10 Things to do This Weekend in Phoenix: Family Edition

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The kids are out for the summer and you're thinking, what to do?!

From Broadway musicals, baseball games and science fairs, this weekend (June 1-June 3) you are bound to be busy experiencing new adventures and culture here in the Valley.

Friday



Food Truck Friday at Civic Space Park

Come one, come all (bring the neighbors, the dogs and the kids!) The event offers outdoor eating in the most casual of settings. With a variety of food truck options, you are sure to find something for even your pickiest of eaters. Food Truck Friday takes place June 1, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Civic Space Park on Central Avenue in Phoenix. This is a free event.



Photo by Jose Francisco Morales

Arizona Diamondbacks vs. Miami Marlins at Chase Field

Cover your bases with a ballpark hotdog and a field full of entertainment! Head out with the kids on June 1 for a Friday night Diamondbacks game, 6:40 p.m. at Chase Field. Cost varies based on ticket selection, visit https://www.mlb.com/dbacks/schedule/2018-06/list for more information. Games against the Miami Marlins continue on through June 2 and June 3.



Mary Poppins at Arizona Broadway Theatre

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A spoonful of sugar always sweetens the day. Take the family to see our favorite nanny in Disney's musical extravaganza at the Arizona Broadway Theatre in Peoria. Daily shows and weekend matinees begin June 1. Call 623.776.8400 or visit http://azbroadway.org/event/mary-poppins/ for price and ticket information. Step out and step back in time as you tap your feet to this all-time classic.

Saturday



Photo by Abigail Lynn

Otters: Hands On at the Odysea Aquarium

An activity for the early risers: -wake up and spend Saturday morning with Odysea Aquarium's animal care specialists and interact with our small friends, the otters! Learn about their environment, behaviors and get your questions answered by a trained specialist starting at 9:30 a.m. This educational event is fun for all ages. Visit the Odysea Website for more information and other upcoming events.



Photo by Kilyan Sockalingum

Big Fish at Hale Centre Theatre

The beloved story of Edward Bloom, Big Fish is feel-good musical will have you dancing out of the theatre. Performances at Gilbert's the Hale Centre Theatre take place on Saturday, June 2, at 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Prices between \$18 and \$32. Call the box office 480.497.1181 or visit the Hale Centre Theatre Website for more information and to purchase tickets.

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Photo by Joel Filipe

Nikon Small World Exhibit at Arizona Science Center

School may be out but the learning doesn't have to stop. Prize-winning photos of microscopic objects are being shown at the Arizona Science Center. Guests get a fascinating peek into the world of the usually unseen with these award-winning images taken through the microscope-seeing is believing! Open 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$13 for children. Visit the <u>Arizona Science Center Website</u> for more information or call 602.716.2000.



Photo by **Annie Spratt**

Annual World Atlatl Day Competition at the Pueblo Grande Museum

World Atlatl Day is June 2. There will be free museum admissions at the Pueblo Grande Museum and Archaeological Park on this day. Accuracy and dart throwing contents are open to anyone who wants to try out their ATL skills. The purpose of this event is to inspire and inform the public about atlatl and darts. Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 2. No pre-registration necessary. Call 602.495.0901 or visit Pueblo Grande Museum Website for more information. This is a free event.

Sunday



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Salt River Tubing in Tonto National Forest

The greatest way to cool off in this summer heat. Grab the kids and your water shoes and hit the rapids in Tonto National Forest. Children must

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be at least 8 years old and 4 feet tall for tubing and shuttle bus service. The last tube rental is at 2 p.m., so get there early and enjoy a relaxing day on the water. Open Sunday, June 3, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Visit http://www.saltrivertubing.com/ or call 480.984.3305 for more information and ticketing questions. Tickets around \$17 a person.



Escape the Room in Scottsdale

If you can't escape from the heat, then try and escape from the bank vault...or the submarine... or the rec room! No skills necessary; bring the whole family and see who can master the art of escaping. Multiple time slots and themed rooms are available. Visit the Escape the Room Website or call 480.725.3067 for more information and pricing. Put you and your family in the middle of a real-life-mystery.



Summer Hours at The Phoenix Zoo

This is a beat the heat steal. From June 1, the Phoenix Zoo switches to summer hours; open 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. daily. Take a field trip to the Phoenix Zoo and ride a camel, touch a stingray and hangout with the monkeys. Save money by buying online: adults 14 and older, \$22.95, children ages 3 to 13, \$12.95. Call 602.286.3800 or visit http://www.phoenixzoo.org/ for more information and tickets.