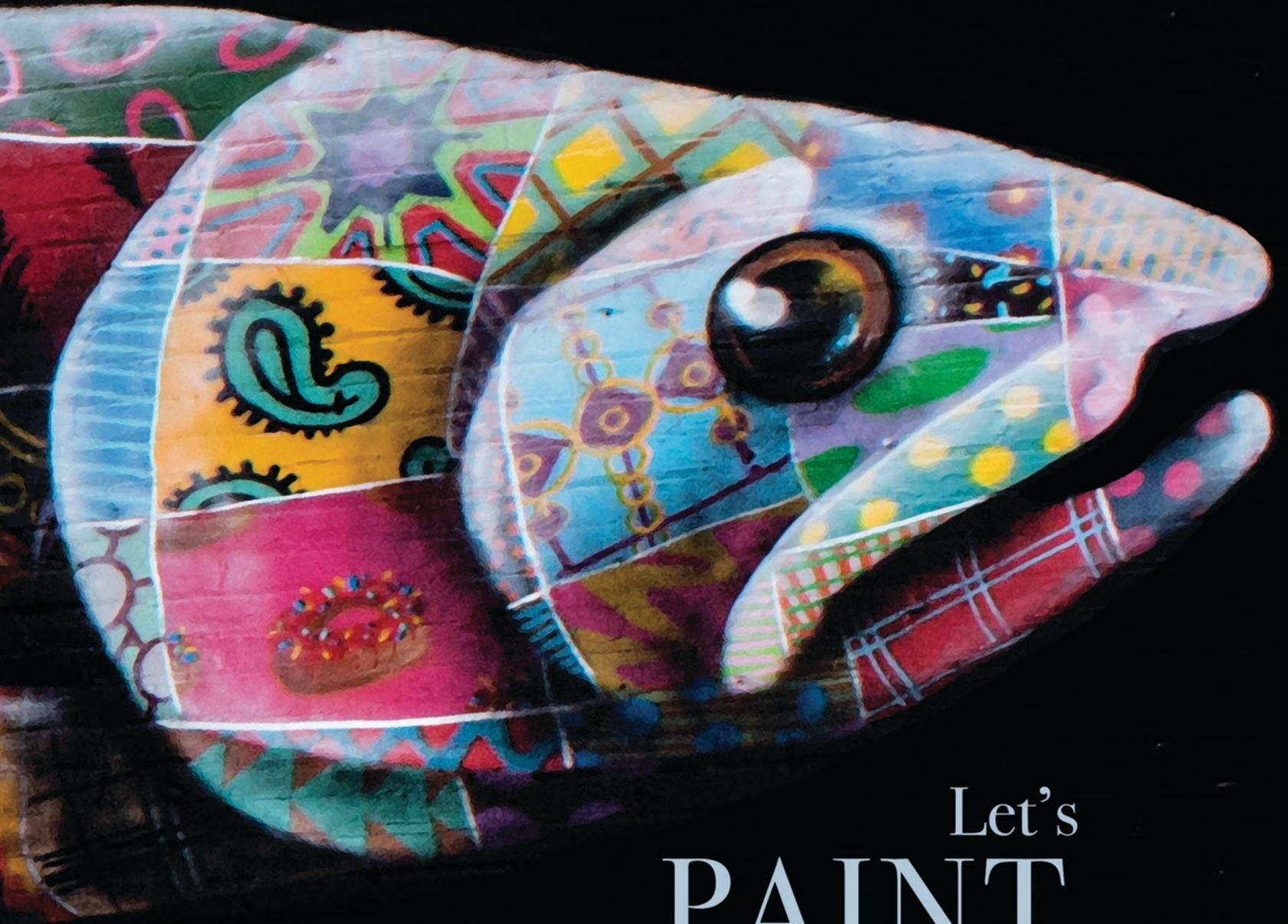


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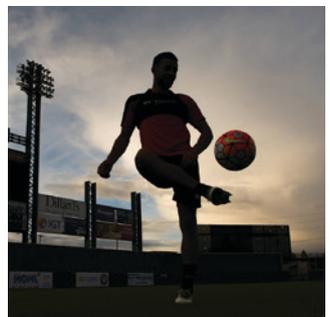
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Continuing a rich legacy that encompasses all art forms, Artown is back for its 22nd year with a full month of events this July. Art exhibitions, dance performances, live concerts, and plays are just the tip of the iceberg for the annual festival where 70 percent of the events and performances are free, allowing locals to attend and experience as many events as they'd like. With a goal to "strengthen Reno's art industry, enhance our civic identity and national image, thereby creating a climate for the cultural and economic rebirth of our region," it's easy to see the driving mission in motion all around town.



Randy Newman



Ben Harper & The Innocent Criminals



Heart & Sole Dance Academy

Artown Presents

BRINGING IN THE BIG GUNS, THIS SERIES OF CONCERTS FEATURES RESPECTED MUSIC INDUSTRY VETERANS SHOWCASING WHAT THEY DO BEST: PERFORMING. MOST OF THE PERFORMANCES WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE SCENIC OUTDOOR ROBERT Z. HAWKINS AMPHITHEATER AT BARTLEY RANCH.

THE REVOLUTION

July 13

*Doors open at 7:30 p.m.
\$60 assigned seating, \$40 general admission
lawn seating*

Most commonly known as the versatile band behind the music icon Prince, The Revolution merges funk, rock 'n' roll, rhythm and blues, pop, and psychedelia genres. The band (Wendy Melvoin, Lisa Coleman, Bobby Z, BrownMark, and Dr. Fink) is considered one of the most successful music acts of all time.

AN EVENING WITH RANDY NEWMAN

July 20

*7:30 p.m.-10 p.m.
\$70 assigned seating, \$50 general admission
lawn seating*

With songs that run the gamut from heartbreak to satire and a host of unforgettable film scores, Randy Newman has used his many talents to create musical masterpieces widely recognized by generations of audiences.

CHE MALAMBO

July 25

*Doors open at 7:30 p.m.
\$30 assigned seating, \$20 general admission
lawn seating*

The Argentine-based troupe Che Malambo excites audiences through precise footwork and rhythmic stomping, drumming of the bombos, and singing and whirling boleadoras (lassos with stones on the end), presenting a thrilling, percussive dance and music spectacle.

THE STEELDRIVERS

July 27

*7:30 p.m.-10 p.m.
\$35 assigned seating, \$25 general admission
lawn seating*

The Nashville group has received the 2016 Grammy for Best Bluegrass Album, as well as International Bluegrass Music Association and Americana nods. Noted as some of the top musicians in their field, The SteelDrivers consist of Gary Nichols, Tammy King, Mike Fleming, Richard Bailey, and Brent Truitt.

BEN HARPER & THE INNOCENT CRIMINALS

July 28

*Doors at 7 p.m., show starts at 8 p.m.
Grand Sierra Resort
Tickets range from \$38-\$98*

Beginning with his 1994 debut, *Welcome to the Cruel World*, Harper released a string of eight studio albums over a decade and a half. This extraordinary run, featuring contributions from the Innocent Criminals, established him as a singularly powerful songwriter and performer with range across multiple genres and an unmatched ability to blend the personal and political.

Midtown **CONCERT SERIES**

RAGING FYAH

July 2

Regarded as one of Jamaica's most promising young acts, Raging Fyah's music is tethered to the island's enduring roots rock reggae tradition but is distinguished by an expansive vision that propels the band forward.

ROB ICKES AND TREY HENSLEY

July 9

This collaborative effort between two gifted musicians will be a revelation to traditional music fans on several counts. Rob Ickes has been playing bluegrass with his much-decorated band Blue Highway for more than 20 years, and Trey Hensley is bursting at the seams with freshness and musical excitement.

PERFORMANCES: 7:30 P.M.–9:30 P.M.

LOCATION: MICROSOFT STAGE AT BRASSERIE SAINT JAMES,
901 S. CENTER STREET

DANA LOUISE AND THE GLORIOUS BIRDS

July 16

Bringing vibrant, melodic vocals and fingerpicking to a body of complex songs drawn from jazz and bluegrass, Dana Louise and the Glorious Birds carry a contemporary beat with a sound that is roots-rooted and flung-into-the-future folk.

THE BALLROOM THIEVES

July 23

The trio finds a captivating mélange of acoustic styles, blending folk conventions with modern hymnals and delta blues grit with rich harmonies.

The Ballroom Thieves explore the basic constructions of pop music while almost wholeheartedly rejecting its restrictions at the same time.

GIPSY MOON

July 30

A five-piece ensemble of artists on an endless musical journey, Gypsy Moon shares songs with the hopes of planting inspiration into the soul, starting a fire in the heart, and building a community that invokes love in its wildest manifestations. The innovative folk group hails from the mountains of Nederland, Colorado. With original material mixed with old world-traditions, Gypsy Moon provides a full spectrum of musical styles.

Family **SERIES 2017**

THESE TAILORED LIVE PERFORMANCES HOPE TO FOSTER AN APPRECIATION FOR THE ARTS AT AN EARLY AGE, SO BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY FOR AN EVENING AT WINGFIELD PARK. PERFORMANCES: 5 P.M.

THE SOUNDS AND RHYTHMS OF DAVID AND GRACE HAYES

July 3

Children will learn the basics of music with this interactive artistic performance through the energetic and unconventional music development of this father-and-daughter team. Grace and David Hayes bring to life the magic of playing instruments such as banjo, saxophone, trumpet and ukulele to children. Creative interaction is key to this inspiring and magical evening.

TROUT FISHING IN AMERICA

July 17

Four-time Grammy nominees Trout Fishing in America is the long-standing musical partnership of Keith Grimwood and Ezra Idlet. Enjoy their fun and musical performance designed especially for children.

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Cultural CONNECTIONS

ENJOY THE WELL-CRAFTED SOUNDS OF GLOBAL MUSICIANS
AT WINGFIELD PARK. PERFORMANCES: 7:30 P.M.

