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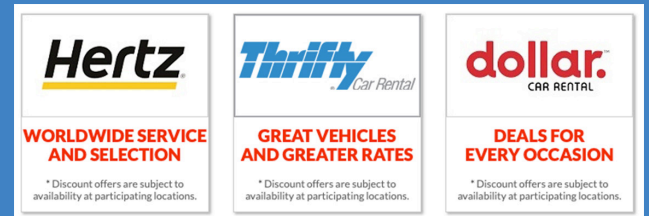
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Hill Country Events



Howdy, y'all! If you're fixin' to experience the heart and soul of the Texas Hill Country between April and June 2025, you're in for a real treat. There is nothing quite like the Hill Country is there? Here's a roundup of some must-see events that'll give you a true taste of our vibrant region.

Wine & Wildflower Journey 2025

Dates: March 24 – April 18, 2025

Location: Participating Texas Hill Country Wineries

As the wildflowers paint the Hill Country in vibrant hues, embark on a self-guided wine tour featuring numerous local wineries. Each stop offers a unique tasting experience, allowing you to savor the rich flavors of our region's vineyards while soaking in the picturesque landscapes adorned with seasonal blossoms. [<GO>](#)

Burnet Bluebonnet Festival

Dates: April 11 – 13, 2025

Location: Burnet, Texas

Celebrating its status as one of the best small-town festivals in Texas, this Festival offers a weekend filled with live music, parades, car shows, and arts and crafts. It's a family-friendly event that showcases the beauty of Texas' state flower in full bloom. [<GO>](#)

Hill Country Craft Beer Festival

Date: April 26, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Location: Wursthfest Grounds, New Braunfels, Texas

Beer enthusiasts, rejoice! This festival celebrates local craft breweries with over 150 varieties of beer from more than 35 Texas breweries. Enjoy live music, delicious food, and the camaraderie of fellow beer lovers in a lively atmosphere. [<GO>](#)

Kerrville Folk Festival

Dates: May 22 – June 8, 2025

Location: Quiet Valley Ranch, 9 miles south of Kerrville, Texas

A cornerstone of the Hill Country's musical heritage, this 18-day festival features performances by over 100 singer-songwriters and their bands. In addition to concerts, attendees can participate in workshops on songwriting, performance, and more. Camping is available, making it a full immersion into the folk music community. [<GO>](#)

Hot Luck Festival

Dates: May 22 – 25, 2025

Location: Various venues around Austin, Texas

The Hot Luck live food and music festival returns to honor the soul, sweat, and DIY diversity of the food and music world. This eat-with-your-fingers picnic and party experience highlights open-pit feats of culinary know-how, paired with thoughtfully curated music performances. Come hungry, thirsty, and ready to dance. [<GO>](#)

Water Wars at Camp Fimfo Texas Hill Country

Dates: May 27 – June 29, 2025

Location: Camp Fimfo, Texas Hill Country

Get ready for a wet and wild adventure! Camp Fimfo's Water Wars features action-packed games like water balloon fights and slip-n-slide races—perfect for cooling off and having fun with family and friends. [<GO>](#)

Roundup Exhibition and Sale

Dates: April 25 – June 7, 2025

Location: Museum of Western Art, 1550 Bandera Highway, Kerrville, Texas

The 42nd annual event features more than 150 works for sale from local, regional, and national artists. It's a celebration of Western heritage and artistry, offering visitors a chance to appreciate and acquire unique pieces. [<GO>](#)

These events offer a glimpse into the diverse culture and community spirit that define the Texas Hill Country. Whether you're a local or a visitor,

there's something for everyone to enjoy this spring and early summer.

So whether you're packing up the kids, calling up old friends, or just wandering where the Hill Country breeze takes you, these events aren't just for fun—they're a celebration of who we are. A patchwork of stories, stitched together with BBQ smoke, bluebonnets, and banjo strings.

