

# 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; **all orders**

**must be placed by 2:00 pm on**

**Thursday, the day before.**

### 3 WAYS TO ORDER

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#### EMAIL

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#### WEB

[www.cciservices.org](http://www.cciservices.org)

### WE DO NOT ACCEPT

#### PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH.

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

*PLEASE have your credit card ready when calling. There is a \$25 NSF fee for all returned checks.*

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*(Please do not send ticket orders to this email.)*

## Make a Note

Please be advised that the Concierge Desk will close at 3pm on Friday, August 31 and remain closed on Monday, September 3 in observance of Labor Day. Have a safe and happy holiday!

## GrapeFest

*Don't miss out on the 26th Anniversary of GrapeFest - A Wine Experience, September 13, 14, 15 & 16, 2012 in Historic Downtown Grapevine*

### Grapevine Golf Classic

**Grapevine Golf Course, September 10, 8am**  
Format: 3-man scramble - \$100 per player. Includes breakfast, golf cart, lunch, and prizes. Contact Grapevine Golf Course at 817-410-3377 to register or visit the Grapevine Golf Course at 3800 Fairway Drive. The deadline for registration is 5pm on September 4.

### GrapeFest Tennis Classic

**Hilton DFW Lakes, September 14-16**  
For more information, please contact Chris Giordano at 817-410-6828.

### 26th Anniversary GrapeFest

**Historic Downtown Grapevine, September 13, 14, 15 and 16**  
Rated one of the Top 100 Events in North America by the American Bus Association, GrapeFest features an incredible array of entertainment including the traditional Vintners' Auction and the Texas Wine Tribute Gala—a black-tie formal affair for gourmet food lovers and wine enthusiasts. GrapeFest attendees can also vote for their favorite Texas wines at the People's Choice Wine Tasting Classic.

### Culinary Pavilion

Food and wine experts from around the country will present informative and entertaining culinary sessions all weekend.

### People's Choice Wine Tasting Classic

Don't miss the People's Choice Wine Tasting Classic, one of the signature GrapeFest events! The largest consumer-judged wine competition in the United States, the competition consists of 10 sessions throughout the festival. This year's event features more than 130 Texas wines from 38 Texas wineries.

### GrapeStomp

Stomp right into the action during the popular GrapeStomp competition at GrapeFest. Jump

in and get your feet purple. Two-person teams swap turns at stomping approximately 18 lbs. of grapes for two minutes and then officials measure the extracted juice. Scores are kept for the entire weekend with a Grand Champion StompOff on Sunday, in which the winners are awarded the coveted "Purple Foot" award.

### Carnival, Midway & Live Entertainment

There's fun for the whole family at the Carnival and Midway! Games, rides, festival food and more will delight all ages. Back by popular demand, the Unlimited Ride Pass is available Thursday 5pm - 10:30pm. The Carnival and Midway are located at the intersection of Jenkins and Wall Streets.

### KidZone & Ice Carving

Bring the kids to KidZone for fun, games, face painting and more. Check out some of the coolest festival action at the Ice Carving demonstrations Friday and Saturday at 5:30pm.

### Vintners' Auction Classic

The Vintners' Auction Classic is one of the most popular GrapeFest events! This trademark affair will be held at 6pm on Friday, September 14 in the new Grapevine Convention and Visitors Bureau Headquarters, located at 636 S. Main Street. Attendees will have the chance to bid on vacation packages, award-winning wines, offerings from area merchants and more. Make sure to get there early for the Bubbles and Baubles event, featuring glasses of champagne each containing a beautiful sparkling gem. Can you guess which one has the genuine one-carat diamond?

One hundred of these champagne glasses will be sold at the event so get there early for the best selection. You can also spin the wheel of "Wine & Fortune." Admission includes: Texas wines, heavy hors d'oeuvres, entertainment, silent and live auctions as well as award-winning wines and Texas vintners. Attendees must be 21 years of age. Tickets can be purchased online for \$20 before September 13 or for \$25 at the door. Get a "Sneak Preview" of the items on Thursday, September 13 during the festival. Festival admission is not included in Vintners' Auction ticket purchase.