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BEETHOVEN LIVES UPSTAIRS

July 24

The world-famous production of *Beethoven Lives Upstairs* performed by the Reno Philharmonic features a lively exchange of letters between young Christoph and his uncle. Their subject is the “madman” who has moved into the upstairs apartment of Christoph’s Vienna home. Through a touching correspondence dramatically underscored with the composer’s most beautiful excerpts, Christoph comes to understand the genius of Beethoven, the beauty of his music, and the torment of his deafness.



EMELINE MICHEL

July 5

The American-trained songstress emerged during the late 1980s, a remarkably vibrant era for Haitian music. Singing both in French and Haitian Creole, Michel performs songs that frequently address social issues with a deep caring and warmth for her native land.

VILLALOBOS BROTHERS

July 12

This contemporary Mexican ensemble’s original compositions and arrangements masterfully blend and celebrate the richness of Mexican folk music with the intricate harmonies of jazz and classical music. The Villalobos Brothers deliver an intoxicating brew of brilliance, cadence, and virtuosity that awaken the senses and mesmerize the listener.

OZOMATLI

July 19

Since its inception in 1995, innovation and creativity have defined Ozomatli. Hailing from Los Angeles, the group found a way to represent the city’s eclectic culture through music that appeals to the local community and the world beyond. Ozomatli’s success is exemplified in an impressive variety of genres from classic to modern Latino, urban, hip-hop, and other world styles.



NIYAZ FEATURING AZAM ALI AND TANYA EVANSON

July 26

An evolutionary force in contemporary Middle Eastern music, Niyaz has created a 21st century global trance tradition by seamlessly blending medieval Sufi poetry and folk songs from their native Iran and its surrounding countries in the Persian Gulf, with rich acoustic instrumentation and state-of-the-art modern electronics.

Monday Night **MUSIC SERIES**

CLINT HOLMES

July 3

Clint Holmes is a consummate entertainer, performer, recording artist, and one of the country's finest vocalists. In honor of Independence Day, he will sing selections from the Great American Songbook in a patriotic performance.

HOT CLUB OF COWTOWN

July 17

Since its beginnings in the late 1990s, Hot Club of Cowtown's star has continued to rise as its reputation for jaw-dropping virtuosity, down-home melodies, and exuberant improvisation. Unforgettable live shows have become the band's global brand.

LOCATION: ROBERT Z. HAWKINS AMPHITHEATER

PERFORMANCES: 7:30 P.M.

SHUFFLE CONCERT

July 24

A modern-day ensemble that delivers the unexpected, this inspiring and energetic New York-based chamber music group changes the rules of performance as we know it. Unique to SHUFFLE Concert's performances is the manner in which the program is selected. The audience is invited to actively participate in the selection of works to be performed by choosing from a menu of more than 30 pieces derived from 15 different styles, ranging from solos and duos, to trios and quartets.

Dancing **IN THE Park** **SERIES**

PERFORMANCES: 8 P.M.–9:30 P.M. LOCATION: WINGFIELD PARK

DANCING BY THE RIVER

July 11

Sierra Nevada Ballet will present an exciting evening of dance, song, and music. This event promises to be a grand new and different, versatile and innovative production continuing in the tradition of SNB's highly acclaimed annual Artown performances.

SOLE EXPRESSION

July 18

Come on down to Wingfield Park and watch a night filled with stories and entertainment told through the Art of Dance. Performers include teachers and students from Heart & Sole Dance Academy and Dysrhythmia Contemporary Dance Company dancing in a variety of styles such as hip-hop, jazz, contemporary, ballet, and tap.

Film **FEAST**

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF LOCAL FAVORITE CHEF MARK ESTEE, LIBERTY FOOD AND WINE EXCHANGE WILL PROVIDE A FULL SENSORY EXPERIENCE FOR GUESTS WITH EVEN THE SERVERS GETTING INTO CHARACTER. SHOW UP EARLY FOR DINNER AND DRINKS INSPIRED BY THAT NIGHT'S MOVIE.

JULY 11: CASINO ROYALE • JULY 18: MIDNIGHT IN PARIS
JULY 25: O BROTHER, WHERE ART THOU?

SPRING & SUMMER

Enjoy the area's glorious spring days and summer nights by attending one of the numerous festivals and fairs, soaking in art, culture, and experiences not found anywhere else. With no shortage of options, it's the best way to explore everything the community has to offer.

RENO SCULPTURE FEST

May 12-14

Larger-than-life sculptures take over 12 city blocks during Reno Sculpture Fest, May 12-14. Free to the public and family friendly, guests can view works of art from around the world in addition to live painters and muralists, aerial and street performers, concerts, food trucks, and a silent disco. Learn more at renosculpturefest.com.

RENO RIVER FESTIVAL

May 13-14

It's a party on the Truckee River all weekend long when the Reno River Festival comes to Wingfield Park May 13-14. Watch freestyle kayaking competitions, tackle zip lines and rock walls inside the Adventure Park, or kick back and relax in the Craft Beer and Summer Wine Villages. Cyclists of all ages won't want to miss the costumed yet casual seven-mile River Roll, which will be led by a live, mobile band. Purchase tickets at renoriverfestival.com.

RENO 1868 FC

Join Reno 1868 FC for a match or two during the team's inaugural soccer season at Greater Nevada Field. Reno 1868 FC will face Seattle Sounders FC 2 on May 20 and follow with a contest against Tulsa Roughnecks FC on May 24. Become a member of the Battle Born Brigade to sit with the team's loudest fans, or purchase tickets starting at \$13 at reno1868fc.com.

CHILI ON THE COMSTOCK

May 20-21

More than 30 of the best chili cooks in the West compete for a spot in the International Chili Society World Finals at the 34th Annual Chili on the Comstock, taking place May 20-21 in Virginia City. Taste testers can also partake in the Fun with the Runs 5K or Fireball Saloon Crawl, both of which will introduce you to the historical landmarks and beautiful mountainside of the old mining town. Purchase event packages at visitvirginiacitynv.com.

RENO ACES

Root, root, root for the Reno Aces during games at Greater Nevada Field all summer long. Watch the Triple-A affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks take on the Las Vegas 51s – the team's in-state rival – in a four-game home stand beginning June 1. On June 23, stick around after the game against the Tacoma Rainiers, when kids age 12 and younger can run the bases for free. View the complete schedule and buy tickets at renoaces.com.

RENO CRAFT BEER WEEK

June 2-10

Raise a pint at the 3rd Annual Reno Craft Beer Week, which celebrates the Biggest Little City's growing craft beer scene June 2-10. Beer lovers will rejoice as the dozens of breweries in town come together for beer dinners, food pairings, beer walks, and craft beer cocktail tasting. Plan your itinerary or become a Craft Beer Week VIP at renocraftbeerweek.com.

**NEVADA
STATE FAIR**

June 8-11

Carson City hosts four days of carnival fun and entertainment during the Nevada State Fair. From June 8-11, guests of all ages can enjoy rides and games, western-themed gunfights, Civil War re-enactments, horseback cavalry shows, and exhibits from every county in Nevada. Admission to the Nevada State Fair is free, with unlimited ride wristbands starting at \$30 when purchased in advance. Learn more at nevadastatefair.org.

**RENO
RODEO**

June 15-24

Known as the “Wildest, Richest Rodeo in the West,” the Reno Rodeo is 10 days of action-packed fun, June 15-24. Events include steer wrestling, barrel racing, and bull riding, with junior roping and mutton-busting activities available for the youngest rodeo fans. There will also be a carnival, theme nights, and the crowning of Miss Reno Rodeo 2017. Find the full schedule at renorodeo.com.

**THE GREAT
ELDORADO BBQ,
BREWS AND BLUES
FESTIVAL**

June 16-17

Combining a barbecue block party with microbrews and music, the Great Eldorado BBQ, Brews and Blues Festival returns for its 22nd year June 16-17. Two stages will feature nonstop rock and blues while attendees sample beers from 60 breweries and devour ribs, wings, and more. Visit eldoradoreno.com for more information.

**SIERRA NEVADA
LAVENDER & HONEY
FESTIVAL**

June 25

Options for local honey and lavender abound at the inaugural Sierra Nevada Lavender & Honey Festival, taking place June 25. Shop these products alongside artisan craft and food vendors, or enjoy free music and entertainment at Sparks’ Victorian Square. Learn more at lavenderandhoneyfest.com.

ARTOWN

July 1-31

An annual, month-long summer arts festival, Artown celebrates the best performers and artists in Northern Nevada July 1-31. More than 500 events, many of which are free or low cost, take place all over the city, highlighting music, dance, theater, and film. The schedule also includes workshops, art walks, parties, and family-friendly activities for children. Search the complete calendar at renoartown.com.

**BIGGEST LITTLE
CITY WING FEST**

July 1-2

If you’re a self-proclaimed wing king or queen, don’t miss the Biggest Little City Wing Fest from July 1-2 in downtown Reno. More than 20,000 pounds of chicken wings will be served from dozens of local and regional vendors, each competing for trophies in categories including Best Hot Wing, Best Sweet Wing, and People’s Choice. Get details at silverlegacyreno.com.

**FOURTH
OF JULY**

July 1-4

There is no shortage of fireworks, food, and fun for the Fourth of July weekend. Greater Nevada Field and Nugget Casino Resort will each put on grand displays of pyrotechnics, or you can travel to Virginia City for its annual Main Street parade and fairgrounds firework show. In Fernley, less than an hour from Reno, enjoy afternoon activities that include catching a greased pig, a watermelon-eating contest, and games of horseshoe before fireworks light up the night sky. Visit reno.com for a complete activity guide.

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**LAKE TAHOE
SHAKESPEARE
FESTIVAL**

*July 8 through
August 27*

Shakespeare's classic works come to life in the beauty of Sand Harbor during the Lake Tahoe Shakespeare Festival, held July 8 through August 27 this year. Catch beachside performances of *Love's Labour's Lost* and *The Hound of the Baskervilles* Tuesdays through Sundays, and enjoy shows from Sierra Nevada Ballet, the Reno Jazz Orchestra, and the Reno Philharmonic on Mondays. Plan your visits and purchase tickets at laketahoeshakespeare.com.

