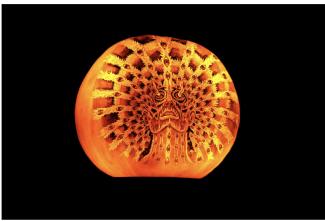
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A Pats Peak twofer, where Oktoberfest meets a gear sale. Plus, there's still time to see the pumpkins

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A jack-o-lantern from the Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular last year. BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

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Celebrate pumpkins, music, and bonfires

See more than 5,000 intricately carved pumpkins up close at the Jack-O-Lantern Spectacular in Providence's Roger Williams Park Zoo through Oct. 31. The event celebrates 150 years of music, taking visitors on a journey from the days of ragtime and swing to hip-hop. See the faces of Janis Joplin, Jay-Z, and many other musical artists on pumpkins of all shapes and sizes. Some pumpkins on display weigh up to 2,000 pounds. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Also, don't miss Providence's outdoor art exhibit "WaterFire," an award-winning sculpture by Barnaby Evans that's installed on three rivers downtown. More than 80 sparkling bonfires light up Providence, casting light on bridges and buildings. Enjoy a partial lighting on Oct. 27 (WaterFire's 25th birthday celebration) and Dec. 4, and a full lighting on Nov. 6. 401-785-3510, www.rwpzoo.org/jols; 401-273-1155, www.waterfire.org