

# 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:

[texasconciergeconnection.com](http://texasconciergeconnection.com)

### CONCIERGE REQUESTS:

[services@conciergeconnection.org](mailto:services@conciergeconnection.org)

### QUESTIONS:

214-935-9700, ext. 1

### WE DO NOT ACCEPT PERSONAL CHECKS OR CASH.

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

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## Panther Island Pavilion

395 Purcey Street, Fort Worth

Enjoy a beach along the Trinity River in Fort Worth. Splash around the shore, relax on sand, take your own tubes and rafts, or rent kayaks, paddleboards, and canoes. The venue is open Tuesdays through Sundays (noon-6pm) with concessions, pedal boat rentals, and loaner life vests. On weekdays, outside coolers and food are allowed. On Saturdays and Sundays, there will be food trucks, beer and wine sales, live music, and lifeguards. Both admission and parking are FREE. For more information, visit [pantherislandpavillion.com](http://pantherislandpavillion.com).

The beach is also open on Mondays without amenities such as rentals and concessions. Pandemic safety precautions include requiring that purchases be made via credit card only. Groups of 10 or fewer can gather at least 6 feet away from others for social distancing. Tube rentals will not be available at this time. Other rentals are available at [backwoodspaddlesports.com](http://backwoodspaddlesports.com).

**Zenday Fundays:** In partnership with Blue Morpho Yoga, Jordan Palmer teaches an All Levels Vinyasa Flow style class which allows yogis to find their comfort level for each pose. All levels welcome. The classes typically include some light stretching and twisting, balancing, and flow, with time for stillness and peace. Bring a mat, sweat towel, and water. Begins on the Coors Light waterfront stage on a first come first serve basis. Classes will be held at 11am on the following dates:

- August: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
- September: 6

### Other Sunday Funday Activities:

- Dog Adoptions by Saving Hope, August 9 & September 6
- Live Music, 2pm-6pm by Deric Merrill Acoustic

## Date Night is Back at Coyote Drive-In Theater!

Meet up with friends and family at the Coyote Drive-In for the best movie viewing experience you can find! One ticket transaction equals one car spot for a double feature at one screen. YES, that means two movies with just one ticket. The Bar & Canteen are open until close every day, offering locally sourced food and drinks for all patrons. In supporting local vendors they ask that you do not bring in outside food and drinks. Support small businesses! Gates open at 7pm EVERY DAY.

Arrive at least 60 minutes early to avoid lines, get a good spot, relax with some food and a drink before the shows, and watch the sunset. There is a beautiful view of downtown Fort Worth behind the stage. For weekends, blockbuster movies, and holidays, lines can be long, so you should plan on arriving at least 90 minutes before your showtime. Movies play rain or (star)shine! Social distancing and COVID-19 community health guidelines are enforced. All food, beverage and restroom operations are in place to ensure a safe and entertaining experience for all movie lovers. Please visit [CoyoteDrive-In.com](http://CoyoteDrive-In.com) for more information and to purchase tickets.

## Wine on the Skyline Wednesdays

**Wednesdays, 5-8pm at Branch & Bird**

Don't miss Wine on the Skyline Wednesdays, with live music and a half-price bottle menu every Wednesday evening! Enjoy the night out on the patio overlooking downtown Fort Worth from 12 stories up! For more information visit [www.branchbirdfw.com/wine-skyline-wednesdays](http://www.branchbirdfw.com/wine-skyline-wednesdays).

## Dallas Arboretum Fall Concert Series

With many new bands and the return of the most popular performers, the Cool Thursday Concert Series is not to be missed. The fall season includes shows from fan favorites, such as Turnstiles, the return of The Prince Experience, a tribute to The Highwaymen and concludes with a Halloween encore by Emerald City. The fall 2020 Cool Thursday Concert Series begins on Tuesday, September 1 and concludes on Thursday, November 5.

The Arboretum has also announced a bonus concert in November 2020 to recreate the Elton John/Billy Joel 2009 Face to Face Tour. On November 5 enjoy an encore performance with Rocket Man and Turnstiles playing their tribute concert for an encore to the season in Back 2 Back 2020. Those tickets will be available to add on to your subscription package for a discounted rate.

For more information, visit [www.dallasarboretum.org](http://www.dallasarboretum.org). **Contact your concierge for discounted general admission tickets.** Tickets to the concerts are not discounted. They are available for purchase through the Dallas Arboretum website.

## Sales Tax Holiday: August 7-9

During the COVID-19 pandemic, the Comptroller encourages all taxpayers to continue practicing social distancing and support Texas businesses while saving money on tax-free purchases of most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks (sold for less than \$100) during the annual Tax-Free weekend. Qualifying items can be purchased tax free from a Texas store or from an online or catalog seller doing business in Texas. In most cases, you do not need to give the seller an exemption certificate to buy qualifying items tax free.

