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Stars of Hot Luck:  
Chef Callie Speer  
and Piano Man  
Robert Ellis  
at Holy Roller

# Get Luck-y

The Women Chefs of the **Hot Luck Festival** on the Tunes Behind Their Treats | **Hot Luck Festival** Music Headliners Serve Up a Culinary Chorus

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**✦ KERRVILLE FOLK FESTIVAL** Celebrating their 48th year, the Kerrville Folk Festival will be hosting more than 100 musicians and will have enough plucking to frighten away chickens for miles around. *May 23-June 9. Quiet Valley Ranch, 3876 Medina Hwy., Kerrville. www.kerrvillefolkfestival.com.*

**IEEE'S WOMEN IN ENGINEERING INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE** Women in tech discuss empowerment, entrepreneurship, leadership, innovation, and disruptive technology during this two-day conference. *Thu.-Fri., May 23-24, 8am-5:45pm. JW Marriott, 110 E. Second. Prices vary. www.ieee-wie-ilc.org.*

**✦ A TRIBUTE TO AIDA BARRERA AND CARRASCOLENDAS** Celebrating the legacy of filmmaker Aida Barrera, who created the first bilingual TV program for children in 1970 with *Carrascolendas*. *Thu., May 23, 5-7pm. Emma S. Barrientos Mexican American Cultural Center, 600 River St., 512/471-1924. Free. voces.lib.utexas.edu.*

**DOS EQUIS POP-UP FASHION SHOW** Comedian Ben Schwartz (*Parks and Recreation*) is emceeing this very Jean Ralphio, on-brand fashion show where local influencers – aka those folks on Insta trying to “influence” you to buy the latest, greatest thingamajig – will model “exaggerated, over-the-top” Dos Equis-branded clothing, like a \$250 towel jacket. “Because it’s not just a towel jacket; it’s a lifestyle.” *Thu., May 23, 7pm. Moontower Saloon, 10212 Manchaca Rd., 512/712-5661. www.moontowersaloon.com.*

**KARAOKE NIGHT AT H MART** Belt out some tunes while enjoying special drink specials to boot. Bonus: Anyone who sings a K-pop song will receive a prize. *Fri., May 24, 6-10pm. H Mart, 11301 Lakeline, 737/717-6900. Free. www.hmart.com.*

**POPTAILS AND PUPTAILS LAUNCH PARTY** Lone Star Court is welcoming summer with complimentary mini “poptail” tastings for the 21+ crowd, as well as “puptails” for the furry attendees. *Fri., May 24, 9-11pm. Lone Star Court Hotel, 10901 Domain Dr., 512/814-2625. Free. www.lonestarcourt.com.*

**SILENT DISCO PARTY** You know the drill: Grab a pair of headphones and choose between three DJs playing top 40 dance hits; Eighties, Nineties, and Aughts throwbacks; or hip-hop and R&B. As always, don’t forget a credit or debit card for the check-in process, and be 21+ to party. *Fri., May 24, 10pm. The Belmont, 305 W. Sixth, 800/833-9281. \$10-20. www.quietevents.com.*

**WILD TEXAS TOUR** Take a tour of native Texas wildlife: from tracks to scat and from raccoons to raptors. *Sat., May 25, 11am-12:30pm. Pioneer Farms, 10621 Pioneer Farms Dr., 512/837-1215. Free with admission. www.pioneerfarms.org.*

**LUXE APOTHEQUE'S DRESS FOR SUCCESS EVENT** Donate your gently used, nearly new professional attire and receive 10% off your full-price purchase at the locally owned boutique. Dress for Success provides women with professional attire to help them secure employment. *Sat., May 25, noon-4pm. Luxe Apothetique, 11501 Century Oaks Terrace. www.shopluxe.com.*

**SAUCE ODYSSEY'S FALLING PECAN MUSIC SERIES** Live music from local artists, plus a pop-up market featuring local vendors. Pets and kiddos always welcome! *Fourth Saturday of every month, 1-6pm. Sauce Odyssey, 1403 E. Seventh, 512/284-8011. Free. www.sauceodyssey.com.*

**ILLFEST MUSIC AND ART FESTIVAL** Four stages featuring more than 30 electronic music artists alongside light-art installations, live-painted murals, and interactive art. *Sat., May 25, 3-11pm. Travis County Expo Center, 7311 Decker Lake Rd. \$65-125. www.illfestatx.com.*

**GOT POP SINGING COMPETITION AT H MART** Show off your pipes at this two-day singing competition for the chance to win some prizes, like a \$500 H Mart gift certificate for first place. K-pop is encouraged, but all genres are welcome. Sign up via email by *Sat., May 25*, at the latest. *Sat.-Sun., May 25-26, 5-7pm. H Mart, 11301 Lakeline, 737/717-6900. Free. hmartgotpop@gmail.com, www.hmart.com.*



## Austin Greek Festival

Celebrate the inaugural Austin Greek Festival with three days of delicious Greek food – including spanakopita, souvlaki, baklava, and more – kid-friendly activities, Greek dance performances & lessons, and a marketplace. Plus, a band will be flying in from Greece to perform everything from folk songs to contemporary hits on bouzoukias and other traditional instruments. Opa!

*Fri.-Sun., May 24-26. Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church, 414 St. Stephens School Rd. \$5; free for kids 10 and under, military ID and first responders. www.austingreekfestival.com.*

**STAR PARTY AT INKS LAKE PARK** Austin Astronomical Society invites folks out for a night of stargazing with the help of their telescopes. *Sat., May 25, 8pm; Sat., July 6, 8pm. Inks Lake State Park, 3630 Park Road 4 W., Inks Lake. Party: free; park entrance fee: \$6, ages 13 and older; free, ages 12 and under. aas.austinaastro.org.*