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9:00 am - 5:00 pm

The delivery day for your building is every Friday by 12:00 pm; please pick up your tickets no later than 4:00 pm that same day.

All orders must be placed by 2:00 pm on Thursday, the day before, to make the Friday delivery.

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Southlake Oktoberfest

Friday, October 6 (5pm-11pm)

Saturday, October 7 (10am-11pm)

Sunday, October 8 (12pm-5pm)

Southlake Town Square

This year will mark the 16th anniversary of the Oktoberfest celebration hosted by Southlake's Chamber of Commerce! Over 100,000 people visit throughout this weekend festival. Attendance is completely free—there are no admissions or parking fees. Take a stroll in Southlake's beautiful Town Square while looking at the unique, handcrafted arts and crafts available for sale. Great food, beverages, and live entertainment are also at your fingertips during this fun-filled event. The kids will have a good time in the excitement-packed children's area. And don't forget to sign up your dog to participate in the popular wiener dog race! Visit oktoberfestsouthlake.com for more information, a full entertainment schedule, and festival map.

5th Annual South Street Art Festival

October 13-15, 4-10pm

Make your plans to attend the 5th Annual South Street Art Festival presented by Downtown Arlington Business Management Corp. South Street will be lined with up to 75 artisan booths selling quality, affordable fine art. The Craft Beer Garden will highlight 15 breweries and up to 30 different beers. The new Wine Tasting Experience will feature 10 local wineries, offering sample tastings and much more. For music lovers, you will be able to enjoy free concerts from local and regional bands. For more information, visit southstreetartfest.com.

Christmas in Cowtown Gift Market

Preview Thurs, October 12 (6pm-9pm)

Friday, October 13 (9am-6pm)

Saturday, October 14 (9am-6pm)

Sunday, October 15 (10am-4pm)

Will Rogers Memorial Center

(3401 W. Lancaster Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76107)

For anyone who considers shopping a competitive sport, let the games begin at the 10th anniversary Fort Worth Junior League's Christmas in Cowtown. The charity shopping event will feature more than 200 specialty merchants cherry-picked from across the country. Expanded shopping time this year will include Sunday shopping offering jewelry, toys, home decor, holiday decorations, art, linens, fashion, gourmet food and much more.

There's lots to love about this event, but two compelling facts make it a no-brainer to attend. First, there's no guilt for excessive shopping because all the ticket proceeds go directly into the community for worthy projects. Secondly, finish your holiday shopping list calmly and nearly two months before the frenzied December calendar consumes your mind and your life.

For those wanting a head start on shopping, all 200-plus elite merchants will open their market stores at a Preview Party on October 12 to offer private shopping. Guests will nosh on signature dishes from top local restaurants set up in tasting stations, sip cocktails and enjoy live music from local artist Phil Pritchett. Complimentary parking and porter service are provided and tickets are \$80 per person. For more information, visit www.juniorleaguefw.org.

DART Vanpool Program Saves Commuters Time and Money

Many North Texans are saving time and money, as well as helping to reduce congestion and their carbon footprint, through DART's



Vanpool program. Currently, 62 employers participate in the program, sponsoring more than 180 vanpool groups.

With DART's vanpool program, 10 to 15 people can share the cost of a 15-passenger van for \$450 a month, or six to eight people share an eight-passenger van for \$425 month. DART supplies the van and the insurance for a fee, which can be paid for with pre-tax income. Participants share in the cost of gas. Some employers reimburse employees for all or part of the cost.

A DART vanpool can go anywhere, anytime, if either the work or home destination is within Dallas, Denton or Collin Counties and does not originate within Tarrant County or other counties that we consider served by the vanpool program of the Fort Worth Transportation Authority.

There are many benefits of participating in DART's Vanpool/Carpool service:

- Decreased wear and tear on personal vehicle
- Creates a less stressful commute
- Allows time to read, relax or converse with others
- Provides convenience for one-vehicle households
- Reduces air pollution and traffic congestion by decreasing the number of vehicles on the road

Learn more: DART.org/Vanpool

Enchant

November 24-December 31, Globe Life Park (1000 Ballpark Way, Arlington, TX 76011)