This year's sales tax holiday begins Friday, August 7, and goes through midnight Sunday, August 9. The sales tax exemption applies only to qualifying items you buy during the sales tax holiday. Items you buy before or after the sales tax holiday do not qualify for exemption, and there is no tax refund available. For more information, visit [www.TexasTaxHoliday.org](http://www.TexasTaxHoliday.org).



New for the 2020 season! Concierge Connection will now offer discounted tickets to all Splash Kingdom Waterparks. The 5 locations to choose from are in Canton, Weatherford, Greenville, Nacogdoches, and Shreveport.

	Gate Prices	Discounted Prices
General Admission	\$ 30.26	\$11.50
Blue Season Pass	\$102.84	\$40.00
Silver Season Pass	\$124.49	\$62.50

For more information on what the Blue Season Passes & Silver Season Passes include, contact your concierge.



## Addison Weekend Drive-In

**August 14-15 & 28-29 at 8:30-10pm (Gates open at 7:30pm)**  
**15499 Julian Street, Addison**

This FREE event is a stay-in-your-car concert series being held south of Addison Circle Park in a grass field. Local bands will perform on stage, and the show will be displayed on a large video screen with the audio played over a deluxe sound system, as well as transmitted via FM radio. Tailgating is not allowed and food and drinks will not be sold, but restrooms will be available on the north side of Addison Circle Park. Pedestrians can watch the shows from inside the park. The schedule includes Extended Play (8/14), Joseph Veazie (8/15), Shot of Benatar (8/28), and Even It Up (8/29). For more information, go to [visitaddison.com/tourism/Addison-weekend-drive](http://visitaddison.com/tourism/Addison-weekend-drive).

## Summer Drive-In Movie Series

**Saturdays at 8:30pm through August 22**  
**(Gates open at 7:30pm)**

**Coppell Arts Center, 505 Travis Street, Coppell**

Coppell Parks and Recreation has joined the recently opened Coppell Arts Center to host a drive-in movie series in the arts center's west side parking lot. The schedule is Grease (8/1), Pokemon: Detective Pikachu (8/8), Annie (8/15), and Indiana Jones Film Raiders of the Lost Ark (8/22). Prepackaged popcorn and water will be available for purchase. Also, some Coppell restaurants will be selling to-go meals designed for picking up and taking to the drive-in. Admission is \$10 per vehicle. For more information, visit [coppellartscenter.org/summer-drive-in-movie-series](http://coppellartscenter.org/summer-drive-in-movie-series).

## Summer Drive-In Concert Series

**August 21 & September 4 at 9pm (Gates open at 7:30pm)**  
**Tupps Brewery, 721 Anderson St, McKinney**

The McKinney Performing Arts Center is presenting country music concerts at Tupps Brewery at the historic McKinney Cotton Mill. For \$45 per vehicle, get a 20-by-20-foot space for parking and tailgating. Food and drink will be for sale. The concerts' sound will be played over a speaker system and available via a radio station. The lineup is Hill Country on August 21 and Cody Canada and the Departed on September 4. For more information, visit [tickets.mckinneyperformingartscenter.org](http://tickets.mckinneyperformingartscenter.org).

## Movies in the Park at Klyde Warren Park

**2012 Woodall Rogers Freeway, Dallas**

The 5.2-acre deck park that sits atop Woodall Rogers Freeway will host film fun days 3 Saturdays in August and twice monthly in October and November.

The series will end with *Elf* on December 19. Klyde Warren Park has plenty to do even when there's not a movie, including interactive water features, a dog park, walking trails, game and reading areas, and food trucks selling drinks and dishes from 5-9:30pm. For more information and the movie lineup, visit [klydewarrenpark.org](http://klydewarrenpark.org).



## 2020 Restaurant Week

**August 31-September 6 (Preview August 28-30)**

DFW Restaurant Week, presented by Your Metroplex Cadillac Dealers, is returning for its 23rd year, with both dine-in and take-out options, plus an adjusted donation structure designed to help diners make a big impact in our community in the midst of COVID-19 recovery. Many restaurants will be offering a Preview Weekend, Aug. 28-30 and/or extending for extra weeks through September 27! The official list of participating restaurants will be revealed when reservations open on August 4.

Restaurants offer three-course prix fixe dinners for either \$39 or \$49. Some also offer a two-course lunch menu for just \$19. More than 150 restaurants are listed on the official DFW Restaurant Week website.

Book online, or contact restaurants directly. When calling, be sure to specify that the order/reservation is for DFW Restaurant Week when booking your reservation, and don't forget to ask for the DFW Restaurant Week menu when you arrive!