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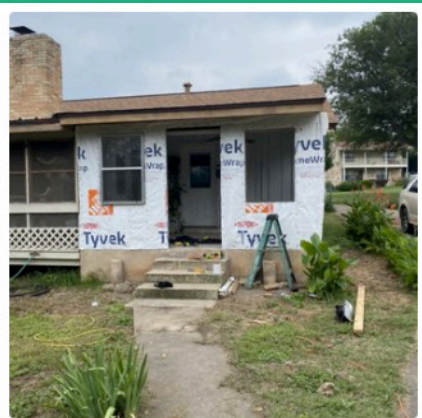
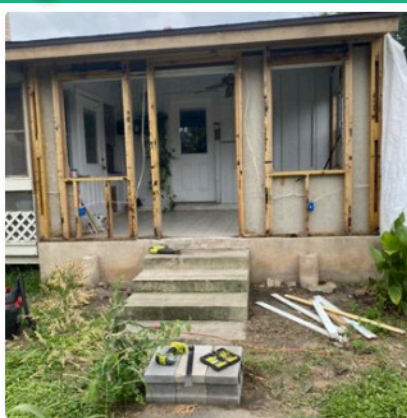
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The Texas Hill Country is renowned for its thriving peach industry, producing some of the juiciest, most flavorful peaches in the nation. But before those succulent fruits make their way to farmers' markets and roadside stands, the trees grace us with their delicate blossoms. These blooms are more than just a visual treat—they're a celebration of the rich agricultural heritage and the hardworking farmers who keep this tradition alive.

For nature lovers and photographers, the peach blossoms offer an irresistible canvas. The rolling hills adorned with blooming orchards create a harmonious blend of nature's artistry. Mornings bathe the blossoms in golden light, while sunsets set the petals aglow with fiery hues. It's no wonder that the Hill Country becomes a popu-



lar destination for capturing Instagram-worthy shots and family memories during this time of year.

Peach trees require a specific set of conditions to thrive: a balance of chill hours during winter and warm, sunny days in spring. The blossoms are not just a prelude to the fruit but also a signal of the ecosystem's delicate balance. The region's fertile soil and favorable climate provide the ideal environment for these trees to flourish.

The peach blossoms of Texas Hill Country also symbolize community and togetherness. Local festivals and events often coincide with the blooming season, offering visitors a chance to savor homemade peach cobbles, jams, and wines. Towns like Fredericksburg and Stonewall serve as hubs of activity, inviting tourists



to join in the festivities and learn more about the region's peach-growing legacy.

While the peach blossoms are a fleeting phenomenon, their impact lingers. They serve as a reminder of the importance of preserving our natural landscapes and supporting local agriculture. By visiting Hill Country during this enchanting season, we celebrate not only the beauty of the blossoms but also the resilience and dedication of the farmers who nurture them.

As you stroll through the fragrant orchards or sip on a glass of locally produced peach wine, take a moment to appreciate the simple yet profound beauty of Texas Hill Country's peach blossoms. They remind us of nature's artistry and the timeless traditions that bind us to the land.

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A Dog Named Boy

by Sonny Melendrez

The green, grassy slopes of Griffith Park near downtown Los Angeles have always been a playground for kids and dogs.

This is a story about both.

It was 1982, and a young actor named Ricky Schroder was filming a movie scene at the park one sunny afternoon. During a break, he noticed a friendly stray dog wagging his tail and nudging for attention. Ricky happily obliged, and the two played between takes for the rest of the day.

As the crew began to wrap up, Ricky noticed the dog was limping. Upon closer look, he saw the pup had cut his paw. With no tags or collar in sight, a crew member called the Los Angeles Humane Society.

And that's when the story took an unexpected—and unforgettable—turn.

“What’s going to happen to him?” Ricky asked the man lifting the dog into the caged truck.

The answer came cold and casual: “Oh, he’ll probably be dead by tomorrow.”

That was all 12-year-old Ricky needed to hear. He asked his manager to take action—and fast. Within hours, the story had hit the wire services and appeared on every evening newscast in Los Angeles.

The next morning, I sat at my favorite coffee shop on Ventura Boulevard, reading



the L.A. Times. A photo caught my eye: a lonely-looking Collie-Shepherd mix peering through a chain-link fence. The caption read: “Who will save this dog?”

Being single at the time, I’d been toying with the idea of adopting a dog. Maybe—just maybe—this was my dog.

When I called to inquire, I didn’t expect the answer I got.

“The auction for the Schroder dog will be held Saturday morning at 8 a.m. Thank you for calling.”

The dog’s overnight celebrity had apparently increased his “value.” Looking back, I’m surprised they didn’t refer me to his agent.

Still... was I supposed to have this dog?

At 6 a.m. that Saturday, my alarm clock buzzed. The last thing I wanted to do was drive to downtown L.A. But I was torn. So I did what I always do when I need guidance—I said a prayer and asked for a sign.

