## **FORT WORTH MUSIC**

Fort Worth was recently named a "Top 6 U.S. City to Watch" by Conde Nast Traveler where the article cites "a music scene on the verge of competing with Austin thanks to local crooner Leon Bridges and Niles City Sound." Live music continues to grow across the city including dozens of live music venues and events such as Fortress Festival, Sundance Square's Bands on the Bricks, weekly live concerts at Billy Bob's Texas, Panther Island's Rockin' the River Summer Concert Series and the Near Southside's Friday on the Green and many more.



## **ANNUAL FESTIVALS & EVENTS**

- PANTHER ISLAND OKTOBERFEST, SEPTEMBER 21 23, 2017
- RED STEAGALL COWBOY GATHERING AND WESTERN SWING FESTIVAL OCTOBER 27 — 29, 2017
- LONE STAR INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL, NOVEMBER 8-12,2017
- FORT WORTH STOCK SHOW AND RODEO, JANUARY 12 FEBRUARY 3, 2018
- FORT WORTH FOOD + WINE FESTIVAL, APRIL 5-8, 2018
- MAIN ST. ARTS FESTIVAL, APRIL 19 22, 2018
- FORT WORTH OPERA FESTIVAL, APRIL MAY, 2018
- FORTRESS FESTIVAL, SPRING 2018
- TEXAS MOTOR SPEEDWAY

APRIL: DUCK COMMANDER 500 WEEKEND

JUNE: FIRESTONE 600 WEEKEND

OCTOBER — NOVEMBER: AAA TEXAS 500 TRIPLEHEADER WEEKEND



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# **UPDATES & DEVELOPMENTS**



# **HOTEL DEVELOPMENT 2017-18**

#### Downtown

#### **HAMPTON INN & SUITES HOTEL**

Opening Fall 2017

The property will consist of 210-rooms, conference space, pool, outdoor dining and covered parking.

## **ALOFT**

Opening 2017

180 guest rooms on floors 8-13 in One City Place in downtown Fort Worth.

# **FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES**

Opening 2017

The five-story hotel will be 78,122 square feet with 114 rooms.

#### MARRIOTT AUTOGRAPH COLLECTION HOTEL

Opening 2018

The 164-room hotel will be housed in the 1930s Art Deco Sinclair Building in the heart of downtown.

# TRINITY RIVER VISION PROJECT

This expansive project now underway will connect many neighborhoods in Fort Worth directly to the Trinity River, creating an oasis of urban living and recreation. Projects underway include the revitalization of Gateway Park into one of the largest urban-programmed parks in the nation; the creation of Panther Island, a metropolitan waterfront neighborhood complete with more than 12 miles of canals and walkways lined with cafés, restaurants and nightlife; new boat and canoe launches and environmental enhancements.

# Stockyards National Historic District

# **COURTYARD MARRIOTT**

Now Open

Located in the historic Stockyards, the 4-floor, 121-room hotel has 1,296 sq. feet of meeting space and is within walking distance of attractions, restaurants and nightlife.

#### **SPRINGHILL SUITES BY MARRIOTT**

Opening Fall 2018

Located on Main St. in the Stockyards National Historic District, across the street from Lonesome Dove restaurant, the 170-room hotel will include a new rooftop café and bar by restauranteur Chef Tim Love.





# More Trinity River Developments

#### **CLEAR FORK**

The Trailhead at Clear Fork features a weekly Famers Market, free Saturday fitness classes, multiple outdoor retailers, luxury apartment homes and the Shops at Clearfork, which is anchored by Neiman Marcus. Visitors and locals can dine at Press Café, a modern, casual eatery located at The Trailhead. All of this falling within steps of the Trinity River trail system.

#### **WATERSIDE**

Sitting directly on the Trinity Trail, Waterside visitors may enjoy shopping, dining, unmatched amenities, picturesque views on the Trinity River or take advantage of the great space for running, cycling and horseback riding.