**FedEx Office DFW Restaurant Week Fourth Course:** Diners can enjoy a FREE Fourth Course again this year thanks to FedEx Office. Starting August 4, spend \$10 at any DFW FedEx Office location and receive a certificate for an additional dinner course at participating restaurants!

Many restaurants also offer wine pairings and themed cocktails! Please note that beverages are an extra charge and not included in the special dinner pricing. Refer to the restaurant's DFW Restaurant Week menu or ask your server for details.

Participating restaurants donate ten (10) percent of the price of each meal to the North Texas Food Bank in the Dallas area or Lena Pope in Tarrant County to help local children and families in need. For more information, visit [www.dfwrestaurantweek.com](http://www.dfwrestaurantweek.com).



## Six Flags Over Texas Fall Blood Drive: September 4

Six Flags Over Texas, the Thrill Capital of Texas, is teaming up with Carter BloodCare for a Fall Blood Drive!

Guests are encouraged to roll up their sleeves to donate on Friday, September 4 from 3pm to 9pm. Each person who signs up and donates blood will receive a **FREE, one-day general admission ticket** valid for the remainder of the 2020 season (ending January 2, 2021).

Did you know that one donation of blood could save the lives of up to three hospital patients in your community? For the 1000 hospital patients in your community, blood is not a heart-stopping fright, it's a life-saving gift! If you have questions about donating blood, feel free to call or text 817-412-5384 or go online at [carterbloodcare.org](http://carterbloodcare.org). PLEASE NOTE: The park will not be open during the blood drive. This event will take place in the Six Flags parking lot. **To purchase discount general admission tickets for other operating days, contact your concierge.**

## Dallas Zoo

**650 S. R.L. Thornton Freeway, Dallas**

Meet the newest additions, lion Kijani, giraffe calf Kendi, toddling gorilla half-siblings Mbani and Saambili, African penguin chicks and other new friends at the Dallas Zoo. Due to COVID-19 some areas are closed, and the carousel, mini train and monorail are not in operation. In addition to visiting the animals, there are still many ongoing activities to enjoy! As part of the safety modifications implemented, the zoo requires advance purchase of timed tickets and parking. Tickets are available up to one week prior to your visit. Protective face coverings are required for visitors ages 10 and older, and are encouraged for visitors ages 2-9. Snack bars, walk-up food stalls and the craft beer garden will be open, and hand sanitizing stations will be scattered throughout the park. For more information, visit [dallaszoo.com](http://dallaszoo.com).



## SeaWorld Opens All New Texas Stingray

The excitement continues at SeaWorld San Antonio with the NEW Texas Stingray wooden roller coaster. Texas Stingray is the tallest, fastest and longest wooden coaster in Texas.



The newest addition to SeaWorld San Antonio features a drop of 100 ft. with over 15 airtime hills. Hold on tight! The top speed of the fastest wooden coaster in Texas is 55 mph. Texas Stingray is located across the new Turtle Reef exhibit between Orca Stadium and the Rio Loco river rapids ride. For more information, visit [seaworld.com](http://seaworld.com). **Contact your concierge for discounted tickets.**

## Fletcher's Original Corny Dogs POP-UP EVENTS

The 2020 State Fair of Texas has been canceled. However, thanks to the family behind Fletcher's Original Corny Dogs you do not have to miss out on your favorite fair foods! They will be doing pop-up events around the Dallas-Fort Worth area through December 5. At the pop-ups, a mobile trailer will serve corn dogs, funnel cakes, curly fries, and lemonade. Advance orders and cash will not be accepted. Fletcher's also encourages patrons to practice social distancing and to send only one person per household to wait in line. Masks are now mandatory while in public in most Texas counties. To see the most updated pop-up schedule for a location near you, visit [fletcherscornydogs.com](http://fletcherscornydogs.com) or [facebook.com/fletcherscornydogs](https://www.facebook.com/fletcherscornydogs).

## 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](http://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.



## 2020 Mesquite Championship Rodeo

1818 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite, TX 75149

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

The Mesquite Championship Rodeo Season runs every Saturday night at 7:30pm through August 29. Arena and BBQ doors will open at 6pm. Contact your concierge for discount pricing information on tickets with BBQ Buffet, VIP Seating, Suites, and the 8-Second Club. To order tickets, contact Brother Van at 972-285-8777 X 2041 and ask for the concierge pricing.



Celebrate the magic of the big screen with welcome-back ticket prices on your most requested and iconic films of all time. Prices are \$5 for adults, \$3 for children and seniors, including XD and IMAX.

