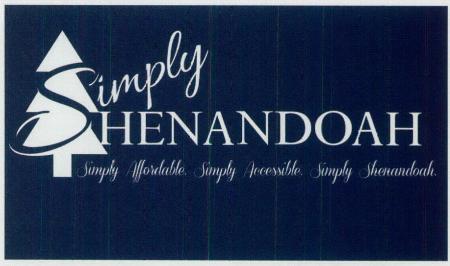
CANTON: May 13-14 Tailwind Regional Balloon Fest First Monday Grounds, 800 Flea Market Road. www.balloonfestcanton.com 903/567-1849

CLEBURNE: April 29-May 21 "Heaven Can Wait" Shows are Thursdays-Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. Plaza Theatre Company. www.plaza-theatre.com 817/202-0600

CLEBURNE: May 27-28 Powwow This event celebrates Native American cultures through demonstrations, songs, dances, ceremonies, arts-and-crafts vendors, food and more. Also see flint knappers, mountain men and cowboys. Chisholm Trail Outdoor Museum. www.jcchisholmtrail.com 817/648-4633

CLIFTON: May 21 Bosque Tour de Norway Clifton Chamber of Commerce, 115 N. Avenue D. www.cliftontexas.org 254/675-3720

DALLAS: September 18-July 31 "Spirit and Matter: Masterpieces from the Keir Collection of Islamic Art" This collection encompasses almost 2,000 works spanning three continents and 13 centuries of Islamic cultural production. Dallas Museum of Art. www.DMA.org



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DALLAS: January 9- May 31 "Anne Frank: A History for Today" This exhibit gives us insight into the family and world events that shaped Anne Frank's life, going beyond the pages of her famous diary. Dallas Holocaust Museum/Center for Education and Tolerance. www.dallasholocaustmuseum.org 214/741-7500

DALLAS: April 15-September 5 "Eye of the Collector" This exhibit brings together amazing personal collections of nine very different people—from

sonal collections of nine very different people—from the exquisite to the quirky, from historical artifacts to pop culture. Perot Museum of Nature and Science. www.perotmuseum.org

DALLAS: April 29-May 22 "Roald Dahl's 'The BFG' (Big Friendly Giant)" Rosewood Center for Family Arts, 5938 Skillman. www.dct.org

DALLAS: May 3 "Dave Isay: Purpose and Passion Story Corps founder Dave Isay's latest book, "Callings: The Purpose and Passion of Work," presents unforgettable stories from people doing what they love. The author sits down for a conversation with KERA's Krys Boyd in this Arts and Letters Series event. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: May 13 "Kate Tempest: Musical Poet and Prophet" Award-winning poet and performer Kate Tempest's electrifying debut novel, "The Bricks That Built the Houses," takes readers into the beating heart of London in a multi-generational tale of youth, desire, and belonging. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art, 1717 N. Harwood St. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: May 17 "Amy Stewart: Crime-Fighting Sisters" Amy Stewart's novel "Girl Waits with Gun" is based on the true story of one of the nation's first female deputy sheriffs, a story that has largely been forgotten until now. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: May 22 "Drew Daywalt: Colorful Characters" One day while brainstorming book ideas, Drew Daywalt stared at a box of crayons on his desk and couldn't help but notice how uneven they were. What would they say if they could say anything they wanted? The answer became a New York Times bestseller. Horchow Auditorium at the Dallas Museum of Art. www.dma.org 214/922-1200

DALLAS: May 31 "Dacher Keltner: Survival of the Kindest" Dacher Keltner, Professor of Psychology at the University of California at Berkeley, highlights key insights from that science and how they play out in the acclaimed Pixar film "Inside Out." He will also focus on five practices that elevate compassion, increasing well-being and life expectancy. Dallas City Performance Hall. **www.dma.org 214/922-1200**

PENTON: April 29-May 1 Denton Arts and Jazz Festival This annual celebration of the arts features more than 2,500 professional and amateur performers on seven stages showcasing the best in jazz, pop, rhythm and blues and full orchestra music. Also see works by a juried selection of fine artists and craftspeople from all over the region and enjoy children's entertainment and activities. Quakertown Park. www.dentonjazzfest.com 940/565-0931

DENTON: May 5, 12, 19, 26 Twilight Tunes The region's most talented musicians perform on the

courthouse lawn at this weekly event. Denton Courthouse-on-the-Square lawn, 110 W. Hickory St. www.dentonmainstreet.org 940/367-7321