### Hours & Ticket Pricing

GrapeFest will open on Thursday, September 13 at 10am; admission is FREE to everyone all day Thursday and until 5pm on Friday! Hours are Thurs, 10am-10:30pm; Fri and Sat, 10am-11:30pm; Sun, 11am-6pm. Admission prices are (AD) \$8, (SR/62+) and (CH/6-12) \$5. Admission is FREE for children 5 and under. Weekend passes are \$18 and souvenir weekend passes are \$23. For more information, visit [www.GrapevineTexasUSA.com](http://www.GrapevineTexasUSA.com).

# State Fair of Texas 2012

September 28-October 21

Fair Park-Dallas

[www.bigtex.com](http://www.bigtex.com)



Embarking on its 126th exposition, the State Fair will amp up with high wattage when gates swing open on Friday, September 28

in Dallas' Fair Park. The theme for this year's event is Big & Bright. In addition to lights, lights and more lights, fairgoers will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts of America with an exhibit saluting the organization's commitment to community service, camping, and societal issues.

**Contact your concierge for discount tickets:** Adult **\$12.50** (Reg \$16), Child (Under 48") **\$10** (Reg \$12), Senior (60+) **\$10** (Reg \$12), Children 2 and under are FREE.

\*\*For your convenience, we have pre-purchased a limited supply of food/ride coupons this year. Save yourself some time in line and buy your coupons when you purchase your tickets. Coupons will be sold on a first come, first served basis until they are sold out. Coupons are sold in sheets only! They contain (20) 50¢ coupons = \$10 per sheet. (No discounts.)

## The Addams Family Musical

**October 2-21, 2012**

Nothing changes a family faster than a daughter in love. The weird and wonderful family comes to devilishly delightful life in a Broadway musical. Spend an evening with Gomez, Morticia, Uncle Fester, Grandma, Lurch and Pugsley as they face a brand-new predicament. Daughter Wednesday has fallen in love with a young man. A nice young man, from a normal family. And the Addams household is about to be turned upside-down. It's a family portrait that's completely off the wall.

**NOTE: Please be aware that this show is during the State Fair of Texas.** Tickets to this show include free admission to the fair. Traffic will be heavier than usual, and parking is not reserved. For full details on what to expect, you may visit [www.dallassummermusicals.org](http://www.dallassummermusicals.org). **Contact your concierge to purchase your tickets!**



**The All-New 2013 Shen Yun Show Returns to the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, Presented by Southern USA Falun Dafa Association**  
**January 2-3, 2013 at AT&T Performing Arts Center's Winspear Opera House**  
**February 20, 2013 at Bass Performance Hall**

**"A mesmerizing performance of singers, dancers and musicians reclaiming the divinely inspired cultural heritage of China."**

- Donna Karan, Creator of Donna Karan New York and DKNY

After a successful showing the past 2 years at the Winspear Opera House in Dallas, the New York based Shen Yun Performing Arts returns for a 3rd time to bring the audience another spectacular night of traditional Chinese culture. This year's tour will include performances at both the AT&T Performing Arts Center's Winspear Opera House in downtown Dallas and for the first time at the Bass Performance Hall in downtown Fort Worth. Every year, Shen Yun unveils an entirely new lineup of dances, songs, and musical scores. To audiences who have seen it, they recall it as an experience of a lifetime—a moment so powerfully beautiful that it touches the soul.

"In a collection of short pieces, audiences travel from the Himalayas to tropical lake-filled regions; from the legends of the culture's creation over 5,000 years ago through to the story of Falun Dafa in China today; from the highest heavens down to the dusty plateaus of the Middle Kingdom."

"Shen Yun Performing Arts was established in 2006 with the mission of reviving 5,000 years of divinely inspired Chinese culture. Unfortunately, over the past 60 years, this cultural treasure has been persecuted and co-opted by the Chinese Communist Party. It is outside of China that Shen Yun's artistic creators have the ability to freely express themselves and their ancient culture. Their courage to speak up is an integral part of Shen Yun's spirit. Today, Shen Yun counts many winners of international dance and vocal competitions among its artists and the orchestras include many musicians from world-renowned symphonies and conservatories." *Quotations copyrighted by Shen Yun Performing Arts*

For additional information, visit the Shen Yun Official Site, [ShenYun2013.com](http://ShenYun2013.com). Order your tickets (**no discounts available**) by website at [www.ticketingbox.com](http://www.ticketingbox.com) or by calling (888) 907-4697.



