

This Week in San Antonio: Starting Feb. 24, 2017

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Mardi Gras Artisan Show

Friday-Sunday on the River Walk Extension (close to San Antonio Convention Center & the Shops at Rivercenter) Schedule: Friday 11am-11pm, Saturday 10am-11pm, Sunday 10am-8pm

36th Annual S.A. Home and Garden Show

Friday 2-7pm, Saturday 10am-7pm, Sunday 11am-6pm at the Alamodome www.sanantoniohomeshows.com
Visit hundreds of exhibits with everything for your home and garden. There is a kid zone with hands-on activities, pet adoptions, seminars, demos, and more. Featured guests: Anthony Carrino & John Colaneri (stars of HGTV's Kitchen Cousins), and Ahmed Hassan (Celebrity Landscaper on DIY Network's Yard Crashers). Adults 17 & up, \$9.75; Seniors 65+ \$8.75; Children/active duty military, free. (On-site parking \$10)

Friday Afternoon Club Returns to Gruene Hall—FREE admission

Fridays 4-7pm at Gruene Hall, 1281 Gruene Road, New Braunfels (830) 629-5077 www.gruenetexas.com Enjoy happy hour prices, giveaways and a live broadcast on KNBT 92.1FM, plus special guests weekly.

181st Anniversary of the Siege and Battle of the Alamo Commemoration—FREE

Continues daily 10am-5pm through March 6 at 300 Alamo Plaza, in front of the Alamo Church www.thealamo.org Remember the Alamo with **13 days** of interactive living history programming and special events. Daily at 10am & 2pm, reenactors will read a daily overview of 1836 events, letters and speeches from 1836 (10-15 minutes). Living history demonstrations will take place on the grounds from 10am-5pm.

Ride for Texas Independence—FREE

Friday 10am in Alamo Plaza www.thealamo.org

On February 24, 1836, Alamo commander William B. Travis wrote his now famous "Victory or Death" letter, and sent Courier Albert Martin to ride across Texas to deliver his impassioned plea for reinforcements. Alamo Living History staff re-creates this historic event, followed by interactive activities for visitors to learn more about 19th century letter writing, printing, transportation and more.

Friday Evening Fitness Camp—FREE (ongoing)

Fridays 7:30-10:30pm at Hemisfair, 434 S. Alamo, Facebook

Join Camp Gladiator for this event where all ages and fitness levels can push themselves to reach their goals.

Billy Crystal Friday 8pm at the Majestic Theatre

Day of Drift, Carnival Rides and More at San Antonio Raceway (NE of SA off I-10)

Friday-Sunday at San Antonio Raceway, 3641 S Santa Clara Rd., Marion www.saraceway.com
Friday: Race Your Ride; Saturday: LS1 Truck Shootout; Sunday: Day of Drift. Admission \$12 Friday & Saturday, \$5 Sunday (\$20 for 4-day pass). Wristbands for Pride of Texas Carnival rides \$25

Annual CineFestival Kicks Off

Friday 7pm through March 4 at the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center www.cinefestivalsa.com

This is the nation's longest-running Latino film festival and San Antonio's original indie film festival. The nine-day event will feature screenings, appearances by celebrity guests, panel discussions, receptions, community events, and the Latino Screenwriting Lab (a 3-day script workshop co-presented with the Sundance Institute). There will be dozens of curated films screened, a Youth Program, and a special film program for the senior citizens. Festival passes \$60; individual screenings start at \$8. Some screenings are free: Free family day screening Sunday 1pm: "Anina" and 3pm: "Spare Parts" Free senior screening March 3, 10am: "Nosotros los pobres"

Paramount's Laser Spectacular tribute to Pink Floyd Friday at the Tobin Center

San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo

Continues thru Sunday at the AT&T Center/Freeman Coliseum, 3201 E. Houston St. 225-5851 www.sarodeo.com Enjoy PRCA Rodeo action, live musical entertainment, family-friendly carnival, shopping at more than 650 booths, livestock sales, fair food, a Texas Wildlife Area, etc. Family activities include Innovation Station, Kids Pedal Tractor Pull, petting zoo, The Ultimate BMX Stunt Show, and more. Grounds admission \$10 (\$5 kids, seniors). Rodeo tickets start at \$12. Rodeo is about 2 hours, followed by a short break & concert.

