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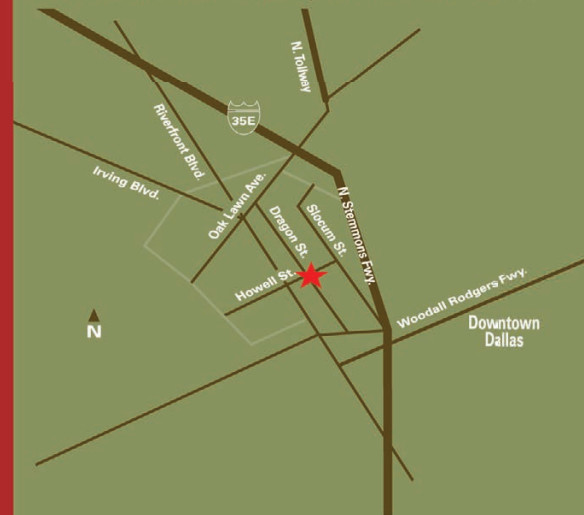
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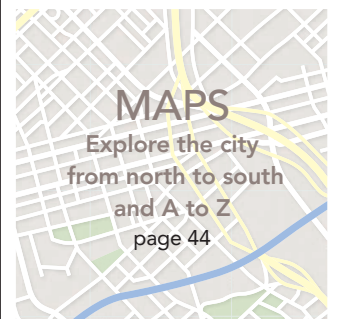
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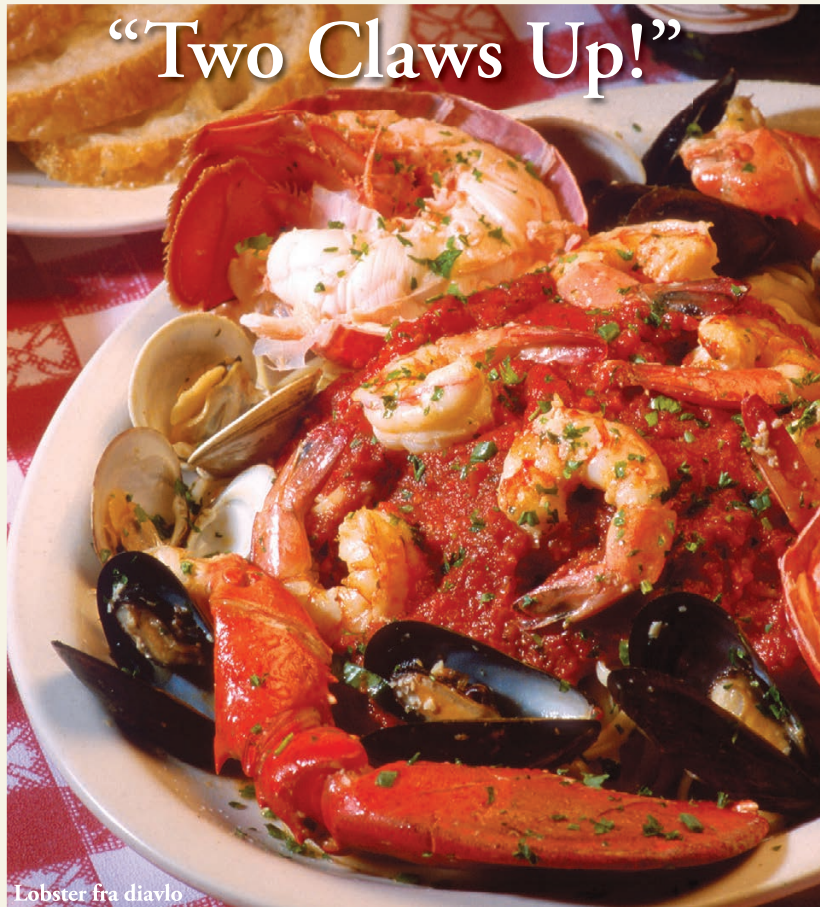


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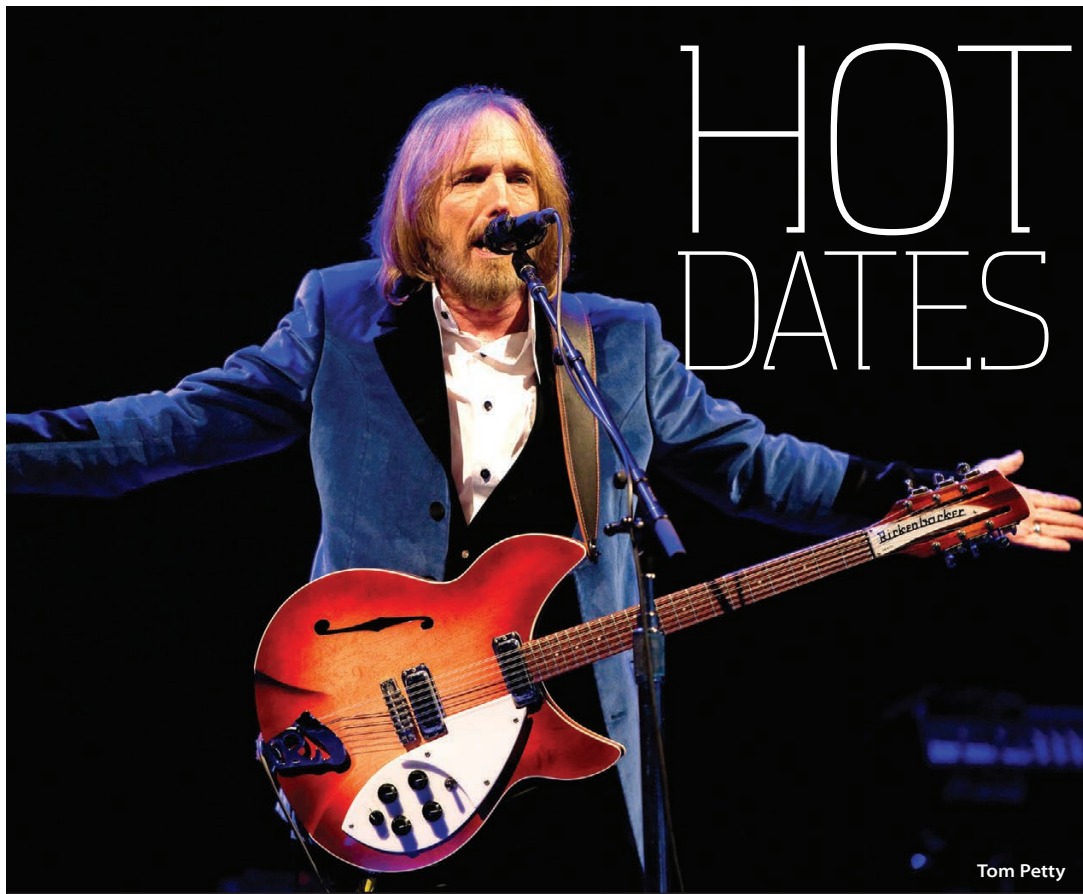
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2 LYLE LOVETT AND HIS LARGE BAND

> **SEPT. 10**

Nothing says "Texas" quite like a night at Bass Hall with Lyle Lovett. With his charming anecdotes to his genre-defying ballads, Lovett reigns supreme. 4th and Calhoun, 817.212.4280, www.basshall.com

3 'THE ROCKY HORROR SHOW'

> **SEPT. 11-OCT. 19**

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4 DALLAS OBSERVER BREWFEST 2014

> **SEPT. 13**

This annual celebration of all things hoppy includes live music, gourmet cuisine and a multitude of craft beers. Dallas Farmers Market, 1010 S. Pearl Expy, www.dallasobserver.com

5 AZIZ ANSARI: MODERN ROMANCE

> **SEPT. 13**

The "Parks and Recreation" star brings his sharp tongue and oddball wit to the American Airlines Center. 2500 Victory Ave., 214.222.3687, www.americanairlinescenter.com



Brewfest

There's a lot more going on this month. Visit us online: wheretraveler.com

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- 01 Last day for The "World's Largest Dinosaurs" exhibit at the Perot Museum.
- 02 Uproar Festival at Verizon Theatre.
- 03 "Nice Work If You Can Get It" opens at Dallas Summer Musicals.
- 04 2014 Copa Centromericana at the Cotton Bowl.
- 05 Brad Paisley concert at Gexa Energy Pavilion.
- 06 Aretha Franklin at the Winspear.
- 07 Dallas Cowboys vs. San Francisco 49ers.
- 08 Greater Dallas Youth Orchestra "Rush Hour" concert.
- 10 "Encounters" exhibit at the Dallas Center for Architecture.
- 11 28th Annual Grapefest in Historic Downtown Grapevine.
- 12 Kings of Leon concert at Gexa Energy Pavilion.
- 13 "Provocations: The Architecture and Design of Heatherwick Studio" opens at the Nasher.
- 14 "Isa Genzken: Retrospective" opens at the DMA.
- 16 Addison Oktoberfest begins.
- 18 Tim & Eric at the Majestic Theatre.
- 19 "Rapunzel" opens at Dallas Children's Theater.
- 20 Pride Festival at Uptown Players.
- 21 Conor Oberst sings at the Winspear.
- 24 Poptopia music festival at South Side Ballroom.
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- 27 Sara Evans sings at Bass Performance Hall.
- 28 Index Fest music festival in Deep Ellum.
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MONIQUE LHUILLIER

Fashion icon Monique Lhuillier

is inspired by her surroundings wherever she goes, which adds extra charm and depth to her dramatic designs. We sat down with Lhuillier at the debut of her fall 2014 collection; read on to discover what pieces she considers key for the season, her tips on packing light and what she does to quickly feel at home in a new destination.

—Jennifer McKee

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Where do you find the inspiration for your designs?

I draw inspiration from a lot of different places. My favorite thing to do is travel, and when I go on these different trips, I just get so inspired, whether it's a beautiful art piece I'm looking at, people-watching on the street or a beautiful fabric that I see. The ideas just start, and it happens. So it's usually from traveling, but also just living. I'm drawn to beautiful things.

What was the inspiration behind the fall 2014 collection?

It was the mysterious side of Monique. The season is very dramatic, it has a lot of darker shades—midnight, black and metallics. It's also sleeker. I tried to keep the collection dark and mysterious, but I also added some pops of color in the fuchsia and the lush pink. In fall I like to have the collection be a little more dramatic than romantic. I feel that women need that darker side.

A lot of people know you for bridal. Are you expanding the ready-to-wear collection?

I started my company 17 years ago. The first seven years, I was only doing wedding gowns. Those were a great start for me, but then I wanted to dress women throughout their lives rather than just on that special day, which is how the ready-to-wear started. Now, I want to dress her earlier in the day, so you see more separates and what I call "high day" looks in the collection. It then goes into evening and gala gowns at night. Another new thing for me is shoes; this is my second season doing shoes.

What pieces or trends do you think are key for fall?

I think a great lace shoe bootie is a must in the wardrobe. I also think a great cocktail dress with a great fit and a bit of shimmer is key for the



wardrobe. The final component of my collection is the statement gowns—I love seeing women put that effort in and transform for that one evening and make it memorable, letting the fantasy back in.

What is the most important piece or pieces to your own personal style?

A great-fitting cocktail dress is a signature of mine. I feel like it's so versatile, it takes you to so many different places. I travel a lot and know these pieces serve a great purpose.

How often do you travel?

Twice a month.

What are your best travel tips?

To over-pack is just a drag. I always say plan your wardrobe two days before you leave and style it out with the shoes, the belts, etc., so that way you're very well-edited and it doesn't take up a lot of space. If you're organized, it makes traveling a breeze.

What is the first thing you do when you arrive at your new destination?

I like to unpack and get everything hung, and then I take a walk and see my surroundings—the neighborhood, check out what sort of things there are to do in the hotel. I like to discover immediately.



The fall collection from Monique Lhuillier is more mysterious than romantic and features dramatic pairings of black with pops of fuchsia and pink.

How do you make a hotel room feel more like home?

I bring my music with me; that makes me feel at home. I also bring a fragrance with me, whether it be a candle or an air spray, so it smells like me and my environment. If it's a long stay, I order fresh flowers which automatically makes it feel more cozy.

What are you listening to right now?

I listen to a lot of Pharrell. I also listen to Coldplay. I like to dance, so I have a lot of dance mixes—I love David Guetta, Justin Timberlake.

When you travel, do you like the aisle or window seat?

If I travel with somebody, like my husband, I like the window seat; but if I travel alone, I like the aisle. I like to be independent and not cross over anybody and bother anybody.

What's your favorite vacation spot?

Too many to mention! But I have some favorites. I love going to Venice and eating the delicious food—it's so beautiful. I also love going to Capri and staying at the J.K.Place Hotel; it feels like your own private beach house. We also love going to Aspen, Colo., which is only a two-hour flight from Los Angeles—we're a very big outdoors family, so we ski a lot in the winter; in the summer we like to bike and hike. But I could go on. I also love Paris.

What's one thing you can't be without when you travel?

My iPhone, because I can take pictures with it, I'm always connected—if somebody needs me, I'm very accessible. I have my music, my pictures and it just keeps me on track.

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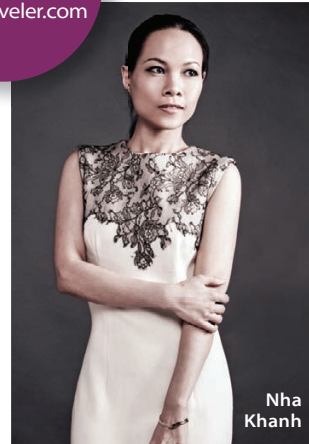
Dallas Designer Spotlight: **Nha Khanh**

What you wear speaks volumes about who you are (or sometimes to who you want to be). If the image you want to portray to the world is elegant, confident, sexy and in control of your surroundings, then **Nha Khanh** is a brand that should be hanging in your closet. Her frocks have adorned some of Hollywood's most fashionable influencers, such as Kim and Kourtney Kardashian, Brooklyn Decker, Guliana Rancic, Catt Sadler and Kelly Osbourne. The company offers seasonal "advanced contemporary" Ready-to-Wear, a custom Atelier collection offering one-of-a-kind custom pieces and a bridal line.

Khanh Nguyen migrated from Hue Vietnam to Dallas, Texas, with her family at the age of 12. By 2010, this designer had found her voice and was executing her artistic vision with the launch of her line. Her designs are feminine without being prissy, structured but not too hard. "Nha" in Vietnamese is a feminine word implying "light and elegance," whereas "Khanh" is a masculine word, meaning "victory and celebration." The fusion of the words creates a

balance of unison between feminine and masculine that matches Nguyen's design aesthetic.

