

## Things To Do in the Valley This Week (Feb. 19-25)

By Editorial Staff

This is a curated list of weekly events around the Phoenix area for February 19-25.

Calendar listings include public events and attractions from around the Valley and state. Confirm information before making plans by calling the listed phone number, or check each website for last minute confirmation or cancellations. E-mail [calendar.events@citieswestmedia.com](mailto:calendar.events@citieswestmedia.com) to submit events for consideration.

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### Innings Festival

February 23-24, March 1-2

The best indie and mainstream artists, along with an array of MLB legends, will gather together on the south shore of Tempe Town Lake to celebrate all things baseball. Headliners include Red Hot Chili Peppers, Hozier, Third Eye Blind and local favorites Jimmy Eat World. Check website for set times and ticket prices. Tempe Beach and Arts Park, 80 W. Rio Salado Pkwy., Tempe, [inningsfestival.com](http://inningsfestival.com)

#### Cactus League Baseball Spring Training

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The tradition continues in Arizona. Fifteen Major League Baseball teams will start their training here in the Valley as they prepare for the 2024 season, giving fans a unique opportunity to see their favorite players up close and personal, including the 2023 National League Champion Arizona Diamondbacks. Ticket prices and locations vary. [cactusleague.com](http://cactusleague.com)

#### Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show

Through 25

At "The Greatest Horse Show on Earth," more than 2,000 of the world's finest Arabian horses and their owners, trainers and breeders from around the world will compete for a variety of championship titles across several categories. Call for times and ticket prices. WestWorld of Scottsdale, 16601 N. Pima Rd., Scottsdale, 480-515-1500, [scottsdaleshow.com](http://scottsdaleshow.com)

#### Indie Film Fest

February 20-24

Storytellers from Phoenix and around the world will share their work across multiple venues around Downtown.

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Check website for screening times, admission prices and locations. [theindiefilmfest.com](http://theindiefilmfest.com)

Spring Fountain Festival of Fine Arts and Crafts

February 23-25

More than 500 artists from around the world come to share paintings, sculpture, photography, jewelry, clothing and crafts, while live bands perform throughout the day. Sa, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Su, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 16455 E. Avenue of the Fountains, Fountain Hills, 480-837-1654, [fountainhillschamber.com](http://fountainhillschamber.com)

Arizona Fine Art Expo

Through March 24

Attendees can meet and watch nationally acclaimed and award-winning artists at work in 124 patron-friendly studios as Thunderbird Artists hosts this art adventure. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. \$12, season pass; \$10, seniors and military. 26540 N. Scottsdale Rd., Scottsdale, 480-837-7163, [arizonafineartexpo.com](http://arizonafineartexpo.com)

Celebration of Fine Art

Through March 24

This annual juried invitational gathering features 100 artists from across the country who show and sell their gallery-quality work in an intimate studio setting. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Season pass: \$10, adults; \$8, seniors and military; free, children 11 and younger. 18400 N. Hayden Rd., Scottsdale, 480-443-7695, [celebrateart.com](http://celebrateart.com)

Mini Music Makers & Music Adventures

Through February 29

It's never too early to introduce children to music. Mini Music Makers is for those ages 0-5 years. Kids will develop their motor and language skills while learning about musical cultures from around the world. Those ages 6-10 can collect passport stamps when they build musical instruments and discover the musical heritage of different continents in the Musical Adventures class. Check website for days and times. Musical Instrument Museum. 4725 E. Mayo Blvd., Phoenix, 480-478-6000, [mim.org](http://mim.org)

Mesa Contemporary Arts Center

Through February 29

Local and international artists, along with emerging creatives, are displayed in the five curated galleries of this beautiful space. Swoon: Gift in the Rupture, through Jan. 14; and Shepard Fairey – Facing the Giant: 3 Decades of Dissent, through Jan. 21. Mesa Arts Center, 1 E. Main St., Mesa, 480-644-6500, [mesaartscenter.com](http://mesaartscenter.com)

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## FAFSA Workshop

Saturday, February 24

Capital One is hosting a series of workshops at its Scottsdale Fashion Square Café to support students and families through the new process of applying for Federal Student Aid. During the events, volunteers will help students walk through the process, answer questions and discuss the recent changes to the application. Laptops provided as needed, along with snacks and beverages. The workshops will be hosted from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on February 24 and March 23. [www.ncan.org/page/fafsa-challenges](http://www.ncan.org/page/fafsa-challenges)

## CONCERTS

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## Styx

February 22-23

Styx is no slouch. For more than five decades, the Chicago rock group has set the mood for the perfect slow dance with epic love songs like "Lady" and "Babe." 7:30 p.m. Check website for ticket prices. Celebrity Theatre, 440 N. 32nd St., Phoenix, 602-267-1600, [celebritytheatre.com](http://celebritytheatre.com)