**MIDTOWN
MURAL TOUR**

*Second Saturday
of Every Month*

Reno's Midtown District is home to more than 60 murals painted by local, national, and international artists, with new works of art popping up nearly every week. Art Spot Reno hosts a guided tour of these often hidden gems on the second Saturday of every month, with tickets available for just \$10. Bring a camera for the two-hour leisurely walk on July 8, and learn more at artspotreno.com.

**RENO BASQUE
FESTIVAL**

July 15

Celebrate the heritage and history of Reno's Basque culture at this annual festival that takes place July 15 at Wingfield Park. Dine on traditional food as you watch music and dance performances, or enter the weight-carrying, wood-chopping, and war cry contests. Visit renobasqueclub.org for more information.

**SUPERHERO
CRAWL**

July 16

One of the largest of its kind, the Superhero Crawl returns to downtown Reno on July 16. Thousands of Batmen, Supermen, Wonder Women, and Catwomen will protect locals and tourists from wayward villains in more than 10 bars, and enjoy beer and cocktail specials as their reward. Purchase your cup and get costume inspiration at superherocrawl.com.

**WANDERLUST
YOGA & MUSIC
FESTIVAL**

July 20-23

A self-described transformational retreat, Wanderlust Yoga & Music Festival brings together world-renowned yoga and meditation instructors, musical performers, speakers, artists, and chefs for a unique four-day experience. Attend all-level sessions and workshops, sample organic eats and drinks, or let the nature of Squaw Valley reset and inspire you July 20-23. Learn more at wanderlust.com.

**JAZZ AND
BEYOND:
CARSON CITY
MUSIC FESTIVAL**

August 4-20

Voted the best annual event by the Carson City Chamber of Commerce, Jazz and Beyond welcomes more than 100 musicians together for performances in a variety of intimate venues from August 4-20. In addition to jazz, genres include bluegrass, blues, Latin, and more, with many of the events being free or low cost to the community. View the complete lineup at jazzcarsoncity.com.

HOT AUGUST NIGHTS

August 8-13

Hit the gas and race to Reno and Sparks for Hot August Nights, the largest classic car and nostalgia event in the country, this August 8-13. Thousands of automobile enthusiasts come to display their hot rods and muscle cars from the '50s, '60s, and early '70s, with even more attendees eager to see the vintage beauties in action. This year also boasts Joan Jett and the Blackhearts and Rick Springfield as part of the entertainment lineup. Register your vehicle and view all events at hotaugustnights.net.

TA-HOE NALU PADDLE FESTIVAL

August 12-13

Stand-up paddle athletes, enthusiasts, and spectators won't want to miss the Ta-Hoe Nalu Paddle Festival, held at Kings Beach from August 12-13. Organizers are introducing new challenges for competitors and even more fun for attendees of all ages, including sand castle building contests, ukulele lessons, all-day demos and clinics, and a beer garden and luau. Find the detailed schedule and registration information at tahoenalu.com.

RENO GREEK FESTIVAL

August 18-20

Be Greek for a weekend when St. Anthony's Greek Orthodox Church hosts the Reno Greek Festival August 18-20. Learn more about the culture through traditional dancing, music, dining, and imports, and try not to break too many plates in celebration. Visit renogreekfest.com for more information.

NORTHERN NEVADA INTL. DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

August 19

Teams of 20 paddlers (plus a drummer and a steers person) will compete to cross the finish line fastest at the Northern Nevada International Dragon Boat Festival on August 19 at Sparks Marina. Watch races and enjoy a food truck bazaar, beer garden, and kids fun zone in between water events. Learn more at gwndragonboat.com.

CANFEST

August 26

Giving canned beer the spotlight it deserves is Canfest, an annual event that brings more than 100 different brews from around the nation to the Biggest Little City. Plan to leave the keys at home the night of August 26 and enjoy buffet-style dining, a live band, and a silent disco at Grand Sierra Resort and Casino. Save on tickets by buying early at canfestbeer.com.

RENO ALOHA FESTIVAL

August 26

The Reno Aloha Festival brings a taste of the islands to our local community August 26, all while offering free admission and a jam-packed event lineup that's family friendly. Spend the day at Wingfield Park listening to Hawaiian and Pacific Islander music, eating themed menu specials from vendors, and exploring the culture through Keiki Village's arts, crafts, and educational workshops. Visit renoalohafestival.com for more information.

BEST IN THE WEST NUGGET RIB COOK-OFF

August 30 through September 4

Held every year in downtown Sparks, the Best in the West Nugget Rib Cook-Off is the biggest barbecue festival in the U.S. Dozens of the world's best competitors serve up more than 240,000 pounds of ribs, each bringing their secret recipe with hopes of winning top honors. Enjoy vendors and entertainment while you're chowing down August 30 through September 4. Details can be found at nuggetribcookoff.com. ■

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CRAFT BEER

TAKE A LOOK AT THE TAP LINE IN YOUR LOCAL PUB, RESTAURANT, OR EVEN FAVORITE CASINO BAR. IT IS NO LONGER DOMINATED BY THE INDUSTRIAL MONOLITHS OF AMERICAN LAGERS, BUT HAS BECOME A VIRTUAL ADVENTURE TO BE EXPLORED AND SAVORED ONE PINT GLASS AT A TIME.

That adventure took a while to take hold in Northern Nevada, but we have made up for lost time in recent years with nearly 20 brewers and brew pubs, and a solid cast of craft beer-centric pubs and restaurants that offer local, regional, and national small production of craft beers.

Reno and the surrounding environs celebrate local beers each spring with Reno Craft Beer Week, now in its third year and set for June 2-10, 2017. Reno Craft Beer Week promotes our area's thriving craft beer culture, enhances beer knowledge, and builds local beer appreciation.

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“Reno Craft Beer Week attracts beer tourism, fosters knowledge of our regional brewing heritage, and serves as a showcase for Northern Nevada’s breweries, restaurants, pubs, retailers, and other businesses with ties to the craft beer community,” said Kurt Hoge, Reno Craft Beer Week co-founder and owner of Reno Type.

“Craft beer lovers will have the opportunity to attend events ranging from beer dinners and food pairings, to beer walks and craft beer cocktail tastings,” Hoge said. “We hope to make this year’s RCBW better than ever with a wider variety of events, both geographically and thematically, throughout the week.”

Renocraftbeerweek.com will act as the central hub for activity planning, coordination, and communication for Reno Craft Beer Week. Participating businesses are responsible for planning and hosting their own events.

The week will kick off with the biggest little home brew competition Backwash on Friday, June 2, and close with the Nevada Craft Brewers Association CollaBREWation Festival in downtown Sparks on Saturday,

June 10. The popular Reno Craft Beer Week Brewery Tour is set to return thanks to the new Reno Booze Bus.

Reno Craft Beer is a great platform for your beer escape, but how does one take the first step in the great beer adventure?

“Try, try and try,” said Chris Shanks, co-owner of The Depot on Fourth Street, the three-year-old restaurant/brewery in

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a neighborhood that is striving to brand itself as the Brewery District. “The craft beer industry is introducing styles and ideas that the larger companies simply can’t or won’t do. I also think people like to discover new things and products that are below the radar. The craft beer

industry provides adults with an almost scavenger hunt-like experience.”

Most brewpubs, breweries, or tap houses offer a menu of short pours known as tasters. Those in the know pick two to four styles, light to dark. Going through the whole lineup of beers might send your palate over the cliff.

“Sharing a taster makes a great date night. You sit and sample, compare notes, and have a little intelligent conversation around what you are drinking. It’s sort of like Match.com, but way better with beer,” Hoge said.

Those who are more prone to a beer-less date night may be surprised at the growing popularity of beer as a cocktail ingredient; it’s more than just a boilermaker.

“There’s a way to turn almost any quality beer into a cocktail,” said T. Duncan Mitchell, owner of Chapel Tavern, one the area’s early adapters to the craft beer craze. “Things like gose or berliner weisse work well because they carry a good level of acidity into the cocktail. The roast and sweetness of porters and stouts lend themselves to cocktails as well.”



One of Mitchell's warm-weather favorites is the Sidewalker, a cocktail created by Brooklyn Prime Meats. It combines apple brandy, apple cider vinegar, maple, and lemon, with Hefeweizen, a German-style wheat beer.

Reno's beer scene is also seeing more food and beer pairing events. The multitude of ingredients in beer, as compared to wine, offers a lot of options and surprising variations.

"If you're going to have a bright, crisp pilsner with your fish and chips, you haven't made the wrong decision. Seldom have I found a beer and food pairing that makes one or both taste bad," said Cameron Kelly, head brewer for Great Basin Brewing Co. "The same general concepts for wine pairings translate very well to beer. You probably don't want to drink a 13 percent alcohol Russian Imperial Stout, like our 412 Scytale Barrel-Aged Imperial Stout, with a citrus salad. IPAs love spicy food (they will taste a bit spicier), ambers pair well with nutty cheeses and fruit desserts, stouts stand up to barbeque and chocolate-rich desserts."

Northern Nevada's beer future is bright, and it's not only because we have a young and aggressive core of new brewers, but because we like eclectic, iconoclastic beers, evidenced by the rapid growth of Reno Craft Beer Week from 40 to more than 70 events.

To keep track of this year's beer bacchanal and to find a link to Peppermill's special RCBW room rates and packages, log on to www.renocraftbeerweek.com. ■



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“I’d be in the lobby doing magic tricks, and it’d start with just one or two people at the snack bar and all of a sudden the next thing you know there are 50, 60, 70 people in the foyer area around this kid doing magic and card tricks.”

Winning Magic

Solely attributing magician Mat Franco’s success to winning NBC’s *America’s Got Talent* would be overlooking the two-plus decades of enthusiastic work the 29-year-old has put into shaping his craft and finding an aesthetic all his own.