Dallas socialites and fashion power players are already clamoring for her latest looks. So what can we expect from her fall collection? "The fall collection is inspired by mostly nature: crystals and minerals of the earth and stars in the galaxy, which we translated into our printed fabrics," says Khanh Nguyen. "Our



vibrant yet mysterious prints added a twist to our modern-glamour styles of this season's collection. You'll find many modern-classic silhouettes, such as A-line dresses with structured design details, and of course our signature lace."

The Nha Khanh line has been nationally recognized through various awards and articles written by *Harper's Bazaar*, *People*, *Vogue*, *Teen*, *US Weekly*, *Glamour*, *InStyle*, *E!* News and Style Network. Clothes can be purchased at elements, Saks Fifth Avenue, Neiman Marcus, The Shak at Stanley Korshak and Rent-the-Runway. Visit www.NhaKhanh.com to learn more about this Dallas designer and her looks.

—Cynthia Smoot

STEPPING OUT WITH **STUART WEITZMAN**

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What are the key shoes every man and woman should have in their wardrobes?

> Soft-as-butter boot, black modern boot and whatever helps a woman feel sexy and beautiful.

What is the best way to pack shoes and handbags?

> In a cloth bag.

What type of shoes should men and women take with them when traveling?

> Whatever they can walk the farthest in and be the most comfortable.

What is your best tip for planning one's travel wardrobe?

> Pack your favorite items, but pack lightly so it allows you the opportunity to shop on vacation.

If you could impart one piece of fashion wisdom to travelers, what would it be?

> Make sure to pack at least one heel, as nothing has been invented yet that beats the high heel for making a good pair of legs look great and a great pair look fabulous!

—Jennifer McKeen



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EVENTS

SILVER SYMPHONY

How does the **Dallas Symphony Orchestra** celebrate its 25th anniversary at the Meyerson Symphony Center? With dazzling, world-class talent, of course. Dallas' own beloved music director, Maestro Jaap van Zweden, takes the stage on Sept. 13th with renowned violinist **Itzhak Perlman** for a night of incomparable musicality and unparalleled showmanship. The event serves as both a celebration of the past several decades and an exciting reminder of what lies ahead for one of the globe's most acclaimed symphonies. Tickets are available for both the gala concert and the afterparty, or patrons can inquire about the "full gala experience," including cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, champagne reception, dinner, dessert and afterparty, by contacting the box office.

—Richard Dennis 2301 Flora St., 214.692.0203, www.mydso.com

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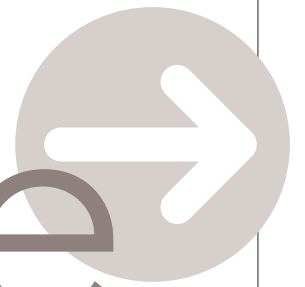
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Apparel-Women

ELEMENTS—Elements boasts luxury labels like M Missoni, Catherine Malandrino and Nanette Lepore. www.elementsclothing.com. 4400 Lovers Ln., 214.987.0837. **Map 2: D-5**

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NOEL CHRISTMAS STORE—Every day is Christmas—even those searing, 101-degree days—at Noel Christmas Store, which sells everything to create your own picture-perfect Norman Rockwell yuletide memories. www.noelchristmasstore.com. 19009 Preston Rd., Ste. 300, 972.991.8481. **Map 2: D-2**

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Home Accents

ANTEKS—What began 20 years ago as a small shop with various collectibles is now a nationally recognized retailer, known for its casually sophisticated, Western-rustic-lodge home furnishings. www.anteckshome.com. 1135 Dragon St., 214.528.5567. **Map 5: A-7**

Jewelry

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Shopping Centers/Department Stores

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NORTHPARK CENTER—Anchored by Neiman Marcus, Macy's and Nordstrom, NorthPark Center boasts more than 233 specialty stores and restaurants. www.northparkcenter.com. 8687 N. Central Expy., 214.361.6345. **Map 2: E-4**

ALLEN PREMIUM OUTLETS—More than 100 outlet stores including Michael Kors, Brooks Brothers and Polo Ralph Lauren are located in the open-air Allen Premium Outlets. www.premiumoutlets.com/allen. 820 W. Stacy Rd., 972.678.7000.

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PINK'S WESTERN WEAR—With more than 30 years experience selling Western belt buckles, hats, boots and clothing for men, women and children, Pink's Western Wear prides itself on its selection and impeccable customer service. www.pinkswesternwear.com. 13420 Preston Rd., 972.392.7465. **Map 2: D-3**

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Antiques Dealers & Markets

COLLAGE 20TH CENTURY CLASSICS—One of the most respected and established galleries for Modern furniture in the country, Collage 20th Century Classics has been buying and selling architect-designed and designer furniture, lighting and decorative art since 1986. www.collageclassics.com. 1300 N. Riverfront Blvd., 214.828.9888. **Map 5: A-7**

CURIOSITIES—Housed in the heart of Lakewood, Curiosities is a treasure trove of things you never knew you wanted so badly ... until you entered the store. Here, shoppers will find a grab bag of fun items that will keep them exploring for hours. www.getcuriosities.com. 2025 Abrams Rd., 214.828.1886. **Map 2: E-5**

Galleries

BISHOP ARTS DISTRICT—Check out the Bishop Arts District for a town-square-like shopping atmosphere featuring artistic treasures and eclectic

gifts. Known as the mothership for hipsters and the avant-garde, the Bishop Arts District makes the hearts of artists flutter. www.bishoparts-district.weebly.com. N. Bishop Ave. & W. Davis St. **Map 2: D-6**

GOSS-MICHAEL FOUNDATION—Founded by George Michael and his partner Kenny Goss, The Goss-Michael Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to building an art collection that reflects the new and emerging creative methods of world-renowned British contemporary artists and also serves as an educational resource for promoting, motivating and inspiring young artists. It also boasts a specialty book shop with rotating selections of must-have art books. www.gossmichaelfoundation.org. 1405 Turtle Creek Blvd., 214.696.0555. **Map 5: B-6**

KITRELL/RIFFKIND ART GLASS—Kittrell/Riffkind is Dallas' premier art-glass gallery, featuring an ever-changing selection of innovative work by more than 300 contemporary North American glass artists.

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Attractions

ALLEN—This attraction-packed town is one of the fastest growing communities in the country. It's home to big-time entertainment complexes such as the Allen Event Center, which hosts concerts and sporting events. Activities like TopGolf, Hydrous Wake Park, Splitsville bowling and The Edge Skatepark are great ways to spend the day. Or shop Allen Premium Outlets, Watters Creek at Montgomery Farm, The Village at Allen and more. Located just North of Dallas on I-75. www.visitalentexas.com. 301 Century Pkwy., Allen Convention & Visitors Bureau, 214.509.4671.

AT&T PERFORMING ARTS CENTER—Hailed as the most significant arts center to be built since New York City's Lincoln Center, this multi-venue performing arts center houses the Winspear Opera House, Wylie Theatre, Strauss Artist Square, City

Performance Hall and Sammons Park. www.attpac.org. 2403 Flora St., 214.880.0202. **Map 1: E-1**

BONHAM HISTORIC TRAIL—Just Northeast of Dallas, the town of Bonham holds many treasures like Fort English, the Sam Rayburn Library and Bonham State Park. 110 East 1st, Bonham, 903.583.8042.

CEDAR HILL—Just a short drive southwest of downtown Dallas lies Cedar Hill, a green, family-friendly town brim-filled with fun things to see and do. Take a dip or a boat ride at Joe Pool Lake, hike one of several nature trails, camp in Cedar Hill State Park, or shop unique stores in its historic downtown area. www.cedarhilltx.com.

CHILDREN'S AQUARIUM AT FAIR PARK—This aquatic wonder features plenty of interactive fun, such as a stingray touch tank, feeding demonstrations and more! The main attraction, Stingray Bay, features an outdoor pavilion with a 58,000-gallon tank full of our favorite sea friends. www.childrensaquariumatfairpark.com. 1462 First Ave., 469.554.7340. **Map 2: E-6**

CHOCTAW CASINO—Open 24 hours per day, seven days a week, the seven Choctaw Casinos in Oklahoma offer endless fun and chances to win big. Slot machines, live dealer blackjack, bingo and poker are just some of the ways to get in on the action. www.choctawcasinos.com. 4216 S. Hwy. 69/75, Durant, OK, 800.788.2464, 580.920.0160.

DALLAS ARTS DISTRICT—This 68-acre development is the largest urban arts district in the country. With arts venues such as the Dallas Museum of Art, the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center and the Nasher Sculpture Center, this area is the mother-ship for art lovers. www.thedallasartsdistrict.org. Flora and N. Pearl St. **Map 5: C-7**

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DALLAS WORLD AQUARIUM—Located in a historic West End building, this private aquarium features exotic marine life in chic surroundings, including two antilean manatees. Owned by one of Dallas' best caterers, the aquarium's Eighteen-O-One restaurant is also a great place for lunch. www.dwazoo.com. 1801 N. Griffin St., 214.720.2224. **Map 1: C-3**

DALLAS ZOO—Founded in 1888, the Dallas Zoo spreads across 106 acres of natural wonder. This wildlife park is home to more than 2,000 animals representing more than 400 species. A plethora of unique interactive activities is offered, including giraffe feeding, camel rides, and a narrated Monorail Safari tour. www.dallaszoo.com. 650 S. R.L. Thornton Fwy., 214.670.5656. **Map 2: D-6**

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FAIR PARK—Fair Park is one of the most significant sites of '30s Art Deco architecture in the U.S. This 277-acre park is also home to a bevy of the city's best museums and the great State Fair of Texas. www.fairpark.org. 1121 First Ave., 214.426.3400. **Map 5: G-8**

FARMERS BRANCH HISTORICAL PARK—See an 1840s log homestead, the 1937 home of the mayor, the Farmers Branch Depot, the Farmers Branch School building and much more on this historical journey. 2540 Farmers Branch Ln., 972.406.0183. **Map 2: C-3**

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FREEDMAN'S CEMETERY MEMORIAL—This memorial cemetery is considered one of the oldest in the city, established in 1869. A final resting place for African Americans, many former slaves who died free (hence the name "Freedman"), the memorial cemetery is an education and remembrance of the history of Texas and the South. 2700-block of Lemon Ave. **Map 5: C-5**

GRAPEVINE—For tons of old-fashioned fun, check out Grapevine. This small area outside of Dallas has some of the most adorable stores you will find anywhere on Main Street and an abundance of wineries to explore. www.grapevinetexasusa.com. **Map 4**

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JOE POOL LAKE—This 7,740-acre lake near Grand Prairie is fun for camping, water sports and fishing. www.grandfungp.org. Cedar Hill State Park, 972.299.2227. **Map 2: B-8**

JOHN F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL—Located at the site of President Kennedy's 1963 assassination, this memorial pays homage to the life and legacy of this beloved American icon. www.jfk.org. 646 Main St., 214.747.6660. **Map 1: B-5**

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KATY TRAIL—This popular running and biking trail, located in the heart of Highland Park, runs 3.5 miles from Victory Park to Airline Drive and is perfect for a serene afternoon jog. www.katytraildallas.org. 5207 McKinney Ave., Ste. 9. **Map 5: D-1**

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LAKE RAY HUBBARD—Surrounded by the gorgeous and fun Rockwall Harbor and highlighted by lakeside concerts, Lake Ray Hubbard is a perfect lake for family fun, especially sailing. Interstate 30, 214.670.8847. **Map 2: G-4**

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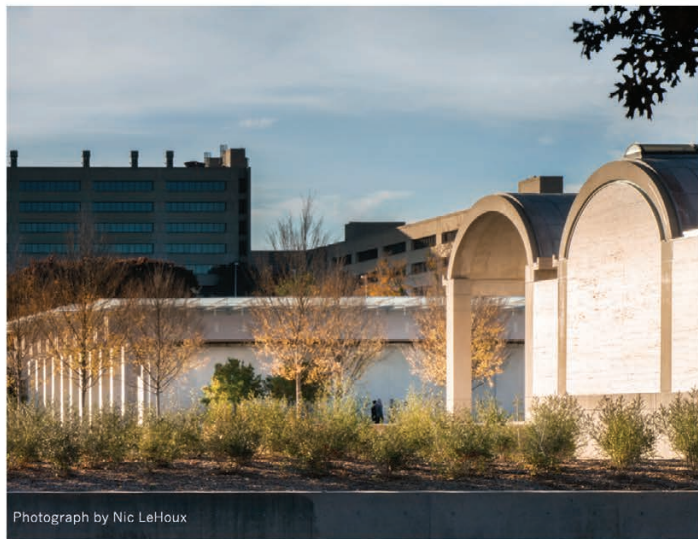
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PIONEER PLAZA—Pioneer Plaza is home to the largest bronze monument in the world and commemorates Dallas' beginnings by celebrating the trails that brought settlers to the area. Downtown, Young St. at Griffin St., adjacent to the Dallas Convention Center. **Map 1: C-5**

REUNION TOWER—This 55-story tower stands as one of the city's most recognizable architectural landmarks. Catch breathtaking 360-degree views of Dallas at the public observation deck. 300 Reunion Blvd. W. **Map 1: A-6**

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SIX FLAGS HURRICANE HARBOR—This 47-acre park, adjacent to Six Flags Over Texas, is filled with one of the nation's largest collections of water rides. Open daily May-August. Weekends only in September. 1800 E. Lamar Blvd., Arlington, 817.265.3356. **Map 2: A-6**

SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS—A 205-acre theme park that features more than 100 rides, including the 325-foot Superman Tower of Power and the Titan rollercoaster, which rises 225 feet and drops at 85 miles per hour. www.sixflags.com. 2201 Road To Six Flags, Arlington, 817.640.8900. **Map 2: A-6**

SOUTHLAKE—Just north of DFW International Airport lies the growing suburb of Southlake. You may be familiar with the town thanks to its nationally ranked high school football team, but Southlake has much more to offer, like incredible boutiques and shopping, fine dining and family friendly recreation. www.southlaketownsquare.com. **Map 4**

STOCKYARDS STATION—Located in the Historic Fort Worth Stockyards, Stockyards Station includes more than 25 unique stores, a winery, an art gallery, restaurants and more. This is fun for the whole family all day long. Don't miss the daily cattle drive that rides through the Stockyards in the afternoon. www.stockyardsstation.com. 130 E. Exchange Ave., 817.625.9715. **Map 3: B-5**

SUNDANCE SQUARE IN FORT WORTH—Located right in the middle of the action in downtown Fort Worth, Sundance Square is a hotbed of new, trendy dining, living and shopping, mixed with history and old-world charm. Stroll past boutiques and gourmet food markets, dine in New American splendor and party down in fun lounges and bars when the sun sets. www.sundancesquare.com. 201 Main St., Fort Worth, 817.255.5700. **Map 3: C-7**



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TEXAS VINEYARD AND SMOKEHAUS—This place is built for fun. Sip wine on the balcony with friends or try out a tasting and get a personalized label. www.texasvineyard.org. 2442 Anderson County Rd. 2133, Palestine, 903.922.0004.