Dollar Days -- Every Friday. Grounds admission, rides, hot dogs, popcorn and sodas in the carnival area are \$1 each. Grounds admission discount valid 8am-6pm; does not include admission into the AT&T Center for Rodeo performance.

Military Days – Every Friday. Free grounds admission for any guest with a Military ID.

Family Day - Final Sunday of Rodeo Presented by Chick-fil-A

Get FREE grounds admission with coupon available at all San Antonio and New Braunfels area Chick-fil-A locations. Grounds admission without a coupon is \$5 for adults (kids 12 and under & seniors are free). Parking \$5.

San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Concerts at the AT&T Center www.sarodeo.com

A rodeo or concert ticket includes the rodeo, concert, and grounds admission.

Rascal Flatts Friday 7:30pm; Aaron Watson Saturday (1pm), Josh Turner Saturday (7:30pm)

Library Palooza, That Author Thing!—FREE

Saturday 9am-4:30pm at Brandeis High School, 13011 Kyle Seale Pkwy. www.thatauthorthing.weebly.com
This teen author festival will include authors Jay Asher, Faith Erin Hicks, Lauren Kate, Alex London, Lauren Oliver, and Lisa Yee. Purchase books on site (or bring from home) and have them signed. Although geared toward middle and high school students, the event is open to anyone. Food available for purchase (cash only).

Junior League of San Antonio Rummage Around Event

Saturday 9am-9pm at 10 area Goodwill stores www.jlsa.org/rummage-around/

The Junior League of S.A. has donated many items to area Goodwill stores, particularly in the Julia's Attic section of the stores. Sales benefit Goodwill and Junior League causes. See website for store locations.

SeaWorld San Antonio Opening Weekend

Saturday 10am-8pm & Sunday 10am-6pm at 10500 SeaWorld Dr. www.seaworldparks.com

They will be open Fridays-Sundays through March (plus spring break week). <u>Kids Preschool Fun Card:</u> Texas resident Kids 5 and younger can enjoy FREE admission to SeaWorld throughout all of 2017 (offer ends May 31). <u>Free 2017 Teacher Fun Card:</u> Texas credentialed Pre-K-12 school teachers can get a FREE SeaWorld Fun Card that provides unlimited admission to SeaWorld San Antonio for all of 2017 (offer ends May 31).

Six Flags Fiesta Texas Opening Weekend

Saturday & Sunday 10:30am-6pm at I-10 West at La Cantera Boulevard exit. 210-697-5050 www.sixflags.com The park will be open daily March 9-19, then Fridays-Sundays through mid-May. As a special tribute to Fiesta Texas's 25th Anniversary Celebration, regular priced adult tickets will be discounted \$25 on opening weekend (online only).

Boerne Spring Antiques Show

Saturday 10am-5pm & Sunday 10am-4pm at Kendall County Fairgrounds, 1307 River Road, Boerne More than 60 exhibitor booths will be overflowing with American antiques, including country furniture, baskets, stoneware, glassware, jewelry, textiles, early paper, toys, silver, quilts, and more. Free parking. Admission \$5; Children 12 and Under Free. Visit web site for \$1 off admission coupon. (830) 329-2870 www.texasantiqueshows.com

State Open Chili Championship at Traders Village—FREE admission (Parking \$4)

Saturday-Sunday 10am-5pm at Traders Village, 9333 SW Loop 410 (210) 623-8383 www.tradersvillage.com Chili cooks from across Texas will vie for top honors in Chili and Junior Chili. Chili entry fee \$35, Junior Chili Competition \$10. Fundraiser for Wounded Warrior Support Center.

