

Spring in Austin sparkles with these 10 upcoming galas

Feb. 28

Austin Entertains for the Junior League of Austin

What: A culinary experience celebrating Austin's top female chefs, with tastings of the supplied food and signature drinks, live music and more.

Cost: \$85 general admission, \$150 VIP tickets

Where: Fair Market, 1100 E. Fifth St.

Information: jlaustin.org/austin-entertains/

March 1

The Long Center's Front & Center 11th Annual Gala

What: Celebrate the arts at the Long Center benefit with a cocktail reception, dinner and a live auction and a guest appearance by Mayor Steve Adler.

Cost: \$750 individual tickets; sponsorships start at \$10,000

Where: The Long Center, 701 W. Riverside Dr.

Information: thelongcenter.org/front-and-center/

April 6

Women and Their Work's DreamLife

What: An immersive art party extraordinaire in support of the downtown art gallery, with performance art, a dream-like photo booth, tarot readings, music, video projections and

more.

Cost: \$250-\$350 individual tickets; sponsorships start at \$1,000

Where: The Daphne House in Travis Heights

Information: wome-nandtheirwork.org/support/sponsorship-2/

Austin Diaper Bank Bash

What: A night of celebration as Austin Diaper Bank raise funds to support families in Central Texas with diapers, wipes and period supplies. There will be dinner, drinks, dancing and a silent auction.

Cost: \$100 individual tickets, \$250 VIP tickets; sponsorships start at \$1,000

Where: Gather Venues, 5540 N. Lamar Blvd.

Information: austindiapers.org

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Central Texas' 30th Annual Bandana Ball

What: A spirited western event featuring live music, signature cocktails, boot shining, a wine toss, and an extensive silent and live auction.

Cost: \$300 individual tickets; sponsorships start at \$500

Where: Wild Onion Ranch, 12112 Old San Antonio Rd.

Information: rmhc-ctx.org/all-events/bandana-ball/

April 7

7th Annual Bollywood Meets

Borscht

What: A multicultural celebration featuring Indian dance and dinner, as well as Jewish desserts, to provide school supplies to homeless students in the Austin area.

Cost: \$10-\$30 individual tickets; sponsorships start at \$200

Where: Dell Jewish Community Center, 7300 Hart Ln.

Information: hc4a.org/copy-of-5th-annual-bollywood-meets

April 13

St. Andrew's Gala for Financial Aid

What: This time-honored, adults-only tradition supports St. Andrew's students in need of financial assistance and is a fantastic community event for the K-12 school.

Cost: Sponsorships start at \$2,500

Where: JW Marriott Austin, 110 E. Second St.

Information: sasaustin.org/support/spring-gala-2019

April 24

Trinity Center's Barbara Jordan Celebration

What: A 20th anniversary celebration, in honor of original benefactor Barbara Jordan, in support of Trinity's services for Austin's downtown homeless neighbors.

Cost: \$125 individual ticket;

sponsorships start at \$1,200

Where: Bethell Hall at St. David's Church, 301 E. Eighth St.

Information:

trinitycenteraustin.org/2019-barbara-jordan-celebration/

April 28

Ballet Austin Guild's An Afternoon of Enchantment

What: A fundraiser tea, serving as a prelude to Ballet Austin's final performance of the season, "Giselle," delectable treats, themed decor, costumes and festivities for people of all ages.

Cost: \$40-\$80 individual tickets; sponsorships start at \$1,500

Where: The Line Hotel, 111 E. Cesar Chavez St.

Information: balletaustin.org/contribute/spring-fundraiser

May 11

The Paramount Theatre's 2019 Anniversary Gala

What: With a vintage 1960s theme, this electric evening will highlight amazing music from the B-52s, nonstop dancing, incredible food and essential community support.

Cost: \$500 individual tickets; sponsorships start at \$4,000 (wait list only)

Where: The Paramount Theatre, 713 Congress Ave.

Information: austintheatre.org/paramount-gala-2019/

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By Matt Shiverdecker

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