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# TEXAS ROOTS™ WEEKLY

LOCAL LIFE. STRONGER NEIGHBORS. A BRIGHTER HOUSTON.

— South Edition —




## Día de los Muertos in Galveston, Boo on the Boardwalk and a Phantom at The Grand

SEE THIS WEEKEND'S EVENTS

***Costumes on, porch lights on. Go make a memory this weekend.***

# PICK YOUR WEEKEND

*Four easy ways to spend the weekend of October 30-November 1, at a glance.*

## WITH THE KIDS

Hocus Pocus and a costume contest, Moody Gardens (Sat)

*Also: Galaxy Frights at Space Center Houston, Sat 10-4.*

## DATE NIGHT

The Phantom of the Opera with live organ, The Grand (Fri 7 PM)

## SHOP LOCAL

Boutique Shop and Hop, Pearland (Fri and Sat)

## SOMETHING FREE

Day of the Dead on the Kemah Boardwalk (Sun 2-10 PM)

*Also: clocks fall back an hour Sunday morning.*

# The Great Pumpkin Contest

*Entries are in, and the winners are announced on Halloween*




## Thank you, little artists! Winners on Saturday.

Entries closed Wednesday night, and we have loved seeing every one of them. Judging is anonymous, with three age groups (4-6, 7-9 and 10-12) and three winners in each. We announce the winners on Halloween, Saturday, October 31, on our Little Artists Club page, and we'll share them here next week. Missed this one? Our Christmas Color & Cheer contest opens November 27.

**WINNERS ANNOUNCED SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31**

## See the winners at movelivelovetx.com

movelivelovetx.com/little-artists-club

**SEE THE WINNERS**

*Sponsored by Matt Brown, Encompass Lending Group*

# Friday, October 30



## Music in the Historic District

**Fri 7-10 PM**
**League Park, 512 2nd St, League City**

Free acoustic music under the oaks in League City's historic district. Bring a lawn chair.



## The Phantom of the Opera, live organ

**Fri 7 PM**
**The Grand 1894 Opera House, Galveston**

The 1925 Lon Chaney silent classic on the big screen, with organist Rob Landes playing the score live. A Halloween tradition at The Grand.

EVENT DETAILS

GET TICKETS




## Boutique Shop and Hop

**Fri 10-6 and Sat 10-5**
**Nine boutiques on Main St and Broadway, Pearland**

Pick up a passport at any boutique, get it stamped at six stores and turn it in for a chance to win. Drinks and snacks along the way.



## St. Andrew's Pumpkin Patch, final weekend

**Sat 8 AM-8 PM, Sun 10 AM-8 PM**
**2535 E Broadway, Pearland**

Pearland's 28th annual church pumpkin patch wraps up Sunday. Free to wander and take photos; pumpkin sales support the church's outreach.

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# Saturday, October 31: Halloween



## Día de los Muertos Fiesta

**Sat; parade 1 PM, fiesta 1-9 PM**
**Parade from 25th & Ball; fiesta at 21st & Ball, Galveston**

LULAC Council 151's fiesta with ballet folklórico and Azteca dancers, a community altar, food, crafts and live music. Get there early for the 1 PM parade.

EVENT DETAILS



## Halloween at Moody Gardens

**Sat; Hocus Pocus 12:00 and 3:15 PM, costume contest 2 PM**
**Moody Gardens, 1 Hope Blvd, Galveston**

A family matinee of Hocus Pocus in the MG3D Theater, $15 ($5 members), with a costume contest at 2. Grown-ups can come back for Rocky Horror at midnight (18+).

GET TICKETS



## Galaxy Frights

**Sat 10 AM-4 PM**
**Space Center Houston, 1601 E NASA Pkwy**

Space-themed Halloween with trick-or-treat candy stations, photo spots and a pop-up science lab. Included with general admission.

EVENT DETAILS



## Boo on the Boardwalk

**Fri from 5 PM; Sat 2-10 PM**
**Kemah Boardwalk**

Kemah's 25th Boo on the Boardwalk: trick-or-treating at the shops, kids' crafts, a costume contest and the Boogie Man Band 6-10 PM Saturday. Free.

EVENT DETAILS

# Community Roundup



## The Holidays Are Coming

The Polar Express returns Nov. 13 to the Galveston Railroad Museum, and Moody Gardens' Holiday in the Gardens opens Nov. 21.

## Lone Star Rally, Nov. 5-8

Galveston's big motorcycle rally takes over The Strand, Pier 21 and the Seawall, with free general admission and live bands. Expect heavy island traffic that weekend.

## Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 3

Early voting ends Friday, Oct. 30. Find your polling place at votetexas.gov.

