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Special Edition

In this issue we are focusing on things that are currently available outdoors as well as providing you with some ideas for the time you must spend at home.

We have included places to hike, DIY projects, and some virtual online events. I recently enjoyed a "Watch Along" movie party with Pierce Brosnan giving ongoing commentary for the movie "Goldeneye!" It was a lot of fun!

Hopefully you find this helpful and if we can help you with anything else, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The hiking trails here share several things in common. They all include hiking on natural surfaces—not just concrete. Most are long enough that you can get some exercise. There are notable natural features. All offer a sense of isolation and peace. All can be reached within 30 minutes from the heart of Dallas.

Spring Creek Forest, Garland

There are two parking areas: 1770 Holford Road and 1787 Holford Road, Garland, TX 75044.

This is the largest expanse of old-growth hardwood forest in the entire area. There are shumard oak, chinquapin oak, and bur oak, pecan, walnut, sugar hackberry. Elm and ash are also plentiful. The forest is carpeted with lush wild rye and inland sea oats. In the spring, the two native prairie remnants are covered with abundant wildflowers. You'll see Missouri primrose, wine cup, Indian paintbrush, prairie clover, and basket flower.

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Dallas Arboretum: Explore the Arboretum from Home

The Dallas Arboretum education team has produced content appropriate for K-6 students and their family to engage with from home. Plus, see virtual tours of the gardens, all at www.dallasarboretum.org.

Looking for more activities to enrich your child's time at home? Well, look no further than the Garden STEM at Home lesson. Each weekday, Arboretum educators will bring you a new lesson for children to try from home. Explore hands-on Children's Adventure Garden learning galleries through at-home science experiments and engaging science story read alouds, which feature prompts for further exploration. Topics include habitats, pure energy, wetlands, Earth cycles and more!

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Look inside for more online events, classes, and DIY activities

More outdoor fun, continued from the front page:

Arbor Hills Nature Preserve Plano

6701 W Parker Rd, Plano, TX 75093



There are miles of paved trails for people with kids in strollers. The nature preserve is a great spot in the spring to see wild flowers in native prairie. In the bottomland, there are large trees like bur oaks and cedar elms and expansive views

from a few hills. Painted buntings can be seen commonly starting in about June.

Trinity River Audubon Center

6500 Great Trinity Forest Way, Dallas, TX 75217

It's a great introduction to hiking, with abundant options. Most of the trails are paved, and the boardwalks can be accessed by wheelchair with some effort. This is a great spot for birding. There are boardwalks and bird blinds. There are fewer dirt trails, but this is the easiest spot to explore the Trinity River. It's an easy walk on paved trails. The third Thursday of the month is free. Otherwise, there's a small fee.

Dogwood Canyon, Cedar Hill

1206 FM1382, Cedar Hill, TX 75104; just south of the entrance to Cedar Hill State Park

This is a great, easy place to hike.

There are about three miles of natural surface trails. The main trail begins at the visitor center (also worth it to note: there's an awesome, elevated spot to view birds from inside the center). The trail climbs

up on top of the White Rock Escarpment. The park is smaller than Cedar Ridge Preserve but has similar terrain.



Scyene Overlook/Piedmont Ridge

For Piedmont, enter at 2400 N Jim Miller Rd, Dallas, TX 75227.

There are two hiking trails, each of which is between one and two miles. These trails are another great introduction to our Great Trinity River Forest. They are short but have some of the best views of the forest along the Trinity River and lower reaches of White Rock Creek.

Make Your Shelter in Place Creative with DIY Kits

Pottery Painting with Katie Fuerst Art

Dallas-based potter and painter Katie Fuerst is known for her mobile painting parties. She'll bring all the supplies (from the pottery to the glazes) to you. She's adapted her business model in the past few weeks to deliver the experience her customers love while maintaining social distance. Her DIY kits include supplies to paint stemless wine glasses, eggs, or geometric planters. Once you've finished painting, she'll pick up your pottery and fire it. Follow @katiefuerstart to learn when new kits are available.

Paint Your Own Print with Maya x Kiwi

Artist Maya Modi is known for her cheery, whimsical pieces and her watercolor workshops around Dallas. Her popular DIY kits are ideal for those who aren't quite confident in their artistic abilities. Modi provides the outline of the piece, but you have the creative freedom to fill it in. Pick up a kit on her website at: www.mayaxkiwi.com



Draw Flowers with Alli K Designs

Local artist Alli Koch is known for her simple, elegant monochrome florals. You've likely seen her work around town—it's featured on countless public murals and art installations around DFW. Her books *Modern Florals* and *Florals by Hand* include step-by-step instructions for drawing different flowers, like poppies or pansies, alongside blank practice pages. For something more simple, try *Bloom*, a coloring book of Koch's artwork. Pick up a copy of any book on her website, www.allikdesigns.com.



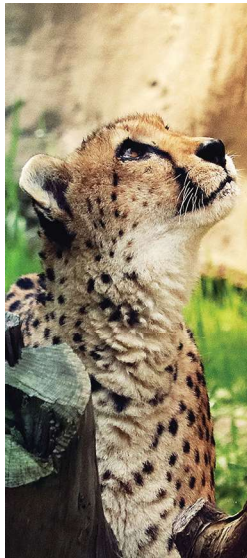
MAY

More Virtual Visits & Events

Dallas Zoo Bringing the Zoo to You Series

They may not be able to welcome you to the Zoo and Aquarium right now, but Dallas Zoo staff are using their social media channels and website to #BringTheZooToYou.