#### **RIVER EAST**

A 276-acre, mixed-use development three miles west of downtown Fort Worth — that will include residential, restaurants and entertainment along the Trinity River. River East will also be home to Crystal Springs on the River, a new outdoor amphitheater and entertainment center with restaurants, live music venues, shops and access to the Trinity River.



## **DICKIES ARENA**

The new \$450 million multipurpose and sports arena is due to open in late 2019 and will host early round NCAA Final Four games in 2022. The facility is located at the Will Rogers Memorial Center Complex in the Cultural District, 10 minutes from downtown. The 14,000-seat arena will host the annual Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo, concerts, sporting events and more.

# **NEW EXPERIENCES**

#### **FAMILY MUSEUM PASS**

The Family Museum Pass gives you access to six museums that offer a variety of adventure for all ages.

- Fort Worth Museum of Science and History
- · National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame
- Texas Civil War Museum
- Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame
- · Log Cabin Village
- · Texas Civil War Museum



#### **FORT WORTH ALE TRAIL PASS**

The Fort Worth Ale Trail gives visitors access to five popular craft brewery tours and tastings for one all-inclusive price.

- · Rahr & Sons Brewing Company
- · Wild Acre Brewing Company
- · Hop Fusion Ale Works
- The Collective Brewing Project
- · Panther Island Brewing

# CHISHOLM TRAIL 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

The Chisholm Trail route was used in the post-Civil War era to drive cattle from ranches in Texas to Kansas railheads. Fort Worth was the last stop for rest and supplies on the Chisholm Trail. Between 1866-1890, drovers (cowboys) trailed more than four million head of cattle through Fort Worth. 2017 marks the 150th anniversary of the Chisholm Trail. Special exhibitions, panels, plays and community events will take place throughout the year to mark this historic anniversary. Visit FortWorth.com/ChisholmTrail150 for a full list of events.

# FORT WORTH FUN TOURS

Get to know Fort Worth from the comfort of an old time trolley! The 75-minute, 15-mile narrated tour will entertain you with fascinating facts about the city. \$24 adult, \$12 children.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

#### **TEX RAIL - 2018**

A \$1 billion rail project that will link downtown Fort Worth with DFW International Airport giving visitors a direct route to the airport.

#### THET

The T Fort Worth city bus now offers direct routes from downtown to the Stockyards National Historic District.





# STOCKYARDS ADVENTURE PASS

Experience the sights and sounds of the Old West with the easy, one-ticket Stockyards Adventure Pass. This new, self-guided tour includes; a souvenir photo taken on the bull at Billy Bob's Texas – the world's largest honky-tonk, admission to the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame and Stockyards Museum, and a screening of the "Spirit of the West."

For more information visit: FortWorth.com/StockyardsAdventure



# MUSEUM UPDATES & EXHIBITIONS

#### KIMBELL ART MUSEUM

Casanova: The Seduction of Europe

August 27 – December 31, 2017

Casanova: The Seduction of Europe explores the 18th century across Europe through the eyes of one of its most colorful characters, Giacomo Casanova (1725 – 1798). For more information visit: kimbellart.org

#### **CATTLE RAISERS MUSEUM**

#### Now open

Newly renovated, the Cattle Raisers Museum is a 10,000-square-foot exhibition (located in the Fort Worth Museum of Science & History) dedicated to preserving and celebrating the vital history of the cattle industry. The interactive gallery tells the story of the challenges and accomplishments of Texas and Southwestern cattle raisers over the past 150 years. For more information visit: cattleraisersmuseum.org.



## TEXAS MUSIC TAKEOVER

The Fort Worth Convention & Visitors Bureau will serve as presenting sponsor of Texas Music Takeover (TMT) in London, October 9–16, 2017 for the second consecutive year. The seven-day concert series spotlights 13 Texas musicians including Fort Worth's own Pat Green, Luke Wade, Austin Allsup, Grady Spencer, Joey Green and Josh Halverson in venues throughout London. For more information visit:

texasmusictakeover.co.uk