The Las Vegas headliner’s love affair with magic started at the tender age of four after seeing the first of many magic specials on TV. Becoming a sponge, his education took shape by watching and re-watching videotapes of magicians and progressed when Franco started

to put on his own performances during show-and-tell and anywhere else that he could muster up an audience.

He recalls stirring up trouble at his two older brothers’ wrestling matches with one of his impromptu shows.

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“I’d be in the lobby doing magic tricks, and it’d start with just one or two people at the snack bar and all of a sudden the next thing you know there are 50, 60, 70 people in the foyer area around this kid doing magic and card tricks,” Franco said, chuckling. “I remember getting screamed at by the athletic director because there were more people in the lobby watching magic tricks than there were people watching the wrestling matches.”

Before dazzling the judges and viewers of *America’s Got Talent* and claiming victory as the only magician to win the competition and the \$1 million prize, he furthered his career by studying business at the University of Rhode Island.

With a continued entrepreneurial spirit, Franco combined his love for magic and his new knowledge of marketing to create a career boot camp. Starting his own agency to book conference shows, he would sometimes perform about 200 shows a year over the course of four years nationwide, putting in industry dues by booking gigs, composing the

contracts, working any paying show, and creating marketing strategies.

Finding his passion so early in life has given the East Coast native advantages that set the “millennial magician” – as he marketed himself during those college circuit years – apart from his contemporaries. His ease onstage allows room for spontaneity within each trick, which results in a style that brings fun and whimsy to every performance in contrast to the seriousness of traditional magic shows.

From the well-known AGT trick of making judge Mel B’s iPhone disappear from plain sight, only to be found ringing in the cushion of an audience member’s seat in Radio City Music Hall, to spooking college students by switching out the packaged instant noodle chicken flavor packet with a dollar from another college student’s wallet, Franco creates relatable and captivating storylines that your brain will attempt to solve.

While the thoroughly conceived and inventive tricks vary in his Las Vegas show, *Mat Franco – Magic Reinvented*

Nightly, two constant aspects are the importance of narrative and the shared experience between the performer and the audience. This requires a different state of mind – or perhaps a lack of one – as the magician wants his audience to enjoy his sleight-of-hand and narrative-driven tricks the same way one would a movie, a departure from what most might be used to.

“When you watch a movie, you know it’s fake and you know it’s fictional, but you sit back and enjoy it. You’re not worried about how the special effects are achieved, so I think it’s the same thing in magic,” he said. “I try to wrap my magical creations in stories and some sort of bigger scene that helps people dive into it the same way they would a movie or their favorite TV show.”

Immerse yourself in lighthearted magic during a special version of the Las Vegas show, *An Evening with Mat Franco* Sunday, July 2, 2017 in the Tuscany Ballroom at the Peppermill. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit PeppermillReno.com. ■

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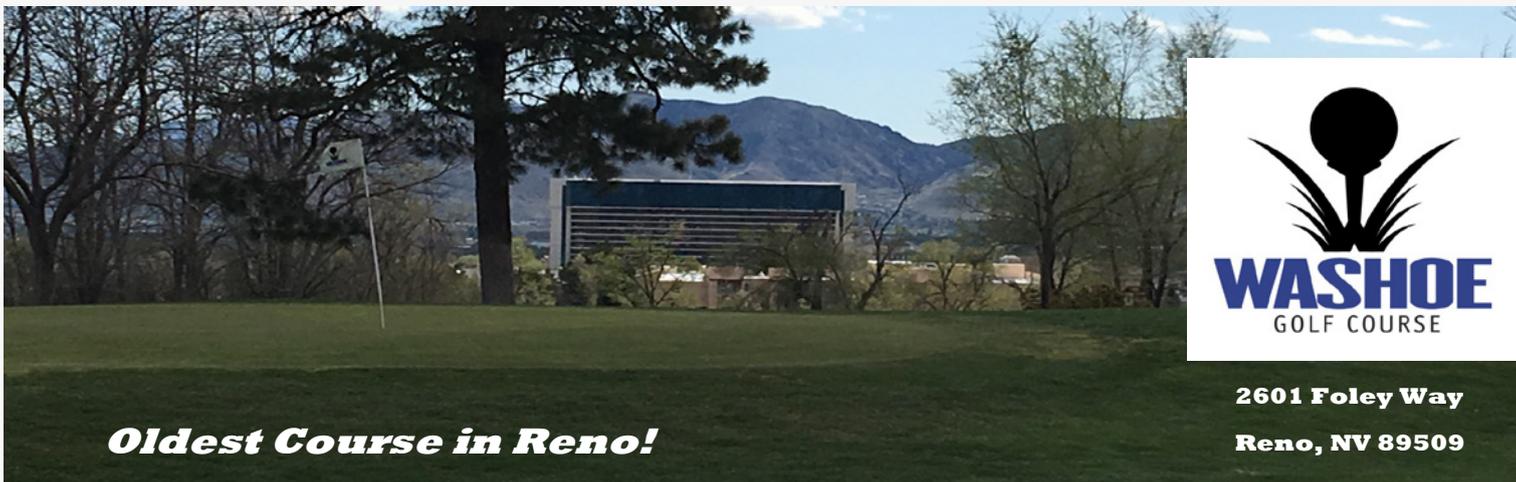
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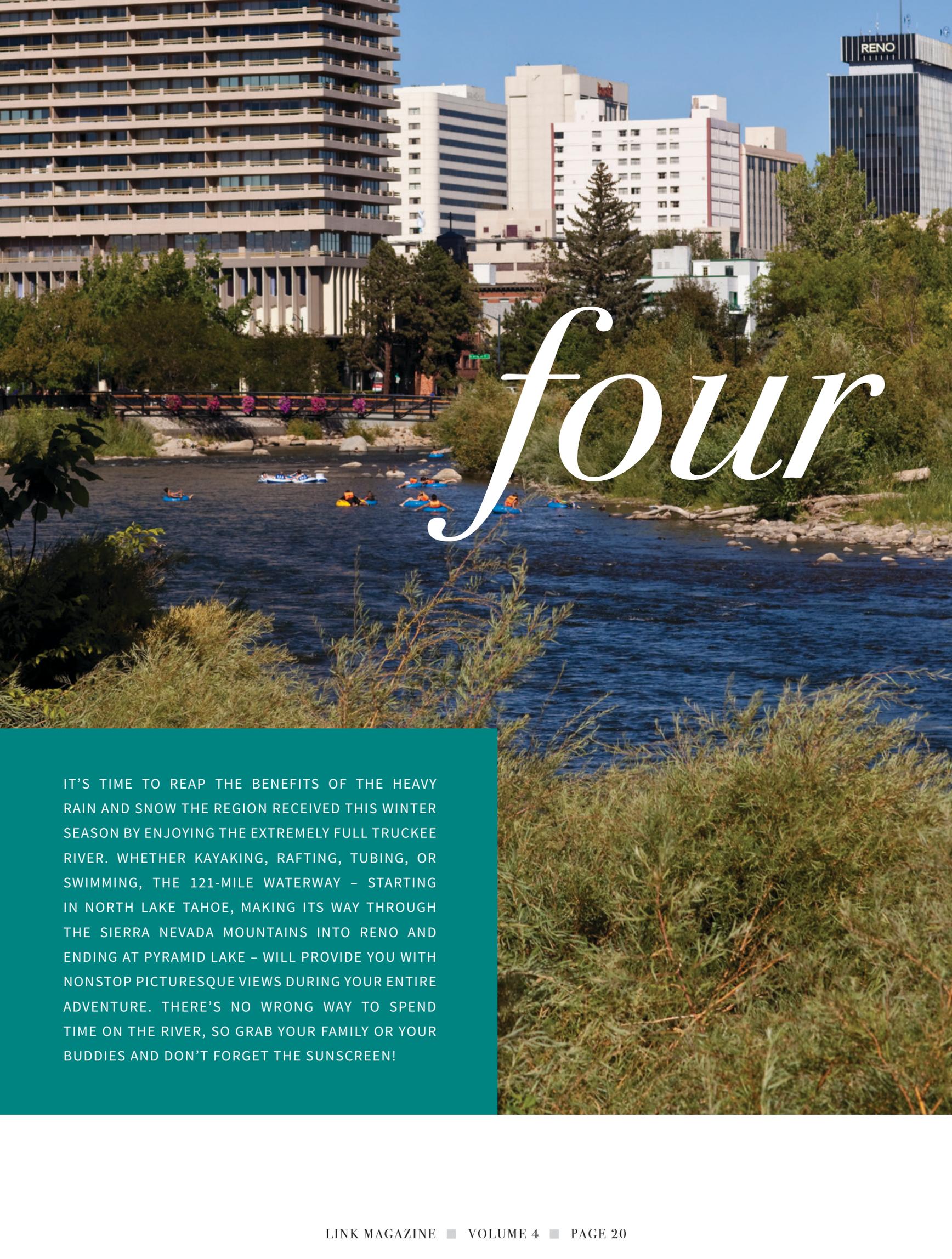


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KAYAKING AND RAFTING

Located in downtown Reno, the Truckee River Whitewater Park is the ideal spot to paddle out in a kayak or as a group in a raft without the concern of major rapids. The man-made course is composed of eleven drop pools that range in difficulty over a half-mile stretch and includes a racing course and other obstacles if you're in the mood to get your heart rate up.

For a more remote and intense excursion, areas like the Truckee Fall, Bronco and Jaws Rapids, and Staircase Rapid located between Truckee, Verdi, and Reno offer Class III to IV rapids, but are best left for experienced paddlers.

Some companies in the area that offer professionally guided kayak tours include: Tahoe Whitewater Tours (10015 Palisade Drive, Truckee) and Sierra Adventures (11 N. Sierra Street, Suite 101, Reno) with tours starting at \$68 and \$99, respectively, which are great options that take the stress out of planning your kayaking daytrip – including renting equipment, scouting

the locations, transportation to-and-from the river, and, in some cases, packing snacks. Since 1973, Truckee River Rafting (55 W. Lake Blvd., Tahoe City) has been offering guided rafting trips, ensuring a carefree half-day ride down the river with rates starting at \$33. Tributary Whitewater Tours (meeting location 10068 Hirschdale Road, Truckee) offers a half-day rafting trip for \$69 that leads group from Truckee to Reno.

