



Concierge Connection

"Helping Professionals Get Back to Business"

HOW TO USE THE CONCIERGE SERVICE

ORDER TICKETS MONDAY-FRIDAY

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.

Should you need tickets prior to your Friday delivery, please contact us for a location nearest you to pick up your order.

PLACE ORDERS:

texasconciiergeconnection.com

CONCIERGE REQUESTS:

services@conciiergeconnection.org

QUESTIONS:

972-770-4045, ext. 1

WE DO NOT ACCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS.

We do accept ALL major credit cards, debit cards and company checks.

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Sales Tax Holiday: August 10-12

This year's Sales Tax Holiday is August 10-12. As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend. The dates for the sales tax holiday are set by the Legislature. Subject to certain criteria, all sales of qualifying items made during the holiday period qualify for the exemption, including items sold online, by telephone or mail. Lay-away plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday. To read the fine print, visit <http://TexasTaxHoliday.org>.

Local Brews Local Grooves, Craft Beer & Music Fest

August 18 at House of Blues Dallas
VIP Doors open at 3pm; Public Doors open at 4pm

The House of Blues will be hosting the annual Local Brews Local Grooves - the ultimate music and craft beer festival. The event will feature the finest local Texas breweries, hottest bands, and the tastiest food.

Online sales will close at 3pm on the day of the event. To purchase tickets on the day of the event after 3pm, please visit the House of Blues Box Office. All sales are subject to availability at the time of purchase. Ticket prices are subject to increase the day of the show. Scheduled acts and breweries are subject to change without notice.

For more information, visit <http://www.houseofblues.com>.

31st Annual Highland Village Balloon Festival and Fair

August 17-19 at Unity Park

2200 Briarhill Blvd, Highland Village 75077

This family fun event features hot air balloons up close and personal with tethered balloon rides every night and balloon ascension and balloon glow on Friday and Saturday. The Fair is packed with live music, vendors, food trucks, kids' area - just pure family fun - and it's free. For more information, visit <http://lionsballoonfest.com>.

Friday Highlights: Opening ceremony at 6:30pm, tethered balloon rides, balloon ascension at 7pm, balloon glow at 8:30pm.

Saturday Highlights: Pancake breakfast, balloon fly-in, car show, vision screening.

Sunday Highlights: Balloon fly-in/take-off, pancake breakfast and tethered balloon rides.

Frisco Rotary Farmers Market

Every Saturday, 8am-noon (or sell out)
Through October 27

Located at 4th Street between Main & Elm Streets

Local growers offer juicy melons, peaches, vine-ripened tomatoes, fresh corn on the cob and lots more. Also offered are baked breads, meat from local ranchers, honey, arts and crafts, and various other products. The market allows consumers to have access to locally grown, farm fresh produce, enables farmers the opportunity to develop a personal relationship with their customers, and cultivate consumer loyalty with the farmers who grow the produce. For more information, visit www.friscorotaryfarmersmarket.com.

Concierge Connection Exclusive



Here's your chance to take your family to an affordable live game and check out the stadium. A limited supply of tickets will be available to the following preseason games while supplies last so contact your concierge to place your order. Should you be interested in regular season games throughout the year, call your concierge for pricing.

Pre-Season Games & Discount Pricing:

- **Saturday, August 18 at 6pm - Cincinnati Bengals**
- **Sunday, August 26 at 7pm - Arizona Cardinals**

Lower Level (1-3): \$75
Upper Level (4): \$35



\$10 Tuesdays are Back!

Needs plans for your next Tuesday night?

Get \$10 tickets in the

Upper Box or Upper Reserved seating section for all Tuesday home games, courtesy of FOX Sports Southwest! Visit <https://www.mlb.com/rangers/tickets/specials/discounts#tuesdays>. Use the coupon code **FSSW10** to save up to 50% off tickets on Tuesday home games.