**January 2-3, 2013**  
AT&T Performing Arts Center's Winspear Opera House (403 Flora St., Dallas, TX 75201)



**February 20, 2013**  
Bass Performance Hall (525 Commerce St., Fort Worth, TX 76102)

## 29th Annual Dallas Home & Garden Show

Dallas Market Hall, Saturday, September 10 (10am-7pm) & Sunday, September 11 (11am-5pm)

The perfect place to find BIG savings! Talk with the area's finest home improvement experts and receive show-only discounts and fantastic opportunities for everything home & garden. Tickets are (\$10/AD) and (\$9/SR); Children 14 and under are FREE. **\$1 Discount Coupons** available online and in your Tom Thumb Weekly Circular. Attractions include: Vacation, Leisure and Outdoor; Gardens and Landscaping by TNLA; Flower and Plant Sale on Sunday; Green Energy Products; and Home Décor.



Schlitterbahn has now gone to weekend only full park operating days through Sunday, September 16. The full park will also be open on the Monday of Labor Day weekend. **You may obtain discounts by calling your concierge for a special link and discount code.**

Also, 2013 "New Braunfels Waterpark" Season Passes are now available for purchase online through the Corporate Partners landing pages at the lowest price of the season. Purchase now and use your 2013 pass for admission the remainder of the 2012 season!

**Christmas Portraits**

Join us to create spectacular, one of a Kind Holiday Cards for your family!

Our Holiday sessions are fun and geared to capture the best photo's to create your unique cards.

These mini-sessions last about 20 minutes. Session fee is FREE with a toy donation.

Packages start off at \$100, which includes 25 custom designed 5x7 foldover cards and prints.

There are limited spaces available so call or email today to reserve your space.

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## CIRQUE DU SOLEIL RETURNS TO DALLAS WITH ITS BIG TOP PRODUCTION KOOZA

September 19-October 7

Cirque du Soleil is thrilled to return to Dallas with a new big top touring show KOOZA. The critically-acclaimed production opens Wednesday, September 19 for a limited engagement under the white Big Top, Lot E at 500 Memorial Drive beneath Reunion Tower.

Since its premiere in April of 2007, KOOZA has charmed close to 4 million spectators in North America and Japan. KOOZA marks the 7th visit of a big top show in the Dallas area.

Written and directed by David Shiner, KOOZA is a return to the origins of Cirque du Soleil that combines two circus traditions – acrobatic performance and the art of clowning. The show highlights the physical demands of human performance in all its splendor and fragility, presented in a colorful mélange that emphasizes bold slapstick humor.



**Contact your concierge to receive a special link to purchase tickets at a 20% discount on price level 1, 2 and 3 for "select performances." Our discount will apply to performances on the following dates: (9/20, 9/23, 9/26, 9/27, 9/30 and 10/3, 10/4, 10/7). This discount is for a limited time only and subject to availability. Should you want to purchase tickets to another performance not listed above (at regular price), we will provide you with a different link.**



American Airlines Center

October 6 at 7pm

The Kellogg's Tour of Gymnastics Champions will be unlike any gymnastics tour ever produced, providing fans with a high-flying, dynamic experience that will celebrate the sports' beauty and skill. All five 2012 Olympic gold medalists will be on tour! That includes Gabby Douglas, the newest All Around gold medalist! Plus, Nastia Liukin, the 2008 All Around gold medalist, will be at all tour stops as well!

Bigger and better than ever, the show's format will pair elite gymnastics skill with modern performance art that will push the boundaries of athleticism and keep fans cheering for more. 2008 Olympic all-around champion Nastia Liukin will lead an impressive cast, including members of the men' and women's 2011 World Championships and 2012 Olympic teams. And with performances by local gymnasts in each market, the Kellogg's Tour will highlight and celebrate the sport at every level.