WHITE ROCK LAKE—White Rock Lake is a 1,015-acre city lake that accommodates Dallas' active community with a hike and bike trail, Audubon area, scenic picnic sites and more. www.whiterocklake.org. 8300 E. Lawther Dr. **Map 2: E-5**

ARLINGTON—Known as "Fun Central" to many, Arlington is home to Texas Rangers baseball, AT&T Stadium, Six Flags Over Texas and many more can't-miss attractions. www.arlington.org. **Map 2: A-6**

BACHMAN LAKE—Complete with a recreation center, gym, walking trail, playground and swimming pool, Bachman Lake is the perfect area for family fun. 2750 Bachman Dr., 214.670.6266. **Map 2: C-5**

DALLAS ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDEN—Along the shores of White Rock Lake, the Dallas Arboretum showcases 66 gorgeous acres, which feature more than 2,000 varieties of azaleas, towering magnolia trees and a reflecting pool. www.dallasarboretum.org. 8525 Garland Rd., 214.515.6500. **Map 2: E-5**

DENISON—Experience a land of plenty (and President Eisenhower's birthplace), where the 89,000-acre Lake Texoma receives thousands of explorers each year. Perfect for those relaxing fishing excursions. Also enjoy the area's plentiful shopping, wineries and restaurants. www.denisontexas.us. 903.465.1551.

SOUTHFORK RANCH—Experience television history and Texas hospitality at Southfork, the world's most famous ranch. Internationally recognized as the filming location for the TV series "Dallas," Southfork is open year-round for guided tours of the legendary homestead and ranch. See the famed Ewing Mansion and relive moments from the legendary show. www.southfork.com. 3700 Hogge Rd., 972.442.7800. **Map 2: G-1**

Museums

AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM—The African American Museum is the only museum in the Southwestern United States devoted to the preservation and display of African-American artistic, cultural and historical materials. It also has one of the largest African-American folk art collections in the United States. www.aamdallas.org. 3536 Grand Ave., 214.565.9026. **Map 2: E-6**

AMERICAN AIRLINES CR SMITH MUSEUM—This interactive museum is much more than your average "walk-through" type gallery. Perfect for the little ones as well as the adults, this tribute to all-things-aviation allows visitors to "experience" (through movies, simulators and more) all manner of items and memorabilia related to the world of flight. The venue offers the Eagle Aviation Academy for 5th-8th graders as well as special exhibits and events on select occasions. Opened in 1993, the museum is dedicated to American Airlines president C.R. Smith, who was himself a pioneer in the aviation

industry, as well as the past and present employees of American Airlines. www.crsmithmuseum.org. 4601 Hwy. 360 at FAA Rd., Fort Worth, 817.967.1560.

AMON CARTER MUSEUM—This historic Fort Worth museum, founded by the late Amon G. Carter, is devoted to the preservation and exhibition of American art in all its varied forms. The location offers permanent and traveling exhibitions, educational programs and teaching resources. www.cartermuseum.org. 3501 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth, 817.738.1933. **Map 3: A-8**

ARLINGTON MUSEUM OF ART—Located in an art moderne, 1950s, former department-store building with a two-story expansive open gallery, the AMA is the anchor of a revitalized downtown Arlington. The oldest art organization in Arlington, it began 45 years ago as an art association and fulfilled its dream to become a museum in 1989. Its revolving exhibitions feature cutting-edge contemporary works, often tackling difficult themes. Admission is free. www.arlingtonmuseum.com. 201 W. Main St., Arlington, 817.275.4600. **Map 2: A-8**

CAVANAUGH FLIGHT MUSEUM—This 50,000-square-foot facility at the Addison airport houses a mint-condition P-51 Mustang, a TBM Avenger, an F-104 Starfighter, three Russian MiGs and 35 other airplanes. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 4 to 12, and free for children under 3. www.cavanaughflightmuseum.com. 4572 Claire Chennault, Addison, 972.380.8800. **Map 2: D-3**

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM AT THE MUSEUM OF NATURE AND SCIENCE—Dallas Children's Museum is dedicated to children and their families, educators and exploring, playing and learning together. www.natureandscience.org. 1318 S. Second Ave., Fair Park, 214.428.5555. **Map 5: G-8**

DALLAS CONTEMPORARY—Dallas Contemporary presents art in a space that inspires artists and fans alike. With a mission to inspire the community, it also showcases the best of contemporary art from around the world. www.dallascontemporary.org. 161 Glass St., 214.821.2522. **Map 5: A-7**

DALLAS HOLOCAUST MUSEUM—Opened in 1984 by a group of Holocaust survivors, this center includes artifacts (among them a Belgian boxcar used to transport Jewish people), photographs, documentaries and videotapes made by local survivors, a memorial room and a library. www.dallaholocaustmuseum.org. 211 N. Record St., 214.741.7500. **Map 5: B-8**

DALLAS MUSEUM OF ART—The Dallas Museum of Art houses an outstanding collection including ancient Mediterranean art, works from the Pacific Islands, 18th-20th century European and American art and more. Fascinating exhibits are showcased often, and admission and membership are free. www.dma.org. 1717 N. Harwood St., 214.922.1200. **Map 1: D-2**

FORT WORTH MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY—This museum has it all. Boasting a recent renovation and expansion, the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History houses interactive exhibits that explore everything from dinosaurs and energy to cattle ranching and the galaxy. Make sure to see a show in the Omni IMAX Theater. www.fwmuseum.org. 1600 Gendy St., Fort Worth, 817.255.9300. **Map 3: A-8**

FRONTIERS OF FLIGHT MUSEUM—Relive the history of aviation amid one of the world's finest collections of artifacts, scale models, photographs and

memorabilia. Open 10 am-5 pm, M-S, and 1-5 pm, Su. www.flightmuseum.com. 6911 Lemmon Ave., 214.350.1651. **Map 2: D-4**

MUSEUM OF GEOMETRIC AND MADI ART—The museum houses a collection of 20th and 21st-century geometric art beginning with a 1917 Popova, continuing through the MADI movement begun by Carmelo Arden Quin in Argentina in 1945 and including many other South American artists: Cruz Diez, Juan Mele, Rhod Rothfuss, Iommi, Vardanega and Roitman. European and Japanese artists from the 20th century, as well as contemporary American, New Zealand, and Islamic geometric artists, are represented in the museum. A biennial is held to show the best of contemporary geometric art. Arcadia discussion groups feature artists and scholars, and creative workshops are held for both adults and students. The museum is open most days 11-5, until 7 on Thursdays, and 1-5 on Sundays. Admission is free. www.geometricmadimuseum.org. 3109 Carlisle St., 214.855.7802. **Map 1: E-1**

MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN RAILROAD—The Museum of the American Railroad offers one of the most comprehensive heavyweight passenger car collections available. You will also see cabooses, signals, diesel and electric locomotives, historic structures and small artifacts. www.dallasrailwaymuseum.com. Fair Park, 214.428.0101. **Map 5: G-8**

NATIONAL COWGIRL MUSEUM & HALL OF FAME—This is the only museum in the world dedicated to honoring women of the American West. Interactive exhibit galleries feature more than 5,000 artifacts and 2,500 photographs that tell the stories of a diverse group of women such as artist Maria Martinez and country music legend Patsy Cline. Also find three theaters, a retail store and a grand rotunda housing the Hall of Fame. www.cowgirl.net. 1720 Gendy St., Fort Worth, 817.336.4475. **Map 3: A-8**

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF COMMUNICATIONS—This museum offers one of the most extensive collections of vintage radios, televisions, phonographs and communications memorabilia in the world, including the microphone used by Walter Cronkite during his final newscast and Charlie Chaplin's movie camera. 6305 N. O'Connor Rd., Ste. 123, Irving, 972.869.7762. **Map 2: C-5**

OLD RED MUSEUM OF DALLAS COUNTY HISTORY & CULTURE—Beginning as a 10x10 log cabin and surviving four fires, The Old Red Museum is a Dallas landmark in and of itself. Inside, you can view one of the many exhibitions dedicated to the rich culture and history of Dallas County. www.oldred.org. 100 S. Houston St., 214.745.1100. **Map 1: B-5**

PEROT MUSEUM OF NATURE & SCIENCE—This museum offers exciting and interactive exhibits for the young and old alike. It houses permanent and traveling exhibits that are both enlightening and inspiring, and promises to bring the youthful wonderment out in everyone. Race a T-Rex, battle robots, report the weather, gaze at rare gems and see a tornado in action. The environmentally friendly building houses free Wi-Fi, a gourmet cafe, educational programs and a 300-seat multimedia theater. The museum also hosts events in the evening exclusively for adults. Check website for dates and details. www.perotmuseum.org. 2201 N. Field St., 214.428.5555. **Map 1: C-2**

SID RICHARDSON MUSEUM—The Sid Richardson Museum features paintings of the 19th-century American West by Frederic Remington (1861-1909), Charles M. Russell (1864-1926), and other artists

amassed by Texas oilman and philanthropist, Sid W. Richardson (1891-1959). It has one of the most significant private collections of Remington and Russell paintings in the United States. Admission is free, and it is open daily. The museum store features Western items as well, perfect for a souvenir. www.sidrichardsonmuseum.org. 309 Main St., Fort Worth, 817.332.6554. **Map 3: C-7**

THE MODERN ART MUSEUM OF FORT WORTH—Housed in an Tadao Ando-designed building that seems to float on water, The Modern maintains one of the foremost collections of modern and contemporary art in the central United States. It consists of more than 3,000 works, including pieces by Anselm Kiefer, Pablo Picasso, Jackson Pollock, Andy Warhol and more. www.themodern.org. 3200 Darnell St., Fort Worth, 817.738.9215. **Map 3: A-8**

THE NASHER SCULPTURE CENTER—The Nasher Sculpture Center is a world-class museum showcasing the contemporary sculpture collection of renowned philanthropist and art collector Raymond Nasher. The Nasher contains more than 300 works from around the world, displayed throughout the interior galleries and outdoor garden, including Gauguin and Picasso. www.nashersculpturecenter.org. 2001 Flora St., 214.242.5100. **Map 1: E-2**

THE TRAMMELL AND MARGARET CROW COLLECTION OF ASIAN ART—An unparalleled collection of almost 700 masterworks from China, Japan, India and Tibet. The collection of carved jade pieces is one of the finest in North America. Admission

is free. www.crowcollection.com. 2010 Flora St., 214.979.6430. **Map 1: E-2**

GEORGE W. BUSH PRESIDENTIAL CENTER—Establishing itself as one of the largest and most important museum openings in recent memory in Dallas, the George W. Bush Presidential Center has received much acclaim for both its handsome architecture and continued devotion to liberty. The center boasts a 226,000-square-foot space that covers more than 15 acres of scenic urban park on the grounds of Southern Methodist University. One hallmark of the center is the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum, which reveals a snapshot of American presidency and a location for official records and artifacts from Bush's time in office. The center frequently hosts special events as well as learning opportunities on everything from global health and economic growth to women's initiatives and educational reform. www.bushcenter.org. 2943 SMU Blvd., 214.200.4300.

IRVING ARTS CENTER—A space for everything related to the arts, the Irving Arts Center is comprised of several galleries, the Dupree Theater, the Carpenter Performance Hall and a Sculpture Garden. Admission is free. www.irvingartscenter.com. 3333 N. MacArthur Blvd., 972.252.2787. **Map 2: B-5**

KIMBELL ART MUSEUM—This beautiful museum in the heart of the Fort Worth's cultural district is a strong anchor with exceptional exhibits. The museum's holdings range in period from antiquity to the 20th century, including masterpieces from

Fra Angelico and Caravaggio to Cézanne and Matisse, and is one of only two institutions in the Southwest with a substantial collection of Asian arts. Admission to the permanent collection is free. www.kimbellart.org. 3333 Camp Bowie Blvd., 817.332.8451. **Map 3: A-8**

MEADOWS MUSEUM—The centerpiece of SMU's Meadows School of the Arts, The Meadows Museum houses a comprehensive collection of Spanish art including works by Velazquez, Ribera, Zurbaran, El Greco, Murillo, Goya, Miro and Picasso. www.meadowsmuseumdallas.org. 5900 Bishop Blvd., 214.768.2516. **Map 2: D-5**

NATIONAL SCOUTING MUSEUM—This 53,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art museum chronicles the history of the Boy Scouts of America. It features the most scout-related art in the world at the Norman Rockwell art gallery, activity-badge workshops, hands-on learning stations, interactive exhibits, animatronics, virtual adventures, a laser shooting gallery, a full-service scout shop and much more. Tours are available by reservation for groups. www.bsamuseum.org. 1329 W. Walnut Hill Ln., 800.303.3047. 972.580.2100. **Map 2: B-4**

THE SIXTH FLOOR MUSEUM—The former school-book depository, which allegedly served as the perch for Lee Harvey Oswald's shooting of President John F. Kennedy, has been transformed into a fascinating, in-depth museum chronicling the life and legacy of JFK. www.jfk.org. 411 Elm St., 214.747.6660. **Map 1: B-4**



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Addison

CHAMBERLAIN'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE—Steaks.

"Serving the finest steaks, seafood and prime rib since 1993," this restaurant's extensive menu will make anyone a believer with dishes ranging from the Kobe sirloin strip to filet mignon. www.chamberlainssteakhouse.com. 5330 Belt Line Rd., 972.934.2467. **Map 2: D-3**

KENNY'S WOOD FIRED GRILL—Steaks.

Famed chef Kenny Bowers is spreading his culinary gospel once again with this Addison eatery, which takes gourmands on a palatial trip by way of old-school '40s elegance. The restaurant's rich wood and jewel tone interior is the perfect setting for enjoying prepared, wood-fired seafood and meats. www.kennyswoodfiredgrill.com. 5000 Belt Line Rd., 972.392.WOOD. **MAP 2: D-3**

KOBE STEAKS—Steaks.

Kobe Steaks Japanese Restaurant focuses on hibachi-style cooking, offering special combinations like lobster and teriyaki salmon, filet mignon and shrimp, and scallops and lobster. www.kobesteaks.net. 5000 Belt Line Rd., Ste. 600, 972.934.8150. **Map 2: D-3**

THE SECOND FLOOR—American.