Baby Gorilla at Dallas Zoo Makes Public Debut

The newest edition to the Dallas Zoo, a baby gorilla born in June, made its public debut on July 5. Zookeepers said a 22-year-old critically endangered Western Lowland Gorilla named Hope



delivered the baby. The newborn and its mother and father are allowed to roam in the Gorilla habitat, visible to the public for the first time. The baby and mother have been behind-the-scenes since the birth, bonding as a family. The baby's father is a Western Lowland Silverback named Subira. Zookeepers said that he was the first of the gorilla family to meet the newborn after delivery and gently put his lips on the baby's head. The birth marks the fifth baby gorilla the zoo has cared for in nearly 50 years. **Contact your concierge for a special link and promo code to purchase discounted tickets.**

Gaylord Texan's 15th Annual SummerFest Featuring The Smurfs

Through September 3, 10am-9pm
Gaylord Texan Resort (1501 Gaylord Trail, Grapevine, TX 76051)

Locals will not have to go far this summer to transport themselves to the ultimate summer destination at the grandest resort in the Lone Star State. Presented by AquaFina®, Gaylord Texan Resort's 15th annual SummerFest event features an all-new Smurfs theme including a variety of family-friendly events and entertainment. The Smurfs theme activities include: Le' Smurfs Art Corner and Sweet Shop, Breakfast with The Smurfs, Papa Smurf's Search Party Scavenger Hunt, Gargamel's Wizard Academy, and so much more! For more information and to purchase your tickets visit www.gaylordtexan.com/summerfest.

Ultimate Dinosaurs at The Perot

Through January 6, 2019

These are not your grandfather's dinosaurs! Based on groundbreaking research from scientists around the world, *Ultimate Dinosaurs* reveals rarely seen, exotic species from the other side of the world. From the tiny Eoraptor to the massive Giganotosaurus (T. rex's bigger, badder cousin), the exhibition is a fascinating introduction to dinosaurs that are unfamiliar to most North Americans. Presented locally by Highland Capital Management, *Ultimate Dinosaurs* tells the story of the break-up of supercontinent Pangaea into today's continents and the amazing diversity of dinosaur species that evolved as a result. Highlights include 15 fully articulated dinosaur casts, more than a dozen prehistoric specimens, augmented reality to experience the dinosaurs in the flesh, touchable fossilized dinosaur specimens, hands-on play spaces featuring miniature dinosaur dioramas and more. Presented in English and French (with a Spanish audio guide available), *Ultimate Dinosaurs* is presented by the Science Museum of Minnesota, supported locally by Hilton Hotels' "Explore Like a Local" program and requires a surcharge for members and non-members. **Contact your concierge for discounted general admission tickets.**



Stage Kiss

August 16 - September 15

Circle Theatre (230 West 4th Street, Fort Worth, Texas 76102)

Art imitates Life. Life imitates Art. When two actors with a history are thrown together as romantic leads in a forgotten 1930s melodrama, they quickly lose touch with reality as the story onstage follows them offstage. *Stage Kiss* captures Sarah Ruhl's singular voice with a funny and charming tale about what happens when lovers share a stage kiss—or when actors share a real one.

For \$5 off any regular priced ticket excluding opening night and previews, call 817-877-3848 or visit www.circletheatre.com, enter promo code: **Flyer**.

The Flying Dutchman presented by the Dallas Opera

October 12, 14, 17 & 20
Winspear Opera House

Through the mist, a ghostly ship appears, with a black mast and blazing red sails – it is *The Flying Dutchman*. Cursed to roam the seas for all eternity, The Dutchman's only salvation is to find a faithful wife. Allowed to go ashore every seven years, The Dutchman searches for the one who might finally bring him peace. His fortune may have changed when he meets the father of Senta, a beautiful girl whose only wish is to free the mythical Dutchman from his curse, at any cost. Senta pledges herself to The Dutchman, but her jilted suitor Erik, and The Dutchman's centuries of dashed hopes, force her to prove the depths of her love.



This production of Richard Wagner's *The Flying Dutchman*

gloriously expands the famous folklore into a harrowing romance for the ages. **Contact your concierge for discounted tickets to select performances. A \$10 service fee will apply.**

DFW Restaurant Week 2018

Preview: August 10-12

Extensions: August 20- September 3

This year, in its 21st iteration, DFW Restaurant Week will officially kick off the week of August



13-19, with many restaurants extending participation for additional weeks, through August 26 or Labor Day, September 3. Select restaurants also offer a head start on the dining with Preview Weekend, August 10-12. Every meal supports charity partners the North Texas Food Bank (NTFB) or Lena Pope.