I barely said “Amen” when my neighbor’s dog barked.

“I hear you,” I said aloud, looking skyward.

On the drive down, I rehearsed my strategy, preparing to outbid whoever showed up.

“One hundred. Two hundred. Okay... three hundred, but no more,” I told myself. (Why couldn’t God have picked a lower-priced best friend?)

I arrived at 7:45 a.m. to find half a dozen people already waiting. No one said a word. I wore a suit to project confidence—this dog was mine.

When the doors opened, a staffer asked, “Who’s here for the Schroder dog?”

I raised my hand. I looked around. No one else raised theirs.

Could it be? I was the only one? Apparently, no one else had gotten the sign.

Thirty minutes later, I walked out with one thrilled dog—and I was an even more thrilled owner. The total cost? A whopping \$11.50. (Just the fee for shots and tags.)

God had answered both of my prayers.

But wait—there’s more to this tail... er, tale.

As my new buddy trotted beside me to the car, we were approached by several TV news

reporters covering the story. One told me Ricky Schroder wanted the adopter to know the dog answered to the name Boy.

Of course he did.

I looked into the camera and said, “Ricky, his name will be Boy—and you can visit him anytime.”

Two weeks later, a wrap party was held at a gorgeous home in the San Fernando Valley for the cast and crew of the film.

Boy the Wonder Dog was the guest of honor.

As part of the celebration, he was served a T-bone steak on a silver platter—which he promptly trotted outside and buried in the flower bed.

Better the steak than the dog.



New Restaurants Worth Visiting

by Editor



Roxie's

Buda, TX

Opening: Early Summer 2025

Out in Buda, just off the beaten path from the hustle of I-35, there's a place getting ready to open that's not just about food—it's about legacy.

Scott Roberts, the man behind The Salt Lick BBQ in Driftwood, is setting the table for something personal. Roxie's, named after his grandmother, aims to bring back the feel of Sunday suppers at grandma's house—where the food was hot, the stories were heartfelt, and there was always enough for one more plate.

Picture chicken-fried steak the size of a steer's ear, juicy fried chicken, and smoked pork chops that fall apart before your fork finds them. And here's the kicker—your sides, like creamed corn, green beans, and mashed potatoes, come family-style and all-you-can-eat.

This ain't fancy. It's familiar. It's comforting. And it's the kind of place that feels like home the minute you walk in.

The Cake Bar & Coffee Co.

New Braunfels, TX

Opening: April 2025

In a historic little storefront on Seguin Avenue in downtown New Braunfels, there's the sweet smell of something new baking—and no, it's not just cinnamon and sugar.

The Cake Bar & Coffee Co. is the brainchild of a local family with a simple goal: create a place where everyone can find a treat that feels made just for them. Cakes, cookies, brownies—you name it. Gluten-free? Vegan? Sugar-free? No problem. Every treat is as customizable as your morning coffee, which they also serve with barista precision and small-town friendliness.

What sets this place apart is the atmosphere. It's part bakery, part espresso bar, part community hub. There are cozy chairs, big windows that let the sunshine in, and a sense that you're welcome to stay a while.

It's the kind of place where a cupcake might come with a conversation.

Vencinos Cafe

Kerrville, TX

Opening: July 2024

Just off Water Street in Kerrville, a new culinary gem has emerged from humble beginnings. Vecinos Cafe, which translates to "Neighbors Cafe," embodies the spirit of community and shared flavors that define the Texas Hill Country.

Owners Michele Pitman and Gerardo Martinez began their journey selling homemade salsa at Kerrville Market Days in the summer of 2021. Their passion for authentic Mexican cuisine quickly garnered local acclaim, leading them to expand into a food truck named Vecinos Fruteria y Cocina.

By July 2024, Michele and Gerardo took a significant step forward, opening Vecinos Cafe at 804 Water Street. The cafe offers an inviting atmosphere where the rich aromas of traditional Mexican cooking greet you at the door. The menu features beloved favorites from their food truck days, now complemented by an expanded selection of dishes that pay homage to their heritage.