TUBING AND SWIMMING

If appreciating the river in a relaxed, on-the-fly way is more your tempo, tubing and swimming are some ways locals favor soaking up vitamin D.

Floating on the river is part of becoming initiated as a Northern Nevadan. Even if you're a temporary resident, you're invited to join the floating community of tied inner-tubes steadily bobbing down the river. Before starting the descent downstream, you'll want to determine how much time you'd

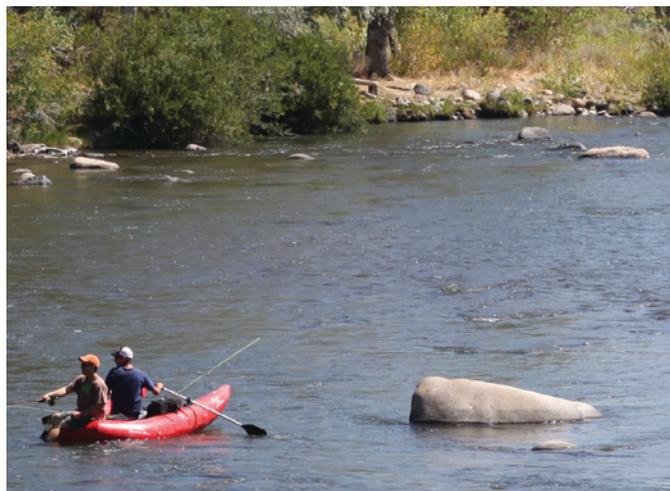
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like to spend floating. For a three-hour journey, start at Mayberry Park (101 Woodland Ave., Reno) for a 5.5-mile ride, and head to Crissie Caughlin Park (3415 Idlewild Drive, Reno) for a 3-mile float that lasts about two hours. If you're looking to sneak in a shorter float, the Whitewater Park offers two channels that range in difficulty.

While you can float the river on almost any inflatable device, experienced floaters have found that river rocks make quick work of thinner plastic. If purchasing a sturdy inner tube is making you think twice about floating, Tahoe Whitewater Tours (400 Island Ave., Reno) offers the complete tubing experience with a shuttle ride, inner tube, helmets, life jackets, and a safety orientation for only \$6 an hour.

Much like tubing, swimming allows you to easily spend time on the Truckee River without having to commit a majority of your day. The Whitewater Park is home to several different swimming areas within the half-mile distance and is perhaps the easiest swimming hole to find on the Truckee River. Other swimming spots are scattered across the Truckee River, but pinpointing specific spots can be difficult. The Truckee Meadows Water Authority's website recommends scouting areas first for rocks and current conditions because areas can vastly differ, and higher water levels make the rapids more intense. ■





For more information about the places and companies mentioned in this article, visit:

Tahoe Whitewater Tours - gowhitewater.com

Sierra Adventures - wildsierra.com

Truckee River Rafting - truckeeriverrafting.com

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 “StarWay” by Deborah Davies

Reno is known as many things to many people. To some, the Biggest Little City is the gateway to Lake Tahoe and Burning Man, while others consider it to be an up-and-coming technology hub that boasts Tesla, Switch, and an ever-growing list of industry leaders

as residents. Spend an afternoon in the heart of the community though, and you’ll discover what those who call Reno home already know – the city is emerging as a public art mecca.

More than 175 murals, sculptures, and other art works can be found in

downtown Reno and the Midtown District, with new pieces popping up literally overnight at times. The City of Reno has long been a supporter of these efforts, embracing the opportunity to make art accessible for everyone while simultaneously reducing blight and illegal tagging.



“nevada” by Joe C. Rock and Erik Burke

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“Art is part of our culture and our identity,” said Geralda Miller, member of the Reno Arts and Culture Commission and co-owner of Art Spot Reno, a company that supports local arts and businesses by integrating them into the community. “We have a higher quality of life because of the city’s commitment to make these things part of our everyday experience.”

Started in 2013, Miller and co-owner Eric Brooks began Art Spot Reno with a mission to develop a more organized way for locals and tourists to view and learn about the city’s murals and public art. Visitors to their website will find a comprehensive arts events calendar, a searchable artist

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registry, and maps that pinpoint the current locations of Reno public art works. Perfect for solo or group exploration, these pieces have been organized into three distinct paths – the **Midtown Mural Tour**, the **Playa Art Trail**, and the **Downtown Reno Mural and Public Art Tour**.



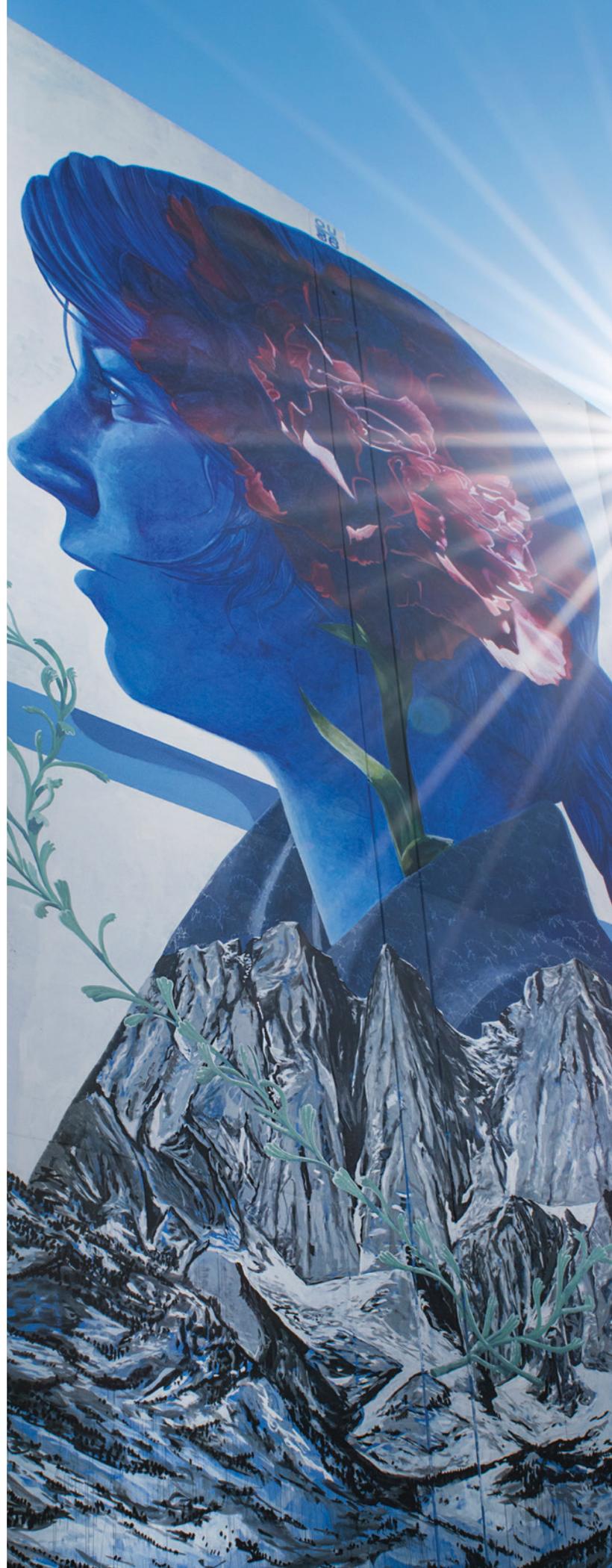
These tours offer a glimpse into the contemporary art going on outside of museums and galleries,” said Eric Brooks. “They are culture in action.”

MIDTOWN MURAL TOUR

Reno’s Midtown District is home to boutique shops, five-star dining, and more than 80 murals painted by local, national, and international artists. The city is privileged to have major pieces on display from Nanook, Garrison Buxton, Andrea LaHue (aka Random Act), Labrona, and NDA, as well as Erik Burke/OverUnder and Joe C. Rock. Burke and Rock, who both currently live in Reno, have numerous murals throughout Midtown and downtown. Burke’s works are often signed “OU,” with his age at the time he painted each piece. Rock likes to incorporate crowns and the phrase “Freshness Guaranteed” into his art when he can.

While many of Midtown’s murals are visible from main streets, even more are tucked in alleyways and hidden in unlikely spots. The Art Spot Reno map can help guide you to them, or you can join a docent for group tours every second Saturday of the month for \$10 per person. Tours are taken at a leisurely pace over roughly two hours, and knowledgeable guides provide stories and insight that make the art even more enjoyable. Every month, the Midtown Mural Tour alternates between a north route and south route, as there are too many pieces in just this neighborhood to be seen in a single afternoon.

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"Across Whitney Peak" by Erik Burke



Adam Pittman (top wall) and UTI Crew (bottom wall)



“Lahontan Trout” by Louis Masai



“Believe” by Jeff Schomberg and Laura Kimpton

“There is a certain point, just after we have turned the halfway point on the south route, where the realization starts to set in – there is so much art to look at in such a small stretch of town,” said Miller. “I love that look.”

Folks are encouraged to take the Midtown Mural Tour over and over again, as murals come and go more often than one would believe. Permission is all that makes a public mural legal or illegal, and it is up to the owners of each building or property to decide if a current mural stays, gets replaced with a new piece, or is covered up by plain paint.

Whether you follow the Midtown Mural Tour with a guide or not, there is one particular piece Miller recommends everyone stop and see. Painted by Burke and Rock along the back wall of Junkee Clothing Exchange is “nevada,” an impressive mural that captures Nevada’s history through more than a dozen portraits of state icons. Mark Twain, Abraham Lincoln, Sarah Winnemucca, and more will be waiting for you.

PLAYA ART TRAIL

The Playa Art Trail gets its name from Burning Man, the world’s largest venue for interactive art installations held annually in Nevada’s Black Rock Desert. Made up of dry lake beds, this locale is also known as the playa, the Spanish word for “beach.”

