JULY

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015

1 - 31
MEL CASAS TRIBUTE EXHIBITIONS
The Department for Culture & Creative Development is proud to support a series of exhibitions in tribute to the late Mel Casas - a San Antonio artist, teacher, and leader of the Con Safo art group. Four special exhibitions continue in July – all in locations throughout San Antonio. For more information, visit GetCreativeSanAntonio.com.

1 and 2
PHIL HARDBERGER PARK GROWING UP WILD - GROW AS WE GO
Children, ages 3 to 7, will explore the life cycles of familiar wildlife and learn how things grow and change. A nature walk, snack and a craft are included. 10-11:30 a.m. There is a suggested donation of $3 per person or $5 per family. Phil Hardberger Park East, Salado Creek Outdoor Classroom. To register, call (210) 207-3280.

1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23
BRAVO! AN EVENING OF SONG AND DANCE
Enjoy an award winning dance and musical performance that captures the flavor and passion of San Antonio and its cultural roots in Mexico. 8 p.m. Arneson River Theater in La Villita. Free. Donations accepted. Call (210) 207-3132 for details.

2
JAPANESE JULY @ TEEN LIBRARY
Teens 13-18 can enjoy Japanese crafts, foods and games every Thursday in July. 2-3:15 p.m. Free. Central Library, 600 Soledad. Call (210) 207-2500 or visit MySAPL.org.

2
COMMANDER'S HOUSE PRESENTS GRAND OL' DAYS – A FOURTH OF JULY FAMILY EVENT!
Bring family and friends and enjoy games, music and food. RSVP for a $3 optional hamburger luncheon. 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Commander's House, 622 S. Flores. Call (210) 207-3010 to RSVP for the event and the luncheon.

3 - 5
STINSON COMMEMORATIVE AIR FORCE INDEPENDENCE WEEKEND
Commemorative Air Force Flights July 3, 4 and 5. On Saturday, July 4, the event includes free family fair activities, music and entertainment, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Stinson Municipal Airport, 8535 Mission Rd. Visit Stinson100.com for details.

3 - 5
FREEDOM FEST 2015!
Celebrate our nation's independence with three days of live music, arts & crafts, food booths and activities for the entire family. More than a dozen musical acts are scheduled to perform. Noon-8 p.m. Free. Historic Market Square, 514 W. Commerce St. Call (210) 207-8600 or visit GetCreativeSanAntonio.com/MarketSquare.

4
MERCADO O'LIVA
Come downtown to the site of San Antonio's original open-air market to experience a tradition that began more than 100 years ago! Mercado O'Liva features a variety of local artists and craftsmen, culinary goods and demonstrations, family-friendly events, informational tables, performances and more. The market takes place every first Saturday of the month. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Spanish Governor's Palace, 105 Military Plaza. Call (210) 207-8612 or visit GetCreativeSanAntonio.com.

4
PHIL HARDBERGER PARK FIRST SATURDAY EDUCATION PROGRAM – NOT SO CREEPY CRITTERS
Join Erik and Courtney Honer as they showcase all of their live critters including kid-friendly snakes, Reggie the blue tongued skink, Douglas the bearded dragon lizard and more. 9-11 a.m. Registration is not required. There is a suggested donation of $3 per person or $5 per family. Phil Hardberger Park West, Urban Ecology Center Classroom, 8400 N.W. Military Hwy. Call (210) 207-3280 for details.

7, 14, 21, & 28
MOVIES BY MOONLIGHT
Bring your blanket or lawn chairs and enjoy a family-friendly movie every Tuesday evening this summer in Travis Park. 7:30 - pre entertainment, 8:30 - showtime. Free. Travis Park, 301 E. Travis. Call (210) 207-1041 for details.

7, 14, 21, & 28
FITNESS IN THE PARK
Join us for Fitness in the Park every Tuesday! Give our Lunch Crunch and Circuit Training classes a shot and get fit for your lunch hour. 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Free. Travis Park, 301 E. Travis. Call (210) 207-1041 for details.

8
MEDINA RIVER NATURAL AREA GROWING UP WILD - GROW AS WE GO
Children, ages 3 to 7, will explore the life cycles of familiar wildlife and learn how things grow and change. A nature walk, snack and craft are included. 10-11:30 a.m. There is a suggested donation of $3 per person or $5 per family. Medina River Natural Area, 15890 Hwy. To register, call (210) 207-3280.

10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 31
FIESTA NOCHE DEL RIO
Enjoy this summer outdoor performance series on the River Walk featuring the songs and dances of Mexico, Spain, Argentina and Texas. 7:30-10 p.m. $20 adults, $15 seniors, $8 children (6-14 years). Arneson River Theater, 418 Villita St. Call (210) 227-4262 or visit FiestaNocheSA.com.

10 and 31
MEDINA RIVER NATURAL AREA FISHING FUN!
Youth, ages 5 to 10, are invited to learn the basics of fishing. Bamboo poles and worms are supplied. 9-11 a.m. A donation of $3 per individual or $5 per family is suggested. Medina River Natural Area, 15890 Hwy. 16 S. To register, call (210) 207-3106.

11
MEDINA RIVER NATURAL AREA SECOND SATURDAY PROGRAM - BIRD BINGO
Join us to learn about the birds of South Texas and their bird calls. Bring your binoculars and build a birdhouse. 9-11 a.m. There is a suggested donation of $3 per person or $5 per family. Medina River Natural Area Pavilion, 15890 Hwy. 16 S. Call (210) 207-3106 for details.