Enchant is an event unlike any other. It started in Vancouver in 2016 with 18,000 sq. ft. of



illuminated sculptures creating the perfect atmosphere for a holiday evening adventure. Not only does it include the largest light maze, but also a skating pond, market with 85 local vendors, 25 food trucks, live music and entertainment, and FREE parking! Shows are on Tuesday-Sunday from November 24-December 31, plus Monday, December 18. You may choose the following time slots: 5pm-7pm, 7pm-9pm, 9pm-11pm. **ON SALE NOW...contact your concierge to save 10% off of regular prices.**

SeaWorld Howl-O-Scream

Through October 30

Howl-O-Scream has transformed the peaceful park you once knew into something sinister this Halloween. Nightfall has awakened hundreds of creatures roaming six scare zones and lurking the halls of five haunted houses. New to 2017 is Dark Side of the Gardens, another haunted house to explore! Replenish your thirst for terror at one of the signature Halloween bars. Find the ultimate thrill, as you ride coasters at night. Close the night with live entertainment by some of your favorite creepy creatures and monsters. Thrills and chills await you this October at Howl-O-Scream.



Warning: At 7pm, the park's scare level increases from haunting to horrifying, which may be too intense for young children. Howl-O-Scream is not recommended for children under the age of 13 or the faint of heart.

For more information, visit seaworld.com. **Contact your concierge for discounted tickets.**

Disney on Ice: Reach

For The Stars

November 22-26

Allen Event Center

Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck and Goofy set the stage for a star-studded talent extravaganza as *Disney On Ice presents Reach For The Stars*. Unleash the magic with royal sisters Anna and Elsa and the hilarious snowman, Olaf, as they sing captivating songs like "Let it Go" and "In Summer." Life is the bubbles when Sebastian strikes up his hot crustacean band and the Daughters of Triton make a splash as they introduce Ariel in an '80s pop montage. Get tangled up with a chorus of harmless hooligans when they get a visit from the spirited Rapunzel and her charming ally, Flynn Rider, on their journey to see the floating lights. Relive a tale as old as time when Belle opens her heart to new adventures as the Beast's enchanted objects take center stage for a dazzling skating spectacle.



Tickets to the following performances are only \$28 (plus \$1 service charge per order) when purchased through your concierge, **Friday, Nov. 24** (11:30am, 3:30pm, 7:30pm), **Saturday, Nov. 25** (1pm and 5pm), and **Sunday, Nov. 26** (12pm and 4pm). The tickets to these performances will be in the following sections: 100-106 & 114-120. All other performances and ticket sales will have to be through Ticketmaster.

Goosebumps The Musical: Phantom of the Auditorium

Through October 29

Dallas Children's Theater

The haphazard detective work of *Scooby Doo* meets the witty banter of *Glee* in this frighteningly fun musical based on the beloved *Goosebumps* series. Brooke and Zeke are starring in their school play... *The Phantom*. (Yep - it's a spoof of the Broadway musical!) When strange things start to happen during rehearsals, no one is sure if it's a practical joke or if the school's theater is haunted. Wear your favorite costume and bring the entire family to this silly, and only a little spooky, adventure.

Section A seating is \$23 and Section B seating is \$17. Contact your concierge to purchase tickets.



Lone Star Circus'

Cirque Joyeux

December 28-January 1

Dallas Children's Theater

Cirque Joyeux is a European-style cirque show featuring international circus stars.

This event is held at Dallas Children's Theater's Rosewood Center for Family Arts. This is a fun event for groups to attend and you can get a 25% discount on adult tickets (in section B) for groups of 10 or more. However, for smaller ticket orders or tickets (in section A), you can still save the service fees **by ordering through your concierge**. Lone Star Circus is a Dallas based non-profit circus organization aggressively growing to promote circus arts through education, performance, and community outreach.





**October 27-29, 10am-5pm
Fort Worth Zoo**

Get ready for Boo at the Zoo! Enjoy treat stations, carnival games, animal shows and more. This entertaining daytime event is free with Zoo admission and packed with fun for the whole family. Trick-or-treat at treat stations located throughout the Zoo, which, along with carnival games, require a treat coupon: one coupon = 4 pieces of pre-mixed candy.

Zoo guests and Zoo members will receive six Boo at the Zoo treat coupons (per admission ticket/Zoo membership) at the Zoo's ticket booths at no additional cost. Additional treat coupons may be purchased at the ticket booth and in the Special Events Pavilion for \$3/six coupons and may be redeemed at treat stations throughout the entire park. Zoo members can pick up their complimentary treat coupons at Member Services or at any of the front gate ticket booths. Pre-purchased ticket holders may stop at any ticket booth line to pick up the coupons. Halloween-themed activities and entertainment will be located throughout the Zoo for all guests to enjoy.