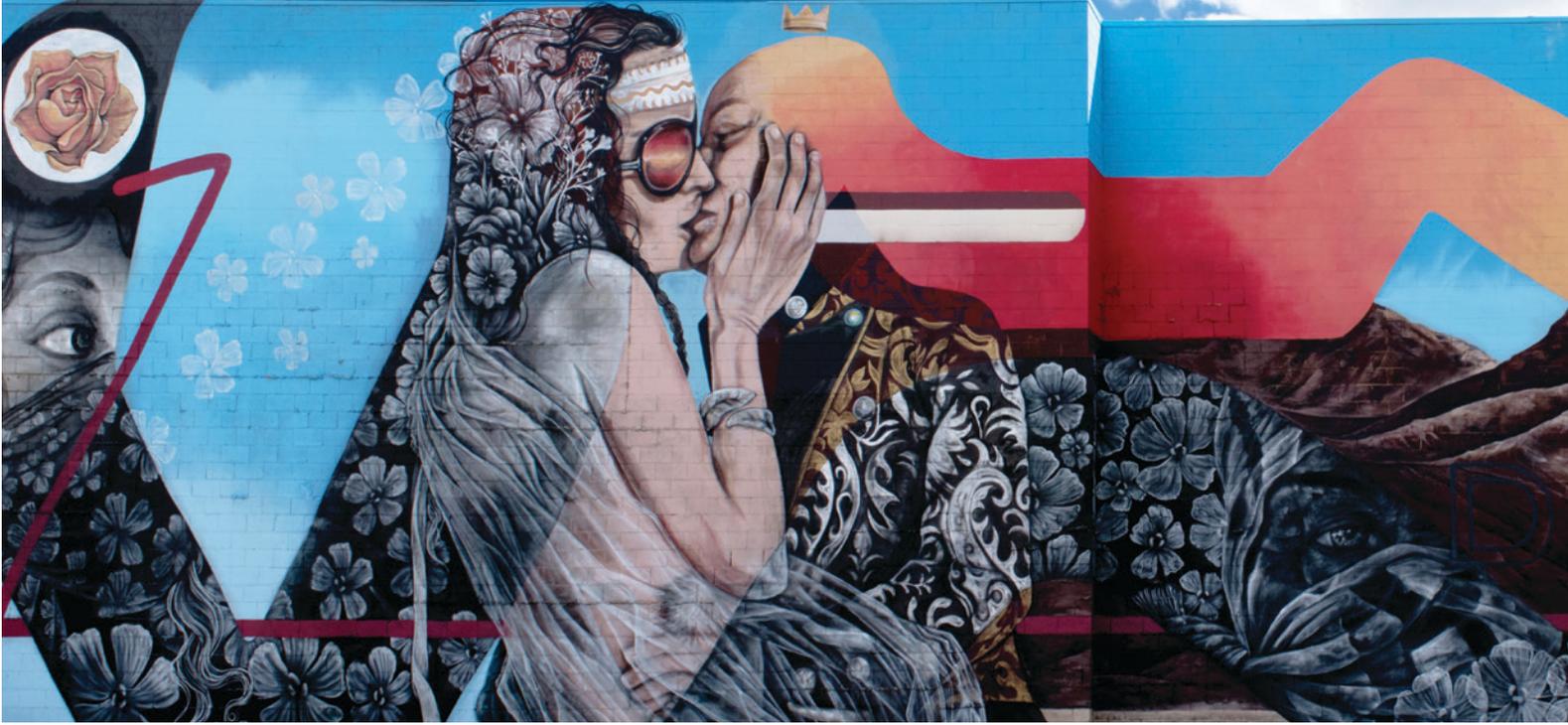
“Reno is high on the cool factor because of its proximity to Burning Man...and the City of Reno was forward thinking enough to start purchasing major

pieces of art coming back from the festival,” said Miller. “The Playa Art Trail allows locals and visitors to see the scope, scale, and detail of some of the work that goes to Burning Man.”

Unlike the Midtown Mural Tour, art seekers will want to travel by vehicle to visit all the Playa Art Trail sculptures. More than a dozen pieces are spread throughout the city and its neighboring suburbs, with the majority of the installations located in downtown Reno. The large-scale public art pieces are still accessible by foot, though, so it is recommended that visitors park and spend a few minutes with each work.

A newer addition to the Playa Art Trail is the Reno Playa Art Park, a temporary, outdoor collection of even more Burning Man works organized by The Gateway Project. A self-guided audio tour is available for the park’s pieces and artists, which invites guests to call and press a corresponding number on their cell phones to learn more about each installation. While the sculptures are not fully indestructible, adults and children are encouraged to interact with the pieces. Guests can sit, walk through or underneath, and play inside almost all the works on display.

Following the Playa Art Trail will allow you to fully experience the beauty of the Biggest Little City, taking you into parks, neighborhoods, and local museums. Make sure you venture into Sparks and peek inside The Generator, a 34,000 square-foot maker space where many Burning Man sculptures have come to life. You may even get to see this year’s playa pieces before they hit the road.



"Daydream" by Joe C. Rock

DOWNTOWN RENO MURAL AND PUBLIC ART TOUR

The iconic and historic Reno Arch isn't the only piece of art to see in downtown Reno. Much like Midtown, the city center contains a growing number of murals from highly respected artists who come from Reno, the U.S., and abroad. You can't help but encounter one of the more than 40 public art works when you are downtown, as they are often large-scale and hard to miss. The murals are also done in a wide range of styles, including graffiti lettering, illustration, landscapes, and realism portraits. Here, too, permission to paint murals on buildings and walls is key – make sure you photograph your favorites as there are no guarantees any mural will be here on your next visit.

The Downtown Reno Mural and Public Art Tour is a self-guided one, but docent tours can be arranged for groups of six or more at the same \$10 per person rate as the Midtown

Mural Tour. Not to worry, though, as the Art Spot Reno map provides stellar instructions for how to navigate the city blocks and find each mural. Along the way, keep an eye out for red and yellow Art Spot Reno flags on business doors or windows. These note that a variety of local art can be found inside for your viewing pleasure.

Outside of the tour, it is easy to see that downtown Reno has embraced public art. During Artown, a month-long arts-themed festival, Circus Circus Reno Hotel and Casino annually holds a Mural Marathon Competition where qualifying artists from around the country paint an original 14-foot-high by almost 20-foot-wide mural on the side of the property in just 24 hours. This year's challenge takes place July 15-16, 2017, and all the murals stay up until the following year's event.

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"Waisted" by UTI Crew



“Electric Dandelions” by Abram Santa Cruz and “StarWay” by Deborah Davies

The City of Reno also routinely holds Calls for Artists to submit painting designs to cover signal boxes, helping to beautify their locations.

A newer art celebration in the heart of the Biggest Little City is the Reno Sculpture Fest, a three-day event that takes over Virginia Street with more than 30 larger-than-life sculptures. A collaboration between Reno Art Works, Fresh Bakin’, and a long list of contributors, volunteers, and supporters, the family-friendly festival is free to attend and always worth checking out. This year’s Sculpture Fest takes place May 12-14, 2017.

For Miller and Brooks, the more public art that makes its home in this community, the better it is for everyone who lives, works, and plays here.

“Reno is an arts destination, and we have so much

more coming on the horizon,” said Brooks. “Be a part of the fun and creativity that makes Reno a fantastic place to be.” ■

For more information on the organizations and artists listed in this story, visit:

Art Spot Reno – artspotreno.com

Artist Erik Burke – eriktburke.com

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WILD RIVER GRILLE



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Wild River Grille

Sitting on the banks of the Truckee River, Wild River Grille allows guests to revel in an expansive environment that overlooks the architectural marvels of the Virginia Street Bridge and vistas of the river and downtown. With an unbeatable view, the restaurant's outdoor dining area is an ideal spot to enjoy the warm weather.

Located inside the historic Riverside Hotel building,

which now plays home to artist lofts and the Sierra Arts Foundation, the Wild River Grill boasts creative casual cuisine made with many locally sourced and seasonal ingredients. Handcrafted cocktails, microbrews, and a wide selection of wines are the perfect pairing for the innovative

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meals the restaurant offers. As the days heat up, so do the evenings. During the summer months, the patio lends itself to hosting live music with local musicians frequently taking the stage. Not just catering to the two-legged crowd, the restaurant is also friendly to those who wish to bring their four-legged friends to dine.

The Wild River Grille presents weekly wine and food pairings during its Sunday's Uncorked, which features a new menu and new wines each Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. for \$25 per person. Happy hour specials are available Monday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and are the perfect way to unwind while taking in the vibrant downtown scenery.

Wild River Grille is located at 17 S. Virginia Street in Reno, and is open seven days a week for lunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and dinner from 4 p.m. to close. Happy hour is served Monday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Süp

Hip and sophisticated, Süp is a family-run business in the heart of the Midtown District and focuses on creating food from scratch using local ingredients from local businesses. Conceived from owners Christian and Kasey Christensen's weekly tradition of "Soup Sundays," Süp started as a weekly get-together for friends and family and has led to a successful eatery.

A prime location for taking in the Midtown scene, Süp provides "high-quality, fast service dining" that focuses on freshness. Bread is made fresh daily and delivered from House of Bread, while meats are sourced from neighboring Ponderosa Meat Co. An assortment of homemade desserts from Crème and locally roasted coffee from The Hub are additional ways to sample cuisine from other local restaurants in the close-knit community. With a menu as eclectic as its decor, Süp serves six to eight homemade soups daily, salads, sandwiches, appetizers, and sweet treats, along with beer and wine.

Rated as one of Reno's Top 10 Best Casual and Relaxed Dining Restaurants in Reno by *USA Today's* 10 Best Awards, the restaurant is a favorite among locals who enjoy dining on the deck during the summer. Grab a sandwich and try this local favorite for yourself. You can even take home a bottle of Süp's homemade dressing.

