

# 10 Things To Do This Weekend in Phoenix

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Chocolate or wine lover? This weekend, Jan. 27 through Jan. 29, you're in for a treat.

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## FRIDAY



### Chocolate and Wine Experience

Chocolate and wine center stage on Friday, Jan. 27 at the [Chocolate and Wine Experience](#). Located at The Saguaro Scottsdale, enjoy delectable treats from local chocolatiers, gourmet cuisine, wine samples from local wineries and fresh local craft beer. Hosted by the Scottsdale League for the Arts, event highlights include: s'mores station, spiked hot chocolate bar, interactive photo booth, chocolate painting, "make your own" art project station, chocolate making 101, and chocolate martinis. Live entertainment will be provided by The Walkens. General admission to the Chocolate and Wine Experience is \$60 if purchased during presale or \$70 at the door. Early admission tickets are available for \$75 and will get ticket holders into the event an hour early with champagne welcome and a special treat. Admission is all inclusive and includes unlimited bites, twelve drink samples and access to all the event activities. Doors open at 7 p.m. for early admission ticket holders and at 8 p.m. for general admission Patrons are encouraged to come dressed in cocktail attire.



### Pinnacle Concert Series: The 3 International Tenors

The 3 International Tenors is a tribute to some of the finest music in the world and features show-stopping performances that pay homage to the likes of Luciano Pavarotti, Andrea Bocelli, Enrico Caruso and others. The [Pinnacle Concert Series](#) takes place at Pinnacle Presbyterian Church in Scottsdale. Premium seating is \$45; General admission is \$30; Studentx are free.

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## Grape Arizona Wine Event

From 1 to 5 p.m. at Heritage Square in Phoenix, stop by [Grape Arizona Wine Event](#) to support Phoenix Rotary Club Youth Charities with silent auction, raffle and various wine-themed vendors. Wineries and restaurants taking part include Arizona Stronghold, Chateau Tumbleweed, DA Ranch, Passion Cellars, Pillsbury Wine Company, Sand-Reckoner Vineyards, Beckett's Table, The Herb Box, Vincent's and many more. \$75 per person.



## Super Ball 2017: Where Rhinestones Meet the Red Zone

Chaired by Molly Stockley and Carrie Martz, the Assistance In Healthcare ([AIH](#)) is hosting its 3rd Annual Super Ball homecoming sports gala to benefit Valley cancer patients in need of financial support for non-medical expenses when the cost of prolonged medical care creates financial hardship. Attire is cocktail or gowns for the ladies (in your favorite sports colors, if desired) and men are encouraged to come in their favorite sports colors, attire, or suits emphasizing loyalty to your favored team. The event will be held at Chateau Luxe in Phoenix, starting at 6 p.m. with raffle prizes and cocktails, then wine and cheese, followed by a decadent dinner.



## Native Trails

[Native Trails](#) is a free outdoor festival celebrating the Native American cultures of the Southwest through song and dance. Each event brings together traditional instruments, colorful dances and authentic attire to share the stories of Southwest tribes, including the Hopi, Dine (Navajo), Akimel Au-Authm and San Carlos Apache. The event also features American Indian artisans selling specialty items such as jewelry, baskets, flutes and paintings, as well as light snacks and beverages. (Guests are invited to bring blankets, lawn chairs or picnic baskets.) The event takes place every Thursday and Saturday at noon through the end of March.



## Arizona Fine Art EXPO

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Renowned artists from across the globe will make North Scottsdale home for 10 weeks as they create original pieces of fine art at the [Arizona Fine Art EXPO](#). Through Sunday, March 26 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily on the southwest corner of Scottsdale and Jomax Roads, next to MacDonald's Ranch, patrons can stroll throughout a two-acre sculpture garden, which includes a Koi pond with waterfall and hummingbird garden surrounded by natural desert. Other highlights include a café, wine tastings, garden parties, book signings, Arabian horse quick-draw event, live music every weekend and more. And, of course, visit 110 studios to meet the artists and see them in action. Season passes are \$10; season passes for seniors and military are \$8; and children under 12 are free. Parking is free.

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## SUNDAY



### Sunday A'Fair: Free Concerts In The Park

A total of 10 free [Sunday A'Fair](#) events showcasing more than 20 musical acts from Arizona are planned, including blues, country, jazz, R&B, rock, soul and more. The concerts take place in Scottsdale Civic Center Park on selected Sunday afternoons through April 2. On Sunday, Jan. 29, enjoy Jan Sandwich & Friends alongside an arts-and-crafts market featuring jewelry, ceramics and textiles, and fun activities for children and families. Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art (SMoCA) will offer free admission during SundayA'Fair and docents will lead free guided museum tours at 1:30 p.m. and tours of the sculptures in the park at 3 p.m.



### Arizona Musicfest Winter Festival

The Arizona Musicfest Winter Festival's 26th season includes 18 concerts featuring Grammy Award winners Chris Botti, Manhattan Transfer and Patti Austin and Kennedy Center Honoree Mavis Staples on a schedule showcasing classical, jazz, bluegrass, Broadway, pop, folk and rock-and-roll tribute-band concerts. On Sunday, Jan. 29, take in the Young Musicians Winter Concert at 2 p.m. at Musical Instrument Museum in Phoenix. Tickets are \$20.



### Fountain Hills Indian Market and Cultural Festival

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Magic Bird Festivals will debut its first-ever [Fountain Hills Indian Market and Cultural Festival](#), Saturday, Jan. 28, and Sunday, Jan. 29, at the landmark Fountain Hills Fountain. Representing several North American indigenous tribes, the festival features traditional and contemporary designs from 100 highly acclaimed artists, live music, and hoop-dancing performances from world-champion Brian Hammill (pictured) and his Native Spirit Family of performers. The family-friendly show is free and open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.