Scott and Gina Gottlich, of acclaimed restaurant Bijoux, have created a well-curated menu of updated classics at The Second Floor, located just where you think it is within the Westin Galleria Dallas, in addition to boasting the largest Scotch collection in Dallas. www.thesecondfloorrestaurant.com. 13340 Dallas Pkwy., 972.450.2978.

CANARY BY GORJI—Mediterranean.

Experience delicious steaks and New Mediterranean specialties at this intimate Addison restaurant. Chef Mansour Gorji fuses Greek, Italian, Spanish, French, North African and Middle Eastern influences with fresh ingredients for a delightful menu bursting with global flavor. And as the back-to-back Texas Steak Cookoff champion, Chef Gorji knows exactly how to prepare the perfect steak. Canary by Gorji also offers an impressive wine selection and a cozy patio for dining al fresco. www.canarybygorji.com. 5100 Belt Line Rd., Ste. 402, 972.503.7080. **Map 2: D-3**

FOGO DE CHAO—Steaks.

At this Brazilian steakhouse, an unending parade of grilled beef, poultry and pork is presented rather unusually — suspended from giant swords and sliced off with equally gi-

ant knives right onto your plate. www.fogodechao.com. 4300 Belt Line Rd., 972.503.7300. **Map 2: D-3**

MAY DRAGON—Asian.

In this elegant Chinese restaurant, options abound. From dumplings and spicy meat dishes to fresh seafood and noodles in almost any sauce imaginable, May Dragon satiates any craving. In addition, Happy Hour is every day from 4 to 6 pm at the bar, and includes half-priced appetizers, beer, wine and well drinks. www.maydragon.com. 4848 Belt Line Rd., 972.392.9998. **Map 2: D-3**

THE OCEANAIRE SEAFOOD ROOM—Seafood.

With a swanky interior reminiscent of a 1930s ocean liner, The Oceanaire features fresh seafood flown in daily. Sip cocktails in the lounge, indulge at the oyster bar or dine on specialties like Dover sole and bluefin tuna as you relax in a horseshoe booth. www.theoceanaire.com. 13340 Dallas Pkwy., Ste. 1369, Galleria Dallas, 972.759.2277. **Map 2: D-3**

Deep Ellum

BUZZBREWS—American.

This lively 24-hour eatery has three locations in DFW and practically dares you not to have a good time. Hailed as one of the best breakfast joints in the area, Buzzbrews

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THE FREE MAN—Cajun. This eclectic Creole lounge is bound to leave you liverated. Featuring live rock/jazz bands 7 pm daily, and a menu filled with tasty Cajun favorites, Free Man is an all-around hot spot for locals and visitors alike. www.freemandallas.com. 2626 Commerce St., 214.377.9893. **Map 5: F-7**

TWISTED ROOT BURGER CO.—American. Founded by three chefs who were sick of the same ol', same ol', this burger joint serves hand-rolled meat patties, hand-cut french fries, homemade ice cream, root beer — even ketchup and mustard. Did we mention it's all homemade? www.twistedrootburgerco.com. 2615 Commerce St., 214.741.7668. **Map 5: E-8**

Downtown

CAMPISI'S RESTAURANT—Italian. Campisi's is a Dallas classic and one of the oldest eateries around (since 1946, to be exact) that you just can't miss. Noted for some of the best crispy pizza in town, this Italian restaurant also serves up toasted ravioli and spaghetti and meatballs that warm the belly and the heart. Multiple locations. www.campis.us. 5405 W. Lover's Lane, 214.350.2595; 7632 Campbell Rd., Ste. 315, 972.931.2267; 2115 Summer Lee Dr., Ste. 105, Rockwall, 469.402.2603; 1520 Elm St., Ste. 111, 214.752.0141 **Map 1: D-4**; 5610 E. Mockingbird Ln., 214.827.0355 **Map 2: E-5**

FIVE SIXTY—Asian. Touted as one of the greatest chefs in the world, Wolfgang Puck brings his creative genius to Dallas with Five Sixty, located atop Reunion Tower. Giving guests a magical view of the city, Five Sixty serves delightful Asian-fusion cuisine in a relaxed and sophisticated atmosphere, not to mention walls that rotate, too. www.wolfgangpuck.com. 300 Reunion Blvd. E., 214.741.5560. **Map 1: A-6**

FT33—New American. This modern, upscale eatery takes its cues from the changing leaves and invites patrons in with a menu that relies on the freshest and most natural ingredients, as well as artisanal and Texas-themed influences. With a whimsical flair for plating and palate-pleasing by owner/chef Matt McAllister, this is one hot spot that'll soon be a classic. www.ft33dallas.com. 1617 Hi Line Dr., Ste. 250, 214.741.2629. **Map 5: A-6**

JORGE'S TEX-MEX CAFÉ—Mexican. Since 1957, Jorge's Tex-Mex Café has been serving authentic Mexican cuisine to hungry Texans. Now located in the One Arts Plaza, Jorge's serves breakfast, lunch and dinner specialties like Shrimp Diablo, Brisket Tacos and Chile Relleno. www.jorges.com. 1722 Routh St., 214.720.2211. **Map 1: F-1**

LUCK—American. Using local craft beer as its base, LUCK creates dishes that could be defined as "upscale comfort"...or simply just delicious. Forty rotating taps showcase brews from within what the owners have dubbed "the beer triangle," coordinates that fan out from the restaurant's hip Trinity Groves location and encompass some of the area's award-winning breweries. www.luckdallas.com. 3011 Gulden Ln., Ste. 112, 469.250.0679

MESOMAYA—Latin American. This distinctive location, next to El Fenix in downtown, entices palates with a fusion of Mexican and Mexican flavors, focus-

ing on simple but bold ingredients with earthy textures and aromas. The menu surprises diners with options like goat cheese-stuffed cascabelle peppers, salads with roasted beets and pumpkin seeds, and entrees such as their famous budins. To wash it down, order their famous avocado margarita. www.mesomaya.com. 11909 Preston Rd., Ste. 1426, 469.726.4390. **Map 2: D-4**; 1611 McKinney Ave., 214.484.6555. **Map 1: C-2**

SER STEAK+SPIRITS—Steaks. This handsome and sleek location rests atop Dallas' Hilton Anatole and is geared towards the sophisticated, upscale diner. Gourmet cuisine from Chef Van Camp features a raw bar, cheese and charcuterie and the finest in prime cuts of beef, chops and seafood. Wine pairings are happily offered upon request, and word has it that the pistachio layer cake alone is worth saving room for. www.sersteak.com. 2201 Stemmons Fwy., Hilton Anatole, 214.761.7470. **Map 5: A-5**

STEPHAN PYLES—New American. Celebrity chef Stephan Pyles shows off his flair for Southwestern cuisine in the Dallas Arts District. Try the pulled pork with apples, cardamom and mint. www.stephanpyles.com. 1807 Ross Ave., 214.580.7000. **Map 1: D-3**

TEI-AN—Japanese/Sushi. This Japanese Soba House receives rave reviews for its tempura, soba noodles and sashimi. After dinner, grab a drink on the rooftop patio, which overlooks Dallas' downtown Arts District. www.tei-an.com. 1722 Routh St., One Arts Plaza, 214.220.2828. **Map 1: F-1**

THE PALM—Steaks. If you can't decide on just one type of cuisine, then you're in good hands at this family-owned West End restaurant. With prime steaks, Italian dishes and jumbo lobsters, there is plenty to keep all patrons happy. Try the mouthwatering steak salad for a lunch treat. www.thepalm.com. 701 Ross Ave., 214.698.0470. **Map 1: A-3**

WILD SALSA—Mexican. Chicken tinga, tamale pork carnitas, lamb shank barbacoa ... Wild Salsa brings authentic "cultura Mexicana" to downtown Dallas while using locally grown and cultivated ingredients. Try the Sesame Pipita Guacamole made with avocados, toasted sesame seeds and roasted pumpkin seeds. Muy bueno! www.wildsalsarestaurant.com. 1800 Main St., Ste. 100, 214.741.9453. **Map 1: E-4**

DICK'S LAST RESORT—American. This is the joint your mama warned you about, where you can have way too much fun! Dick's serves up buckets of barbecue ribs, chicken and catfish, as well as shrimp, crab legs, steaks and salads. There are 74 kinds of beer. Live music every Friday and Saturday night, no cover, no dress code and definitely no class. Billed as "The Shame of Dallas." www.dickslastresort.com. 2211 N. Lamar St., Ste. 100, 214.747.0001. **Map 1: B-2**

MORTON'S, THE STEAKHOUSE—Steaks. Located in downtown Dallas near the Dallas Convention Center, Morton's is an upscale steakhouse perfect for a business dinner or a happy hour hangout. www.mortons.com. 2222 McKinney Ave., 214.741.2277. **Map 1: D-1**

Food Trucks

COOLHAUS—Sweets. The Coolhaus business began in Los Angeles by two foodie friends who found a used postal truck on Craigslist and made their ice cream business dreams a reality. Today, visitors

can find a Coolhaus truck cruising around Dallas dishing up popular cookies such as red velvet, double chocolate chip and potato chip & butterscotch with their choice of ice cream smeared in the middle. Oh, the paper it's wrapped in is completely edible. www.eatcoolhaus.com. Various, 972.897.6198.

NAMMI FOOD TRUCK—Asian. Serving Vietnamese fusion and Banh Mi to hungry locals and visitors all over the city, the Nammi Food Truck is a quick and delicious way to satisfy any craving. Pick up a Vietnamese sandwich with your choice of grilled pork, barbecue pork, lemongrass beef or chicken; or Vietnamese Taco or rice bowl. www.nammitruck.com.

SSAHMBBQ—Eclectic. Don't be intimidated by their all-black van, the food inside is well worth the trip to the window. Serving gourmet Korean tacos, this mobile joint also offers specialties such as kimchee fries, burrito bowls and quesadillas. Inspired by flavors of the East as well as classic Tex-Mex fare, everything on the menu is the right choice from ssahmBBQ. www.ssaahmbbq.com. Various.

TRAILERCAKES—Sweets. Even though their kitchen is based in Richardson, TrailerCakes is serving delicious cupcakes to fans across the Dallas Metroplex with their food truck. With innovative flavors such as "Pebbles and Bam Bam" (white cake with marshmallow fluff and Fruity Pebbles cereal) to their classic "24 Carrot" carrot cake and cream cheese cupcake, there's no shame in trying one of every flavor. www.trailercakes.com. Various. 740 E. Campbell Rd., Ste. B16, 214.789.1642.

Fort Worth

CAFE MODERN—Eclectic. Housed in the Fort Worth Cultural District, this sleek and modern restaurant offers carefully selected ingredients and bold cuisine from around the world. The fare ranges from gourmet salads to fish entrees and is prepared with an emphasis on healthy nutrition and fare from local farmers. www.thecafemodern.com. 3200 Darnell St., Fort Worth, 817.840.2157. **Map 3: A-8**

DEL FRISCO'S DOUBLE EAGLE STEAKHOUSE & SEAFOOD—Steaks. Del Frisco's chef-driven cuisine is impeccable and satisfying. They offer an award-winning winelist, unparalleled service and pay the utmost attention to detail. On top of the gourmet steak and seafood, this is a place to feel well-respected and taken care of. www.delfriscos.com. 812 Main St., Fort Worth, 817.877.3999. **Map 3: C-8**

TIM LOVE'S WOODSHED SMOKEHOUSE—Barbecue. This "homage" to smoke, fire and flavor rests on the Trinity River in Cowtown and treats hungry carnivores to an unexpected and invigorating take on traditional barbecue. Relying on more global influences, the menu dazzles with choices like brisket-stuffed piquillo peppers and smoked red fish en papillote. www.woodshedsmokehouse.com. 3201 Riverfront Dr., Fort Worth, 817.877.4545. **Map 3: A-9**

Frisco/Plano

JASPER'S RESTAURANT—New American. Chef/Owner Kent Rathbun repeats the success of his Knox-Henderson restaurant, Abacus, by focusing on quality ingredients. Dishes are refreshingly simple and include the applewood-smoked bacon cheeseburger, hickory grilled flat iron steak, and



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desserts such as the Rocky Road ice cream sandwich. www.kentrathbun.com/jaspers. 7161 Bishop Rd., Plano, 469.229.9111. **Map 2: D-1**

LAVENDOU—French. The flavors of Provence come alive in this elegant French bistro. From the décor — swathed in signature yellow-and-blue Pierre Deux fabrics — to the menu's rich selections of seafood and lamb, diners will find a dining experience as perfect as a Monet. An award-winning wine list, full bar and impeccable service completes a picture-perfect experience. Reservations recommended. www.lavendou.com. 19009 Preston Rd., Plano, 972.248.1911.

SEASONS 52—New American. This fresh grill and wine bar with a sophisticated environment features a seasonally inspired menu that yields weekly specials and to-die-for entrees. There's also an award-winning wine list overseen by a master sommelier. And the best part? Nothing on this delectable menu is more than 475 calories, so diners can feast healthfully. www.seasons52.com. 7300 Lone Star Dr., Ste. 100, Plano, 972.312.8852. **Map 2: D-1; 8687 N. Central Expwy., Ste. B307, NorthPark Center 214.361.5252. Map 2: E-4**

URBAN RIO—Mexican. Much more than just another Mexican restaurant, this tantalizing spin on Texas' most popular cuisine features a menu with unique salsas, surprising entrees like tamale pie, and fresh fruit margaritas crafted 100 percent in-house. The second floor of the the building, called On the Rocks, features a cantina with a "sun-setting" patio and frozen tequila taps. www.urbanrio.com. 1000 E. 14th St., Ste. 100, Plano, 972.422.4466. **Map 2: F-1**

Grapevine

BOB'S STEAK AND CHOP HOUSE—Steaks. Bob's is evidence of what true-blue, American steakhouse fine dining is all about. The simple elegance and lively atmosphere are pitch-perfect for either a date night or a business luncheon. Prime cuts are perfectly cooked, and the wait-staff couldn't be more attentive. www.bobs-steakandchop.com. 1255 S. Main St., Grapevine, 817.481.5555. **Map 4: B-4**

BOINA BRAZA—Steaks. Experience the fine-dining tradition of a Brazilian Churrascaria at this four-star steakhouse, offering filet mignon, prime top sirloin, beef tenderloin, chicken, lamb and pork, and table-side Gauchos that slice the meat off skewers while guests feast. www.boinabraza.com. 4025 William D. Tate, Grapevine, 817.329.5514.

