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— Central Edition —



The Katy Rice Harvest Festival, K-Fest Downtown and Art in Memorial Park

SEE THIS WEEKEND'S EVENTS

Fall is in full swing. Go make a memory this weekend.

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PICK YOUR WEEKEND

Four ways to spend the weekend of October 10-11, at a glance.

WITH THE KIDS

[Katy Rice Harvest Festival](#)

Also: Zoo Boo at the Houston Zoo (Sat & Sun)

Also: Barktoberfest in Katy (Sat)

DATE NIGHT

[Bayou City Art Festival](#)

Also: Music on the Boardwalk, Towne Lake (Sat)

SHOP LOCAL

[First Saturday Arts Market](#)

SOMETHING FREE

[Korean Festival at Discovery Green](#)

Saturday, October 10



Korean Festival Houston

Sat 10 AM to 9 PM, Sun from 11 AM
Discovery Green, Downtown

Free. Two days of K-pop and traditional music and dance on several stages, plus Korean street food and vendors. Park in a downtown garage and expect crowds.

FESTIVAL DETAILS



Bayou City Art Festival

Fri to Sun, 10 AM to 6 PM
Memorial Park, South Picnic Loop

Hundreds of juried artists in 19 disciplines, with live music, food trucks and a kids' zone. No parking on site: park at Delmar Stadium and ride the shuttle.

FESTIVAL DETAILS



Czechfest 2026

Saturday, 10 AM to 9 PM
SPJST Lodge 88, the Heights

Czech heritage day with live music on two stages, folk dancing, a kolache-eating contest and a beer garden. Kids' inflatables and games are included. Street parking, so arrive early.

FESTIVAL DETAILS



First Saturday Arts Market

Saturday, 11 AM to 6 PM
540 W. 19th St., the Heights

Free. October's market lands on the second Saturday, with dozens of local artists selling paintings, sculpture, photography and jewelry.

MARKET DETAILS

Saturday, October 10, Continued



Barktoberfest in Katy

Saturday, 2 to 6 PM
Home Run Dugout, Katy

Free with registration. A dog-friendly fundraiser for Houston Pets Alive! with costume contests on the half hour from 2:30, a DJ, a photo booth and local vendors.

[EVENT DETAILS](#)



Accordion Kings & Queens

Saturday, 7 PM
Miller Outdoor Theatre, Hermann Park

Free. Texas Folklife's 37th accordion showcase, with conjunto, Cajun and zydeco, headlined by Rockin' Dopsie Jr. and The Zydeco Twisters. Bring a blanket for the hill.

[SHOW DETAILS](#)



Fall Community Celebration

Saturday, 1 to 4 PM
Contemporary Arts Museum Houston

Free, all ages. A gallery scavenger hunt, a postcard station the museum mails for you, and live music. Take METRORail to the Museum District stop or park on the street.

[EVENT DETAILS](#)



Music on the Boardwalk

Saturday, 6:30 to 9:30 PM
The Boardwalk at Towne Lake, Cypress

Live music on the green beside the lake, with waterfront restaurants all around. Dan Golvach plays solo this Saturday. Bring a lawn chair or grab a patio table.

[MUSIC DETAILS](#)

Featured Event



OLD KATY'S BIGGEST WEEKEND OF THE YEAR

45th Annual Katy Rice Harvest Festival - Katy

Two days of music, carnival rides and food on the redesigned Historic Town Square.

Sat 10 AM-10 PM

Sun Noon-6 PM

\$15 Adults

12 & Under Free

100+ Vendors

Plus food trucks and a carnival

The 45th Katy Rice Harvest Festival fills Historic Town Square, in front of Katy City Hall, on Saturday and Sunday. More than 100 vendor booths, food trucks, a carnival, a beer garden, an Agriculture Adventure area and a toddler zone spread across downtown. Main-stage music is included with admission: Lonestar plays Saturday at 8 PM and Neal McCoy closes the festival Sunday at 4:30 PM. Adults are \$15 a day and kids 12 and under are free with an adult ticket. A ride wristband is \$30 a day extra.

