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DECEMBER CULTURA GUIDE



FridaFriday.ATX hosts markets throughout the year. Photo by Nancy Flores/Austin Vida

“MÁS QUE PANTALONES”


¿Listos para una celebración poderosa? Join the Puerto Rican Cultural Center for Sembrando Herencia 2024, “Más Que Pantalones,” an original musical inspired by the life of Luisa Capetillo, a Puerto Rican activist who defied societal norms by wearing pants and fighting for women and workers' rights in the early 1900s. Catch this play on Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m. or Dec. 15 at 3 p.m. at the King-Seabrook Chapel at Huston–Tillotson University. Tickets cost \$20 for adults, \$5 for kids.

TEATRO VIVO

Teatro Vivo’s annual “La Pastorela” is back from Dec. 6–14, and this year they partnered with East Austin College Prep to create a celebration of community, culture, and holiday spirit.

This beloved tradition features an interactive, bilingual retelling of the classic Mexican Christmas story, filled with humor, music, and heartfelt moments. Check out the special East Austin College Prep Family Market on Dec. 7 at noon.


3 PLACES TO GET REGALITOS

 Dec. 7, 14, 21: **Artisan Mercado**

On the first three Saturdays in December, stop by the Artisan Mercado, a vibrant market celebrating local craftsmanship. Featuring a curated selection of artisan goods, including jewelry, textiles, home décor, and more, this event offers a chance to support small businesses while finding one-of-a-kind gifts at 506 S. Congress Ave. from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This free mercado also features crafts para los niños and a free silver ring with a \$50 purchase.

 Dec. 14: **Posada Navideña by Austin Latinas Unidas**

Únete con Austin Latinas Unidas for their Posada Navideña, a joyful holiday tradition filled with music and community spirit. Feel the vibrant cultural traditions of this free posada and connect with fellow Austinites at Vesper at 3106 E. 14th ½ St. starting at 11 a.m.

 Dec. 14 & 15: **LatinFest ATX**

Celebrate Latinx culture at LatinFest 2024 hosted by Flores Market at Canopy on 916 Springadale Road. This lively festival showcases traditions, art, music, and flavors of the Latinx community. Enjoy live performances by Superfónicos and Money Chicha, delicious food, and an array of local vendors offering unique handmade goods beginning at noon both days.



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MUST-SEE LIVE MÚSICA



Tish Hinojosa recently released a new album. Photo by Matt Lankes

Dec. 6: Join renowned singer-songwriter Tish Hinojosa for a special evening celebrating the release of her album "With A Guitar & A Pen" at the O4 Center in South Austin. Doors open at 7 p.m. and tickets range from \$20-30.

Dec. 8: Curated by singer-songwriter Carrie Rodriguez, the Laboratorio Navidad Edition concert will feature the Latin Grammy-winners Flor de Toloache. Show starts at 7 p.m. and tickets range from \$30 to \$50.

Dec. 9: Head to Home is Here: A benefit concert for Casa Marianella, which provides shelter and services to immigrants and refugees. Performances include artists like Patty Griffin and Fastball. Show starts at 7 p.m. at ACL Live. Tickets go from \$40-\$100.

Dec. 12: Get ready for an electrifying night of Latin música with the Spanish Harlem Orchestra at Austin PBS - Studio A. This Grammy-winning ensemble brings authentic New York-style salsa. Tickets start at \$29 and the show begins at 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 22: Siente the rich sounds of mariachi tradicional with Mariachi Sol de México at ACL Live. Don't miss the chance to celebrar the beauty and spirit of Mexico at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$29 to \$49.

NEW YEAR'S EVE MILONGA

The Esquina Tango New Year's Eve Party offers an unforgettable night of tango, milonga and dancing to ring in the New Year.

The Esquina Tango party starts at 8:30 p.m. at 209 Pedernales St. and tickets begin at \$25. Early bird and VIP tickets are available!

The fiesta is BYOB and includes party favors and a midnight countdown.

NATIVE AMERICA: IN TRANSLATION

The exhibit "Native America: In Translation" at the Blanton Museum of Art showcases a powerful collection of Native American art, curated by Wendy RedStar. This collection highlights the rich cultural heritage and diverse traditions of Indigenous peoples across North America. Catch this incredible collection before it closes on Jan. 5 and check the Blanton's website for dates, times, and prices for your visit.



"Queer Rage," Artwork by Martine Gutierrez, Photo contributed by Blanton Museum of Art