RAINFOREST CAFE—American. Set in a cool, rainforest-themed environment, this restaurant features American food with a tropical flair, including pastas, pizzas and salads. Located in the Grapevine Mills shopping center, it's just a hop and a skip to Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. www.rainforestcafe.com. 3000 Grapevine Mills Pkwy., Grapevine, 972.539.5001. **Map 4: C-2**

Highland Park

BIJOUX—French. Bijoux offers the best in innovative, organic French cuisine. A generous prix fixe menu and exceptional wine list, including Cakebread Cellars, guarantee this sparkling jewel's indisputable shine. www.bijouxrestaurant.com. 5450 W. Lovers Ln., Ste. 225, 214.350.6100. **Map 2: D-5**

BISTRO 31—Eclectic. Located in Highland Park Village, this European-style restaurant offers global cuisine with everything from Italian to Spanish to

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French influences. The menu changes with the seasons, with fresh, gourmet ingredients and enticing desserts to cap off your experience. Bistro 31 also offers an extensive and eclectic wine and drink menu. www.bistro31dallas.com. 87 Highland Park Village, Ste. 200, 214.420.3900. **Map 2: D-5**

LA DUNI LATIN CAFE—Latin American. The menu here blends European traditions with Latin American soul. From sinful desserts like cuatro leches cake to savory entrees like carne asada, La Duni serves up a mouthwatering cuisine packed with Latin flavor. www.laduni.com. 8687 N. Central Expy., Ste. 1516, NorthPark Center, 214.987.2260. **Map 2: E-4**

Knox-Henderson

ABACUS—Eclectic. Local celebrity chef Kent Rathbun, who defeated Iron Chef Bobby Flay on The Food Network, presents a menu of “global eclectic” cuisine with an emphasis on the Pacific Rim. Check out the newly redesigned décor. www.kentrathbun.com. 4511 McKinney Ave., 214.559.3111. **Map 5: D-1**

HIBISCUS—New American. Sweet-scented pinion logs smolder in the bar’s fireplace adjacent to the main dining room. Unwind with a Hibiscus Cooler—champagne infused with watermelon puree and hibiscus tea over ice. For starters, try the barbecued quail drizzled with a tangy sauce and served nested in a golden fried onion ring. www.hibiscusdallas.com. 2927 N. Henderson Ave., 214.827.2927.

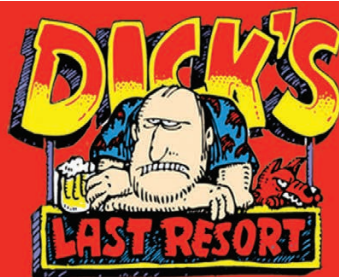
JAVIER’S—Mexican. For more than two decades, this popular eatery has been serving upscale Mexican cuisine to locals and a parade of A-list celebrities. The menu focuses on the sophisticated side of traditional Mexican cuisine, offering such signature dishes as black bean soup and Filete Cantinflas. Premium drinks and tasty margaritas seal the deal. Reservations are recommended even on weeknights. www.javiers.net. 4912 Cole Ave., 214.521.4211. **Map 5: E-1**

ROTI GRILL—Indian. Pardeep Sharma, who owns one of Dallas’ finest Indian restaurants, owns the fast and casual Roti Grill, along with Chef/Partner Sada Sharma. Meals are prepared to order and brought to your table after a quick line through the counter. Classic samosas and chicken masala are among their popular offerings. BYOB. www.freshindianfood.com. 4438 McKinney Ave., 214.521.3655. **Map 5: D-2; 6509 W. Park Blvd., Ste. 420, Plano, 972.403.7600. Map 2: D-2**

SISSY’S SOUTHERN KITCHEN + BAR—American. Gourmet culinary talent meets traditional Southern cuisine at this eatery in the heart of Dallas. Customers flock here often, pining away for their tenderly sweet crab cakes, crispy chile-fried Gulf oysters and their popular and beloved fried chicken. Finish the evening off with some buttermilk-pecan pie and enjoy the lovely down-home hospitality this venue has to offer. www.sissyssouthernkitchen.com. 2929 N. Henderson Ave., 214.827.9900. **Map 5: E-2**

THE PORCH—American. The friendly, relaxed environment earned the Porch its name. Anyone with an appetite should stop in for a bite. American classics range from the good old-fashioned cheeseburger to the Porch salad. There’s always room on the Porch. www.theporchrestaurant.com. 2916 N. Henderson, 214.828.2916.

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Lakewood

HYPNOTIC DONUTS—Bakery. Got a taste for something sweet and unique? Look no further than Hypnotic Donuts, offering up specialties like Jenny's Evil Elvis, a mix of peanut butter, bacon, banana and honey. Looking to spice it up? Try the Mexico, a glazed donut with vanilla frosting, fresh jalapenos and Tabasco! Stop by early, they sell out quickly. www.hypnoticdonuts.com. 9007 Garland Rd., 214.668.6999. **Map 2: E-5**

MOT HAI BA—Asian. The women behind the wildly successful Good 2 Go Taco went for a different cuisine with their next venture: North Vietnamese. With divine dishes like the green papaya salad and sizzling cake, a savory mix of shrimp, sprouts and scallions folded into a delicate pastry, the menu touches on all the delicate flavors and explosive spices indicative of the region. The sleek decor elevates the experience even more. www.mothai.com

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GARDEN CAFE—American. Founded by an attorney with a green thumb, this quaint East Dallas eatery serves breakfast and lunch, primarily using produce grown in the garden behind the restaurant. Have a cup of tea and enjoy the gingerbread pancakes. www.gardencafe.net. 5310 Junius St., 214.887.8330. **MAP 2: E-5**

Lower Greenville

BLUE GOOSE CANTINA—Mexican. Long-time favorite Tex-Mex joint enjoys a lively bar scene. Two patios fill with young singles sipping frozen margaritas or downing cold Shiner beers on weekends. Food includes enchiladas and fajitas with a few surprises such as bacon-wrapped grilled shrimp and fish tacos. For brunch, don't miss mimosas, huevos rancheros and migas. www.bluegoosecantina.com. 2905 Greenville Ave., 214.823.8339. **Map 2: E-4**

KELLER'S DRIVE-IN—American. If you're looking for an authentic drive-in experience, look no further than Keller's. Grab a greasy burger, an order of tater-tots, and ice cold beer and enjoy. 6537 E. Northwest Hwy., 214.368.1209. **Map 2: E-4**

NORA RESTAURANT & BAR—Afghani. The third restaurant to open by Chef Matt Pikar, Nora offers a taste of the exotic through Afghan cuisine. The intermingling of ingredients like garlic, onion, yogurt, tomato and spices unite for an experience any diner will never forget. Try one of their kabobs,

or go for the Mantoo entree, steamed beef dumplings with yogurt and vegetable sauce. The cocktail and wine list is divine, and their patio is primed for people watching. www.noradallas.com. 1928 Greenville Ave., 214.828.0095. **Map 2: E-5**

SUNDOWN AT GRANADA—New American. This much-loved neighborhood favorite is distinguished by a tantalizing "beer garden" that houses more than 60-plus varieties of brews and a to-die-for patio that practically demands evening conversation. Try the "Dazed and Confused" or "Fiona Apple Bison" cocktails while waiting to dine on top-of-the-line, grass-fed beef or vegetarian dish. www.sundownatgranada.com. 3520 Greenville Ave., 214.823.8305. **Map 2: E-5**

TERILLI'S—Italian. Located in the heart of the Lower Greenville action, Terilli's, which just underwent renovations after a fire that destroyed its building, serves up delicious Italian cuisine. Part upscale eatery, part neighborhood hangout, Terilli's offers a variety of Northern and Southern Italian dishes and fresh seafood daily. www.terillis.com. 2815 Greenville Ave., 214.827.3993. **Map 2: E-5**; 4226 Preston Rd., Frisco, 214.387.4600.

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DADDY JACK'S—Seafood. Fresh, expertly prepared lobsters, steaks and other East, West and Gulf Coast seafood are the specialties at Daddy Jack's. Reservations recommended. www.daddyjacks.org. 1916 Greenville Ave., 214.826.4910. **Map 5: G-3**

OZONA GRILL AND BAR—Mexican. This Greenville Avenue favorite has a good deal of style to go along with its premium cuisine. Quality enchiladas are served alongside classics like rellenos and tamales. If you're not in the mood for spicy, go for the tasty burgers or blackened-steak sandwiches. The outdoor space is casual and conversational with strong drinks and an accommodating waitstaff who will make diners feel right at home. www.ozonagrill.com. 4615 Greenville Ave., 214.265.9105. **Map 2: E-5**

North Dallas

THE GRILL ON THE ALLEY—Steaks. This is classic steakhouse dining at its best. Whether you're entertaining clients or having a romantic night out, The Grill on the Alley — located in Galleria Dallas — will set the perfect tone for your evening. www.thegrill.com. 13270 Dallas Pkwy., Ste. 155, Galleria Dallas, 214.459.1601. **Map 2: D-3**

CINDI'S—American. Cindi's Deli is a taste of the Big Apple in Big D, and the menu runs the gamut. From buttermilk pancakes, Denver omelettes and chicken-fried steaks to German-style crepes, cheese blintzes, latkes and reubens, Cindi's has it

all. www.cindisnydeli.com. 11111 N. Central Expy., 214.739.0918. Multiple Locations. **Map 2: E-4**

INDIA PALACE RESTAURANT—Indian. Located in North Dallas, India Palace Restaurant offers an extensive menu of Northern Indian cuisine. The lunch buffet is especially popular. www.indiapalacedallas.com. 12817 Preston Rd., Ste. 105, 972.392.0190. **Map 2: D-4**

SALTGRASS STEAK HOUSE—Steaks. Known for its campfire-style Texas flare, Saltgrass Steak House serves Certified Angus Beef steaks, appetizers like the famous Range Rattlers — jumbo jalapeños stuffed with shrimp — and a two-fork cheesecake or brownie skillet crumble. Multiple locations. www.saltgrass.com. 13561 N. Central Expy., 469.330.0152 or try one of their 14 other locations. **Map 2: E-3**

TAJ MAHAL—Indian. The Taj Mahal Indian restaurant greets patrons with seductive aromas. For more than 25 years, Taj Mahal has been serving quality Indian cuisine, including the daily lunch buffet, curries, kebabs and more. www.tajmahaldallas.com. 10455 N. Central Expy., Ste. 120, 214.692.0535. **Map 2: E-4**

Oak Cliff

BOLSA—Eclectic. This market, café and wine bar is what farm-to-table dining is all about. Once you soak in the natural, effortlessly beautiful décor, you can sit back with a micro-brew or glass of Texas wine, or stroll the shop for such organic goodies

as bees wax candles and exotic oils. When you can order items on the menu that were grown locally, you know you're in the right spot. www.bolsadallas.com. 614 W. Davis St., 214.943.1883. **Map 2: C-6**

BOULEVARDIER—French. This French-inspired neighborhood bistro, located in the historic Bishop Arts District, offers house-made fare such as specialty oysters, chicken, steak and fish as well as modern takes on classic French cuisine. Enjoy an appetizer of Country Pork Pate or savor the Bouillabaisse Boulevardier, reminiscent of the Provençal region. www.dallasboulevardier.com. 408 N. Bishop Ave., Ste. 108, 214.942.1828. **Map 2: D-6**

DRIFTWOOD—Seafood. Foodies looking for a unique and upscale spin on classic seafood could do a lot worse than this classy new addition to the Bishop Arts District. Driftwood's casual but high-quality menu features hickory-smoked salmon and ahi tuna for the traditionalists or crispy seared beef tongue and chargrilled octopus for more adventurous palates. www.driftwood-dallas.com. 642 W. Davis St., 214.942.2530. **Map 2: C-6**

HATTIE'S AMERICAN BISTRO—New American. This hip Bishop Arts District eatery is nationally celebrated for its imaginative menu of upscale tastes from the American South. Local favorites include pecan-crust catfish, fried green tomatoes with buttermilk dressing, and figs stuffed with walnuts and bleu cheese wrapped in prosciutto. www.hatties.net. 418 N. Bishop Ave., 214.942.7400. **Map 2: C-6**



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ODD FELLOWS—American. This award-winning cafe serves up some of the best macaroni and cheese ever created, followed by its popular fried chicken and waffles. But that's not all; the 'Fellows' are known for their deliciously-flavored, hand-crafted, Fair Trade coffee that seems to keep visitors coming back for more. Serving delectable breakfast, brunch, lunch and dinner. www.oddfellowsdallas.com. 316 7th St., 214.944.5958. **Map 2: D-6**

SMOKE RESTAURANT—Barbecue. The name speaks for itself: just smokin' good. Award-winning Chef Tim Byres specializes in slow-smoked meat and old-school cooking from scratch to create some of the most flavorful New American dishes around. Try the dry-rubbed pork spare ribs with a side of creamy macaroni and cheese. Also, try their organic veggies, grown right behind the restaurant. www.smokerestaurant.com. 901 Fort Worth Ave., 214.393.4141. **Map 2: D-6**

SPIRAL DINER—Vegetarian. Vegans and vegetarians alike rejoiced when Spiral Diner opened up its newest location in Oak Cliff. The menu is filled with

vegan treats, ranging from faux-barbecue sandwiches and pasta to a whole case of vegan baked goods. www.spiraldiner.com. 1101 N. Beckley Ave., 214.948.4747. **Map 2: D-6**

TILLMAN'S ROADHOUSE—American. Tillman's is a place for good food, drinks and music in a casual, friendly environment. The menu is an updated take on a classic Texas roadhouse, featuring standouts such as Venison Frito Pie, Chicken Fried Hanger Steak and tableside S'mores. www.tillmansroadhouse.com. 324 W. Seventh St., 214.942.0988. **Map 5: A-11**

Oak Lawn

AL BIERNAT'S—Steaks. Incredible food like North Dakota Buffalo, Lobster Risotto and six types of fresh fish await you daily. The award-winning wine list features more than 650 selections from around the globe. Enjoy dry-aged New York strip and see why Town and Country, Playboy and Wine Spectator selected Al Biernat's as one of the top steakhouses in the country. www.albiernats.com. 4217 Oak Lawn Ave., 214.219.2201. **Map 5: B-2**

COSMIC CAFE—Vegetarian. From its colorful exterior to the laid-back atmosphere, it's easy to see why Cosmic Cafe is a long-time Dallas favorite. All menu choices are vegetarian and use a wide variety of fresh, tasty produce. www.cosmiccafedallas.com. 2912 Oak Lawn Ave., 214.521.6157. **Map 5: B-4**

EATZI'S—Deli. Although not a typical restaurant, EatZi's offers a full-size deli, a fresh-food-laden

produce section, and a wood-burning oven manned by chefs who create delicious, take-home, gourmet dinners, including wood-roasted chicken, pesto and goat cheese pizzas, and fresh desserts. 3403 Oak Lawn Ave., 214.526.1515.