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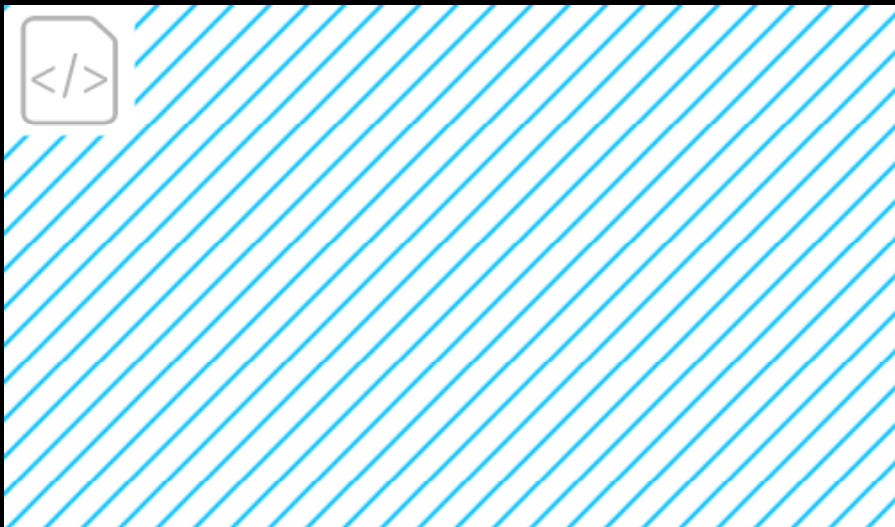
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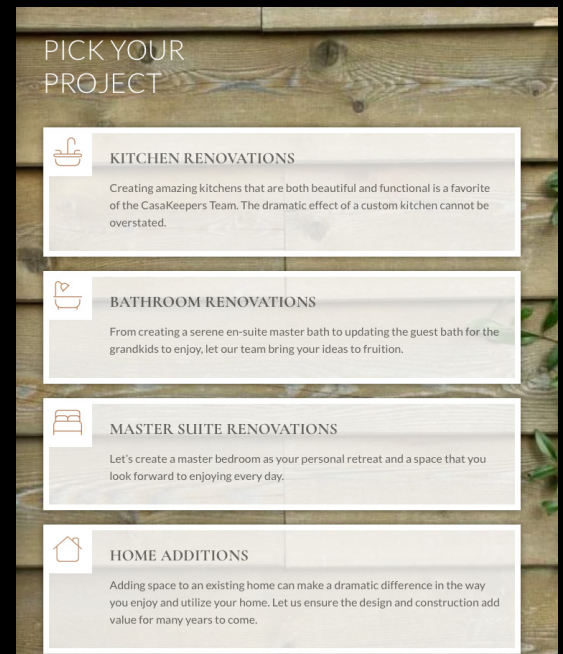
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Crape Myrtle: Beloved Immigrant

by Carol Seminara

The relationship between Texans and *Lagerstroemia indica* L. (a.k.a. crape myrtle) is a long and devoted one.

Native to China and Korea, the crape myrtle was introduced to the New World in Charleston, S.C. in 1790 by French botanist Andre Michaux. FYI, Michaux also introduced the tea plant, the gardenia, mimosa and camellia to the U.S. during this same period.

First recorded introduction of crape myrtles to our state was in 1857 when Marilda Maxey, wife of Confederate General Sam Bell Maxey, planted several at their family home in Paris, Texas. Common wisdom is that Mrs. Maxey probably planted “Watermelon Red,” which was the only cultivar available to southern gardeners throughout the 1800s.

With their clusters of frilly blooms and graceful trunks, the crape myrtle served, along with the magnolia, as a natural embodiment of the charm and grace of the “Old South.”

Sometimes called the lilac of the South, crape myrtles are drought tolerant, flourish equally well in acid or alkaline soil, grow quickly and live for years. Savannah, GA, boasts a crape myrtle that is about 150 years old, and the oldest continually growing crape myrtle can be found at Middleton Place, an antebellum plantation near Charleston, SC, that was established in 1791.

Both “crape” and “crepe” are acceptable spellings. The name references how the flowers -- with their thin, wrinkled edges -- resemble crepe fabric. Crape is the older of the two spellings and is preferred by the American Crape Myrtle Society.

These plants are essentially moderate-low maintenance, i.e., disease resistant with very few insect pests.

The most common problems are powdery mildew and aphids, and some people don’t like their “messiness” of dropped blossoms and peeling bark. Too, some people are guilty of top-

ping these trees

Powdery mildew is a fungal disease that appears as a grayish white dusty growth on leaves, new shoots and flower buds. It can best be dealt with by avoided it: planting resistant hybrids in full sun; keeping the center of the plant open for air circulation and sun by removing crossing branches, sprouts from the base and diseased twigs and branches; and avoiding watering the foliage.

