

# May

*25 must-dos  
this month*

ARTS BENEFIT COMEDY FAMILY FESTIVAL THEATER MUSIC SPORTS

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## THE BIG GIVE S.A.

**MAY 3**

More than \$4 million was raised for area nonprofits in 2015, and organizers of this annual day of giving are challenging San Antonio to give even more this year. Children's charities, arts and culture organizations, health and wellness groups and others are participating in this 24-hour give-a-thon. Several nonprofits will have events throughout the day, but the fundraising drive is all online. *Various locations, thebiggivesa.org*

## MOTOWN THE MUSICAL

**MAY 3-8**

This Broadway musical is based on the true story of Berry Gordy, the boxer turned music mogul who helped launch Smokey Robinson, Diana Ross and others. Hear more than 40 classic Motown songs, from "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" to "My Girl." *Majestic Theatre, 224 E. Houston St., 210-226-3333, majesticempire.com*



## FLOATING FESTIVAL

**MAY 3-4**

River Walk cruises aren't just for tourists this month. Groups of 16 are invited to hit the river for a dinner cruise benefiting Arts San Antonio and its programs and performances. Along with a multicourse meal, guests will enjoy live entertainment, drinks and a dessert reception on the banks of the river. *River Walk, 210-226-2891, artssa.org*

## CHILDREN'S INTERNATIONAL PUPPET FESTIVAL

**MAY 4-10**

The Children's Fine Art Series brings back its puppet festival this month with five shows that incorporate animation, music and film. Start with *Moon Mouse*, which tells the story of a mouse who escapes bullying by studying science and fantasy. *The Legend of Walter Weirbeard* follows a group of pirates on the high seas while *The Dinosaur Show* mixes puppets and acting by Dr. Dino Sawyer. All shows play multiple times a day giving you a chance to catch them all. *Tobin Center for the Performing Arts, 100 Auditorium Circle, 210-223-8624, tobincenter.org*

## CINCO DE MAYO

**MAY 5**

The Mexican Army defeated the French in the Battle of Puebla more than 150 years ago. Commemorate the victory with a daylong fest featuring live music, Mexican heritage performances, authentic food and arts and crafts booths. *Historic Market Square, 514 W. Commerce St., marketsquaresa.com*

## A CHORUS LINE

**MAY 6-JUNE 5**

Five, six, seven, eight. Seventeen dancers are vying for a spot in the chorus line of the latest Broadway show. Watch local actors and dancers perform the classic Broadway musical that was originally choreographed by Michael Bennett. A cocktail reception follows opening night on May 6, and food trucks will be open prior to the May 13 show. *The Playhouse, 800 W. Ashby Place, 210-733-7258, theplayhousesa.org*

## NORTHSIDE EDUCATION FOUNDATION 5K

**MAY 7**

The NISD Northside Educa-

tion Foundation has started its own "race for seis." It wants to see 6,000 runners and walkers at this year's 5K. Arrive early for a family wellness fair, or purchase tickets for a private lunch and admission to SeaWorld San Antonio following the 3.1-mile race. Proceeds benefit education programs at NISD. *SeaWorld, 10500 SeaWorld Drive, 210-397-8599, nisd.net/nef*

## SAN ANTONIO FC VS. RIO GRANDE VALLEY FC

**MAY 7 & 25**

San Antonio's United Soccer League team plays three of its four May games at home, including two matchups against their foes from the Rio Grande Valley. Cheer them on from Toyota Field to help them start the season strong. *Toyota Field, 5106 David Edwards Drive, 210-444-5000, sanantoniofc.com*

## JOHN FOGERTY

**MAY 12**

Best known from his time as lead singer and guitarist for Creedence Clearwater Revival, John Fogerty had been rocking solo since the 1980s. He's a Grammy winner and has been named one of the 100 greatest guitarists of all

time by *Rolling Stone*. Listen for hits like "Rock and Roll Girls." *Majestic Theatre, 224 E. Houston St., 210-226-3333, majesticempire.com*



## MISSIONS VS. ROCKHOUNDS

**MAY 12-15**

The Midland Rockhounds are in town for a four-game series against the San Antonio Missions. Fans can enjoy dollar night on Thursday. Saturday, players will wear special jerseys that will be auctioned off following the game to support the South Texas Blood & Tissue Center. Plus, there's a post-game fireworks show. *Wolff Stadium, 5757 Hwy. 90, 210-675-7275, miilb.com*

## MEN ARE FROM MARS, WOMAN ARE FROM VENUS

**MAY 12-15**

Adapted from the book by John Gray, this Tobin Center Edge Series show includes

### SPOTLIGHT

## Coney Island: Visions of an American Dreamland 1861-2008

May 11-Sept. 11

Over 140 drawings, posters, paintings, film clips, artifacts and other pieces explore the decades-long allure of Coney Island, "the people's playground." The McNay is the only venue in the Southwest hosting this exhibition. *McNay Art Museum, 6000 N. New Braunfels Ave., 210-824-5368, mcnayart.org*