### *Greater Houston: prices held, the payment didn't*

HAR's September numbers are out. The median held at $325,000, homes took 58 days to sell, and inventory rose to 5.5 months. Rates averaged 6.86%. See the Real Estate Corner for what it means for you.

## ABNC Fall Festival, Nov. 7-8

Blacksmithing, candle making, wagon rides and a pie-eating contest at Armand Bayou Nature Center. $14 adults, $10 ages 4-12 and 60+.

## Galveston ArtWalk, Sat., Nov. 14, 6-9 PM

A free, self-guided gallery night downtown.

# Sunday, November 1

*Day of the Dead on the Boardwalk, a fashion show at The Grand and one last pumpkin patch day.*



## Day of the Dead on the Kemah Boardwalk

Sun 2-10 PM • Free. Mariachi, folklórico dancers and kids' crafts in the afternoon, a sugar-skull stilt walker, a costume contest at 6:15 and Los Hermanos Lara live from 7 to 10.

## Día de los Muertos Fashion Show, The Grand

Sun 2-5 PM. Latinas for the Arts hosts a fashion show celebrating the art of Día de los Muertos, benefiting The Grand. Come in costume and bring the family.

### *Last day at St. Andrew's Pumpkin Patch*

Sunday 10 AM-8 PM, 2535 E Broadway, Pearland.



***Clocks fall back an hour early Sunday morning. Enjoy the extra sleep.***

# Worth Your Drive



## Texas Renaissance Festival

**Sat and Sun 9 AM-8 PM (North)**
**21778 FM 1774, Todd Mission**

It's All Hallows Eve weekend, with a costume contest and a kettle corn eating contest. No entry after 7 PM, so go early.

EVENT DETAILS



## MECA Día de Muertos Festival

**Sat and Sun (Central)**
**Historic Dow School, 1900 Kane St, Houston**

MECA's long-running free celebration of Latin American folk art, with ofrendas, three performance stages and artisan vendors. Free admission.

EVENT DETAILS



## Scream on the Green

**Fri 6-9 PM (Central)**
**Discovery Green, downtown Houston**

Downtown's free Halloween party with living sculptures, games and a big costume contest (pre-register).

EVENT DETAILS



## Houston Pumpkin Festival

**Fri-Sun 10 AM-11 PM (Central)**
**Discovery Green**

Thousands of carved pumpkins plus rides; $28, 3 and under free, timed tickets online.

EVENT DETAILS

# Haunted Houses Near You



## 20 haunted houses, ghost tours and family Halloween nights, on one page.

Our guide covers Houston from Conroe to Galveston, with a scare rating for every stop so you know what you're walking into. Here are four near you that are open this weekend.

### PHOBIA HAUNTED HOUSES, KEMAH BOARDWALK

Fri and Sat 5 PM-midnight, Sun 6-9 PM. About $35. Intense.

### CREEPY HOLLOW, ROSHARON

Fri and Sat 7:30-11:30 PM, $40 for all three attractions. Closed Sunday. Intense.

### TERROR ISLE, TEXAS CITY

Fri and Sat 7-11 PM, the last two nights of the season. From $34.98. Intense.

### HISTORIC GALVESTON GHOST TOUR

Evening walking tours every day, $30 adults, $22 kids. Spooky stories, nobody jumping out. Mild.

***Ages and scare levels for all 20 are in the guide.***

SEE ALL 20

movelivelovetx.com/haunted-houses

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# Small Business Spotlight



SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT · OCTOBER 2026

# Wolfden Collective

*Sarah & Cory Miller, Owners*
*Photography & Graphic Design*

> *“The best photos don't always come from perfectly posed moments, but from the laughs, little in-between moments, and pieces of your personality that make your story yours.”*




Hi, I'm Sarah, the photographer and creative behind Wolfden Collective. I've had a camera in my hands since high school and have been professionally photographing people and their stories since 2014. What started as a love for photography has grown into something that feels much bigger to me — a way to help people see themselves, their relationships, and the seasons of life they're in through honest, meaningful imagery. I'm a wife, a mom, a creative, and someone who genuinely believes the best photos don't always come from perfectly posed moments, but from the laughs, little in-between moments, and pieces of your personality that make your story yours.

***Professionally photographing people and their stories since 2014***

# Small Business Spotlight, Continued



Wolfden Collective is a photography and creative studio focused on imagery that feels like you. I photograph couples, families, individuals, seniors, maternity, personal branding, and intimate celebrations, while also offering creative design services through my husband Cory. Our goal is to create work that feels intentional without feeling stiff or overly polished — images and designs that feel personal, comfortable, and a little bit like home. Whether I'm documenting a growing family, helping someone feel confident in front of the camera, or creating imagery for a small business, I want the experience to feel relaxed, guided, and genuinely human.