**Regular prices:** \$91, \$56, \$41, \$28.50  
**Discount prices:** \$81, \$48, \$41, \$28.50  
Children under 2 do not need a ticket and can sit on a lap. There will be an AA Center service charge of \$1 per order. **DEADLINE TO ORDER: Wed, September 19 at 2pm.**



Amazing Grace at Majestic Theatre

Sunday, September 30 at 6pm

The Mahogany Dance Theater's Amazing Grace Production will take center stage at Majestic Theatre in Downtown Dallas. This concert of the Civil Rights Movement in dance will highlight the historical milestones that helped make our nation the culturally diverse entity it is today.

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**Carey Lynn Photography is booking for Christmas parties right now; they have different options available including onsite printing.**  
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**The Dance Theatre is offering a special VIP concert/reception package for Concierge Connection clients!** Located within the beautiful mezzanine balcony of Majestic Theatre, at a 20% discount, the \$50 per-person seats are offered to our clients for only \$40 to attend both concert and a reception to meet the artists. **Contact your concierge to place your order.** All tickets for this performance will be left at will call. **www.mahoganydance.com**

# CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS

Cell Phones for Soldiers Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing cost-free communication services to active duty military members and veterans.

Since its inception in 2004, Cell Phones for Soldiers has worked to keep military families connected by providing FREE communication tools to those serving overseas in the United States military. In seven years, the registered 501(c) (3) has provided troops with more than 2 million prepaid calling cards, equating to more than 150 million minutes of FREE talk time.

Cell Phones for Soldiers hopes to continue its mission to provide troops with FREE calls home through generous monetary contributions and the recycling of used mobile phones. Used mobile phones from all service providers are accepted. Each \$5 contribution, or donated device valued at \$5, will provide troops with 2.5 hours of FREE talk time.

Cell Phones for Soldiers was founded by Robbie and Brittany Bergquist of Norwell, Mass., at the ages of 12 and 13. The organization has raised more than \$7 million in donations and collected more than 10 million cellular devices.

"Cell Phones for Soldiers started as a small way to show our family's appreciation for the men and women who have sacrificed the day-to-day contact with their own families

to serve in the U.S. armed forces," says the teens' father, Bob Bergquist. "Over the past few years, we have been overwhelmed by the generosity of others. But, we have also seen the need to support our troops continue to grow as more troops are sent overseas for longer assignments."

*Taken from the Cell Phones for Soldiers website (Program Overview)*

**For more information, to print off a donation receipt, make a monetary donation or to locate a used cell phone drop-off location near you, visit [www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com](http://www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com).**

### ***Do you have less than four phones to donate?***

Visit the website to print a prepaid, pre-addressed mailing label. However, to allow the charity to provide more communication tools to our troops, you can help by paying for postage. To pay for postage, simply mail your phone(s) to:

**Cell Phones for Soldiers  
c/o ReCellular  
PO Box 9998  
Dexter, MI 48130-9998**

### ***Free Cell Phone Data Eraser***

Download easy instructions from the website for clearing data from your cell phone before donating! This is not a requirement but can increase security of personal information during transit.



**Six Flags®**  
**OVER TEXAS**

We will be selling Six Flags "daily" tickets for \$30 (instead of \$35) during the month of September ONLY! These special promotional tickets will be for sell through Friday, September 28 and are valid through October 28. They cannot be used at Hurricane Harbor.

## **MORE DISCOUNT TICKETS & PASSES!**

We have many discounts to theaters, sporting events, attractions, etc.; however, due to space limitations in our newsletter, we update and post those to our website on the 1st of each month. To access this list, please log onto [www.cciservices.org](http://www.cciservices.org) and click on the **newsletter tab** at the top of the page, then scroll down to the hyperlink that says **Discount Tickets** to view or print a copy.

## **Entertainment Passbooks**

**All the Fun. Half the Price.** We have Dallas and Fort Worth Entertainment Passbooks available at **\$30** each. With hundreds of half-off and two-for-one coupons, the Entertainment Passbook is the best way to save money on dining, shopping, attractions and much more! This year's book will contain \$25 bonus cards to be used at **restaurant.com**. Contact your concierge for a copy.

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