GET TICKETS

FESTIVAL DETAILS

Street parking downtown is tight, so use the free shuttle from the Merrell Center, which runs all weekend. The festival goes on rain or shine.

Community Roundup



Halloween at the BOO!seum

All October, closed Mondays • 9 AM to 5 PM at Children's Museum Houston, included with admission. Saturday is Grosstopia!, a day for bug lovers. The free family night this month is Thursday, October 29, 5 to 8 PM.

Two Free Fall Festivals in Katy

The YMCA Fall Festival is Friday, October 23, 5 to 8 PM at the Monty Ballard YMCA at Cinco Ranch, and Katy Family Fall Fest follows Saturday, October 24, 3 to 7 PM at Stableside at Falcon Landing.

Early Voting Starts October 19

Early voting for the November 3 election runs Monday, October 19 through Friday, October 30.

Greater Houston: more to choose from, a slower pace

The Houston-area median sale price eased to \$330,000 in August, homes averaged 54 days on market, and inventory held at 5.3 months. That is the most balanced this market has looked in years. See the Real Estate Corner for what it means locally.

More to Know

The Cypress Methodist Pumpkin Patch is open daily through October 31, 10 AM to 7 PM, and free to walk in. Next Saturday, October 17, Discovery Green has the Nigeria Cultural Parade from noon, then Flea by Night and Screen on the Green after dark. The Cy-Woods FFA Fall Craft Market, with more than 100 vendors, is October 24-25 at the CFISD Exhibit Center on Telge Rd.

The Great Pumpkin Contest

Our Halloween Coloring Contest for kids ages 4-12 is open now



Three age groups, three free coloring pages, real prizes

Download your child's free coloring page, color it in, and send it back. Pumpkin Patch Pals (ages 4-6), the Trick-or-Treat Crew (7-9) and the Haunted House Artists (10-12) each have their own page. First place in every group wins a \$25 Target gift card, a Halloween craft kit and a Coloring Champion Certificate; second wins a \$15 Fandango card and a sketch pad; third wins a \$10 Marble Slab card and a mini coloring book. One entry per child, submitted by a parent or guardian, and judged anonymously. Winners announced on Halloween.

ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28 AT 11:59 PM CT

Free to enter at movelivelovetx.com

movelivelovetx.com/little-artists-club

GET THE COLORING PAGES

Sponsored by Matt Brown, Encompass Lending Group

Sunday, October 11

A slower day, with plenty still going on.



Filipino American History Month Festival

Sunday, October 11 • noon to 9 PM, POST Houston. Free. More than 20 food vendors and 20 retail vendors, a noon cooking demo, siopao-eating contests at 1 and 2, and dance and band sets into the evening.

Zoo Boo at the Houston Zoo

Daily through October 31 • 9 AM to 5 PM, last entry at 4. Included with zoo admission. A pumpkin lantern tunnel, photo spots and two new stops this year. Costumes welcome; reserve timed tickets online.

Oil Ranch Fall Festival, Hockley

Sunday noon to 5 PM (Saturday 10 to 5), 23501 Macedonia Rd. A pumpkin patch, hayrides, pony rides, a train and a petting area. Sundays are open in October only.

Also Sunday: the LaCenterra Farmers Market in Katy, 11 AM to 3 PM at Heritage Square.



Worth Your Drive



Texas Renaissance Festival Opens

Sat and Sun, 9 AM to 8 PM
Todd Mission, northwest of Houston

Opening weekend of the 2026 season, which runs weekends through November 29 plus the Friday after Thanksgiving. No entry after 7 PM. Buy tickets online ahead.

FESTIVAL DETAILS



Dewberry Farm Fall Festival

Fridays to Sundays through Nov. 8
7705 FM 362, Brookshire

More than 40 attractions, with an 8-acre corn maze, a pumpkin patch, a pumpkin house, carnival rides and barnyard animals, plus glowing jack-o'-lanterns after dark.

FARM DETAILS



Conroe Cajun Catfish Festival

Fri to Sun; Sat 11 AM to midnight
Montgomery County Fairgrounds, Conroe

The 37th year, with Cajun, zydeco and Texas country, food vendors and a carnival. \$20 a day or \$35 for the weekend; kids 12 and under free.