11, 25
HEB FAMILY FILM SERIES
Bring the entire family for free movie screenings all summer-long. Load up your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks to enjoy during the movie. Free popcorn and give-aways will also be available. "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" will be screened on July 11 and "Big Hero 6" will be featured on July 25. 7 p.m. Movie screening will begin 15 minutes after dusk. Free. Mission Marquee Plaza, 3100 Roosevelt Ave. Call (210) 207-8612 or visit GetCreativeSanAntonio.com.

11, 25
MISSION MARQUEE MARKET
Mercado O'Liva and the Department for Culture & Creative Development bring together local growers and authentic artisans, craftsmen, and artists to sell their goods in this historic Southside location. The market features fresh and local organic produce, chef-created items, hand-made local wares and more. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Free. Mission Marquee Plaza, 3100 Roosevelt Ave. Call (210) 207-8612 or visit GetCreativeSanAntonio.com.

15 - 31
"BEFORE I DIE" WALL - INTERACTIVE PUBLIC ART EXHIBIT
Write down your hopes and aspirations with chalk on the "Before I Die" Wall. Anytime. Free. Wall outside Houston Street garage, corner of Houston and Navarro. Call (210) 207-1041 for details.

17
3RD FRIDAY IN TRAVIS PARK
Celebrate Travis Park's 1st birthday with art, food trucks, vendors, music, and more. 7-10 p.m. Free. Travis Park, 301 E. Travis. Call (210) 207-1041 for details.

18
IT'S MY PARK DAY – A PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH VOLUNTEER EVENT
Celebrate volunteerism by lending a helping hand to spruce up your City parks. Teams of volunteers will paint, mulch, pick-up litter, and more at several parks. 9 a.m.-noon. To register to participate, call (210) 207-2899.

18
GET FIT SA BOOT CAMP WITH ANTONIO AND SONIA DANIELS
Stay active and fit! Join Antonio and Sonia Daniels for a Free Fitness in the Park class. There's no need to register, just show up! 10 a.m. Cuellar Park, 5626 San Fernando. Call (210) 207-3000 for details.

18
READY, SET, GEOCACHE!
Geocache is a real world treasure hunt played by over six million people worldwide. Lindsay Carter, with Texas Parks and Wildlife will explain how to get started playing the game and also provide hands on experience with GPS devices. 1:30-3:30 p.m. Free. Central Library, 600 Soledad. Call (210) 207-2500 or visit MySAPL.org.

19
MARKET SQUARE'S ICE CREAM SOCIAL
There's nothing better than a cool tasty treat on a hot summer day! In recognition of National Ice Cream Day, bring the family – and your sweet tooth – to enjoy a wide assortment of San Antonio's finest ice cream treats. This first-time event will also include food booths and live music. Noon-6 p.m. Free. Historic Market Square, 514 W. Commerce St. Call (210) 207-8600 or visit GetCreativeSanAntonio.com/MarketSquare.

20
GET FINANCIALLY EMPOWERED
Financial Empowerment Center will provide information about general financial topics affecting seniors, such as: predatory scams, reverse mortgage, and retirement. 9:30 a.m. Free. Doris Griffin Senior One-Stop Center, 6157 NW Loop 410. Call (210) 207-8198 for details.

25
PHIL HARDBERGER PARK OAK LOOP TRAIL WALK – POETRY IN NATURE
Enjoy a guided morning walk through the park with presenter Mobi Warren. 8-10 a.m. Phil Hardberger Park West, 8400 N.W. Military Hwy. (meet behind the Gathering Hall on the patio.) There is a suggested donation of $3 per person or $5 per family. Call (210) 207-3280 for details.

28, 29 and 30
PHIL HARDBERGER PARK GROWING UP WILD - FISHING FUN WITHOUT WATER
Children, ages 3 to 7, are invited to learn the basics of fishing, bait a hook, practice casting and how to take a fish off the hook. Enjoy a nature walk. A snack and a craft are included. 10-11:30 a.m. Phil Hardberger Park West, 8400 N.W. Military Hwy. (near the basketball courts). There is a suggested donation of $3 per person or $5 per family. To register, call (210) 207-3280.

In the Spotlight

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SASPEAK UP - SASPEAKUP INCLUDES A NUMBER OF OPPORTUNITIES TO TELL US YOUR PRIORITY SERVICES, LEARN ABOUT CITY SERVICES & BUDGET & CONNECT YOUR IDEAS TO CITY SERVICES PROVIDERS. WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN THIS COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ABOUT BALANCING THE COST OF THE SERVICES WE LOVE - WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING YOUR PERSPECTIVE.

COSAGOV TEXTS

COSAGOV TEXTS - INTRODUCING COSAGOV TEXTS, THE CITY'S NEW MOBILE TEXTING PROGRAM! STAY UP-TO-DATE ON EVENTS AND CITY SERVICES AND EVENTS BY TEXTING COSAGOV TO 55000.

SAVolunteers

SA VOLUNTEERS - THE CITY'S VOLUNTEER PROGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS AND CITY EMPLOYEES TO BECOME MORE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE COMMUNITY. ONCE RESIDENTS, AGE 14 AND OLDER, COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE ONLINE VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM, THEY CAN SEARCH A VARIETY OF SERVICE PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES ORGANIZED BY COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS. REGISTRATION FORM AND MORE INFORMATION ON THE CITY'S VOLUNTEER PROGRAM ARE AVAILABLE AT SANANTONIO.GOV OR BY CALLING MELISSA ESCAMILLA, THE CITY'S VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR, AT (210) 207-8178.

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