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IT'S LIVE!

Touring shows and concerts in SA are back and ready for audiences

Live theatre has returned to San Antonio with a lineup of rescheduled touring shows and concerts that are sure to have music and performing arts lovers all shook up. Read on for some of this month's coming attractions and be sure to check each venue website for a full schedule of what's currently playing live near you.

ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING

Grab your blue suede shoes and join Dean Z, star of the hit international touring production "Elvis Lives," as he once again channels the King of Rock and Roll in "The Ultimate Elvis" at the Charline McCombs Empire Theatre on August 7. Boasting a powerful 10-piece band, horn section and immersive video content, this all-new, high energy musical retrospective will take fans of the king on a 20-year musical journey from the singer's meteoric rise to fame in the 1950s to his legendary Las Vegas performances of the 1970s.

THE BEATLES ARE COMING!

Fans of the Fab Four are in for a hard day's night of musical déjà vu as John, Paul, George and Ringo rock the stage of the Majestic Theatre in "1964 The Tribute" on August 21. Proclaimed by Rolling Stone as the "Best Beatles tribute on earth," prepare to be transported back to the early days of Beatlemania with a cast of talented professional musicians who authentically recreate the look, feel and note-for-note sound of what it was like to attend a Beatles concert in 1964. Whether you never saw the Beatles live and always wondered what it was like or you just want to relive the experience, this concert is sure to have Beatles fans giving this recreated British invasion all their loving.

TOBIN CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS:

Famed vocal superstars Il Divo are bringing their highly anticipated "For Once in My Life Tour" to the Tobin Center on August 20 with a dynamic live show celebrating Motown and filled with Il Divo's hits from their vast catalog of songs. Sing along to Motown classics such as "I'll Be There" (The Jackson 5); "For Once in My Life" (Stevie Wonder); and "Say You, Say Me" (Lionel Richie) as the show highlights songs from the international group's recently released 10th studio album, "For Once in My Life: A Celebration of Motown," and showcases the quartet's incredible vocal talents as they pay tribute to the legendary artists and labels that have been a part of the musical fabric of America and the world for more than 60 years.

Do you long to harken back to a time when the world was full of magic and splendor that you could see in the arts, feel in the air and hear in the beat of a drum? Now you can visit this lost world with Shen Yun Performing Arts, the world's premier classical Chinese dance and music company,

as they take audiences on a divine cultural journey through the lost world of traditional Chinese culture on August 6 and 7. Founded by a group of leading classical Chinese artists in 2006, Shen Yun, which means "the beauty of divine beings dancing," has one main objective: to revive the true, divinely inspired culture of China and share it with the world. Its mission incorporates top artists from around the world, many of whom are winners of international competitions in dance, choreography and music. Every dance movement and musical note makes for a stunning visual and emotional experience you won't find anywhere else.



Majestic Theatre



Shen Yun Performing Arts at Tobin Center



"1964 The Tribute" at Magestic Theatre

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The Tribute

"Best Beatles Tribute on Earth"
Rolling Stone



"The Ultimate Elvis" at the Empire Theatre



Tobin Center for the Performing Arts

Netflix favorite Iliza Shlesinger is “Back in Action” with a tour of the same name that will showcase her hilarious brand of stand-up comedy at the Tobin Center on August 13. The 2008 winner of NBC’s “Last Comic Standing,” Schlesinger is one of today’s leading comedians with a fan base who show their loyalty by creating their own Iliza-inspired swag to wear to her shows. Her fifth Netflix stand-up special “Unveiled” premiered in November 2019 and delves into her journey of getting married. Her past specials include “Confirmed Kills,” “Freezing Hot” and “War Paint.”

THE AZTEC THEATRE:

Matute, a popular Mexican band that pays tribute to the music of the 80s in English and Spanish, will play at the Aztec on August 19. Formed in 2007, the band derived its name from a character on the 1960s cartoon show “Top Cat” or Don Gato y su pandilla in Spanish. The group, which tours extensively, has produced two acclaimed studio albums and four live albums. Other shows at the Aztec this month include performances from singer-songwriter Pancho Barraza, stand-up comedian Sofia Nino de Rivera and City and Colour musician Dallas Green.