Growing Tomatoes in Containers (2 locations/times)—FREE

Saturday 11am at Rainbow Gardens Bandera, 8516 Bandera Rd. www.rainbowgardens.biz Saturday 2pm at Rainbow Gardens Thousand Oaks, 2585 Thousand Oaks 210-680-5734 Local grower Keith Amelung will talk about how to grow heirloom dwarf tomatoes in containers.

Market Square Rodeo Roundup—FREE

Saturday & Sunday noon-6pm at Market Square, 514 W. Commerce St. www.GetCreativeSanAntonio.com Get in the rodeo spirit with food, shopping, live country music, horse rides and wagon rides for kids of all ages.

Rodeo Days: Petting Zoo/Pony Rides at Wonderland of the Americas—FREE

Saturday noon-3pm at Wonderland of the Americas Mall, 4522 Fredericksburg Rd. www.wonderlandamericas.com Celebrate Rodeo Month with free pony rides, Petting Zoo, face painting & balloon animals. Photos with pony \$3.

Lifeguard Clinic—FREE

Saturday noon-2pm at the San Antonio Natatorium, 1430 W. Cesar Chavez 207-3299

The Parks and Rec Dept. is hiring lifeguards for 23 outdoor pools. Applicants must be 16 or older. This clinic will help prepare you for the Red Cross Certification Course that is required to be passed. The starting lifeguard salary is \$10 per hour. Clinics will also be March 4 &18. www.SAParksandRec.com

Bud Light Mardi Gras River Parade & Festival—FREE

Saturday 1-6pm at Arneson River Theatre & 2 1/2 mile downtown area of the River Walk 227-4262

Put on a mask, costume and beads and celebrate Mardi Gras on the River Walk. Enjoy a variety of live music, entertainment, and food trucks at the Arneson River Theatre. The river parade is from 4-6pm and will feature many decorated floats plus the Maria E. Williams Band playing on the Paseo del Rio float. www.thesanantonioriverwalk.com

PJammin For Kids With Cancer—FREE

Saturday 1-4pm at Microsoft at Shops at La Cantera, 15900 La Cantera Pkwy. (Level 1 near Nordstrom's) Wear your favorite pajamas and help raise awareness for Childhood Cancer. Take the whole family and enjoy pizza by Luciano, Minecraft & XBOX free play, take a phone booth picture and enjoy special appearances by Batman of San Antonio and Friends, www.acco.org/microsoft

Laugh Out Loud Comedy Club: Bert Kreischer

Friday-Sunday at LOL Comedy Club, 618 NW Loop 410 (210) 541-8805 \$22.50 www.LOLSanAntonio.com



The Improv Comedy Club: Felipe Esparza

Friday-Sunday at The Improv (Rivercenter), 849 East Commerce 229-1420 \$22.50 www.RiverCenterComedyClub.com

No Experience Needed ART for Teens (ages 13-18)—FREE

Saturday 3-5pm at Great Northwest Branch Library, 9050 Wellwood St. www.mysapl.org

No experience is needed to create a masterpiece. Experiment with techniques in the teen space of the library.

Good People SA Soul Saturday Mixer—FREE

Saturday 5-10pm at St. Paul Square, 1170 E Commerce St. 210-418-9051 Facebook

The Soul Saturday event will strengthen neighborhoods and bridge diverse communities. Enjoy an evening of family fun, food, live music, night shopping, and dancing.

Bourbon Street at La Villita

Saturday 7-10pm at La Villita in Plaza Juarez, 418 Villita (not much info on this) 210-227-4262

Beethoven Maennerchor Anniversary Concert—FREE

Friday 7-10pm at the Tobin Center, Registration required at Eventbrite.com

Beethoven Maennerchor, the German preservation society in San Antonio, is 150 years old. To celebrate, the Maennerchor, or men's choir, will be holding this concert. Joining them will be the Youth Orchestras of San Antonio and the Beethoven Concert Band.