EDDIE V'S PRIME SEAFOOD—Seafood. Eddie V's is an exercise in fine dining. With an award-winning raw bar, shellfish towers, a gluten-free menu and succulent seafood dishes, it's a fantastic location for a fantastic meal. Not to mention the warm and elegant coziness that envelops guests upon arrival. www.eddiev.com. 4023 Oak Lawn Ave., 214.890.1500. **Map 5: C-2**

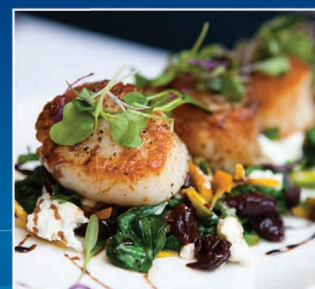
MEDDLESOME MOTH—Eclectic. Touted as the finest gastropub in Dallas, Meddlesome Moth serves gourmet fare in a casual, pub-like atmosphere. With more than 120 beers from which to choose and plates that make diners' mouths water (think lamb meat pie, steak-frites and five-spice pork belly), Meddlesome Moth is a great choice. www.mothinthe.net. 1621 Oak Lawn Ave., 214.628.7900. **Map 2: D-5**

MIA'S TEX-MEX RESTAURANT—Mexican. Mia's is famous for their brisket tacos — tender, shredded beef served in homemade flour tortillas and topped with gravy. If you're looking for homemade Mexican food, this is the place to be. www.miastrtexmex.com. 4322 Lemmon Ave., 214.526.1020. **Map 5: B-2**

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STEEL RESTAURANT & LOUNGE—Asian. This upscale, highly rated restaurant offers seafood, meats, poultry and a full sushi bar served in a warm atmosphere of candles and mahogany wood. They offer an excellent wine cellar and a vibrant bar scene. Premium sakes and herbal teas are available. www.steeldallas.com. 3102 Oak Lawn Ave., Ste. 100, 214.219.9908. **Map 5: B-4**

Uptown

DREAM CAFE—American. Serving up a variety of New American casual cuisine with a healthy flair. Features a large outdoor patio with a lawn to spread your toes, kids play area, kiddy menu and an impressive wine list. www.thedreamcafe.com. 2800 Routh St. at the Quadrangle, 214.954.0486.; 5100 Belt Line Rd., Village on the Parkway, 972.503.7326.

FEARING'S—American. Chef Dean Fearing serves up noteworthy dishes such as a maple-black

peppercorn-soaked buffalo tenderloin at his namesake restaurant, located in The Ritz-Carlton. Other must-tries include the barbecued shrimp tacos and the Dublin Dr Pepper Braised short ribs. www.fearingsrestaurant.com. 2121 McKinney Ave., 214.922.4848.

KOMALI—Latin American. Taking its name from the Aztec word meaning "open fire griddle," Komali has customers flamed with excitement when they come to try the specialties of Mexican native Abraham Salum, chef and owner. The handmade tortillas are as good as they get, and the fresh herbs and sauces have guests coming back for more in a hurry. www.komalirestaurant.com. 4152 Cole Ave., 214.252.0200. **Map 5: D-2**

MAX'S WINE DIVE—New American. "Fried Chicken and Champagne?" Why not at Max's Wine Dive? Delve into gourmet comfort food, paired with a selection from the extensive wine list. Hankering for Sunday brunch? Try the Southern fried-chicken with red velvet pancakes, and don't forget the mimosas. www.maxswinedive.com/dallas. 3600 McKinney Ave., Ste. 101, 214.559.3483. **Map 5: C-4**


OCEAN PRIME—Seafood. Located in the heart of Uptown, Ocean Prime offers succulent seafood and steaks. The cocktails are clever and the wine selection is divine. Offerings like Alaskan King Crab Ravioli and the 12-ounce, bone-in filet are sure to impress clients and loved ones alike. www.oceanprimedallas.com. 2101 Cedar Springs Rd., 214.965.0440. **Map 5: B-6**

TEXAS DE BRAZIL—Steaks. This all-you-can-eat Brazilian bonanza includes pork, steak and chicken skewered on huge swords and sliced right off onto your plate. Accompany your meal with fresh salad and tempting dessert for the true Brazilian experience. www.texasdebrasil.com. 2727 Cedar Springs Rd., 214.720.1414. **Map 5: B-5**; 15101 Addison Rd., Addison, 972.385.1000.


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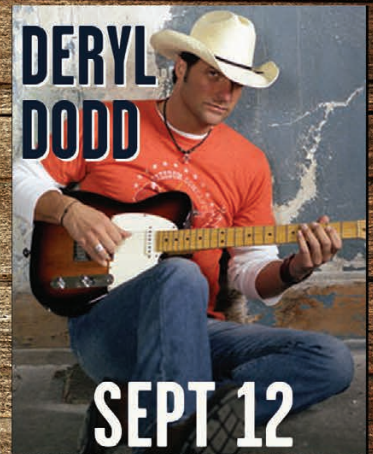
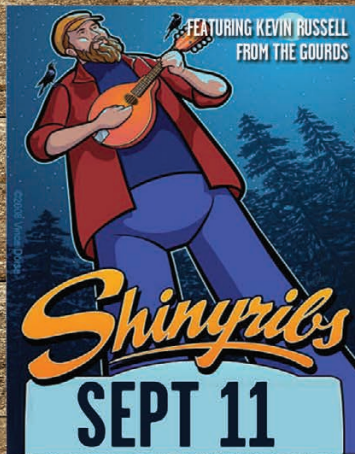
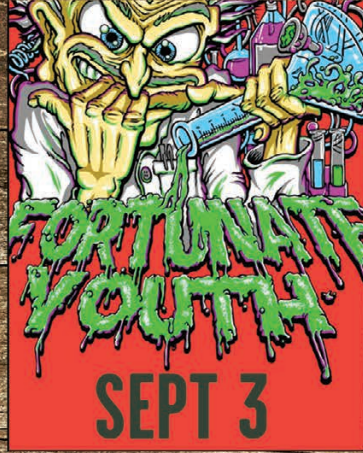
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Bars & Clubs

ADAIR'S SALOON—Covered in graffiti and dripping with Texas charm, Adair's is billed on its website as "the best hole-in-the-wall, burger, beer and live music joint around." After being in business for 40 years, who are we to argue? www.adairssaloon.com. 2624 Commerce St., 214.939.9900. **Map 5: E-8**

AMSTERDAM BAR—This casual, quirky bar specializes in European ales. In good weather, guests can enjoy live music on the back patio and a jukebox inside. 831 Exposition Ave., 214.827.3433. **Map 5: G-8**

BAR BELMONT—This is the ultimate hipster hangout spot, located within the mid-century modern Belmont Hotel. The mojitos are divine ... and not to be missed. Plus, the stunning view of downtown Dallas doesn't hurt. www.belmontdallas.com. 901 Fort Worth Ave., 214.393.2300. **Map 5: A-11**

BARCADIA—Barcadia looks to double visitors' pleasure by combining arcade favorites (Pac-Man, anyone?) with a cold brew. The space has a great '80s rock 'n' roll lounge feel to it. www.barcadiadallas.com. 1917 N. Henderson Ave., 214.821.7300. **Map 5: F-3**

BILLY BOB'S TEXAS—Billed as "The World's Largest Honky Tonk," this renowned venue is the daddy of all nightlife in Fort Worth. Billy Bob's offers concerts from A-list acts like Willie Nelson and Robert Earl Keen, as well as live bull riding, an arcade, casino and a smaller venue called the Ranch Roadhouse. www.billybobstexas.com. 2520 Rodeo Plz., Fort Worth, 817.624.7117. **Map 3: B-5**

CANDLE ROOM—Offering a hip, exclusive, well-lit ambience, The Candle Room is the go-to bar and club for those looking for a little adventure in Dallas. The Candle Room is known for its great martinis and dance music. www.candleroomdallas.com. 5039 Willis Ave., 214.887.9330. **Map 5: E-2**

CAPITOL PUB—This neighborhood pub offers great food and a large drink selection. The relaxed atmosphere makes it a great place to hang out and drink some imported brew. www.capitolpubdallas.com. 2401 N. Henderson Ave., 214.887.9330. **Map 5: F-3**

COWBOYS—This gigantic western saloon is as good as it gets if you're looking for a good boot scoot and boogie. The club offers dance lessons, live music and special concerts. www.cowboysdancehall.com. 10310 Technology Blvd., 214.352.1796. **Map 2: C-5**

DEEP ELLUM BREWING COMPANY—From small microbrewery to full-on bar venue, the four founding members here provide beer education with a pint and a smile. Featuring year-round brews such as the double brown stout and their famous cherry chocolate Baltic porter, every thirst shall be quenched here. Be sure to stop by for their weekly tasting tours every Thursday and Saturday. www.deepellumbrewing.com. 2823 St. Louis St., 214.888.3322. **Map 5: E-8**

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DOUBLE WIDE—Look for the tornado on top of the building, then step on in. Enjoy some great, local live music and some "white trash" drink specialties, such as the Boone's Farm Martini and the Yoohoo Yeehaw. www.double-wide.com. 3510 Commerce St., 214.887.6510. **Map 5: F-7**

GINGER MAN—With a unique "beer garden" in the back, this home-style pub has a terrific upstairs lounge area with a balcony for sightseeing. They



GEXA ENERGY PAVILION, located in Fair Park, began as the Coca-Cola Starplex Amphitheatre and has undergone five name changes since opening in 1988.

offer a wide variety of beers for the adventurous. www.gingermanpub.com. 2718 Boll St., 214.754.8771. **Map 5: C-5**

GLASS CACTUS—This Lake Grapevine nightclub showcases music seven nights a week on a powerhouse stage. A spacious dance floor, five bars, a multi-tiered outdoor deck, upscale club cuisine and the largest selection of tequila in Texas grants a Texas-sized time. www.glasscactusnightclub.com. 1501 Gaylord Trail, Grapevine, 817.778.2800 **Map 4: B-2**

IDLE RICH PUB—Located along McKinney Avenue, Idle Rich offers a lively, friendly atmosphere. Enjoy a wide selection of Belgian beers, single malt Scotch/small batch bourbon, fish and chips, blue cheese-stuffed burgers and more. www.idlerichpub.com. 2614 McKinney Ave., 214.965.9926. **Map 5: C-5**

LAKEWOOD LANDING—The dive bar of all dive bars, Lakewood Landing is a Dallas classic. www.lakewood-landing.com. 5818 Live Oak St., 214.823.2410. **Map 2: E-6**

MAT (MCKINNEY AVENUE TAVERN)—Located in Uptown, the very popular McKinney Avenue Tavern offers nearly two dozen televisions and classic burgers designed to turn you into a regular. A high definition projector puts the football right in your lap. www.mckinneyavenuetavern.com. 2822 McKinney Ave., 214.969.1984. **Map 5: C-5**

MCSWIGGAN'S IRISH PUB—Billed as "The Unofficial Boston Pub of Dallas," McSwiggan's is a great place to catch a game, grab a bite and relax with a drink. Serving Irish breakfast, classic bangers & mash, juicy pub burgers and more, this relaxed pub is perfect for a night out with the boys. www.mcswigganirishpub.com. 6910 Windhaven Pkwy., Ste. 105, 972.820.0688.

OLD MONK—Located on historic Henderson Avenue, this eclectic pub has an old-world feel and an assortment of antiques that give it a weathered, friendly appearance. The Old Monk also offers a widely varied beer selection and above-average food for those deep-fried or burger-fueled Friday nights. www.oldmonkdallas.com. 2847 N. Henderson Ave., 214.821.1880. **Map 5: E-2**

OZONA GRILL AND BAR—This Greenville Avenue favorite has a good deal of style to go along with its premium cuisine. Quality enchiladas are served up alongside classics like rellenos and tamales. If you're not in the mood for spicy, go for the tasty burgers or blackened-steak sandwiches. The outdoor space is casual and conversational with strong drinks and an accommodating wait staff who will make diners feel right at home. www.ozonagrill.com. 4615 Greenville Ave., 214.265.9105. **Map 2: E-5**

POOLSIDE AT HOTEL ZAZA—The stylish and imaginative refuge is a cocktail haven with sexy scenery to boot. You don't have to swim to indulge in this alluring atmosphere, with lush vegetation and lovely seating areas. www.hotelzaza.com. 2332 Leonard St., 214.468.8399. **Map 5: C-6**

TEN BELLS TAVERN—This unpretentious Bishop Arts tavern offers amazing bar food, a subtle British theme, and a plethora of imbibing options. Try the "butty," a traditional English delight stuffed with cheese and French fries and served with Jack Daniels mustard. We're SO there. www.tenbellstavern.com. 232 W. 7th St., 214.943.2677. **Map 2: D-6**

THE DRAM—This trendy, upscale cocktail lounge seems tailor-made for both young, successful upstarts and seasoned professionals alike. The emphasis is on handcrafted spirits and colorful concoctions. There is an extensive whiskey and champagne menu for additional temptation. www.thedramdallas.com. 2918 N. Henderson Ave., 214.826.3726. **Map 5: E-2**

THE DUBLINER—This matchbox-sized hangout is perfect for those who can appreciate a good whiskey or European beer. Living up to its namesake, patrons will be in awe of the Irish whiskey selection. www.dallasdubliner.com. 2818 Greenville Ave., 214.818.0911. **Map 5: G-1**

THE LIBERTINE BAR—The Libertine is a friendly, neighborhood bar by day and a musician's playground at night. The food is budget-friendly, delicious and fun pairing events are scheduled frequently. www.thelibertinebar.com. 2101 Greenville Ave., 214.824.7900. **Map 5: G-2**

THE LONDONER—Looking for an authentic pub setting with a bevy of frothy brews? The Londoner gives you ice cold pints, darts, trivia and some delicious bites. Try one of the traditional British entrees like fish & chips or shepherd's pie. www.londoneraddison.com. 14930 Midway Rd., Addison, 972.458.2444. **Map 2: D-3**

THE QUARTER BAR—Modeled after the French Quarter's ambiance, The Quarter Bar is a favorite amongst Dallas singles. It's a casual scene that is always packed, and the courtyard patio is perfect for relaxed conversation. 3301 McKinney Ave., 214.754.4940. **Map 5: C-4**

THE STANDARD POUR—Far from standard, this "cocktail den and cravings kitchen" invites eager night-lifers in with far-from-ordinary creations designed to tickle the taste buds and unlock inhibitions. The menu impresses as well with decadent salads and classic upscale American dishes, all in a hip, Prohibition-era aesthetic. www.tspdallas.com. 2900 McKinney Ave., 214.935.1370. **Map 5: C-5**