This is a family friendly event - all costumes must be appropriate for all ages. For everyone's safety, all adults must leave their faces clearly visible at all times – adults in heavy makeup or masks will not be allowed into the Zoo.

Boo at the Zoo is included with Zoo admission. Parking is not included in the price of the ticket and is \$5 per vehicle. **Contact your concierge for discounted zoo admission tickets.**

New Zebra Born at Fort Worth Zoo

On August 25, the Fort Worth Zoo welcomed a male Grant's zebra foal to the herd. At birth, the foal weighed approximately 60-70 pounds and stood roughly 30 inches tall. When fully grown, he will weigh up to 650-750 pounds and measure about 48 inches from shoulder to hoof. This is the first foal for mom Roxie and the first zebra birth at the Fort Worth Zoo since 1996. The new zebra and his parents are now on exhibit on the main path, next to other hooved animals from Africa. The zebra family will soon join several other species in the Zoo's new African Savanna exhibit, scheduled to open in April. **Contact your concierge for discounted general admission tickets.**

Six Flags Over Texas Fright Fest

October 1, 6-9, 13-15, 19-22, 26-31

Fright Fest, presented by SNICKERS, is back for select days through October 31 at Six Flags Over Texas. It's a spooky time of year as zombies and ghouls take over the park. Enjoy thrills and activities for the whole family throughout the day and come back for a truly frightening evening of fun after the sun goes down. Fright Fest offers a wide variety of places to get your scare on including several haunted houses and scare zones located throughout the park. The stuff of nightmares lurk around every corner as the dark of night washes over the park. The ghouls are set free for their daily hunting rituals. BEWARE! There is no place to hide!



FrightFest times vary. Visit www.sixflags.com for more information. **Purchase discounted tickets through your concierge.**

Application Pending

October 19-November 18 at Circle Theater (230 West 4th St, Fort Worth, TX 76102)

On the day applications are due at Edgely Prep, an elite Manhattan private school, the head of admissions is ousted in a scandal. Christine Evans, a Kindergarten assistant, is unexpectedly thrust into the job. With phones ringing off the hook, she must balance beleaguered applicants, incompetent administrators, and an army of parents who will stop at nothing to get their kids in. Greg Edwards and Andy Sandberg's comedy, *Application Pending*, explores the cutthroat world of kindergarten admissions and what it ultimately means to be a good parent. **Call 817-877-3848 or visit www.circletheater.com and enter promo code FLYER to purchase discounted tickets.**



Cowboys of Color Championship Rodeo

**Saturday, October 28 (Doors open at 6:30pm, Rodeo starts at 7:30pm)
Mesquite Rodeo (1818 Rodeo Dr, Mesquite, TX 75149)**

The Cowboys of Color Rodeo highlights the rich diversity and culture of rodeo and the western way of life featuring edge of your seat action and specialty acts! Below is discount concierge pricing:

Adult: \$15 (Reg. \$20)
Child (Ages 3-12): \$13 (Reg. \$14)

To purchase tickets, call 972-285-8777 ext. 2041. Ask for Brother Van and be sure to request the concierge pricing.

Trans-Siberian Orchestra

**Friday, December 22 at 3:30pm & 8pm
American Airlines Center
Trans-Siberian**

Orchestra is bringing their Winter Tour 2017 - Ghosts of Christmas Eve to Dallas on Friday, December 22. TSO's tour will be a celebration of the art and accomplishments of the lauded group's late creator/composer/lyricist, Paul O'Neill, and his inimitable creation, which he dubbed Rock Theater.



PRICES: \$78.50 (100 level), \$68.50 (100/200 level), \$58.50 (lower 300 levels), \$49.50 (300 level)

SPECIAL INFO: Prices shown above reflect a required \$5 facility fee. There will also be an AA Center fee added of \$1 (per order). **Order through your concierge to save on Ticketmaster service fees. Deadline to order is Wednesday, December 13 at 2pm.** For more information on this event, visit www.americanairlinescenter.com.