For a limited time only! Join movie club and see 3 free comeback classics with a friend. Also enjoy \$5 popcorn, \$3.50 large drink or ICEE, and \$2.50 candy. Get 20% off for movie club members. For a limited time host your own screening for up to 20 guests at a private watch party. Enjoy your choice of one of their all-time, fan-favorite movies in the privacy and comfort of your own auditorium for only \$99. Book online easily and instantly at [cinemark.com/private-watch-party](http://cinemark.com/private-watch-party). Select theaters open now. To check your theater, visit [cinemark.com/theater-reopening-schedule](http://cinemark.com/theater-reopening-schedule).

## Medieval Times is Open!

My lords and ladies – welcome to Medieval Times! Inside Queen Maria Isabella's fully enclosed, 11th Century-style Castle, you'll indulge in a night of feasting, combat, and revelry.

In the Hall of Arms, you can admire the elaborate Medieval décor. There are coats of arms for many prestigious families and a spectacular array of Medieval weaponry as well as a Museum of Torture, which features reproductions of torture instruments used during the Middle Ages. As the festivities begin, trumpeters herald you into the Grand Ceremonial Arena where you are seated in one of the six color-coded sections corresponding to the colors of one of the daring Knights. Serfs and wenches attend to your every need while you feast on a four-course dinner in true Medieval, pre-silverware fashion.

The arena quickly fills with the thunder of hooves as the valiant Knights on horseback enter. You'll witness incredible live jousting, sword fighting, and awe-inspiring equestrian skills as our six daring knights compete to be champion. Cheer as your knight competes in games of skill and hand-to-hand combat and watch as the royal falconer thrills you with the feats of his magnificent birds of prey.



Queen Maria Isabella is honored to have you dine with her and her royal court. Medieval Times' noble guests feast on garlic bread, tomato bisque soup, roasted chicken, sweet buttered corn, herb-basted potatoes, the dessert of the Castle, coffee and two rounds of select beverages. You may also order from the full service bar before, during, and after the show.

Contact your concierge for discount tickets.

## Crayola Experience at the Shops at Willow Bend

6121 W. Park Blvd., Plano

This Plano attraction inspired by colorful crayons is open daily from 10am-4pm. Kids can see how Crayola products are made and check out about two dozen other activities such as designing and naming a crayon to take home. COVID-19 precautions include requiring masks for ages 3 and older, checking temperatures of employees and visitors, and personal belongings must be in clear bags to allow contactless security checks. There will be hand sanitizer stations, and the attraction has implemented additional cleaning and sanitation protocols. arts of the play space have been modified, including having fewer stations per activity to ensure social distancing. Capacity is limited to 50%, so entry is via timed tickets and reservations are encouraged. Playground spaces are closed for now, and costumed characters will not be making appearances. The gift shop and café will remain open.



**For a limited time, buy one full price admission ticket for unlimited visits to Crayola Experience for the rest of the year.** That's right – buy once, visit as often as you want through December 31, 2020 – all for the cost of a single full price admission ticket of \$24.99. You may also purchase a discounted single day ticket for only \$20.99 if you prefer. Children ages 2 and under are free. To purchase tickets and make reservations, visit [crayolaexperience.com/plano](http://crayolaexperience.com/plano).

## Keep Your Lapsed License to Vote! And Information on Renewal Options

Renewing your license may take several months, but you can use an expired one to vote. The Texas Department of Public Safety, which issues licenses, said the two-month closure of driver's license offices across the state has created a backlog of people who need to renew their licenses. However, the state's voter identification law allows voters to cast a ballot with a license that has been expired for up to 4 years! Voters over 70 can use any expired license. There are also other options for voting, including a U.S. Passport, Military ID with photo, U.S. Citizenship Certificate with photo, Texas Handgun License, Texas Personal ID card issued by DPS, and Texas election ID certificate issued by DPS. For additional questions about voter ID rules, visit [VoteTexas.gov](http://VoteTexas.gov).

To address the backlog, the Department of Public Safety began offering renewal services by online appointment at all driver's license offices across the state. The new system allows people to make appointments up to 6 months in advance. It also added some Saturday appointments for renewals and replacements at some offices. In densely populated areas, some offices may already be booked up for months so officials encourage Texans to check availability in surrounding areas where there is less demand. There are also a large number of people who are eligible to renew online. To find out if you are eligible to renew your license online, call 1-866-357-3639 or visit [texas.gov](http://texas.gov).

The Department offers help to people who may need it under the Americans with Disabilities Act. To get help, you should access the "Assistance for People with Disabilities" section on the department's website and fill out a form. Once that request is filed, a department employee will contact you to make accommodations for an in-person appointment. To access this form, visit [dps.texas.gov/driverlicense/customer\\_service/ada.aspx](http://dps.texas.gov/driverlicense/customer_service/ada.aspx).

