



HAPPY NEW YEAR

MONTHLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January

Travis, Hays & Williamson Counties

Festivals & Culture

1 9:30 AM-2:00PM

**BARTON SPRINGS
POLAR BEAR SPLASH**

No better way to start the year. Barton Springs is a perfect 68°-70°F year-round that is refreshing on a hot summer day and cozy on those frigid winter mornings. Enjoy donuts and coffee after your swim. Hosted by Save Our Springs Alliance. Barton Springs, Austin <https://www.sosalliance.org/>

1-18

• FREE

AUSTIN FREE WEEK 2018

More accurately, Free Weeks! Doves of awesome bands will be playing free shows in many different places around town. Various Locations, Austin <http://freeweek.do512.com/>

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• FREE

**FIRST THURSDAY
DRIPPING SPRINGS**

Enjoy special activities, music, art, dining and shopping. Downtown Dripping Springs <https://firstthursdaydrippingsprings.org/welcome/>

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• FREE

FIRST THURSDAY BUDA

Enjoy special activities, music, art, dining and shopping. Downtown Buda www.ci.buda.tx.us/211/Annual-Events

15 9:00 AM

• FREE

AUSTIN MLK CELEBRATION

A March, Festival, and Food Drive. The Annual Community March celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy while uplifting diversity and multi-culturalism in our city. University of Texas campus, Austin <http://www.mlkcelebration.com/>

26-28

**STAR OF TEXAS
TATOO AND ART REVIVAL**

Featuring tatted-up performers and skilled tattoo artists, this festival features a unique balance of entertainment and education. Palmer Events Center, Austin <http://www.golivefast.com/>

Sports

21 7:30 AM

3M HALF MARATHON

3M Half is a fun and fast stand-alone half marathon boasting one of the fastest 13.1-mile courses in the country. You'll enjoy a point-to-point course with mostly downhill running that takes you past some of Austin's finest locations and finishes downtown near the Texas State Capitol. Cross the finish line, grab your hefty one-of-a-kind "spinner" finisher medal, and celebrate at the energetic finish line festival complete with a beer garden! North Austin & Downtown, Austin <http://3mhalfmarathon.com/>

26 7:00 PM

HARLEM GLOBE TROTTERS

The Original Harlem Globetrotters are preparing for their action-packed 2018 World Tour against the Washington Generals! A star-studded roster will have fans on the edge of their seats to experience the ball handling wizardry, basketball artistry and one-of-a-kind family entertainment that thrills fans of all ages. Frank Erwin Center, Austin <http://www.uterwincenter.com/news/2017/9/21/event-harlem-globetrotters-world-tour.aspx>

**AUSTIN SPURS
AMERICAN NBA LEAGUE
GAME CALENDAR**

Various dates during the month <http://gleague.nba.com/schedule/#/team/austin>

**TEXAS STARS
AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
GAME CALENDAR**

Various dates during the month <http://www.texasstars.com/games>

UT LONGHORNS CALENDAR

Various dates during the month www.Texasports.com



• FREE Denotes that NO admission fee required

Art, Theatre & Food 5-7

SHEN YUN

Classical Chinese dance do the storytelling, and share with you beautifully diverse ethnic and folk traditions. Filled with an enchanting orchestral sound, this is a mesmerizing experience you won't find anywhere else. The Long Center, Austin
<http://thelongcenter.org/event/shen-yun/>

12 8:00 PM

PINK FLOYD LASER SPECTACULAR

Emo's, Austin
<https://www.emosaustin.com/pink-floyd-laser-spectacular>

13 7:00 PM

RODNEY CARRINGTON (live comedy!)

Bass Concert Hall, Austin
<https://texasperformingarts.org/event/rodney-carrington-2018-bass-concert-hall?date=2018-01-13%252019:00:00>

16-21

FINDING NEVERLAND

Presented by Broadway in Austin
Bass Concert Hall, Austin
<https://austin.broadway.com/shows/finding-neverland-baa/>

23 & 24 7:30 PM

AN EVENING WITH JOSEPH KECKLER

An evening of wild miniature operas about contemporary life, haunted torch songs, and narratives infused with humor and longing. The Long Center, Austin
<http://thelongcenter.org/event/joseph-keckler/>

25 7:30 PM & 10:00 PM

JOE ROGAN (live comedy!)

STRANGE TIMES 2018 TOUR

Bass Concert Hall, Austin
<https://texasperformingarts.org/event/joe-rogan-2018-bass-concert-hall-austin-texas>

1/27-2/4

ARIADNE AUF NAXOS

Presented by Austin Opera. Richard Strauss' tour de force, Ariadne auf Naxos, tells the story of a wealthy man who has assembled two groups of performers in his home—a group of opera singers preparing for a serious opera, and a troupe of comedians scheduled to perform an Italian comedy. The Long Center, Austin
<http://thelongcenter.org/event/ariadne-auf-naxos/>

27 4:45 PM

THE SHOW WITH CHRIS THILE

A live broadcast presented by KUT 90.5 FM. The only live music and variety radio show aired nationwide today, The Show with Chris Thile (formerly, A Prairie Home Companion), has been a staple for the 2.6 million fans who have tuned in each Saturday evening over the past 43 seasons. Bass Concert Hall, Austin
<https://texasperformingarts.org/event/prairie-home-companion-2018-bass-concert-hall-austin-texas>

28 2:00 PM & 5:30 PM

WILD KRATTS LIVE!

Animated Kratt Brothers, Martin and Chris, "come to real life" in a classically Wild Kratts story. Through hilarious pratfalls and amazing animal 'wow facts' the Wild Kratts team rescue their favorite invention from Zach's clutches so the animals of the creature world are safe once again. Bass Concert Hall, Austin
<https://texasperformingarts.org/event/wild-kratts-live-2018-bass-concert-hall>

Music

12 & 13 8:00 PM

"BELLA AND THE BEAST" ROSSINI, BACH, STRAVINSKY, HOVHANESS & HAYDN

Bella Hristova will perform the beastly Stravinsky Violin Concerto in D Major (hence the name "Bella and the Beast"). The night will also have the contemporaries give nods to the greats of the Baroque and Classical Era. The Long Center, Austin
<http://www.austinsymphony.org/events/bella-and-the-beast/>

18 8:00 PM

AIMEE MANN WITH JONATHAN COULTON

Presented by Paramount Theatre and KUTX
Paramount Theatre, Austin
<https://tickets.austintheatre.org/single/EventDetail.aspx?p=3202>

20, 21 & 22

BON IVER WITH HISS GOLDEN MESSENGER

ACL Live! Moody Theatre, Austin
<http://acl-live.com/calendar/bon-iver-3>

21 7:30 PM

THE MOODY BLUES

A special live tour celebrating the 50th Anniversary of their iconic, landmark album, Days Of Future Passed
HEB Center, Cedar Park
<http://www.hebcenter.com/events/detail/the-moody-blues>



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