Perot Museum of Nature and Science

Astronauts and dinosaurs and one-of-a-kind minerals! Demonstrating that science spans all dimensions, the Perot Museum of Nature of Science unveils its lineup for 2017-2018. Headlining the season are two traveling exhibitions – *Journey to Space* (Oct. 21, 2017-May 6, 2018), which includes a full-size simulated International Space Station, and *Ultimate Dinosaurs* (June 23, 2018-Jan. 6, 2019), which brings to life a new menagerie of dinosaurs discovered in the Southern Hemisphere. The 2017-2018 season also offers up offerings for all ages and interests – from a brilliant cast of National Geographic speakers, architecture tours and adults-only nights, to new 3D films, family-fun Discovery Days, seasonal Discovery Camps and more. For more information, visit www.perotmuseum.org. **Contact your concierge for discounted general admission tickets.**

Discount Ticket Listing

We offer discounts to many theater, sporting events, theme parks, and attractions; however, due to space limitations in our monthly newsletter, we cannot list all of them. You will find an updated discount listing posted to our website each month. Simply log onto www.texasconciiergeconnection.com and click on the "newsletter" tab at the top of the page. Then scroll down to the hyperlink titled "Discount Tickets" to obtain a copy.



State Fair of Texas: Through October 22

Celebrating 131 years of tradition, this year's exposition, themed "Celebrating Texans," has returned for another season of food,

festivities, and family fun. Adding on to its annual offering of more than 100 daily performances included with admission, 70 Midway rides, enough Midway games to keep you entertained for hours, and endless activities across the fairgrounds, the State Fair is excited to announce several new attractions lined up for the 2017 event.

Recognizing this year as the 100th anniversary of America's entry into World War I, two commemorative exhibits will be open to guests throughout the run of the Fair. Featured at the Hall of State, "Texas in the First World War" provides an in-depth look into Lone Star State history, exploring the active roles that both Texas and the United States played throughout the pivotal war era. Displaying a collection of wartime memorabilia and vehicles such as a Model T ambulance and a 1917 Indian motorcycle, the exhibit also incorporates details of the significant "Punitive Expedition" and the operation's influences leading up to America's involvement in WWI. Another memorial exhibit featured at the D.A.R. House this year, "America and World War I," showcases a variety of original artifacts ranging from personal items to weaponry gathered from all participating nations during the Great War.

In addition to hosting "Texas in the First World War" during this year's exposition, the Hall of State presents "Drawing Power: The Editorial Art of John Knott." The exhibit pays tribute to respected cartoonist, John Knott, whose artwork amassed to more than 15,000 pieces throughout his 52-year history working for *The Dallas Morning News*. With a portfolio of drawings that encompasses every possible aspect of the public's interest throughout the years, the featured display includes topics of his work that still relate to today's modern audiences.

In 2016 the State Fair of Texas introduced **Big Tex Urban Farms**, a revolutionary urban garden system in the heart of Fair Park. In alignment with the Fair's mission of promoting agriculture, education, and community involvement, Big Tex Urban Farms serves as an outdoor learning space while providing fresh, organic produce to the surrounding communities. The urban farm is composed entirely of mobile planting beds, all of which can be easily transported to other locations when the space is needed for the Fair's annual exposition. Starting out with 100 planters in 2016, the farm has grown to 520 planters in 2017. During this year's Fair some of the planters will be housed in the **Errol McKoy Greenhouse on the Midway**, where guests can see how the newest crops are doing. Fairgoers can also check out the new hydroponic system inside the greenhouse, a deep water culture tank with the capability of producing 25,000 plants per year. The Fair will continue to donate all Big Tex Urban

Farms produce to Fair Park-area organizations, and with these new additions will be able to grow its partnerships and expand its initiatives even more.

As a nod to the Fair's agricultural roots, "Agriculture in Texas" will serve as the new exhibit in the Science Place building. One section of the exhibit will highlight innovations in urban agriculture, featuring a portion of the planters from Big Tex Urban Farms as well as a smaller-scale version of the hydroponic system that can be found in the Errol McKoy Greenhouse on the Midway. In collaboration with engineering students from the Hunt Institute at SMU, the Fair is hosting "Evie," a trailer-turned-mobile greenhouse that will serve as another feature of the new exhibit. The other section of "Agriculture in Texas" will spotlight organizations in the North Texas area working to combat hunger through community gardens and urban farming.