THREE SHEETS—This neighborhood bar is much more than, well, a bar. Featuring a warm, rustic ambiance and spaces like the "library" lounge, this classy-cool building formerly served as a Tucker car dealership. Now it routinely dishes out gourmet bar food and a wide assortment of scotches and whiskeys. The welcoming covered patio and generous amount of flat-screen TVs on site are an added bonus. www.threesheetsdallas.com. 3113 Ross Ave., 214.823.3113. **Map 5: D-6**

TRINITY HALL—With an impressive hardwood bar and traditional feel, this Irish restaurant is just the ticket for that St. Patty's Day feast or U2 listening party you've been waiting for. They offer fantastic Irish food as well, such as corned beef and cabbage and Guinness stew. www.trinityhall.tv. 5321 E. Mockingbird Ln., Ste. 250, 214.887.3600. **Map 2: E-5**

Comedy

FOUR DAY WEEKEND—This highly acclaimed comedy troupe specializes in improvisational comedy and has garnered national attention over the years with its hilarious performances for all ages and audiences. www.fourdayweekend.com. 312 Houston St., Fort Worth, 817.226.4329. **Map 3: C-7**

BACKDOOR COMEDY CLUB—Backdoor Comedy is the city's longest-running stand-up comedy showcase, and after 20 years still reigns as the

hot spot for Dallas comedy. Shows feature eight or more comedians per night, including national touring comedians from Comedy Central, Showtime and NBC's "Last Comic Standing," and the best of the local pros. The coziness of the Backdoor takes you back to the roots of stand-up and gives you the intimate atmosphere of the original comedy rooms in NYC and LA. www.backdoorcomedy-club.com. Doubletree Hotel, 8250 N. Central Expy., 214.328.4444. **Map 2: E-4**

Family Fun

ADVENTURE LANDING—Can't decide what you want to do on your family outing? Do it all, with Adventure Landing. This large, regional theme park houses enough activities to warrant three visits, including Speedway Go-Karts, Adventure Golf, Laser Tag, and even a Teddy Bear Factory. Springtime and summer offer the added appeal of Bumper Boats, guaranteed to shake things up and cool things off. Start your engines! www.adventurelanding.com. 17717 Coit Rd., 972.248.4653. **Map 2: E-1**

FOSSIL RIM WILDLIFE PARK—This is what family fun is all about. Grab some drinks and snacks and head toward Glen Rose to this wildlife preserve that is home to more than 60 species of animals such as rhinos and giraffes who roam free in a natural, nurturing setting. Aside from the breath-taking hilltops and expansive pastures, visitors can enjoy educational classes and kid's camps. www.fossilrim.com. 2155 CR 2008, Glen Rose, 254.897.2960.

HYDROUS WAKE PARK—For beginners or experts, this cable-system water skiing and wakeboarding is perfect for a splashy, outdoor adventure and fun in the sun! www.hydruswakeparks.info. 580 N. Cedar Dr., Allen, 214.755.9905.

SANDY LAKE AMUSEMENT—With bumper cars and miniature trains, even the little kids will be thrilled at Sandy Lake Amusement Park. www.sandylake.com. 1800 Sandy Lake Rd., Carrollton, 972.242.7449. **Map 2: B-3**

Festivals & Events

THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS—The State Fair of Texas has been a tradition in the Lone Star State since 1886. Renowned as one of the largest state fairs in the U.S., the month-long event draws thousands of patrons each year with its big-name concerts, auto expos, Fletcher's Corny Dogs, herding dog shows, thrilling Midway rides and more fried foods than you could ever imagine. Held each September-October (this year Sept. 26-Oct. 19) at Fair Park. www.bigtex.com. 3921 Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd., 214.565.9931.

Golf

BROOK HOLLOW—Established in 1920, this private country club is home to more than just golf. Complete with an 18-hole course (ranked No. 2 in Texas by Golf Digest), 16 tennis courts, a swimming pool and fitness center, Brook Hollow is a place that the entire family can enjoy. A la carte dining is available for both formal and family occasions with additional banquet facilities to accommodate larger parties and events. www.brookhollowgc.org. 8301 Harry Hines Blvd., 214.637.1900. **Map 2: D-5**

COWBOYS CLUB—As the world's first NFL-themed golf course, this resort-style, daily fee course is an

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FOSSIL CREEK—Voted by PGA as the best public golf course in Texas, this exclusive par 72 course features 18 holes surrounded by crystal lakes and rocky-ledged creeks. Golf legend Arnold Palmer designed this championship course to be the premier challenge for experienced and beginner golfers alike. www.thegolfclubatfossilcreek.com. 3401 Club Gate Dr., Fort Worth, 817.847.1900.

FOUR SEASONS GOLF RESORT—Home to the famous Byron Nelson Golf Tournament, the Four Seasons sustains its sophisticated reputation with their luxurious courses. After a day of playing 18 holes in the Texas-shaped Cottonwood Course, visit the Hall of Champions museum-quality exhibit displaying memorabilia of Byron Nelson and past championship winners. www.fourseasons.com/dallas/golf. 4150 N. MacArthur Blvd., Irving, Four Seasons, 972.717.0700.

GRAPEVINE GOLF COURSE—Whether a high handicapper or a putting master, this golfing venue caters to anyone's game. The firm of PGA Professional D.A. Weibring recently renovated the facility to bring patrons 27 holes with tiffEagle greens, scenic roughs and water hazards. The venue also provides practice ranges, a fully stocked bar and restaurant, and a beautifully designed meeting facility for conferences, banquets and other events. www.grapevinegc.com. 3800 Fairway Dr., Grapevine, 817.410.3377. **Map 4: C-1**

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TEXAS STAR GOLF—Located outside of Fort Worth in Euless, this lavish venue offers championship golf courses, dining options and facilities for special celebrations. As a vibrant part of the Euless community, this scenic course has won several National Honors. It will be closed for renovations beginning in June, but will reopen in October. www.texasstargolf.com. 1400 Texas Star Pkwy., Euless, 817.685.7888. **Map 2: A-5**

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CLUB DADA—An eclectic mix of musical tastes find a home in this hip Dallas venue that has played host to everyone from Dawes to Reverend Horton Heat. The venue also showcases special events almost every night of the week. www.dadadallas.com. 2720 Elm St., 214.748.5105. **Map 5: E-7**

GEXA ENERGY PAVILION—An old Dallas favorite, and still one of the best outdoor venues in the city, Gexa Energy Pavilion plays host to some of the biggest names in the business such as Dave Matthews and Lynyrd Skynyrd. Seated tickets are available as well as lower-cost lawn seating.

www.livenation.com. 1818 First Ave., Fair Park, 214.421.1111. **Map 5: G-9**

GILLEY'S DALLAS—Made famous in the John Travolta classic *Urban Cowboy*, this traditional country-western venue that features mechanical bull riding, big-name concerts, and your favorite longnecks. The venue has even been known to host amateur boxing tournaments. www.gilleysdallas.com. 1135 S Lamar St., 214.421.1822. **Map 1: C-8**

GRANADA THEATER—A perfect venue with acts ranging from all over the world, the Granada defines the word eclectic. Great food and a lively atmosphere make this one of the best live venues for music in Dallas. www.granadatheater.com. 3524 Greenville Ave., 214.824.9933. **Map 2: E-5**

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LEE HARVEY'S—Remaining true to the original bar's design, Lee Harvey's retains touches of authenticity, such as wood paneling, neon beer signs and more. This quintessential Dallas bar is a hot hipster hangout. www.leeharveys.com. 1807 Gould St., 214.428.1555. **Map 2: D-6**

MORTON H. MEYERSON SYMPHONY CENTER—Offering a beautiful space with wonderful acoustics, the Meyerson has been a long-time Dallas favorite for symphonies, live concert series and themed performances. www.dallassymphony.com. 2301 Flora St., 214.670.3600. **Map 1: E-2**

SOUTH SIDE BALLROOM—The South Side, formerly known as the Palladium, typically features multiple shows each week, ranging from rock, reggae and everything in between. www.aeglive.com. 1135 S. Lamar St., 972.343.2444. **Map 5: C-10**

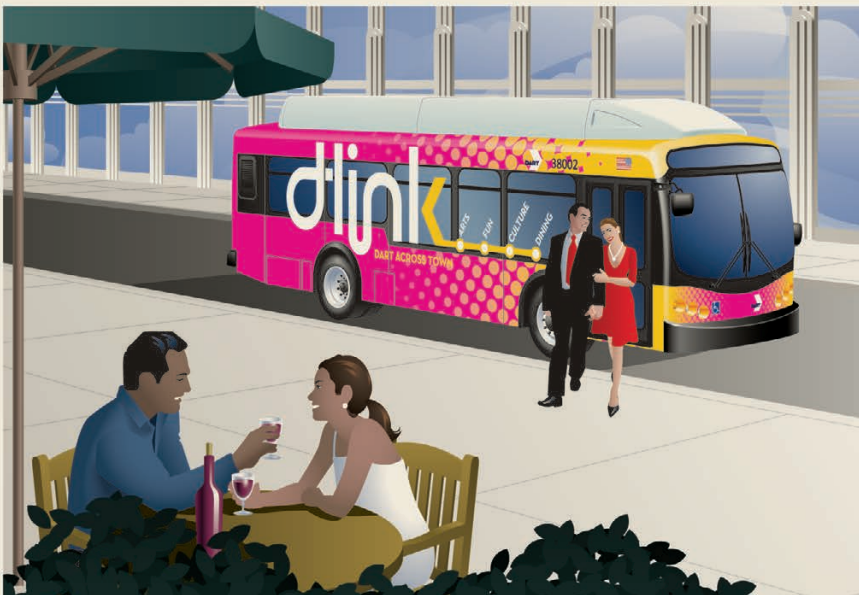
GAS MONKEY BAR N' GRILL—Texas music acts and national talent come together with a rockin' menu of burgers, smoked meats and chicken-fried steak at Gas Monkey Bar N' Grill. Opened by Richard Rawlings, star of the auto-shop reality show "Fast N' Loud", the restaurant/live music venue is the place to be for good grub, local brews and an impressive concert lineup. www.gasmonkeybargrill.com. 10261 Technology Blvd. East, 214.350.1940.

VERIZON WIRELESS THEATRE—Verizon Wireless Theatre offers a 6,350-seat auditorium that can shift from large musical acts to Broadway style theater shows. The venue also features comfortable seating and unparalleled luxury suites. www.livenation.com. 1001 Performance Place, Grand Prairie, 972.854.5111. **Map 2: B-6**

Sports

DALLAS COWBOYS—Once dubbed "America's Team," the Dallas Cowboys are five-time Super Bowl champions. Catch their season from August to December at the newer stadium in Arlington, complete with the largest LED screen in the world. This \$1.15-billion complex encompasses 140 acres and is open for tours M-Sa, 10 am-4:30 pm and Su, noon-3:30 pm. www.dallascowboys.com/stadium/index.html. 1 Legends Way, Arlington, 817.892.4000. **Map 2: A-7**



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DALLAS STARS—The 2000 Western Conference Champion Dallas Stars hit the ice and face off against the best of the NHL from October through April at the American Airlines Center. Root for the home team and get rowdy as pucks fly and players maneuver sticks. www.stars.nhl.com. 2500 Victory Ave., 214.467.8277. **Map 1: A-1**

FRISCO ROUGHRIDERS—At the Dr Pepper Ballpark in Frisco, the young and young-at-heart can experience an old-fashioned, good time at the ball park with the minor league Frisco RoughRiders. www.ridersbaseball.com. 7300 RoughRiders Trl., 972.731.9200.

TEXAS RANGERS—Like the Dallas Cowboys the Texas Rangers are a huge attraction for sports fans, not to mention the hot dogs, nachos and cold beer. The team was founded in 1972 but gained popularity in 1994 with the opening of Rangers Ballpark (now Globe Life Park) in Arlington. www.texas.rangers.mlb.com. 1000 Ballpark Way, Arlington. **Map 2: A-6**

Theaters and Shows

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EISEMANN CENTER—The center in Richardson, which has been praised for its architectural design, is actually three venues in one, comprising Hill Performance Hall, Bank of America Theatre and the Bank of America Hall. It's home to a comedy series and a family-theater series, as well as concerts and corporate events. www.eisemanncenter.com. 2351 Performance Dr., 972.744.4650.

KITCHEN DOG THEATER—If you haven't been to Kitchen Dog Theater yet, you owe it to yourself to give this edgy, thought-provoking company a try. The performances are top-notch, and the material ranges from classics to new works. www.kitchendogtheater.org. 3120 McKinney Ave., 214.953.1055. **Map 5: C-4**

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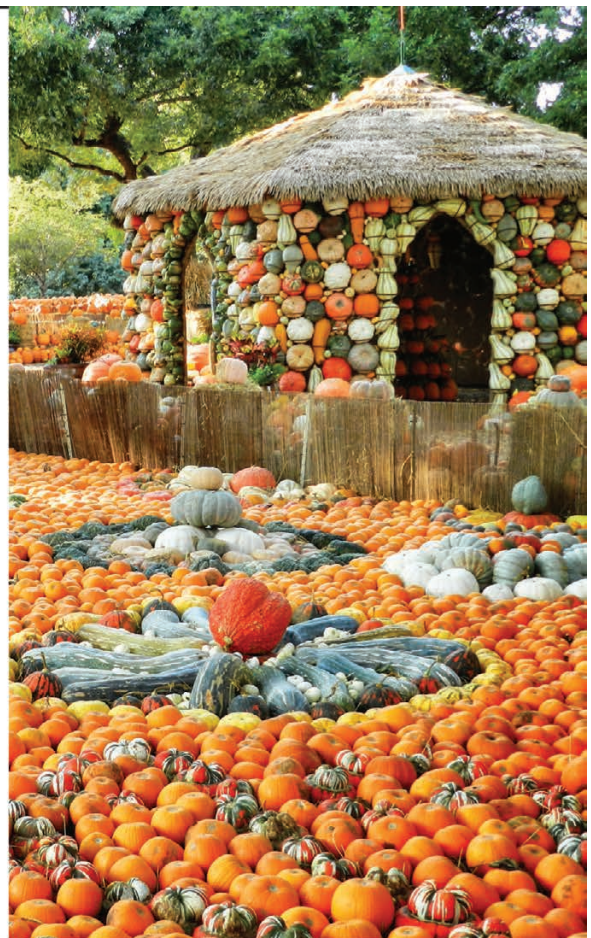
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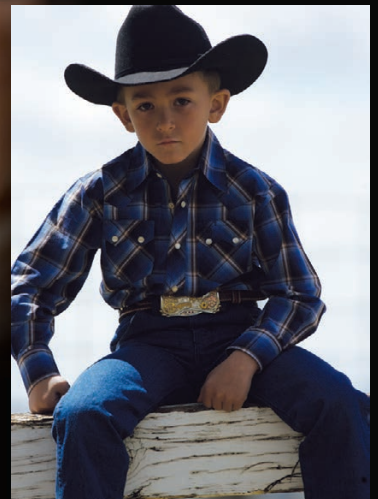