SIX FLAGS® FIESTA TEXAS:

What do you get when you combine the sweet taste of bubble gum with some classic groovy tunes? “Bubble Pop,” of course! Check out this newest live musical now being performed in the Rockville Plaza of Six Flags Fiesta Texas. Sing along to the bubble gum rock of the 1960s featuring sweet, gooey tunes like “Dizzy,” “Yummy, Yummy, Yummy” and “Da Do Run Run” that will have the entire family hopping and bopping in their seats. Other featured shows include Mariachi Los Soberanos, Summer Nights, Neon, Rock the Night and Country Traxx.

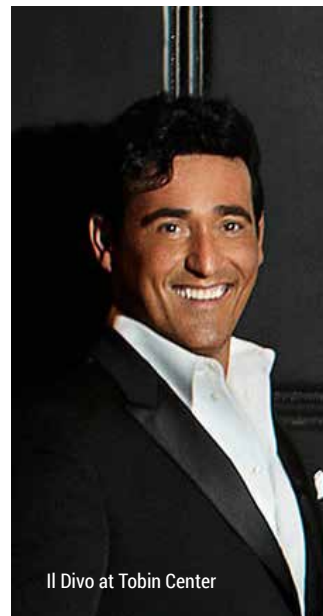
SEAWORLD® SAN ANTONIO:

Sesame Street® is bringing the coolest party on wheels to SeaWorld San Antonio this month with its award-winning Sesame Street Party Parade featuring 10 larger-than-life themed floats, including iconic favorites such as Mr. Hooper’s Store and Count’s Castle. Bring the whole family to sing and dance along with Elmo and his furry cast of friends as they stop at two high-energy performances points within the parade route. Parade festivities will feature music, rope jumping, hula hooping and grooving with Sesame Street friends and dancers.

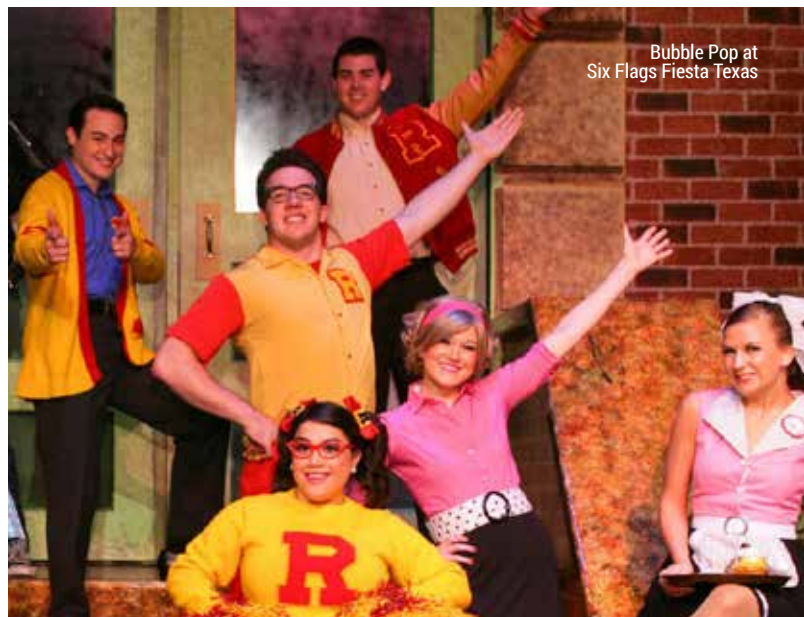
When the sun goes down, the night lights come up at SeaWorld’s Electric Ocean®, where audiences can immerse themselves in exotic worlds of light and music featuring glowing sea creatures and world-class DJs for a family-friendly dance party beneath the waves. The evening ends with a showstopping fireworks spectacular you won’t want to miss!

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