Opening just in time for the 2017 exposition, the new **Briscoe Carpenter Livestock Center** is a 55,000-square-foot facility that meets the growing needs of the State Fair's agricultural education programs. The multipurpose facility will attract new shows, meetings, events, and conventions to Fair Park throughout the year, as well as expand the scope of livestock and agriculture activities during the Fair's annual event. With the goal of growing educational programs both during the Fair and throughout the year, the new facility provides more opportunities for hardworking 4-H and FFA students around the state of Texas. For fairgoers who want to learn more about agriculture and its significance in our everyday lives, the "I Spy Texas" exhibit will be housed in the foyer of the Briscoe Carpenter Livestock Center. "I Spy Texas" debuted at the 2016 Fair and returns this year with an all-new location. The interactive exhibit takes visitors on a road trip of Texas, allowing them to tour each region of the Lone Star State and learn about the natural resources and wildlife native to each area.

After a successful first run at the 2016 Fair, the action-packed **Xpogo** show will be moving to an all-new location this year. The extreme sports show features pogo professionals showing off their skills with gravity-defying tricks, flips, and spins. Guests can catch a daily Xpogo performance in Chevrolet Park Plaza, which also hosts the **Lords of Gravity Basketball Slam Dunk Show**. Returning for its second year at the Fair, the Lords of Gravity group hails from Budapest, Hungary and has become one of the most well-known acrobatic basketball teams in Europe.

Captivating crowds of all ages with mind-blowing magic tricks and illusions, **World of Magic** will be another new attraction this year. Located at Oak Farms Showplace Theatre in the Creative Arts building, the magic show features a performance by award-winning illusionists and even a floating robot. Fairgoers can also visit the theatre to find **Backyard Circus** at its new location, which offers little ones the chance to dress up in costumes and take part in a show starring lion tamers, tight-rope walkers, ballerinas and a host of circus favorites.

As a new addition this year, the **Texas Discovery Gardens** will host a variety of ornate floral arrangements from the Ikebana International Dallas Chapter – Ikebana is the Japanese art of arranging flowers. Returning exhibits include the "Snakes of Texas," bringing native reptiles of all shapes and sizes, along with the "Honeybee Tree" exhibit in the Butterfly House, giving visitors the chance to see a live honeybee hive in action.

State Fair foodies can look forward to a few new food locales hitting the grounds this fall. **Gulf Coast Grill** brings another destination to relax between activities or grab a bite to eat, located next to the Leonhardt Lagoon across from Cotton Bowl Plaza. The island-style grill rounds out the Fair's restaurant lineup with a tropical flair, and will also feature live music from local artists on weekends. **Stiffler's Mom's Cookie Factory** will be serving up gourmet chocolate chip cookies and milk by the masses. Debuting on the Midway this year, the factory showcases two observation windows and boasts the ability to bake 800 cookies every 11 minutes. Fairgoers can order cookies by the bucket or in a bag of six, and then watch the baking process from start to finish. A new **Cotton Candy Stand** location will be housed in the very center of the Tower Building, showcasing how cotton candy is made. Joining a wide variety of neighboring cuisine options, the new stand's colorful façade and sweet appeal will brighten up the State Fair's food headquarters.

Sports fans can prepare for another round of football games inside the historic Cotton Bowl Stadium during the 2017 Fair. Returning on October 7, the **Southwest Airlines State Fair Classic** brings its annual matchup between Grambling State University and Prairie View A&M University. The rivalry continues October 14 when Cotton Bowl Stadium hosts the **AT&T Red River Showdown**, where the University of Texas Longhorns face the University of Oklahoma Sooners.

Your trip to the Fair is your ticket to Texas-sized fun – with hundreds of events included in the price of admission, you've got an all-access pass to free entertainment. **Coupons and discount tickets are available through your concierge.** We have one ticket valid for ALL ages at \$13 each.

Gate Prices: AD - (Reg \$18), CH (under 48") and SR (60+) - (Reg \$14), children 2 and under are FREE.

Added concierge benefit (exclusively through Concierge Connection): Once again this year, for your convenience we have purchased a limited supply of food/ride coupons. Save yourself some time in line and buy your coupons when you purchase your tickets. Purchasing coupons to get you started are encouraged as you cannot do rides or purchase food/drink items without coupons. Therefore, you will stand in line upon arrival to purchase the coupon sheets. Coupons are sold on a first come, first served basis and in sheets only! Each contains (20) .50 coupons = \$10 per sheet (no discount).