San Antonio Sports Events

San Antonio Spurs vs. Indiana Pacers Wednesday 7:30pm at the AT&T Center www.attcenter.com

San Antonio Spurs vs. Minnesota Timberwolves March 4, Saturday 8pm

San Antonio Spurs vs. Houston Rockets March 6, Monday 7:30pm

San Antonio Spurs vs. Sacramento Kings March 8, Wednesday 7:30pm

San Antonio Spurs vs. Golden State Warriors March 11, Saturday 7:30pm

San Antonio Spurs vs. Atlanta March 13, Monday 7pm

Spurs D-League Affiliate Game

Austin Spurs vs. Delaware 87ers (76ers D-League affiliate) March 9, 7pm, at the AT&T Center

Hockey: San Antonio Rampage vs. Grand Rapids Griffins March 3 (7:30pm) at the AT&T Center. www.attcenter.com Military Appreciation Night

March 5 (3pm) Rampage vs. Texas Stars; March 7 (7pm) Rampage vs. Grand Rapids Griffins;

March 12 (3pm) Rampage vs. Cleveland Monsters

San Antonio Nerd Night—FREE (Fourth Sundays)

Sunday 2-10pm at Knight Watch Games, 16350 Blanco Rd (214) 641-9352 www.sanerdnight.org/events
San Antonio Nerd Night is a group of gamers giving back to the community through support of local nonprofits at twice-monthly game nights. They are currently supporting SNIPSA, an organization helping unwanted and homeless animals. See Facebook page for list of items you can donate.

Explore Vegetarian Recipes: Yogurt, Yogurt Lassi & More—FREE

Sunday 3:30-4:30pm at Central Library, 600 Soledad St. www.mysapl.org

Learn about the ingredients needed to prepare yogurt, yogurt lassi and more. Receive a copy of the recipe and a how-to preparation guide.

14th Annual Red Dress Health Fair & Fashion Show—FREE

Tuesday 11am-1pm at the University of the Incarnate Word, Rosenberg Sky Room, 847 E. Hildebrand 829-6001 This event brings awareness to female cardiac health and features one-of-a-kind designs by UIW fashion students. Shop from 20+ health and lifestyle vendors. UIW's professional programs will provide various health screenings.

SAZA Inc. Fat Tuesday Mardi Gras Party

Tuesday 4-11pm at VFW Post 76 on Riverwalk, 10 10th Street

Put on a costume or mask and celebrate with music, food trucks, contests and more. \$10

An Evening in Travis Park: Mardi Gras - FREE

Tuesday 5-8pm at 301 E. Travis St. www.travisparksa.com (210) 207-3677

Enjoy Mardi Gras fun and flavor with music, food trucks, family activities and more. Downtown Tuesday offers free parking after 5pm at city-run lots/meters/garages plus free Via E-route shuttle after 6pm.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper/Silent Auction

Tuesday 6-8pm at Coker United Methodist Church, 231 E North Loop Rd.

Enjoy fun, fellowship, and food - pancakes for \$3 per person (2 and under are free).



Free Loteria Every Wednesday at Wonderland of Americas—FREE (ongoing)

Wednesdays noon-2pm at the mall, 4522 Fredericksburg Rd. www.wonderlandamericas.com Mexican loteria is a traditional card game similar to Bingo. It is also a form of folk art, as each of the colorful cards has an image of popular Mexican figures. Free to play. One card per person.

Wednesday Night Stargazing in McAllister Park—FREE

Wednesdays dusk-10:30pm at McAllister Park, 13102 Jones Maltsberger Rd. (weather permitting)

The San Antonio Astronomical Association has stargazing sessions in this park (dog park parking lot) on the north side of the city, near the airport. www.salsa-astro.com 210-710-4786 www.sananantonioastronomy.org

Elvis Lives - Elvis Tribute Artist Wednesday 7:30pm at the Majestic Theatre

Live from Jazz, TX Show Series

Wednesdays 8:30pm through March 22 at Jazz, TX, 312 Pearl Parkway, Bldg 6 Suite 6001

Jazz, TX will host a radio show series with San Antonio's NPR affiliate, Texas Public Radio (TPR). Live from Jazz, TX will tape five shows directly from the venue. The show will feature Jazz, TX owner Doc Watkins along with special guests and will include an interview segment, audience Q&A, and plenty of music. Cover for guests is \$20/person; audience participation will be encouraged on the show via Q&A and more. The shows will air on TPR's 89.1 FM starting April 1.