Diners can experience a different scene and cuisine each day with nearly 150 restaurants across the Metroplex, spanning Dallas, Tarrant, Collin and Denton counties. Participating restaurants offer three-course prix fixe dinners for either \$39 or \$49, or two-course lunches for just \$20. Many restaurants offer a FREE additional "Fourth Course" dinner menu item when you present your Fourth Course Certificate. Spend \$25 at participating locations to receive a Fourth Course Certificate at the register with your qualifying receipt. Check out restaurants offering the Fourth Course on the official DFW Restaurant Week list. New this year, casual dining restaurants will also join in the campaign with DFW Restaurant Week Specialty Bites. Whether a signature sandwich or other signature dish, participating restaurants will offer a unique item with 10 percent of the price donated to one of the charity partners.

The participating restaurant list can be viewed at DFWRestaurantWeek.com or OpenTable.com. You may make your reservations by calling the restaurant, or reserving online at OpenTable.com.

THE 2018/2019 SEASON IS HERE!
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SeaWorld Electric Ocean - Summer Nighttime Celebration: Through August 12



An all-new nighttime experience

- Electric Ocean - headlines SeaWorld's summer offerings with a nightly fireworks display and party zones with electronic dance music (EDM) that will create an electrifying dance club atmosphere. Returning to the summer lineup are guest favorites like HydroPower Xtreme FX and Shamu Celebration: Light Up the Night, as well as an encore of Sea Lions Tonite.

Electric Ocean Party Zone

Grab your friends and party nightly at the hottest dance club in the deep blue sea. The Electric Ocean Party Zone brings the night to life with Latin beats, glow zones, and an interactive atmosphere.

Want to choose the music you are dancing to? Pick up some headphones and dive into Deep Sea Silent Disco where you get to create your own dance floor experience.

Chill Out

Need a place to escape the Texas Summer heat? Cool down in SeaWorld's new 50 degree club, Chill Out, featuring a menu of frozen treats, glow merchandise, and a live DJ!

HydroPower: Xtreme FX

Don't miss this pumped up, high powered water ski stunt show, featuring a live rock band and glittering pyrotechnics! The show is followed immediately by an end-of-the-night fireworks spectacular, IgNite!, featuring a soundtrack of Electronic Dance Music. Best viewing for this all-new spectacular is from the seated area at Bayside Stadium.

August Dollar Days at Dallas Arboretum

Sponsored by Rogers O'Brien Construction
 August 1-31, 9am-5pm

Discounted \$2 general garden admission is offered to all guests, plus \$5 parking and \$2 admission



to the Rory Meyers Children's

Adventure Garden, as well as budget-friendly menu items including hot dogs and root beer floats, brownie sundaes, sodas and frozen pops. For more, visit www.dallasarboretum.org. During other months, you may contact your concierge for discounted general admission tickets.



National Roller Coaster Day

August 16
 Six Flags Over Texas

Celebrate everyone's favorite thrill rides! They may have been invented at Coney Island, but at Six Flags Over Texas, roller coasters were perfected into the awesome thrill machines they are today. From the first-of-their-kind to the tallest and fastest around, you can celebrate this epic holiday on the Biggest Thrills in Texas! **Contact your concierge for discounted tickets.**

Farmers Market: Hatch Chile Festival

August 23, 8am-2pm
 Farmers Market (120 W. Main St., Grand Prairie, Texas 75050)

Get your hot roasted Hatch chiles at Grand Prairie Farmers Market's annual Hatch Chile Festival on Saturday, August 23. The festival features live music, food, a cooking demo with Chef Otto, and other fun activities! Also, shop the market's fresh fruits and vegetables, baked goods, coffee, tea, tamales, jellies and relishes, grass-fed meats, homemade soaps, candles and more! For more information, visit www.gptx.org.

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.

August Events at Hawaiian Falls



End your summer with a splash! Whether you're looking for a way to relax or the best way to entertain kids on a hot, summer day, Hawaiian Falls has you covered!

School Worker Appreciation Week: Through August 4 -

Hawaiian Falls is offering school workers one last splash before returning to the classroom! Teachers, administrators, aides, custodians (anyone with a school ID) gets FREE admission with the purchase of a Big Kahuna ticket at the gate.

Champion's Day: August 3, 8:30-10:30am - Champion's Day is FREE for all Champions (special needs children and adults) and \$10 companion tickets (limit 4 companion tickets per Champion). Ticket price is valid through noon on Champion's Days.