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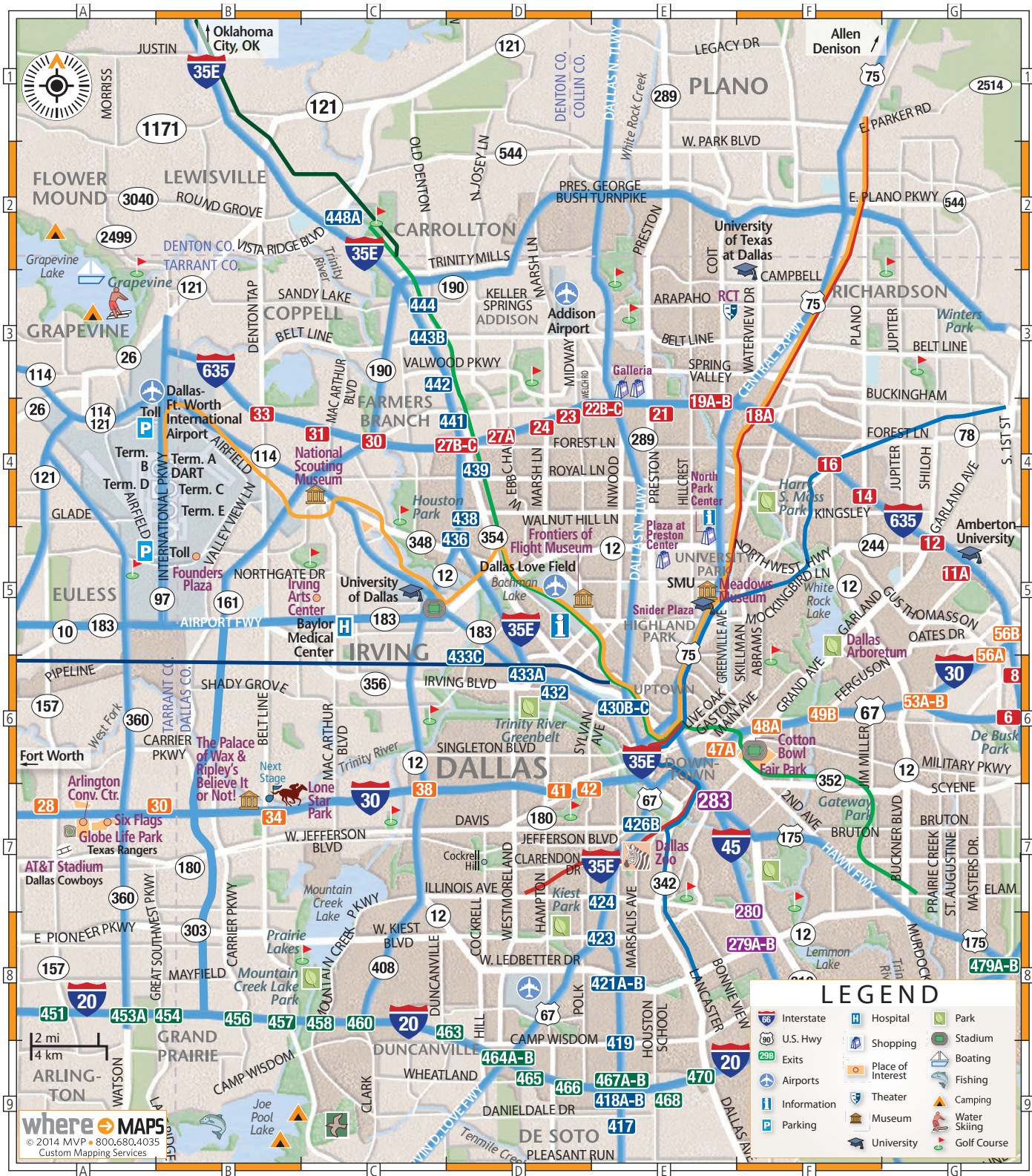
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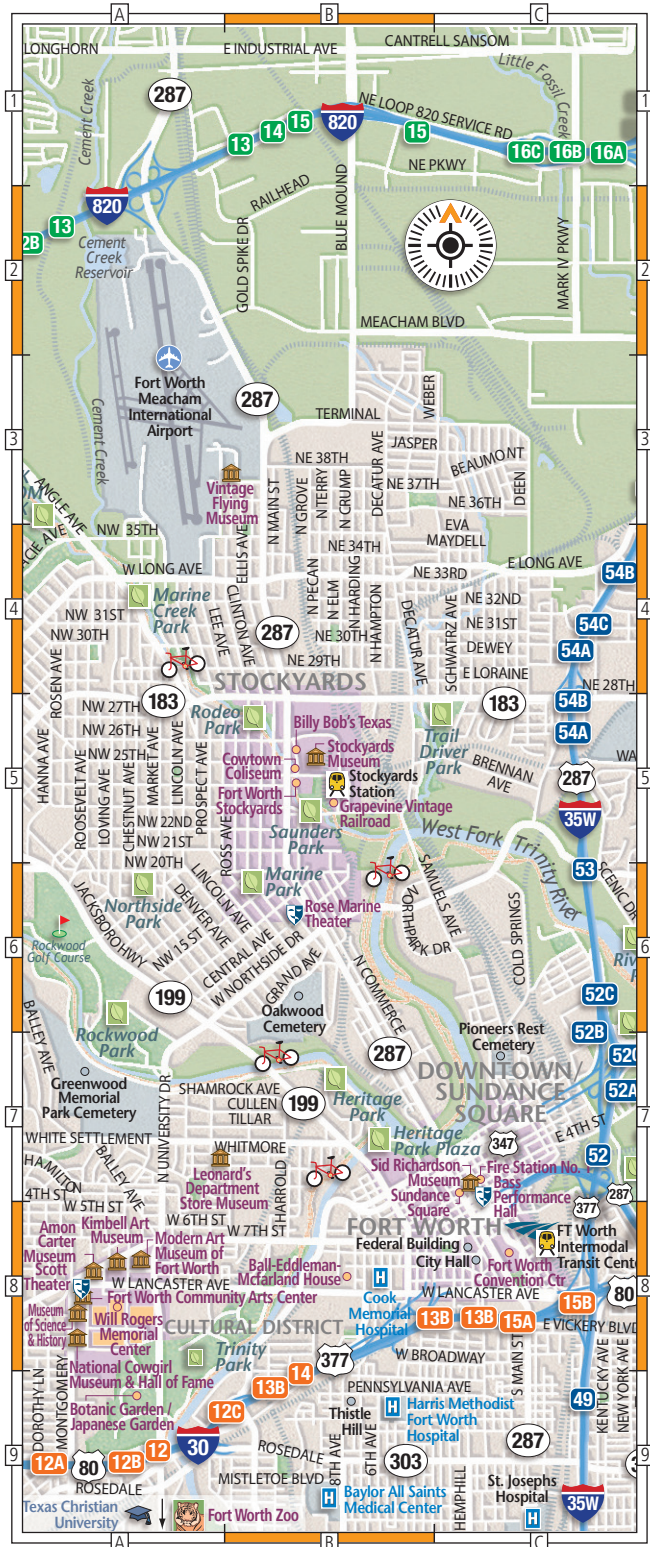


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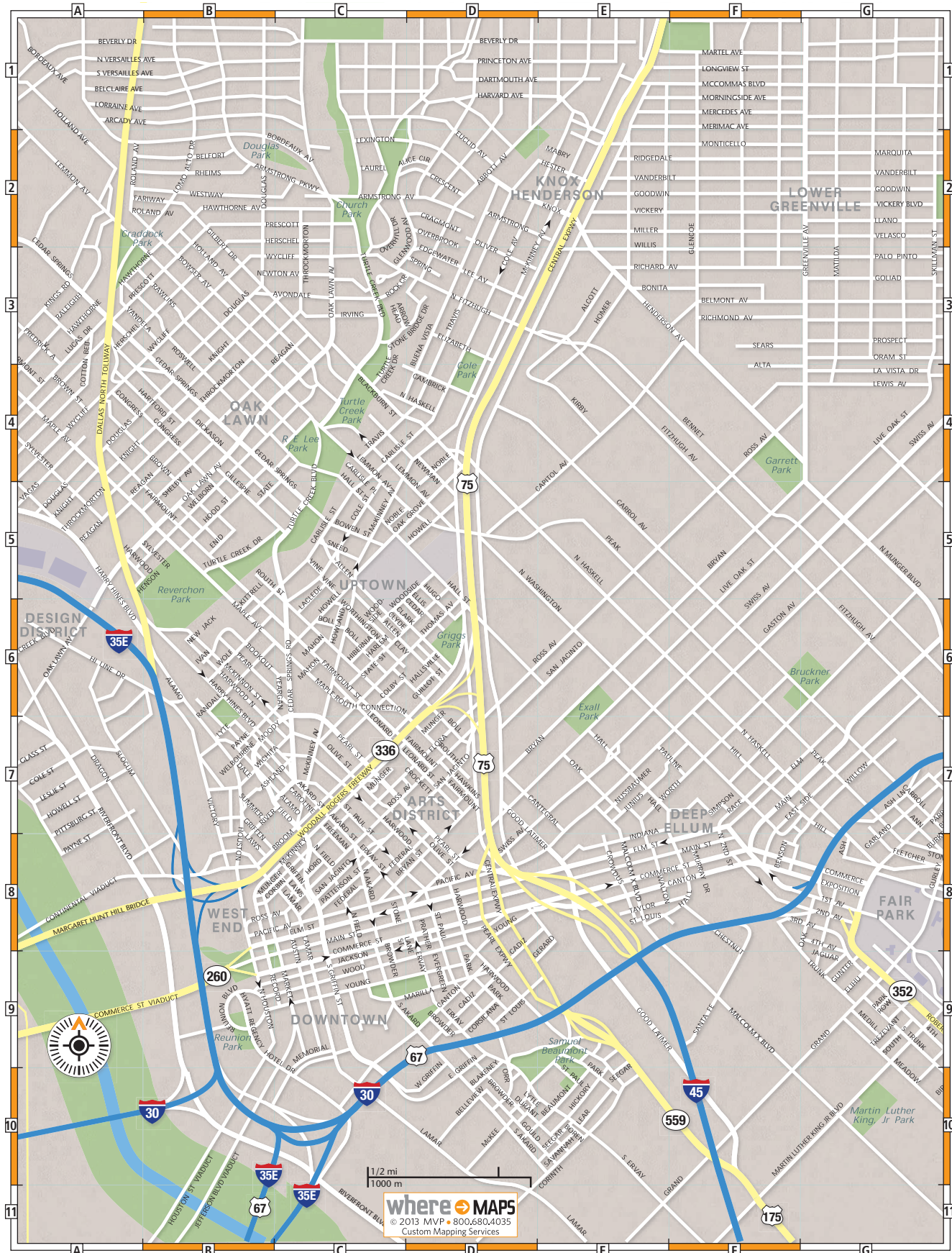
MAP 4 GRAPEVINE/SOUTHLAKE



MAP 6 PLANO/FRISCO



MAP 5 CENTRAL DALLAS



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Connie Sigel

[Owner of elements]

Since opening her fashionable boutique on Lovers Lane in 1999, Connie Sigel has worked hard to make elements the go-to spot for designer clothing, handbags and jewelry. She regularly sources trends from New York, L.A., Europe and Australia, but this SMU grad's love for Dallas runs deep.



Where in DFW do you love to shop?

I really enjoy exploring the Design District. There are so many fabulous art galleries and every artist represented by Laura Rathe Fine Art mesmerizes me. Lucretia Waggoner's ceramic pieces are so in demand that I am in line for a commission! All the other artists are exceptional as well, and the Design District is also a great venue for mid-century modern furniture and accessories.

How would you describe Dallas style?

Dallas has always been a mecca for high style and high fashion. The TV show

really put us on the world map—I remember visiting London and the Brits were just mad for J.R. Ewing. From the 1950s to the late '80s, Lovers Lane, or the "Miracle Mile," was the destination for the best specialty stores in Texas, such as Lou Lattimore and Yves Saint Laurent, which was formerly located in the same storefront as elements! Dallas has always been on the radar of every fashion insider, and Karl Lagerfeld chose our dynamic city for his prestigious 2014 Métiers d'Art, which combined Parisian haute couture with Dallas barbecue and Lone Star beer.

What's your favorite DFW landmark?

The Calatrava Bridge has really raised the bar on the Dallas skyline, and the Trinity Groves development has sure added a lot of spunk

to our lively food scene with unique and innovative cuisines. It is such a rush to view Downtown Dallas from that locale. Fair Park has also been a longtime favorite landmark. The Art Deco architecture, fountains and of course the Cotton Bowl have been host to some of the most exciting events. I remember going to many Texas/OU games, Rolling Stones concerts and of course the great State Fair of Texas! It is also home to many great historical museums including the Dallas Historical Society and the African American Museum.



Where do you love to eat?

Shinsei has the best and most interesting sushi and Asian fusion in all of Texas, and I have been a die-hard fan of Snuffers since my freshman year at SMU. I also love The Mercury and Eddie V's bar for oysters and jazz.

What are some of your favorite places to visit around town?

Texas Horse Park, opening in the fall of 2014, is so dear to my heart. I have been involved with Equest for many years, and therapeutic horseback riding is a proven therapy for those with disabilities. The River Ranch Educational Charities offers a wonderful venue for recreation and will enrich so many lives.

MY PERFECT DAY

9 am

Park Cities Stroll

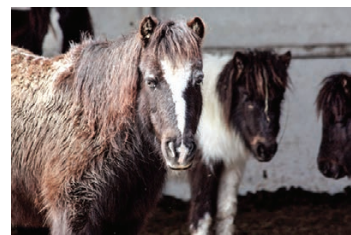
The parks are truly enchanting and I especially like Goar Park, near my home.



Noon

White Rock Break

Stop by Empire Bakery for the best chicken salad and trail mix cookies, and then go for a picnic at White Rock Lake with a big blanket and a wonderful book.



3 pm

Horsing Around

I would then head over to watch my daughter Kendell ride her horse at Park Lane Equestrian Center, one of the last city barns in the state. They have the most darling petting zoo with miniature horses, goats, donkeys and more.

7 pm

Horsing Around

Then we'd go to Bowl & Barrel for an evening of bowling and great food. It's a blast and the food is really outstanding.

For Connie's full interview and itinerary, go to wheretraveler.com

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