If you’ve already got powdery mildew, you can treat it by dusting or spraying with a less toxic fungicide such as horticultural oils, neem oil, jojoba oil or sulfur. Products containing potassium bicarbonate, another effective and less-noxious choice, is generally only available to licensed applicators.

For plants that are severely infected, you may have to resort to a product containing one of the following chemicals: propiconazole, thiophanate-methyl, triadimefon and lime sulfur.

Howard Garrett, the Dirt Doctor, has a pesticide-free solution. He recommends applying whole ground cornmeal to the root zone, which can extend yards beyond the drip line. Rate of application for the infected plant is 2 lbs./100 sq. ft. Garrett then says to spray the foliage with "Garrett Juice" and either potassium bicarbonate or cornmeal juice.

A 0-2-1 foliar plant food, Garrett Juice is a commercial mixture of compost tea, horticultural molasses, apple cider vinegar, phosphoric acid and seaweed extract. Garrett Juice is for sale at nurseries and stores that carry organic gardening products.

To make your own cornmeal juice, as per Garrett's instructions, soak one pound of cornmeal in 5 gallons of water. Putting the cornmeal in a bag of some sort -- he suggests old panty hose -- will make it easier to keep the water relatively clear.

As for treating crape myrtle aphids, direct treatment with horticultural oil works, although it will require repeated application for thorough management of the problem. Ladybugs, green lacewings and parasitic wasps are natural predators of aphids. As a last resort, insecticides with active ingredients acetamiprid or thiamethoxam have proven effective against aphids, though there is some concern about these chemicals impact on bees.

Any/all chemical compounds should be applied carefully following the recommended instructions for use. Wear appropriate protective clothing and never over use. More is rarely better.

Most crape myrtles are grown as either a shrub (2-feet) or small tree (20-25 feet), although some older trees can reach 40-feet at maturity. The Queen Crape Myrtle (*Lagerstroemia speciosa*) is a giant among these trees and can grow 60 feet or taller. Unfortunately, this tender cultivar can only survive in certain semi-tropical regions, such as Hawaii and the southernmost regions of California, Texas and Florida, thus making it a poor choice for us in the Hill Country. Crepe myrtles are generally fast-growing, and some varieties gain as much as 5-feet in height annually.

Crape myrtles bloom profusely and longtime -- up to 100 days, usually all summer long -- in a range of colors, including: white, pink, lavender, fuchsia, red, coral and violet. The bark peels attractively revealing lovely, sculptural trunks in shades of cream, sepia and burnt umber, or gray.

Some crape myrtles even offer fall foliage displays of dazzling red, orange and/or yellow leaves.

And they are classified as a deer-resistant plant.

Coupled with their hardiness, adaptability and good looks,

it's no wonder the crape myrtle quickly earned a permanent place in the Texas landscape. So much so that, on June 18, 1997, Crape Myrtle became the official state shrub of Texas via House Concurrent Resolution (H.C.R.) no. 14.

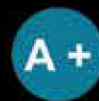
Texas has an official state native shrub, too: Texas purple sage (*Leucophyllum frutescens*), as of May 27, 2005, via H.C.R. no. 71.

Nonetheless, crape myrtles have proven so well-rounded that noted horticulture specialist and Extension Service personality Dr. Jerry M. Parsons calls crape myrtle "the most versatile plant in the Texas landscape."

I'll let H.C.R. 14 have the final words: "Whereas, the crape myrtle has been a distinctive part of the Texas landscape for more than 100 years, and this striking shrub never fails to add a touch of class and beauty to its surroundings...the 75th Legislature of the State of Texas hereby formally recognize the valuable addition of the crape myrtle to our native flora."

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Risotto is Worth the Time and Effort

by Coral Stone

Rice has long been associated with life, prosperity, and sustenance. It's a staple food for a majority of the world's people, especially those living in Asia, Latin America and portions of Africa.

European countries, too, have a fondness for rice dishes: think Spain's paella, Greek lemon rice, and short-grain, high-starch varieties like Arborio are a staple in Italian cuisine.

Today we are going to explore one of Italy's most popular and beloved rice dishes: risotto, which is most commonly made with short-grain rice like the above-mentioned Arborio.