FESTIVAL DETAILS



Galveston Island Greek Festival

Sat 11 AM to 6 PM, Sun noon to 5 PM
714 19th St., Galveston

Free to get in. The 42nd year of gyros, souvlaki and baklava, with Greek dancers who pull the crowd in. Free parking in the county garage next door.

FESTIVAL DETAILS

Small Business Spotlight



SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT · OCTOBER 2026

Wolfdan 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 Wolfdan 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.

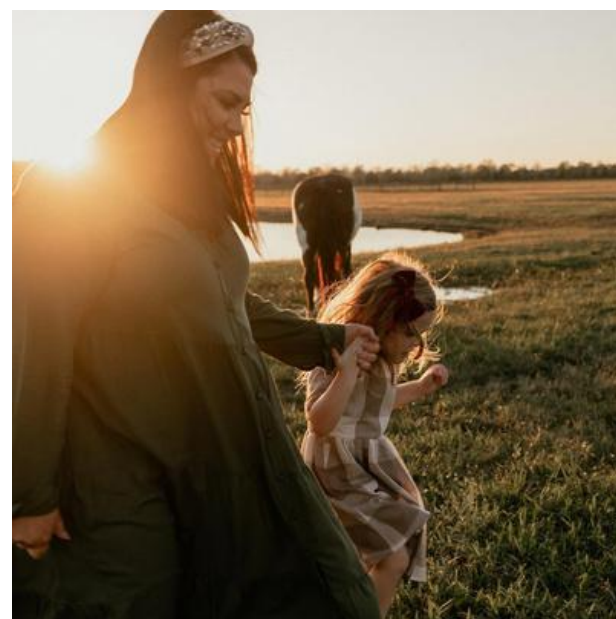
Professionally photographing people and their stories since 2014

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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Greater Houston Market Snapshot

\$330,000

Median single-family sale price, August 2026

54 Days

Average days on market, up from 52 a year ago

Sales fell 11.5% year over year in August, the sharpest drop of 2026, but prices barely moved: the median slipped \$5,000 and the average actually rose. With 5.3 months of inventory, this is the most balanced the Houston market has been in years.

What This Means For You

FOR BUYERS

More time to decide, more room to negotiate. With fewer buyers competing for each listing, you can ask for repairs, ask for closing cost credits, or just take a breath before writing an offer.

FOR SELLERS

The drop in closings is worth taking seriously without overreacting to it. Prices held up, which means well-prepared, realistically priced homes are still finding buyers.

Curious what these numbers mean for your specific home? Turn the page. We've got a featured listing and our direct line right here.

The 2026 Pumpkin Patch Map



28 pumpkin patches, farms and fall festivals, on one map.

We put every pumpkin patch, farm and fall festival we could find from Conroe to Galveston on one interactive map, with this year's dates, hours and admission for each. Filter by the kind of outing you want or by your side of town, then tap a pin for directions. 17 of the 28 are free to walk into.

FREE PATCHES

Church and community patches where you only pay for the pumpkins you take home.

FARMS & MAZES

Destination farms with corn mazes, hayrides and animals.

FALL FESTIVALS

Bigger events with rides, food and live music.

OPEN THE MAP

movelivelovetx.com/pumpkin-patches

Most patches close October 31, so go while the pumpkins are good.

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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.



"My wife and I love our new home, Peter and Vicky were super knowledgeable and helpful. We were new to Houston, and nervous about navigating Houston's neighborhoods and zones, but Peter was able to find the perfect house for us, that more than exceeded what we could have even imagined!"

Tiffany R.

Buyer, new to Houston • 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: the In a Pickle Festival in Kingwood, the Conroe Cajun Catfish Festival, and a Wicked-themed Spooktacular at the Tomball Depot.

[READ THE NORTH EDITION](#)

SOUTH EDITION

Webster, Clear Lake, Pearland, Alvin and Galveston. This week: Galveston's Greek Festival, a free Harvest Festival in League City, and ArtWalk on The Strand.

[READ THE SOUTH 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.
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