DENTON: May 7 North Texas Horse Country
Tour Take a guided motorcoach tour to meet the
stars of the North Texas equine world: million-dollar
sires, million-dollar riders, world-champion horses,
internationally acclaimed trainers and baby foals.
Historical Park of Denton County, 210 S. Elm St.
www.discoverdenton.com 940/382-7895

DENTON: May 14 Cinco de Mayo This Mexican cultural festival kicks off with a parade at 10 a.m. Families enjoy include live music, concession stands and picnic areas. Quakertown Park, 321 E. McKinney St. www.dentoncinco.org 940/349-8272

DESOTO: May 19, 21, 26 Music in the Park Series Offers free performances featuring local and nationally known talent. DeSoto Amphitheater, 211 E. Pleasant Run Road. www.ci.desoto.tx.us 972/274-2489

ELGIN: February 4 Flea Market Days Elgin Memorial Park. **512/285-4025**

ELGIN: May 7 Communitywide Garage Sale See the Elgin Courier for details and to secure a map showing the locations of all the sales. Various locations. **512/285-3333**

ELGIN: May 12 Sip, Shop and Stroll Hours are 5–8 p.m. Downtown. www.elgintx.com 512/285-5721

ENNIS: May 27-29 50th Annual National Polka Festival Experience the authentic cuisine, music and costumes of Czech and Slovak heritage at the 50th annual National Polka Festival. Features 19 live polka bands, the King and Queen Dance, arts and crafts, and great Czech food. Various locations.

www.nationalpolkafestival.com 972/878-4748

FAYETTEVILLE: May 7-8 Artwalk 2016 Juried fine art show on the courthouse lawn features artists works on display, musicians, children's art instruction and activities. Downtown, 114 N. Live Oak. www.artsforruraltexas.org 979/378-2113

FLATONIA: May 29 Memorial Day Service Begins at 11 a.m. Flatonia American Legion Hall, 122 U.S. 90 E. **361/865-3920**

FORT WORTH: May 19, 2015-May 30, 2016 "Pasture Cows Crossing Indian Creek" A visionary storyteller, Esther Pearl Watson blends memories and imagination to capture her Texas upbringing. She is presently at work on a mural-size painting specifically for the Amon Carter's atrium. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org 817/738-1933

FORT WORTH: September 12, 2015-September 19, 2016 "Texas Folk Art" This exhibit features spirited work by some of the state's most original painters and sculptors. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org 817/738-1933

FORT WORTH: February 6-May 1 "American Epics: Thomas Hart Benton and Hollywood" The first major exhibition in more than 25 years to feature renowned American painter Thomas Hart Benton explores the previously overlooked relationship between his art and movie making. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org

FORT WORTH: March 5-August 7 "Discarded: Photographs by Anthony Hernandez" This exhibit portrays the halting spread of Los Angeles into the lower reaches of California's Central Valley to the desert region east of Palm Springs, centering largely on housing developments that have been abandoned at various stages of their construction. Amon Carter Museum of American Art. www.cartermuseum.org

FORT WORTH: April 17-September 4 "Frank Stella: A Retrospective" Features approximately 100 works, including paintings, reliefs, maquettes, sculptures and drawings. Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth. www.themodern.org 817/738-9215

FORT WORTH: April 23-May 8 Fort Worth Opera Festival Includes performances of "JFK." "Buried Alive." "Embedded" and "the Barber of Seville." Various venues. www.fwopera.org 877/396-7372

FORT WORTH: April 28-May 1 Mayfest This family festival features food, arts and crafts, and live performances on the banks of the Trinity River. At 2401 University Drive. www.mayfest.org 817/332-1055

FORT WORTH: April 30-July 17 "FOCUS:

Thomas Demand" The photographs of Thomas Demand merge truthful documentation and unsettling artifice—two polarities raised by photography since its inception. Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, 3200 Darnell St. www.themodern.org

FORT WORTH: May 13-14 Frontier Forts Day

Exchange Avenue is lined with encampments of historic fort sites from the Texas Forts Trail and elsewhere in Texas. Stockyards Historic District. www.forworthstockyards.org 817/625-9715

FORT WORTH: May 22-September 11 "The **Brothers Le Nain: Painters of 17th Century** France" This is the first major exhibition in the United States devoted to the Le Nain brothers, gathering more than 50 of their best paintings and highlighting their full range of production. Kimbell Art