Mt. Bike 101 Clinic and Ride (Coming up March 4)

March 4 (9am-noon) at Government Canyon State Natural Area. In this beginner mountain biking program, you will learn basic terminology, major bike components, equipment, potential problems, how to change a flat tire, and more. The clinic will be followed by a guided ride where you will learn basic riding skills. Class is limited to first 20 to sign up. *Must register by noon March 3*. http://friendsofgc.org/events/. Info: http://tpwd.texas.gov/state-parks/government-canyon/park_events

Walks/Runs

Getaway 5K in San Antonio

Sunday at Wheatley Heights Sports Complex, 200 Noblewood Dr. www.getaway5k.com

There's a 5K, a one-mile walk and a fun run designed for the kids. You can run, walk or skip the course. A beach-themed post-race celebration will include vendors, music, food & beverage and a play area for kids. \$15-\$40, AARP discount

Margarita Madness 5K Run

March 11 at La Villita Historic Arts Village, 418 Villita www.margaritamadness5krun.com/san-antonio/

Open to all athletes of different ages and abilities, the race focuses more on fun and less on speed. At the end of the 5k course the real party starts, featuring top DJs, food trucks, and icy cold margaritas.

We Back the Blue! 5k Run/Walk

March 18 at River City Community Church, 16765 Lookout Rd, Selma, TX

This is a first annual chip-timed run/walk with the purpose to unite as a community in thanking the Police Officers who risk their lives for our communities every day. REGISTER: www.raceentry.com/race-reviews/we-back-the-blue-5k-2017

5th Annual ¡VIVA! SA Race (Junior League of S.A.) March 25 (8am) Hemisfair Park www.jlsa.org 5k/10k

Run for the Fund 5K and Family Fun Walk (Conservation Fund) March 25 at SeaWorld www.seaworldsanantonio.com

Insane Inflatable 5K April 8, National Shooting Complex, 5931 Roft Rd. Get through 11 obstacles in a 3.1 mile course.

Great Strides Walk (Cystic Fibrosis) May 6, 2017 at Raymond Rimkus Park, Leon Valley www.fightcf.cff.org

Museums and Art

Free Grown-up Art Day - FREE

Saturday, 10am-2pm at Inspire Fine Art Center, 200 Queen Anne Ct. (210) 829-5592 www.inspirefineart.org/events Adults ages 16+ can try different art projects. Recent events have featured painting, sculpting, and mixed media.

SAMA Free Admission

Free Admission (10am-Noon Sundays, 4-9pm Tues.) at 200 W. Jones Ave. 978-8100 www.samuseum.org

Briscoe Western Art Museum Free admission Tuesdays 4-9pm, 210 W. Market St. www.briscoemuseum.org

Witte Museum Free admission Tuesdays 3-8pm, 3801 Broadway www.wittemuseum.org

McNay Art Museum Free admission Thursdays 4-9pm and Sundays noon-7pm, 6000 N. New Braunfels Ave. 210-824-5368 www.mcnayart.org FREE daily admission for teens 19 and under.

The DoSeum—Free Admission Tuesday

Enjoy free admission 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm at The DoSeum, 2800 Broadway Parking is free but limited. www.doseum.org

Theatre Performances, Dance, Music & Words

Disenchanted, The Musical!

Friday-Sunday at the Tobin Center, 100 Auditorium Circle www.tobincenter.org

See Snow White and her posse of disenchanted princesses in the hilarious hit musical that's anything but Grimm. This is not a family or children's show... mature audience only.