Süp is located at 669 S. Virginia Street in Reno, and is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

STONE HOUSE CAFÉ



Stone House Café

Nestled in the renowned Old Southwest area of Reno is the Stone House Café. A former residence built from stone in the 1900s, this family-owned establishment offers refined dishes guests can savor in a cozy setting at the corner of two thoroughfares.

The spacious outdoor patio sets the perfect ambiance for a summer meal. Set amongst a picturesque garden filled with trees including a decades-old mulberry, flowers, and plants, the eatery creates an ideal atmosphere for those who wish to dine al fresco.

The Stone House Café offers an ever-evolving menu that includes traditional cuisine as well as innovative specials. The daily happy hour menu is composed of affordable appetizers as well as wine, beer, and cocktail favorites like the refreshing Pomegranate Margarita. Whether you come for a family meal, date night, or a girls' night out, you are certain to feel right at home.

The Stone House Café is located at 1907 S. Arlington Ave. in Reno, and is open seven days a week for breakfast from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., lunch from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and dinner from 4:30 p.m. to close. Happy hour is available daily from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. ■

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Lead Dog Brewing Co.

Opened to the public in January 2017, Lead Dog Brewing Co. is helmed by one of the country's youngest brewers. At just 22 years old, Ryan Gaumer is owner, operator, and head brewer of the new facility, located in the city's unofficial brewery district next to The Depot Craft Brewery Distillery. Gaumer,

who grew up in Reno and attended Galena High School, brought his love of craft beer home to the Biggest Little City after graduating from Pepperdine University.

The brewery currently operates on a 15-barrel system, capable of producing 500 gallons of beer, with 13 taps. Those



looking to imbibe will find classic styles readily available, including blonde and brown ales, IPAs, and stouts. Gaumer plans to experiment and introduce seasonal beers and styles along the way, too. Since opening, Lead Dog Brewing has released a Choconilla Stout with vanilla and chocolate flavors, a Golden Citrus Ale, and two IPAs – the New England IPA and the 50 Shades of RED IPA.

There is much more to come for Lead Dog Brewing Co., which has left itself plenty of room to grow in its renovated warehouse space. Visit the large, inviting tap room to try these tasty brews by the glass or growler, and stay for happy hour specials from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays or a game of shuffleboard. While there's no on-site kitchen, patrons are welcome to bring in food from nearby restaurants or grab a bite from local food trucks. You may even want to bring a dog treat or two for the furry friends you're likely to meet inside.

Lead Dog Brewing Co. is located at 415 E. 4th Street in Reno, and is open Monday through Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday from noon to 11 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.

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Revision Brewing Company is located at 380 S. Rock Boulevard in Sparks, and is open Monday through Friday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m.

Revision Brewing Company

It all started with a homebrewing kit. Back in 2009, Revision Brewing Company's founder Jeremy Warren was brewing beers out of his Reno garage and entering them in competitions under the name Knee Deep Brewing Company. It didn't take long for him to pursue his interest as a profession, and, with the help of an investor, Knee Deep became a full-fledged brewery out of Auburn, California. Now, Warren and Jeb Taylor – the first brewer he hired at Knee Deep – are combining their passion for brewing great beers at Revision.

IPA lovers may know the duo as the brewers behind Knee Deep's Hoptologist, which won first place honors over Russian River Brewing Company's Pliny the Elder at the Bistro 12th Annual Double IPA Festival in 2012. There's no shortage of IPAs at Revision, though, as four are already year-round tap staples. Try a flight of Revision IPA, Revision Double IPA, What What Double IPA, and Dr. Lupulin 3X IPA to taste hop mastery at work. And mastery it is – just 17 days after Revision's soft opening, the brewery's second-ever batch of Revision IPA won first place gold at this year's Bistro 20th Annual IPA Festival.

Aside from the brews, beer enthusiasts will love Revision's taproom. Guests can sit and sip in the enclosed side of the space or enjoy the indoor beer garden with views of the entire brewing process. If you aren't able to stay and have a pint in person, Revision has its beers packaged to go in 16 oz. cans and both 12 oz. and 22 oz. bottles. For food, there is a weekly rotation of local food trucks providing great eats.

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PIÑON BOTTLE



Piñon Bottle

Billing itself as Reno's beer library, Piñon Bottle is a craft beer bar nestled in the heart of Midtown. Opened in May 2016, it is a gorgeous space to enjoy some of the 36 rotating brews that are on tap, and it offers a fully stocked cooler of bottles and cans of beer for sale. While Piñon Bottle doesn't have its own label, local Reno beers are always in stock and on tap, including options from Revision, The Depot, and Brasserie Saint James. Consider this place to be a great option for sampling a solid range of brews born right here in the Biggest Little City.

In addition to the local favorites, Piñon Bottle strives to make beer drinking even more fun with regular tap takeovers, beer tasting classes, and mystery tap nights. These events bring well-known regional breweries to town, and have previously featured Saint Archer Brewery, Green Flash Brewing Co., and Firestone Walker Brewing Company. If you're new to the craft beer world, Piñon's knowledgeable staff is available to help you discover what you like and point you in the right direction for future bottle or can purchases. Don't forget to bring your growler, too, as they fill them all.

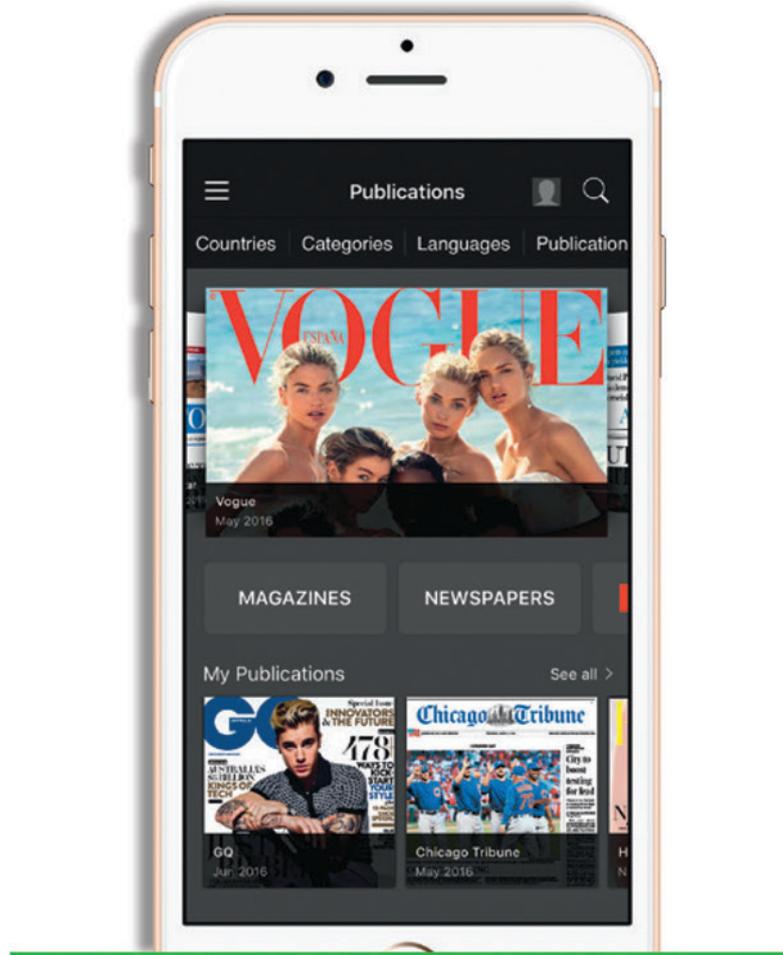
If you're looking for a wide range of beer styles and vendors, Piñon Bottle is a must-visit for locals and visitors alike. Belly up to the bar and enjoy! ■



Piñon Bottle is located at 777 S. Center Street, Suite 101 in Reno, and is open Sunday through Thursday from noon to 10 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from noon to midnight.



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JULY 6 JULY 7-8	LIVE MUSIC	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
JULY 9-12	KYLE WILLIAMS	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
JULY 13 JULY 14-15	BIG MO & THE FULL MOON BAND	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
JULY 16-19	CHICAGO FARMER	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
JULY 20 JULY 21-22	WATER SEED	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
JULY 23-26	MAX MINARDI	Sunday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm
JULY 27 JULY 28-29	KINGSBOROUGH	Thursday Friday & Saturday	7pm-11pm 8pm-Midnight
JULY 30	BALDO BOBADILLA	Sunday	6pm-10pm
JULY 31-AUG 2	CHARLIE PARR	Monday-Wednesday	6pm-10pm