FORT WORTH: May 23-29 Crowne Plaza Invitational This golf tournament, held annually at the Colonial Country Club since 1946, is the longestrunning event on the PGA tour that's still being held at its original site. Colonial Country Club. www.crowneplazainvitational.com 817/927-4221

Museum, 3333 Camp Bowie Blvd. 817/332-8451

GAINESVILLE: May 6-15 "The Diary of Anne Frank" Butterfield Stage, www.butterfieldstage. org 940/665-8152

GAINESVILLE: May 7 The Spring Fling Features arts-and-crafts vendors, the Frankie Schmitz Express Train, food, giraffe feedings at the zoo and other children's activities. Leonard Park, 1000 W. California St. www.gainesville.tx.us 940/668-4530

GARLAND: May 2 Guns and Hoses Golf Tournament Firewheel Golf Park. www.gunsand hosesnorthtx.org 972/880-8095

GARLAND: May 14 Urban Flea Features vintage and homemade vendors, live music and food trucks. 701 W. Avenue A. www.resurrecteddesigns.com 469/298-0042

GARLAND: May 21 The Marketplace Browse fresh local produce, culinary items and artisan vendors from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Downtown. www.themarket placedfw.com



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GRAND PRAIRIE: May 11 Celtic Woman Begins at 7 p.m. Verizon Theatre. www.verizontheatre.com

GRAPEVINE: May 20-22 Main Street Fest Tap into three days of fun, with a special emphasis on craft brew tasting experiences. Families can also enjoy live entertainment, festival foods and vendors in a street-fair atmosphere. Downtown, 636 S. Main St. www.GrapevineTexasUSA.com 817/410-3185

GREENVILLE: May 14 Audie Murphy Day Honors the life of Audie Murphy, most decorated soldier of WWII, as well as military veterans and those currently serving the country. This year's events include a variety of speakers, music and displays. Audie Murphy/ American Cotton Museum and Fletcher Warren Civic Center. www.amacmuseum.com 903/450-4502

HALLETTSVILLE: May 21 Hallettsville Market
Days Hallettsville KC Hall, 321 Hwy 77 S.
www.hallettsvillemarketdays.com 361-772-0084

JOSHUA: May 9 JACC Annual Golf Tournament Hidden Creek Golf Course, 141 W Renfro St. www.joshuachamber.org 817/556-2480

KERENS: May 21 Barbecue and Dancin' on the Bricks IBCA-sanctioned cook-off includes a street dance at 6 p.m. Main Street. www.ci.kerens.tx.us 903/396-2391

LEWISVILLE: May 13 Keeping Tradition Alive The Lewisville Fire Department's Pipes and Drums Symposium features a jam session on the steps of city hall. Old Town Lewisville. www.cityoflewisville.com 97/219-3400

MCKINNEY: May 13-21 "Sordid Lives" This black

comedy about "white trash" bristles with infidelity, country-western music, and Airstream trailers. Begins at 8 p.m. McKinney Performing Arts Center. www.McKinneyRep.org 214/544-4630

MCKINNEY: May 13-14 Old Red Lumberyard Find vintage and shabby-chic items in this junk market. Hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Flour Mill District, 600 E. Louisiana. www.visitmckinney.com 214/544-1407

MCKINNEY: May 14 Second Saturday Bird Walk Walks last about 1.5 hours and begin at 8 a.m. Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary. www.HeardMuseum.org 972/562-5566

MCKINNEY: May 27 Bike the Bricks This closedcourse crit bike race includes interval-race events, live entertainment, activities and food. Downtown. www.DowntownMcKinney.com 972/547-2660

MCKINNEY: May 29 Smiles Charity Concert and Family Festival Features a headliner and local musicians as well as family activities, food and fireworks. Hours are 5–11 p.m. Adriatica Croatian Village, Virginia at Stonebridge Drive. www.SmilesCharity.org

MCKINNEY: May 30 Pecan Grove Historic Cemetery Memorial Day Ceremony McKinney honors fallen heroes with a 10 a.m. ceremony in a cemetery that is the final resting place of heroes dating back to the Texas Revolution, Mexican War, Civil War and every war and conflict since. Pecan Grove Cemetery. www.PecanGroveCemetery.com