National Ice Cream Sandwich Day: August 2 - The first 100 guests at each Hawaiian Falls location on August 2 will receive a FREE Ice Cream Sandwich!

Season Passholder Appreciation Week: August 6-12 -

Hawaiian Falls loves its season passholders so much that they are dedicating August 6-12 as Season Passholder Week to show their appreciation! Be on the lookout for exclusive offers all week long, only for season passholders!

Heroes Week: August 5-12 - During Heroes Week, Military and First Responders get FREE general admission by showing their badge.

Contact your concierge for discounted tickets.

Plug in for a Greener Planet.

Plug in to Something NEW.

DART's got a lot of new. This spring, the agency introduced new ways to pay, with the new version of the GoPass app. Now DART is giving you new ways to ride, with a new fleet of zero-emission electric buses.



Rolling in downtown Dallas, these seven new buses provide clean, quiet transportation on the D-Link route. That makes two zero-emission options in downtown, joining DART Rail as the other vehicle with that distinction. These buses recharge fast, with the propulsion battery going from 10 percent state of charge to 90 percent in just 10 minutes. Eight battery packs power the bus—six on the bottom and two on the top.

The new electric buses seat 28 people, which means fewer single-occupancy vehicles on the roadway. These buses also use 30 percent fewer parts than a traditional bus and do not require oil changes or exhaust after-treatments.

Rolling out an electric bus may seem like a small thing, but it can have a big impact. Each electric bus reduces emissions by nearly 244,000 pounds of carbon dioxide per year. These new electric buses emit no tailpipe pollution. This is particularly critical in Dallas-Fort Worth, one of the largest and fastest-growing metropolitan areas in the United States. The electric fleet is one more way DART is helping to clear the air across North Texas.

Learn where the D-Link route takes you at DART.org/DLink.

Jurassic Park: Movie in Concert

Presented by Dallas Symphony Orchestra

August 31 - September 2

Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center

Featuring visually stunning imagery and groundbreaking special effects, the action-packed adventure of *Jurassic Park* pits man against prehistoric predators in the ultimate battle for survival. Experience it now, projected in HD with a full symphony orchestra performing John Williams' iconic score live to picture. Contact your concierge for discounted tickets.



Landmark Exhibit - Slavery at Jefferson's Monticello: Paradox of Liberty

September 22-December 31

African American Museum (3536 Grand Ave, Dallas, TX 75210)



A groundbreaking and widely acclaimed exhibition with a powerful message, *Slavery at Jefferson's Monticello: Paradox of Liberty* is coming to the African American Museum next month. Dallas will be the first city to host the updated touring exhibition, which

brings to life the story of slavery at Monticello through more than 300 objects, works of art, documents and artifacts unearthed at the storied plantation. The exhibition features new items never seen outside of Monticello, including a special feature on Sally Hemings, one of the most famous African American women in American history. As an enslaved woman at the age of 16, Hemings negotiated with one of the most powerful men in the nation ensuring she would receive "extraordinary privileges" and achieve freedom for her children. Jefferson fathered at least six children with Hemings, four of whom survived to adulthood.

Slavery at Jefferson's Monticello: Paradox of Liberty is an exhibition that uses Monticello, the home and plantation of Thomas Jefferson, to explore the dilemma of slavery and the lives of the enslaved families and their descendants. The exhibition presents Monticello as a microcosm of the American story – a lens through which to understand the complicated dynamics of America's founding, and the ways in which the legacies of slavery continue to shape the nation.

Paradox of Liberty briefly examines Jefferson's views, actions and inaction on slavery, and then focuses on the enslaved individuals and families who lived and labored at Monticello. In addition to objects belonging to Jefferson, more than 300 archaeologically recovered artifacts elucidate the lives and work of six enslaved families, making for a visually rich, powerful presentation. Using material from the Getting Word Oral History Project, the exhibition follows the families through Emancipation into the present.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 3-12, and free for children 2 and under. Also, admission will be free on Thursdays only for seniors 65 and older. For more information and to purchase tickets, please go to monticelloindallas.com (tickets also may be purchased at the Museum). The exhibition is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11am-5pm and closed on Sunday and Monday. For additional information about Monticello, go to its companion site at Monticello.org/Slavery-at-Monticello. Also, get the smartphone companion app – Monticello at Mulberry Row – at the App Store or Google Play.

