

Halloween Parties for Grown-Ups

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Get freaky this Halloween weekend with three days of heart-stopping events that are to die for.



Saturday

Nightmare on Princess Drive, Fairmont Scottsdale Princess

Confront your fears from 9 p.m.-2 a.m. at Fairmont Scottsdale Princess' 4th Annual "Nightmare on Princess Drive," at the Stone Rose Lounge. Sip on tantalizing potions like "Pumpkin Patch," "Whiskey Smash" and "Spooky Sparkling Cider Punch" while you dance the night away to a popular DJ mixing the best lounge and dance music and a ghostly pianist plays the grand piano. A costume contest at the bewitching hour of midnight brings a coffin full of prizes. Admission is complimentary. Guys and ghouls can also R.I.P. in comfort with a reserved table with bottle service (480.419.3190). Event parking is \$5 for self-parking and \$10 for valet. 480.585.4848, www.scottsdaleprincess.com

Voodoo Night, W Scottsdale Hotel

The W Scottsdale Hotel presents an evening full of black magic and electrifying beats by resident DJ Soloman for this voodoo inspired Halloween event. \$25. 602.405.0099, www.wscottsdalehotel.com

4th Annual Haunted Hoedown, Cadillac Ranch

Grab your scariest, sexiest costume and head down to Cadillac Ranch at Tempe Marketplace for the 4th annual Haunted Hoedown from 9 p.m.-2 a.m. It's Arizona's hottest face-off for titles in the costume contest. In addition to all of these great prizes, guests can enjoy spooky drink specials while listening to DJ Paul. www.cadillacranchtempe.com

Haunted House, Myst Nightclub

Channel your inner zombie and enjoy Halloween-themed house music spun by DJs and participate in costume contests beginning at 8 p.m. at Myst Nightclub in Scottsdale. \$10-\$12. 480.970.5000, www.mystaz.com



Sunday

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Raven's 5th Annual Masquerade Ball

Party planner Raven J. Valdes will host her 5th Annual Masquerade Ball at the Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale. Guests are encouraged to don masks with their costumes, so get in the spirit and make one yourself. R&B and soul artist Jasmine Hornez will perform, and DJ Mad Hadder will get the dance floor moving with his blend of old school funk and Top 40 tunes. Cash and prizes will be given to the best costumes. Ball begins at 8 p.m. tickets are \$20 pre-sale and \$25 at the door. www.talkingstickresort.com

3rd Annual Haunted Hotel Ball, Hotel Valley Ho

The 3rd Annual Haunted Hotel Ball will be to die for. Dance the night away to Valley DJs Slippe and Breez, who will play a mix of Top 40, hip-hop, rock and electro. Photographers will go around the party searching for the best costumes of the night, and post them up on the website where anyone can vote for their favorites from Scottsdale and Chicago. Winners will split a pot of \$1,000 in cash and prizes. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. \$20 admission. 312.226.6990, www.hauntedhotelball.com, www.hotelvalleyho.com



Monday

Freaky Fondue Feast, The Melting Pot and Fascinations

Nothing gets juicier or gooier on Halloween night than a fondue feast at The Melting Pot. Customers can purchase their tickets to the 3-course Halloween fondue event at three valley Fascinations locations: Greenway (5930 W. Greenway Rd.), Elliot (838 W. Elliot) and Shea (7337 E. Shea Blvd.) for \$35, which also includes a goody bag with discount to fascinations and a donation to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of Arizona. Guests are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes for a funky fondue dinner at any of the three Melting Pot locations round the Valley. www.funlove.com, www.meltingpot.com

Craftsman Court Massacre, Dos Gringos

Screams and howls fill Old Town Scottsdale as partygoers go through haunted houses on Halloween night, beginning at 9 p.m. Dos Gringos Restaurant features \$3 Southern Comfort and Bud Light drink specials. Savor the flavor with costume contests as DJ Switch and DJ Design dish out the beats and treats. 480.423.3800

Trick or Drink Halloween Wine Tasting, CRU Fine Wines

Celebrate the holiday with a wine tasting at CRU Fine Wines on Halloween night from 6-7:30 p.m. \$12. 480.222.4098

Halloween Dinner, Rhythm & Wine

Dress like your favorite rock star at Rhythm & Wine's first-ever wine dinner on Halloween night. Take pleasure in a pre-fixe four-course meal with wine pairings. \$65 per person. Your fate awaits at 6:30 p.m. 480.478.6999, www.rhythmandwine.com

Haunted Hotel Halloween Ball, Fairmont Scottsdale Princess

If you survived the nightmare on Princess Drive, then prepare yourself on Halloween night for another Haunted Hotel Halloween Ball at the Stone Rose Lounge. This time, bring a twist on classic Halloween shockers with an "Old Hollywood Glamour" theme. Mr. P-Body emcees the evening of dancing while fortune-tellers and tarot card readers entertain partygoers throughout the evening. 480.585.4848, www.scottsdaleprincess.com

Super Heroes and Villains, Red Bar at Mondrian Scottsdale Hotel

From 8 p.m.-2 a.m, dress up as a superhero or villain to enjoy music by Valley favorites at the Red Bar in Mondrian Scottsdale Hotel. The patio transforms into a comic and graphic-novel scene fit for your favorite Marvel, DC or other comic costume. 480.444.0549

Scary Sexy Monster's Ball, SIX Lounge

Beginning at 8 p.m, indulge in the unknown at this upscale lounge's party with free shots of "Scary Stew" until 11 p.m. Vitamin Water and Vitamin Energy drinks sponsor the night with gift bags for the first 100 ladies. DJ Masta Monk will spin. The scariest, sexiest and most creative costumes win \$500 each. SIX Lounge. 480.663.6620

Ghost Ball, Axis/Radius

Block out the night with a party at Axis/Radius on Halloween night beginning at 10 p.m. Prizes for the sexiest and best-dressed people. Local

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musicians perform. \$20. 480.970.1112, www.axis-radius.com

Vampires and Vixens Halloween Weekend, Barcelona Scottsdale

Join thedirty.com Halloween weekend for prizes, a costume contest, a VIP reception and drink specials on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1. Come Halloween night to see Nik Richie, reality blogger for the Web site. Reservations required for the VIP reception. Barcelona Scottsdale, \$20, free for ladies in costume. 480.603.0370