MCKINNEY: May 13-15 Third Monday Trade Days Features more than 900 vendors. At 4550 W. University. www.tmtd.com 972/562-5466 MCKINNEY: May 14 Second Saturday on the Downtown Square Includes live music, art demonstrations, art gallery exhibit openings and meet-theartist receptions from 7–10 p.m. Downtown square. www.downtownmckinney.com 972/547-2660

MESQUITE: April 15-17, 22-24, 29-May 1
"Brighton Beach Memoirs" Presented by Mesquite
Community Theater. Mesquite Arts Center. www.
mesquitecommunitytheatre.com 972/216-8126

MESQUITE: May 2-30 Shari Hornish Exhibit Mesquite Arts Center Main Gallery, 1527 N. Galloway. www.mesquiteartscenter.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: May 7 Mesquite Symphony Orchestra Concert "Horses, Ropes, and Spurs" concert celebrates local rodeo heritage. Mesquite Arts Center Concert Hall. www.mesquitesymphony.org 972/216-6444

MESQUITE: May 13-14 Mesquite Meander Historic Cemetery Tour Walk through the cemetery and get a history lesson about the early residents who helped build this community. Mesquite Cemetery. www.historicmesquite.org 972/216-6468

MESQUITE: May 14 Florence Ranch Homestead Tours Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. At 1424 Barnes Bridge Road. www.historicmesquite.org 972/216-6468

MESQUITE: May 14 Kidfish This is a free event for children 16 and younger. Poles and bait are provided, or participants may use their own fishing gear. Registration begins at 8 a.m. City Lake Park. www.cityof mesquite.com/pard 972/216-6260

MESQUITE: May 21 Opal Lawrence Historical Park Tours Hours are 10 a.m.-1 p.m. At 701 E. Kearney St. www.historicmesquite.org 972/216-6468

MOUNT VERNON: May 20-21 Piney Woods Wine Trail Festival Enjoy wines from 24 wineries on the Piney Woods Wine Trail, plus artisanal food, vendors and music. Downtown, 113 Main St. 903/537-4070

NOCONA: May 12-14 Cruisin' Nocona Includes a car cruise across Montague County, a classic car auction, vendors, live music and a car show. Horton Classic Car Museum. www.nocona.org 940/825-3526

PLANO: May 5-14 365 Women a Year Festival Presents plays by area playwrights about extraordinary women in past and present history. Rover Dramawerks Theatre. www.roverdramawerks.com

PLANO: May 7 AsiaFest 2016 Features live music, dance performances, martial arts demonstrations, cultural exhibits and a variety of delicious Asian food. Haggard Park, 901 E. 15th St. www.asianamerican heritage.org/asiafest.asp 214/556-9852

PLANO: May 21 PCANT Vaisakhi Mela 2016 Celebrates the traditional Punjabi harvest festival

with live performances by professional artists. Plano Event Center, 2000 E. Spring Creek Parkway. www.pcant.info 214/662-6766

PLANO: May 26-June 18 "Crisis" All that crisis expert Margot Euston needs is for CEO Jack Carville to be completely honest—but honesty is not a part of Jack's business plan. Rover Dramawerks Theatre, 221 W. Parker Suite 580. www.roverdramawerks.com

PLANO: May 29 "A Salute to America" Free Concert St. Andrew United Methodist Church, 5801 W. Plano Parkway. www.standrewumc.org SALADO: April 29-May 1 Ultra520KTexas Ultra **Endurance Triathlon Various venues.** www.salado.com 254/947-5040

SALADO: May 6-8 Mother's Getaway Weekend Enjoy beer, bands and barbecue Friday night. Saturday's activities include aromatherapy, massage, glassblowing and pottery demonstrations. Wrap up the weekend Sunday with a champagne brunch. Various locations. www.salado.com 254/947-5040

SHINER: May 30 Memorial Day Tribute Includes a wreath presentation, posting of flags, flag-folding ceremony, guest speaker and patriotic music. Green-Dickson Municipal Park, 2086 C.R. 351. www.shinertx.com 361/594-4180

SMITHVILLE: May 6 Thunder on the Colorado Biker Rally Includes live music under the 100-yearold oak trees on the Colorado River. Riverbend Park. www.thunderonthecolorado.com 512/237-2313

SMITHVILLE: May 14 Fly-In and Pancake **Breakfast** Smithville-Crawford Municipal Airport. www.smithvilletx.org 512/237-2313