From virtual visits and chats with staff, to showing what the animals are up to and



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posting activity ideas from the education and conservation teams... they want to use this time to continue to engage, educate, inspire – and ultimately, bring a smile to your face. www.dallaszoo.com

Masterclass

Visit masterclass.com for great online classes in a variety of subjects. Film making taught by Martin Scorsese, cooking classes by Gordon Ramsay and acting by Natalie Portman are just a few offered.

AT&T Performing Arts Online

Go backstage, see the signature hallway, learn Salsa dancing, watch dressing room concerts and interviews. www.attpac.org

Nasher Sculpture Center

While the garden and galleries are temporarily closed, you are invited to explore the Nasher in new ways. Continue

engaging with art from home with these digital resources. You can also follow #NasherfromHome on social media or sign up for the email newsletter to access a range of activities, articles and upcoming online events. www.nashersculpturecenter.org

The Big Tex Little Lone Stars Club

Register your cowboys and cowgirls, ages 12 and younger, in the brand-new Big Tex Little Lone Stars Club. Membership is FREE and includes: fun, Fair-related activities delivered every month, May through September, right to your mailbox; a birthday card from Big Tex himself, and a special sneak peek of the Fair in September. Each member of the Big Tex Little Lone Stars Club will receive their own package – so be sure you register each individual child in your household. Sign up at <https://bigtex.com>.



Harlem Globetrotters

Visit the Harlem Globetrotters fun link - www.harlemglobetrotters.com/athome. It has videos of some of the Globetrotters talking about music, motivation, dribbling (of course) and the ABCs of geography, which is pretty cute.



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DISCOUNT TICKETS & MORE >>

Arts District Happenings	http://thedallasartsdistrict.org
AT&T Performing Arts	No service fees
Performing Arts FW Bass Hall	No service fees
Dallas Arboretum	\$11
Dallas Children's Theater	Section A \$23 Section B \$17
Dallas Party Bike	Promo Code: Concierge www.dallaspartybike.com
Dallas Skyline Basketball	www.dallas skylinebc.com
Dallas Symphony	10% on select shows
Dallas Theater Center	15% on select shows
Ft Worth Museum of Science & History	Discount code: CP2019-2 Omni Theater \$2 off Exhibit or Planetarium tickets \$1 off www.fwmuseum.org
Klyde Warren Park and Food Trucks	www.klydewarrenpark.org
Medieval Times	Discounts are 35% off for adults and 20% off for children
Museum of Illusions Dallas West End	Enter Code CONCIERGE10 at checkout for discount https://dallas.museumofillusions.us
Perot Museum	\$12 Adult or Child
Texas Rangers Tickets	Link on our website under attractions
Trolley	www.mata.org

* Discounts, services and tickets are only available to clients of Dallas Concierge.

MOVIES >>

Cinemark	\$9 each (Tickets are good at Tinseltown, Rave & CineArts Theaters)
Studio Movie Grill	Link on website

* Tickets are sometimes limited in quantity and may also have deadlines. Please make sure you place your order in plenty of time.

>> E Frogs Transportation:

The shuttle service covers downtown and the surrounding districts, such as Deep Ellum and Uptown, using electric vehicles that can seat six passengers. To order an E Frogs cart to shuttle you to local restaurants and back all you need to do is send a text to 469-432-4055 with the following information: Name, How Many People, pick up location, drop off location and time.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 7am-2pm & 4pm-8pm; Saturday & Sunday, 5pm-9pm

>> Toyota Music Factory:

www.toyotamusicfactory.com
Every Thursday night, head to Toyota Music Factory for the Texas Lottery Live FREE music series on the outdoor Texas Lottery Plaza. This is a completely FREE show! Free entry & free parking. RSVP now for a night of the best live and local music in DFW.

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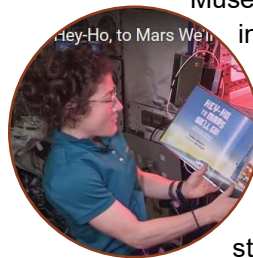
More Online Resources for Adults & Kids

Visit: findhelp.org and enter your zip code to find services available in your area.



Eater.com is posting lists of restaurants that do curbside and/or delivery:
<https://dallas.eater.com/>

DJ Mel in Austin, Texas, is hosting a weekly kid-friendly "Living Room Dance Party" on his Facebook page. Join the fun! Thousands have been tuning in, so get ready for fun.



Museums around the world, such as the Louvre in Paris, and the Boston Children's Museum here in the U.S., plus National Parks like Yellowstone are giving virtual tours online.

NASA astronauts read stories to kids while they float around in space. Visit storytimefromspace.com.

Learn about what it takes to run a farm, meet farm animals, and more by taking a virtual farm tour on Farmfood360.

Listen to KidNuz. We bet your family will get hooked: kidnuz.org

And in light of the news about Texas schools, your tenants may find the links below helpful if they are having to juggle home schooling and/or supplementing what the school districts are doing. All are offering their programs free of charge.

PBS has a virtual learning site - www.pbslearningmedia.org

Khan Academy (www.khanacademy.org) is offering class templates and parent resources for Pre-K to Grade 12 - <https://keeplearning.khanacademy.org/> and also teacher resources - <https://www.khanacademy.org/resources/teacher-essentials>.

Scholastic (www.scholastic.com) has a Learn at Home site - <https://classroommagazines.scholastic.com/support/learnathome.html>



Scholastic Learn at Home

Day-by-day projects to keep kids reading, thinking, and growing