## A FEW FAVORITES FROM SARAH'S WORK











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# Real Estate Corner

## Greater Houston Market Snapshot

**$325,000**

Median single-family sale price, September 2026, flat from a year ago

**58 Days**

Average days on market, up from 56 a year ago

Greater Houston sales slipped 5.7% in September to 7,030 homes while prices held: the median stayed at $325,000 and the average rose 0.7% to $421,311. Active listings climbed 6.3% to 40,192, or 5.5 months of inventory against 4.8 nationally. Mortgage rates averaged 6.86%, about $83 a month more on a median-priced home than a year ago. These are HAR's Greater Houston figures, not zone-level numbers.

## What This Means For You

### FOR BUYERS

The payment moved, not the price. Get a lender's quote at today's rate before you fall for a house. With more listings and slower sales, you have room to negotiate.

### FOR SELLERS

Prices are holding, but buyers are fewer and slower. Price where September's closed sales support it, and plan your carrying costs for about 58 days on market.

***Read our full October market report at movelivelovetx.com/houston-market-report. Then turn the page for a featured listing and our direct line.***

# Featured Listing



LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE

## 7000 Seawall Blvd #324 · Galveston

*Furnished, turnkey, and steps from the Gulf.*

**$230,000**
825 Sq. Ft.

**1 Bed**
Built 1996

**1 Bath**
Fully Furnished

A third-floor condo at The Dawn on Galveston's Seawall, sold fully furnished and turnkey. Tile floors throughout, granite counters, crown molding, and a private covered corner balcony. The gated community has two pools, a spa and a fitness center, and the beach is a short walk across Seawall Boulevard. Short-term rentals are permitted, so it works as a weekend place, a full-time home or an income property.

SEE THE LISTING

CALL THE TEAM

***If this looks like it could be your next address, or you're wondering what your current home would sell for, give us a call. We'd rather walk you through the real numbers than tell you what you want to hear.***

# Meet Your Team

*The Move Live Love TX Team™ • CB&A, Realtors®*

## Peter Royster

*Team Lead • CLHMS, ALHS, ABR, e-PRO*

Peter has 22+ years in real estate, mortgage lending, and construction. He was inducted into the RE/MAX Hall of Fame in 2016 and the CB&A Champions Club Hall of Fame in 2022.

*Real estate is truly a family business for Peter. He and Vicky are husband and wife, and that partnership is why clients get one team, not a handoff. Family comes first for him, at home and at the closing table.*

**22+ YEARS**

Real estate, mortgage & construction

## Vicky Royster

*Pricing Strategist • MRP, PSA*

Vicky has 6+ years of real estate experience and runs the pricing strategy behind every listing, making sure homes are priced to actually sell.

*Vicky brings that same family-first mindset to every listing. She and Peter built this business together, and she believes a home sale should feel personal, because for the people living it, it always is.*

**6+ YEARS**

Real estate experience

***Together, the team has earned CB&A's Platinum, Diamond, and Elite Club awards year after year. Ask their clients, though, and they'll tell you it comes down to something simpler: honesty, communication, and treating every family like their own.***

★★★★★

*“Peter and Vicky have been my realtors in purchasing 2 houses and selling 2 houses. They put in all the leg work and provided the appropriate guidance. They worked hard to get me the best offer when selling my properties. The attention to the small stuff which I probably would have missed tells me they care for their clients. They are there when you need them, which eliminates the stress from the process.”*

**Charles S.**

*Buyer & seller, 4 transactions • as shared on movelivelovetx.com/success-stories*

# Also This Week

Texas Roots Weekly comes out in three editions every week. Know someone in another part of the area? Send them theirs.

## NORTH EDITION

The Woodlands, Spring, Conroe, Magnolia, Tomball and Kingwood. This week: Halloween at the Texas Renaissance Festival, trick-or-treating around The Woodlands, and more.

READ THE NORTH EDITION

## CENTRAL EDITION

Houston's inner loop, Katy, Cypress and Hockley. This week: MECA's Día de Muertos festival, Scream on the Green, and Zoo Boo's last weekend.

READ THE CENTRAL EDITION

***Every edition is free, and forwarding one costs nothing at all.***

A NOTE FROM OUR FAMILY

# Support Something Local This Weekend.

Grab lunch at a locally owned spot. Wave at your neighbors. Let the kids get grass-stained at the park. None of it needs to be complicated. It just needs to be yours.




***We'll see you around town. Go make some memories this weekend.***
***Peter & Vicky***

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