PEPPERMILL FREE CONCERT SERIES

Drinking With Clowns frontman plays a solo set

Blues-flavored music with attitude-drenched vocals and endless guitar licks

Singer-songwriter performs soulful acoustic pop

Psychedelic folk-pop

Modern jazz group specializing in classic jazz and new standards

LA-based singer, songwriter, guitarist leads his country-blues band

Acoustic folk singer-songwriter

Dance floor band inspired by Northern Soul and Mod scenes

Guitar-cello duo with warm harmonies and heartfelt lyrics

Americana, folk-rock, bluegrass, alt-country band

Singer-songwriter performs soulful acoustic pop

Ragtime and 1920s' style Dixieland jazz

Acoustic folk singer-songwriter

Unique blend of Latin sounds and funky rhythms

Originals and covers of old country, rock, folk

Americana/rock band from Nashville

Modern jazz group specializing in classic jazz and new standards

New York-based indie soul group

Acoustic guitar-driven ensemble of woven voices and fused songwriting

Live music

Singer-songwriter performs soulful acoustic pop

Fun mix of blues, Southern rock, funk, soul

Cody Diekhoff writes and performs folk-protest songs

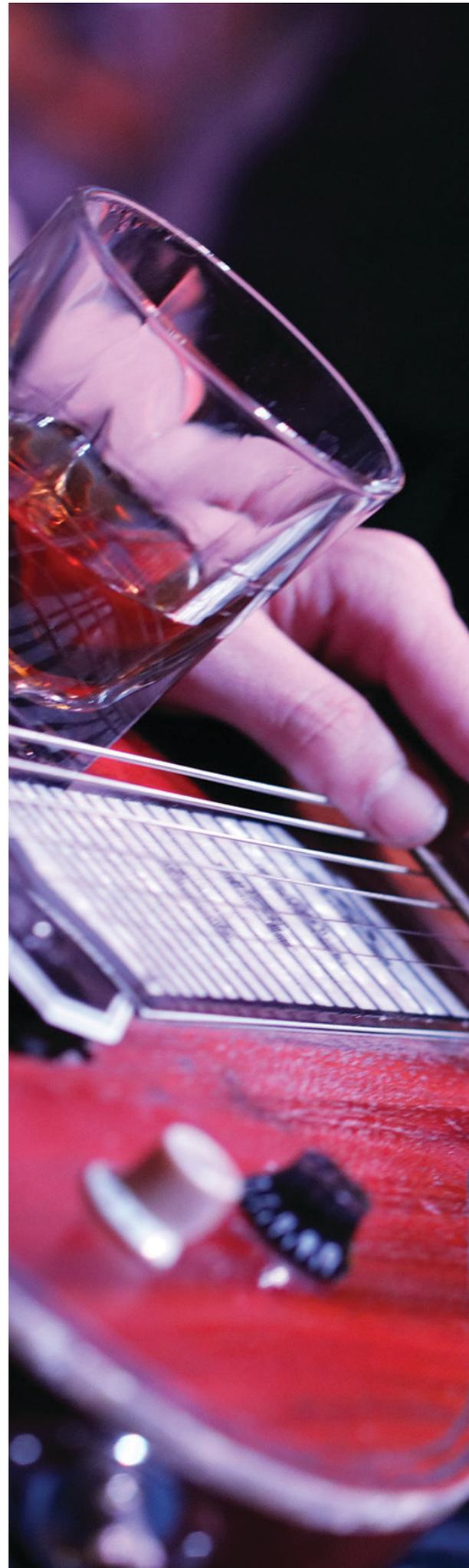
Future funk fusion band from New Orleans

Acoustic folk singer-songwriter

Modern twist on authentic American rock

Drinking With Clowns frontman plays a solo set

Heartfelt and plaintive original folk blues and traditional spirituals





O C E A N O

Buffalo chicken: definitely something you'd expect while watching a sporting event. Not necessarily something you'd imagine in a sushi roll - but it's time to upgrade your Buffalo chicken wings to Buffalo chicken fins.

Oceano, the renowned seafood restaurant in Peppermill Resort Spa Casino, has just rolled out a contemporary sushi menu with a flair for the dramatic. Setting itself apart from other restaurants, the new menu features traditional favorites like Crystal Shrimp rolls, along with new creations like the Porky roll, composed of smoked pork belly, tempura green onions, pickle, BBQ aioli, and unagi sauce. These out-of-the-box offerings raise the bar for the Reno sushi community with creations guaranteed to be found only at Oceano.



The updated menu follows the striking remodel that Oceano underwent in 2016. The restaurant has gone from a neon aquarium to a bright and airy modern experience. The upgraded features include luxurious granite countertops from Brazil, state-of-the-art lighting complete with chandeliers, wall art with coral and sea artifacts, and a secluded private dining room, perfect for large groups. Two 25 foot wide, 6½ foot tall, high-resolution screens are mounted in the main dining room, showcasing the resort's Windows of the World video art. Currently on display is "The Best of the Natural World," produced by Peppermill Reno's in-house team, which features nature footage from all seven continents (complementing the menu's selection from the seven seas).

The new All You Can Eat sushi menu is the love child of Food and Beverage Director Daniel Duran and Executive Chef Mark Lund, and has been in the works for several months. With a vision of creating a contemporary sushi menu, the pair worked to invent dishes that set the restaurant apart from the flourishing local sushi scene.

"Sushi has been growing at a fast pace, especially in this town," said Duran. "With a growing demand for sushi and an influx of savvy consumers, we have been looking at how to offer more than what our competitors do in terms of quality and variety. We decided to do an overhaul of our sushi program and focus on specific areas like the type of rice we use, where we source our products, and expanding the variety of sushi that we offer. We doubled up on our sushi menu, especially the type of unique rolls, and expanded the operation in order to serve a much larger clientele."

The extensive menu provides

something for everyone. For the vegetarian crowd, The Garden features marinated tofu, roasted peppers, cucumber, asparagus, yamagobo, avocado, and a shiitake mushroom glaze. The Lemon Chicken roll offers land lovers tempura chicken, tempura green onions, pickled cucumber, cilantro, Thai basil, lemon zest, sesame seeds, and lemon sauce. For those looking for an adventurously complex seafood roll, the Endless Spring contains spicy tuna, cucumber, mint, Thai basil, avocado, preserved lemon, cilantro, honey-chili garlic sauce, and goma sauce – a novel delight that must be tried to be believed.

New premium maki rolls are served à la carte and feature innovative specials with choice quality ingredients. A remodeled departure from the traditional sandwich, the gourmet BLT Roll includes smoked bacon, Maine lobster, mixed greens, tarragon, roasted tomato, and crisped shallots. For a taste of the ocean and the coast, the Surf and Turf offers Maine lobster, charred New York steak, balsamic, wasabi mayo, and horseradish sauce. The Mama, a real treat for the taste buds, includes king crab, ebi, tuna, striped bass, salmon, uni, Japanese mint, avocado, mango, scallion, lemon, and wasabi ponzu sauce.

Pair any of these with Oceano's craft cocktails, concocted by Peppermill Reno's award-winning mixologist Ilona Martinez, and you're sure to have a well-rounded meal. The Off the Island is a refreshing treat made with Kai Lemongrass Vodka, Chateau Aloe Liqueur, lemongrass syrup, fresh lemon juice, and candied lemon peel, all hand bottled in a soy sauce container. Whether you come to Oceano to check out the creative rolls or the modernized décor, we promise you'll enjoy a treat for all your senses. ■



RENO 1868 FC

ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2015, THE UNITED SOCCER LEAGUE AWARDED RENO AN EXPANSION FRANCHISE. WITH AN OWNERSHIP GROUP LED BY HERB SIMON, OWNER OF THE NBA'S INDIANA PACERS AND THE WNBA'S INDIANA FEVER, THE EXPANSION CLUB WOULD BE NAMED RENO 1868 FC AND RUN BY THE SAME MANAGEMENT TEAM AS THE RENO ACES WITH HOME MATCHES PLAYED AT GREATER NEVADA FIELD.

What is the USL?

The USL is the world's largest Division II professional soccer league, with 30 markets in 20 U.S. states and two Canadian provinces for the 2017 season. The organization reaches a fan base of 75 million people, fueling the growth of professional soccer across North America. A growing league, the USL has more than doubled in size since 2014 with Ottawa Fury FC, Reno 1868 FC and the Tampa Bay Rowdies to debut in 2017. Nashville SC is the first club set to join the league for 2018.

What does Reno 1868 FC stand for?

The club's name is inspired by the Biggest Little City itself, as Reno became a city on May 9, 1868. Reno's founding was triggered when the construction of the Transcontinental Railroad reached the Truckee River. The club's crest uses

Reno 1868 FC's official colors – Nevada cobalt blue, light gold, and silver grey – to highlight the iconic Truckee River and Sierra Nevada mountains.

Affiliation with the San Jose Earthquakes

Reno 1868 FC is the top affiliate of Major League Soccer's San Jose Earthquakes. The partnership provides local talent an opportunity to play soccer at the highest level in the United States. The establishment of this baseball-style, farm system affiliation is just the second of its kind in the nation. The Earthquakes have won two MLS Cup titles (2001, 2003) and two Supporters' Shields (2005, 2012). U.S National Team stalwarts Landon Donovan and Chris Wondolowski have taken the pitch for San Jose as well during the team's storied history.

An International Team

Reno 1868 FC's roster is filled with players from Switzerland, El Salvador, Jamaica, Canada, Brazil, France and the US. Each international player provides depth to Reno's roster. Some of the key international players include:

DANE KELLY

The Jamaican striker currently holds the USL record for career goals and was also the first player in the league's history to tally 50 goals.

NICK VON NIEDERHÄUSERN

Having previously played for Swiss (Raiffeisen) Super League club FC Vaduz from 2013-2016, the defensive midfielder earned a spot in one of the world's most popular video games, FIFA 16.

JUNIOR BURGOS

The El Salvadorian midfielder has previous experience in the MLS and USL, and is currently a member of El Salvador's national team. Burgos has competed alongside his fellow countrymen in the Central





American Cup where he faced top-tier international talent from countries such as Guatemala, Honduras, Belize, and Panama.

DEMLAKWAI YOMBA

At 20 years old, Yomba is currently the youngest player for Reno 1868 FC. He joined the Atlético Madrid youth program in 2014 and made his international debut the same year during the Union of European Football Association Youth League game against the Olympiacos.

Current Success

Reno 1868 FC has gained great support from the local community. Friendlies and preseason matches have brought more than 5,000 people per match to Greater Nevada Field. The club also has an international fan base, as 1868 FC gear has been sold to more than 30 different countries and the team has received press coverage from foreign media outlets such as *The Telegraph* in the United Kingdom. ■

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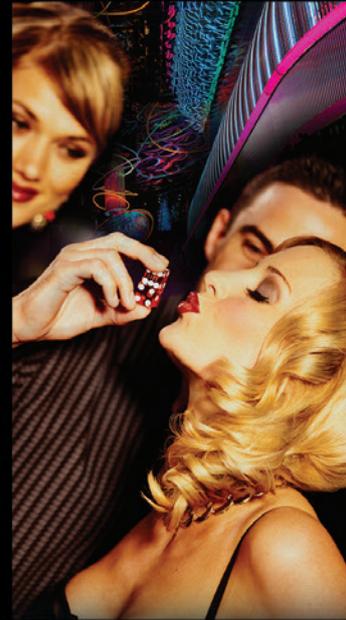
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