TEMPLE: May 6-8 Central Texas Airshow High-flying thrills and interesting static displays cre-

ate a weekend of fun, including a Friday Night Show filled with fireworks, smoke and pyrotechnics. Draughon-Miller Regional Airport, 7720-F Airport Road. www.discovertemple.com 254/298-5900

TEMPLE: May 20-22 Battle of Temple Junction Re-enactment See history come to life in full-scale battles with pyrotechnics. Tractor Fair Grounds. www.discovertemple.com 254/298-5440

WACO: January 23-May 1 "Tinkertoy: Build Your Imagination" and "The Adventures of Mr. Potato Head" Mayborn Museum Complex. www.maybornmuseum.com 254/710-1110

WACO: May 7 Sertoma Kite Festival Watch a variety of specialty kites or fly your own. Heart of Texas Miniature Aircraft Club. http://sertomakitefest.org 254/776-0947

WAXAHACHIE: April 9-May 30 Scarborough Renaissance Festival Enjoy the thrill of full combat jousting and birds of prey exhibitions, the enchantments of Mermaid Lagoon, Renaissance rides and games of skill, and 21 stages of nonstop Renaissance entertainment. Scarborough Faire Site, 2511 F.M. 66. www.SRFestival.com 972/938-3247

WAXAHACHIE: May 5-7 Cinco De Mayo Festival Enjoy live music, mariachis, folklorico dancers, artsand-crafts vendors and food. Singleton Plaza, College Street at Rogers. www.elliscountyhispanicorg. com/cinco-de-mayo.html 469/309-4040

WAXAHACHIE: May 18-21 Crossroads of Texas Film Festival Celebrates movies made in Texas or by Texans. Various venues. www.crossroadsoftxff. com 469/309-4012

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EAGLE PASS: May 30 Memorial Day Ceremony Maverick County Lake. 970/415-6224

GOLIAD: May 14 19th Century Trade Day Join living historians and period craftsmen and women as they bring to life the trades of days gone past. Visit

with these artisans as they re-create common items used by 19th century Texians and Tejanos on a daily basis. Presidio La Bahia, 217 Loop 71, 361/645-3752

LAREDO: May 7 Laredo Northside Market At 10202 International Blvd. 956/763-0138

SAN ANTONIO: May 13-15 "Born in the USA: Patriotic Pops" This San Antonio Symphony concert honors veterans and armed service members with a tribute featuring patriotic selections. The Tobin Center. www.sasymphony.org 210/554-1010

SAN ANTONIO: May 14-September 5 "Maya: Hidden Worlds Revealed" This exhibit uses a combination of authentic artifacts along with multimedia and interactive, hands-on activities to reveal our deep ties to this astonishing civilization. The Witte Museum, 3801 Broadway. www.wittemuseum.org

SAN ANTONIO: May 15 Musical Evenings At San

Fernando Cathedral Syrian clarinetist and composer Kinan Azmeh, a member of Yo-Yo Ma's Silk Road Ensemble, is joined by Grammy Award-winning percussionist Shane Shanahan in this performance. San Fernando Cathedral, 115 Main Plaza. 210/464-1534

SAN ANTONIO: May 19-22 Culinaria Festival

Week This popular gustatory get-together features multiple events from food trucks to haute cuisine, beer to champagne. Various locations. http://culinariasa.org/san-antonio/events 210/822-9555

WESLACO: May 19 Alfresco Weslaco Music and **Art on the Street** This monthly festival celebrates the talents of local musicians, artists, crafters, classic car enthusiasts and food vendors from the Rio Grande Valley. Historic Downtown, 345 S. Texas Blvd. www.facebook.com/AlfrescoWeslaco 956/969-0838

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LAREDO: 15551 I-35 North. 956/417-4728.

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VALLEY: 2021 W. Harrison in Harlingen. 956/428-4477.

WASKOM: 1255 N. I-20 E. 903/687-2547.

WICHITA FALLS: 900 Central Freeway. 940/723-7931.

11th Street and Brazos Street. 512/463-8586. DENISON: 6801 U.S. 69/75. 903/463-2860.

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Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and

ANTHONY: 8799 S. Desert Blvd. 915/886-3468.

AUSTIN: In the old General Land Office Building.

GAINESVILLE: 4901 I-35 N. 940/665-2301.

AMARILLO: 9700 East I-40. 806/335-1441.

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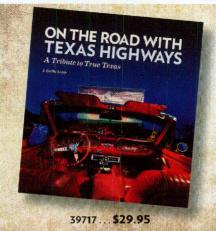
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