Despite what you may have heard, making risotto is neither complicated nor difficult, but it does require attention and time. To produce creamy risotto, you have to have patience and allow the rice starch to slowly release into the hot liquid that is added gradually, while stirring all the while.

Risotto is one of Italy's national dishes and because the ingredients are simple, they must be best-quality. This means rich, flavorful home-made or good canned, salt-free stock. Chicken stock is the most popular choice, though some chefs prefer salted water. Until you're confident about your flavor profiles, I recommend chicken stock.

Too, I highly recommend you practice *mise en place*, not only for this recipe but all future ones. This French culinary term simply means:

1. read the recipe all the way through first
2. make certain you have all your ingredients and necessary equipment
3. prep and measure items before you begin cooking. If you're planning to sauté aromatics (onion, garlic, etc.) to add to your risotto, you'll need to prep, chop and probably cook them beforehand.
4. clean as you go

This is a fairly easy, creamy risotto rich with garlic and parmesan cheese, and you can make it in less than 30 minutes. The recipe uses white wine. If you don't like using wine in your cooking, then you can substitute additional stock. If you do choose to use wine, please select one you like drinking and AVOID anything labeled "cooking wine" – it's usually fortified wine of lesser flavor and is full of added salt and preservatives.

This is not a set and forget recipe, but it is the perfect dish to prepare while winding down from a hectic day. You might even enjoy having a refreshing beverage while you cook.

One last hint: heat the stock in a separate saucepan on the stove near your cooking pot. You want it simmering, never boiling.

Creamy Risotto with Garlic and Parmesan

Makes 6 servings

Ingredients:

½ C	onion (white or yellow), finely diced
6 cloves	fresh garlic, minced
1 ½ Tbsp	olive oil
1 ½ Tbsp	butter, unsalted
6 C	chicken stock, heated to a low simmer
2/3 C	dry, white wine, room temperature (If not using wine, use stock)
1 ½ C	arborio rice
1 ½ C	Parmesan cheese, freshly grated, plus extra for serving
4 Tbsp	fresh Italian parsley (flat leaf), finely chopped
	Freshly ground black pepper, to taste



Method:

1. Perform your mise en place, which should include heating your stock and keeping it warm.
2. In a large skillet over medium heat, add butter and olive oil to the pan.
3. Once the butter is melted, add onions to pan and saute until just tender, but not colored.
4. Add garlic to onion mixture and cook for 1 minute.
5. Add rice to the pan and stir to coat each grain of rice with butter/oil mixture.
6. Add wine (or 2/3 C. warm stock) and stir until the liquid is absorbed.
7. Add 1 ladle full of stock to the rice mixture and stir until it is absorbed.
8. Continue adding stock and stir until you've used up most of the stock – this takes about 20-25 minutes.
9. When you add the last ladle of stock, only allow it to absorb half of the liquid, then add grated Parmesan cheese and stir.
10. Let the rice absorb stock until it is creamy and thick, not soupy.

11. Stir in parsley and serve, sprinkled with extra Parmesan cheese and freshly-ground black pepper to taste.

12. Mangia!

Once you're comfortable with the concept of risotto-making, then you can try various regional favorites like Risotto alla Milanese (featuring saffron and sometimes beef marrow), Mushroom Risotto (from Piedmont region in Northern Italy), and/or Risotto Primavera (with sautéed spring vegetables).