## Olivia Rodrigo

February 24

The former child star, Grammy-winner and "Drivers License" singer cites Taylor Swift as an influence. It's easy to see why when fans are constantly speculating whom the songs on her latest album, Guts, are about. 7:30 p.m. Check website for ticket prices. Footprint Center, 201 E. Jefferson St., Phoenix, 602-379-7800, [footprintcenter.com](http://footprintcenter.com)

## SPORTS

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Phoenix Suns

February 25

The Suns could make the playoffs for another year. But before they do, they'll have to battle the Los Angeles Lakers, Feb. 25; and Houston Rockets, Feb. 29. Call for times and ticket prices. Footprint Center, 201 E. Jefferson St., Phoenix, 602-379-7800, [suns.com](http://suns.com)

ASU Men's Basketball

February 22 &amp; 24

Cheer on the Arizona State University Sun Devils as the team battles Washington, Feb. 22; Washington State, Feb. 24; and University of Arizona, Feb. 28. Call for times and ticket prices. Desert Financial Arena, 600 E. Veterans Way, Tempe, 480-727-0000, [thesundevils.com](http://thesundevils.com)

Arizona Coyotes

February 19-21

The puck drops in Tempe when the 'Yotes battle against the Edmonton Oilers, Feb. 19; and Toronto Maple Leafs, Feb. 21. Check website for times and ticket prices. Mullett Arena, 411 S. Packard Dr., Tempe, 480-563-PUCK, [coyotes.nhl.com](http://coyotes.nhl.com)

THEATRE &amp; DRAMA

My Fair Lady

Through March 30

Based on the play Pygmalion by George Bernard Shaw, this musical by famed composers Lerner and Loewe is about a professor who attempts to introduce a Cockney flower-seller to high society. Check website for days and times. \$30-\$65. Hale Centre Theatre, 50 W. Page Ave., Gilbert, 480-497-0277, [haletheatrearizona.com](http://haletheatrearizona.com)

Intimate Apparel

Through March 3

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The story of an African American seamstress and how her revolutionary clothing changed lives is told with flair by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage. Check website for showtimes and ticket prices. Tempe Center for the Arts, 700 W. Rio Salado Pkwy., Tempe, 833-282-7328, atc.org

Hotel Saguaro

Through February 23

Written in collaboration with the Desert Botanical Garden, this educational puppet performance illustrates why cacti are vital for desert life. Call for times. \$12, adults; \$8, children 12 and younger. Great Arizona Puppet Theater, 302 W. Latham St., Phoenix, 602-262-2050, azpuppets.org

The Truth About Winnie Ruth Judd

Through March 17

One of the most notorious true-crime cases in Arizona history gets the theatrical treatment in this bizarre drama about murder, the press and suitcases. Call for times and ticket prices. Judith Hades Theatre, 1825 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, 602-254-2151, phoenixtheatre.com

John Loves Mary

Now through March 2

This comedic play is about a World War II soldier whose good deed, marrying his buddy's British sweetheart to sidestep immigration laws and bring the two together, doesn't go unpunished. Check website for days and times. \$25-\$30. 8989 E. Via Linda, Ste. 118, Scottsdale, 480-314-0841, donbluthfrontrowtheatre.com

Sh-Boom! Life Could Be a Dream

Through March 5

Accompanied by a soundtrack that includes classic songs like "Fools Fall in Love" and "Earth Angel," a doo-wop group enters a radio contest to make the big time. Check website for days and times. \$30-\$65. Hale Centre Theatre, 50 W. Page Ave., Gilbert, 480-497-0277, haletheatrearizona.com

On the Town

Through February 22

Three sailors try to make the most of their day of shore leave in this musical comedy featuring a score by Leonard Bernstein. Check website for times and ticket prices. Arizona Broadway Theatre, 7701 W. Paradise Ln., Peoria,

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#### THINGS TO DO LOOK AHEAD

M3F Fest

March 3-4

Lane 8, Dominic Fike, SG Lewis, Gorgon City and many more will take over Downtown for another edition of the popular nonprofit music festival. Check website for set times. Weekend ticket packages start at \$135. Steele Indian School Park, 300 E. Indian School Rd., Phoenix, [m3ffest.com](http://m3ffest.com)

Bruce Springsteen

March 19

The Boss has left his residency on the Great White Way and is hitting the road with his band for a tour that includes songs from his soul covers album *Only the Strong Survive*. 7:30 p.m., \$75-\$350, Footprint Center, 201 E. Jefferson St., Phoenix, 602-379-7800, [footprintcenter.com](http://footprintcenter.com)

Arizona Bike Week 2023

April 3-7

Brantley Gilbert and Godsmack are scheduled to perform at one of the nation's largest bike rallies. In addition to the great music, attendees can enjoy parties, bike and stunt shows, and demo rides. Check website for schedule. Rally passes start at \$99. WestWorld, 16601 N. Pima Rd., Scottsdale, [azbikeweek.com](http://azbikeweek.com)

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