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Space oddities in Idaho

Flamboyant, wearable artworks that look like they're straight out of a 1960s sci-fi flick invade Boise Art Museum during **Nick Cave: Meet Me at the Center of the Earth**, May 19–November 4. Chicago-based artist Nick Cave fuses *Carnaval* costumes, Venetian masques, and African ceremonial dress to produce Soundsuits (pictured) that spark the imagination. You can examine the precise details of 40 different suits—including swaths of hand-sewn buttons, rows of twigs, vintage metal toys, and sinewy synthetic hair—during the exhibit's final stop. With luck, you may even see Ballet Idaho bring the suits to life around town. (208) 345-8330, boiseartmuseum.org — MEGAN MCCREA



June 2–3 Pendleton Heritage Station Old Iron Show Celebrate the machinery of yesteryear during live demos that teach you to use an antique ice-cream maker, or ogle classic rides such as a 1916 Harley-Davidson. Roy Raley Park. (541) 276-5949.

June 6–October 13 Ashland Oregon Shakespeare Festival: *The Very Merry Wives of Windsor*, Iowa A playful adaptation of the hapless knight, Falstaff, as a present-day senator whose hopes go awry in Iowa as he pursues two married women. Elizabethan Stage. (800) 219-8161.

June 17 Lincoln City All-American Soapbox Derby Kiddos and teens race stock cars down Gravity Alley for a coveted spot at the world championship in Akron, Ohio. Downtown. (541) 921-8406.

June 22–24 Tigard Festival of Balloons Get pumped for tethered balloon rides, bumper cars, microbrews from Rogue Ales, and live music from local favorites such as Johnny Limbo. Cook Park. (503) 612-8213.

June 29 Enterprise Wallowa Resources' Watershed Festival Fish for rainbow trout, meet a hawk, and learn more about the natural resources of the region. Wallowa County Fairgrounds. (541) 426-8053.

June 30–July 1 Salem World Beat Festival Watch African dancers or move to the infectious rhythms of Samba Fogo. Riverfront Park. (503) 581-2004.

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May 1–September 30 Boise Conservation Cruise Sail in a solar-powered ferry across a lagoon—be on the lookout for mangabey monkeys swinging in trees—to an exhibit about the African plains with giraffes, lions, and birds. Zoo Boise. (208) 384-4260.

May 5 Kamiah Buttermilk Festival Claim your bottle of fresh cream and shake it into homemade butter, try baked treats from a Dutch oven, or roll over to a bowling tournament. Riverfront Park and Tamarack Lanes. (208) 935-7612.

May 9 Twin Falls College of Southern Idaho Madrigal Ensemble: *Mad About the Beatles!* Hear a cappella performances of “Can't Buy Me Love,” “Blackbird,” and other Fab Four classics. CSI Fine Arts Theatre. (208) 732-6781.

May 12–13 Filer Southern Idaho Spring Fair Peruse hundreds of vendor stands with a variety of wares from clothing, jewelry, and handbags to board games, candles, and antiques. Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. (208) 734-2294.

May 13 Nampa Mother's Day Wine Tasting Face painting and a visit from the Sawtooth Yeti entertain the kids while Mom ambles through vineyards, sipping wine and snacking on dishes from B29 Stretery and Archie's Place along the way. Sawtooth Winery. (208) 467-1200.