Classic Theatre of San Antonio: "The Tempest"

Fridays-Sundays through March 12 at Classic Theatre of S.A., 1924 Fredericksburg Rd. (210) 589-8450 General admission: \$25; senior/military/educator: \$20; student: \$10 www.classictheatre.org

Woodlawn Theatre: "Pippin"

Fridays & Saturdays 7:30pm, Sundays 3pm thru March 12 at 1920 Fredericksburg Rd. 267-8388
This is the story of young prince Pippin as he searches for the secret to true happiness and fulfillment. Children/students \$18, seniors/ military \$24, adults \$29 www.woodlawntheatre.org

Playhouse San Antonio: "The Secret Garden"

Fridays & Saturdays 8pm, Sundays 3pm thru March 12 at Playhouse S.A., 800 W. Ashby Pl. 733-7258 It's a classic tale of growth and redemption. \$10-\$48 www.theplayhousesa.org

"Generic Eric" (Episode 3)—Final Weekend

Friday & Sat. 8pm at Overtime Theater, 1203 Camden 210-557-7562 www.theovertimetheater.org
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This three-episode action comedy follows a regular guy who gets targeted by international assassins. As he tries to figure out what's going on, he struggles to keep the rest of his life moving as if nothing had changed.

4th International Music Festival—FREE

Continues through Sunday at various venues 464-1534 www.musicalbridges.org

Musical Bridges Around the World presents its annual festival. Although the performances are free, patrons can reserve seating for \$60 for five concerts or \$100 for eight concerts.

- Mozart Extravaganza Friday 7:30pm Empire Theatre
- JP Jofre Tango Band (Argentina), Saturday 7:30pm Empire Theatre

Farmers Markets

Pearl Farmers Market

Saturdays 9am-1pm and Sundays 10am-2pm at the Pearl Brewery, 312 Pearl Pkwy. (210) 212-7260 This is a producers-only farmers market with more than 40 local vendors. www.pearlfarmersmarket.com

La Cantera Farmer's Market

Saturdays 10am-2pm through April at Shops at La Cantera, 15900 La Cantera Pkwy. (located near H&M)

Villages of Westcreek (far westside)

Thursdays 10am-3pm at 12395 Military Drive West, overflow parking lot of Community Center The Farmers Market now offers fresh chicken and beef for sale along with their regular offerings of fruits and vegetables. They accept WIC, Senior FMNP Vouchers and Credit Cards.

OUT OF TOWN

- Whooping Crane Festival Feb. 23-26 Port Aransas (361) 749-5919 www.whoopingcranefestival.org
- Explore UT March 4, University of Texas, Austin. FREE. Students & parents can learn more about UT. https://exploreut.utexas.edu/
- > Zilker Kite Festival March 5 (10am-5pm) Austin www.abckitefestival.org FREE
- > South Texas Toy & Comic Show March 4-5 Corpus Christi http://southtexastoyandco.wixsite.com/sttacs
- 4th Annual Sausagefest April 1 Schulenburg www.schulenburgsausagefest.com
- Victoria Comic Con April 1-2 Victoria www.victoriacomiccon.org

UPCOMING LOCAL

- RENT March 3-5 Majestic Theatre
- Vintage Market Days March 3-5 Boerne
- Beausoleil avec Michael Doucet March 3 7:30pm Laurie Auditorium Trinity University
- > HEB Cinema on the Plaza March 3 "Raiders of the Lost Ark"
- Slinging Ink Tattoo Expo March 3-5 Freeman Coliseum
- Jefferson Thrift Store Parking Lot Rummage Sale March 4
- Fiddle Fest March 4 The Alamo
- R Kelly Live March 7 Tobin Center
- > The Price is Right Live March 8 Tobin Center
- Fifty Shades Male Revue March 9 Cowboys Dance Hall
- > Tejano Music Awards March 16-19 Market Square
- San Antonio Book Festival April 8 Central Library & SW School of Art, 80+ authors FREE
- > Matilda the Musical June 6-11 Majestic Theatre