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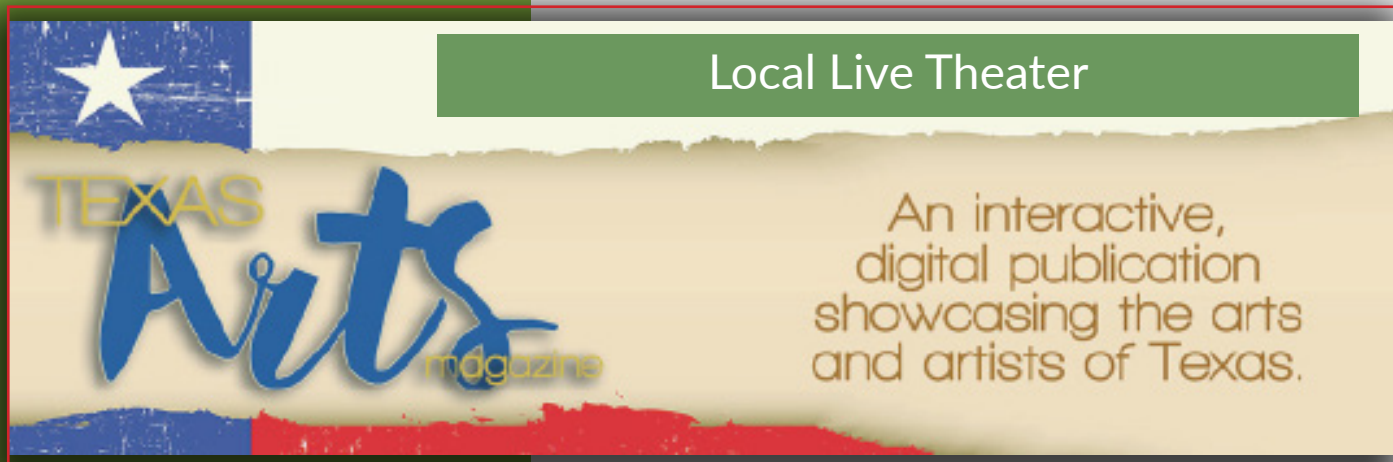
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Marisol: A Retrospective:

Spanning from the 1950s to the early 2000s, this exhibition highlights her unique vision of culture and society through her satirical sculptures, self-portraits, and lesser-known works. It is on display through July 6th, 2025.

Nature and Artifice: Works on Paper from Dürer to Rembrandt:

This exhibition features rarely seen pieces, showcasing the artistic transformations from the 15th to the 17th century.

It is on view through July 28th, 2025.



Backs in Fashion: Mangbetu Women's Egbe

This exhibition highlights the intricate designs and societal roles of these garments within Mangbetu society. It is on display through August 3rd, 2025.

Encuentros: Latinx + Latin American Acquisitions

This exhibition showcases recent

ican art, highlighting the diversity and richness of these artistic traditions. It runs through October 5, 2025.

Please note that exhibition dates are subject to change. For the most current information, visit the Dallas Museum of Art's official website.

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Kimbell Art Museum

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In April 2025, the Kimbell Art Museum in Fort Worth, Texas, is hosting the following special exhibition:

Modern Art and Politics in Germany 1910–1945

This exhibition features masterworks from the Neue Nationalgalerie, Berlin, exploring the intersection of art and politics in German history.

It runs from March 30th, 2025, through June 22nd, 2025.

In addition to the special exhibition, the Kimbell Art Museum offers a rich permanent collection featuring works from antiquity to the 20th century, including European masterpieces, as well as art from Asia, Africa, and the Ancient Americas.

Please note that exhibition dates and details are subject to change. It's advisable to check the museum's official website for the most current information before planning your visit.

Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth

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In April 2025, the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth is featuring the following exhibitions:

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It runs through May 15, 2025.

Maria Helena Vieira da Silva: Anatomy of Space

Diaries of Home

A retrospective of the Portuguese artist's work, showcasing her evolving visual language. This exhibition is open until September 15, 2025.

Five Friends: John Cage, Merce Cunningham, Jasper Johns, Robert Rauschenberg, Cy Twombly

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It runs through May 18, 2025.

Knights in Shining Armor:

The Pavia Tapestries

This exhibit brings Renaissance history to life with seven monumental tapestries depicting the Battle of Pavia, alongside intricate parade armor and ceremonial weapons. This exhibition offers a rare glimpse into the artistry and storytelling of

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On view through May 26, 2025.

Spring Nights at the MFAH

This exhibit transforms Saturday evenings in April into exclusive experiences with private gallery access, live music, curator talks, and cocktails. Visitors can enjoy extended hours, special discounts, and a relaxed atmosphere to explore the museum's exhibitions

On view through May 1st, 2025.

Picturing Nature:

The Stuart Collection of 18th- and 19th-Century British Landscapes and Beyond

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San Antonio Museum of Art

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Lovers & Fighters: Prints by Latino Artists in the SAMA Collection

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On view through April 20, 2025.

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On view through April 27, 2025.

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Mama Madre Mother

This exhibition examines the diverse depictions of motherhood in art, showcasing the emotional and cultural dimensions of parenthood. It is open from May 1, 2025, to August 3, 2025.

For more information on these exhibitions and related events, please visit the McNay Art Museum's official website. Museum are René Paul Barilleaux, Head of Curatorial Affairs, and Lauren Thompson, Curator of Exhibitions.



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