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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Family fun is what we are all about at the State Fair of Texas. To help you make the most of your visit, use this itinerary as a guide for a day filled with adventure and entertainment. All activities on this itinerary are **included with your admission** to the State Fair of Texas.

For a day full of arts and entertainment, we suggest arriving at 10:30 AM.

Activities on this itinerary start near the Leonhardt Lagoon area of the fairgrounds, so entering the park via DART trains at the Fair Park Station (Front Gate), Gate 6, or Gate 2 (general parking) is recommended.

For a complete list of daily activities, visit [bigtex.com/schedule](http://bigtex.com/schedule).

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# ITINERARY

<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>1</b> Big Tex's Farmacy
<b>11:30 AM*</b>	<b>2</b> Ronald McDonald Show
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>3</b> Canstruction
<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>4</b> Kids' Boardwalk
<b>2:30 PM*</b>	<b>5</b> Midway Barker
<b>3:30 PM</b>	<b>6</b> State Fair of Texas Butter Sculpture
<b>4:00 PM*</b>	<b>7</b> World on a String Puppet Show
<b>4:30 PM*</b>	<b>8</b> Live Music on the Dr Pepper Stage
<b>5:00 PM*</b>	<b>9</b> Lone Star Horse Spectacular
<b>6:15 PM</b>	<b>10</b> Family Picture with Big Tex
<b>7:15 PM*</b>	<b>11</b> Starlight Parade (Parkwide)
<b>8:00 PM*</b>	<b>12</b> Mattress Firm Illumination Sensation

\*Performance or activity showtime



## 1 BIG TEX'S FARMYARD

Old McDonald himself would be impressed by what's happening over on Big Tex's farm. With a brand-new location this year, Big Tex's Farmacy provides an educational experience through interactive exhibits, as well as live animal displays starring calves, piglets and hatching chicks. Learn all about agriculture and its impact on the state of Texas, from the importance of farming and ranching to the process of raising and caring for animals.

## 2 RONALD MCDONALD SHOW

In line with his wonderfully wacky personality, Ronald McDonald puts on a comical show the whole family can enjoy, filled with magic, juggling, jokes and music. A few lucky fans will be chosen from the audience and get the chance to join Ronald onstage as guest stars.

## 3 CANSTRUCTION

Using only cans of food, Canstruction participants are challenged to create innovative structures that are displayed in a giant art exhibition throughout the 2015 State Fair. Canstruction is a unique charity that hosts competitions across the nation to showcase colossal canned masterpieces. All of these can statues are created in line with this year's State Fair theme, "Passport to Texas." At the end of the competition, the food is donated to the North Texas and Tarrant Area Food Banks.

## 4 KIDS' BOARDWALK

Free and just for kids, the State Fair of Texas Kids' Boardwalk is where the fun begins! Fair favorites like Ronald McDonald and Buford Buzzard join new additions such as an interactive magic show and a tiny cowboy puppet, along with games, crafts and face painting. Make sure you stop in and get your temporary Big Tex tattoo! This outdoor area is located near the Leonhardt Lagoon, conveniently close to the Wild West Pet Pooza and Big Tex's Farmacy – two other family favorites.

## 5 MIDWAY BARKER

Don't miss this hoot of a performance! The Barker entertains State Fair Midway crowds with his antics and jabs – all in good fun. A funny-bone tickler!

## 6 STATE FAIR OF TEXAS BUTTER SCULPTURE

Amidst the blue ribbon-winning contest entries displayed throughout the Creative Arts building lies an equally unique creation – the State Fair Butter Sculpture. Renowned sculptress Sharon BuMann returns to the Fair for the 18th year, impressing visitors with her ability to create a masterpiece carved out of thousands of pounds of butter.

## 7 WORLD ON A STRING PUPPET SHOW

Kids of all ages love this cast of marionettes produced by master puppeteer John Hardman. Running 25 minutes,

this show features dancing boots, swimming fish, square-dancers, skeletons, flamingos and more, all with a Texas theme!

## 8 LIVE MUSIC ON THE DR PEPPER STAGE

On Nimitz Circle next to the Creative Arts building you will find the Dr Pepper Stage, offering an eclectic mix of musical talent and a quaint grassy area to relax with your friends and family. With several new additions to the 2015 lineup, the Dr Pepper Stage plays host to The Killdares, Chubby Carrier, Coffey Anderson and the Light Crust Doughboys.

## 9 LONE STAR HORSE SPECTACULAR

From 1519 to present day, six flags have flown over the great state of Texas. In the Fair's newest production, visitors get the chance to celebrate the rich history of our state and each of its flags as they are paraded in horse-led pageantry. Themed to traditional Texas music, the event features professional riders on horseback, performing in coordination with the historical narrative. Sit down and join Texas native Barry Corbin as he narrates the show, telling the spectacular story of the great Lone Star State.

## 10 FAMILY PICTURE WITH BIG TEX

No trip to the Fair is complete without a selfie in front of Big Tex. Taking a photo with Tex has been

a tradition for more than 60 years. Be sure to share your family photo with the Fair using the hashtags #bigtex and #StateFairofTX.

## 11 STARLIGHT PARADE

This after-dark extravaganza is a fan favorite, featuring a colorful assortment of illuminated floats, life-size puppets, stilt-walking performers and animated characters in ornate costumes. The bold and bright procession glides through the park nightly at 7:15 p.m. You won't want to leave the Fair without seeing this amazing spectacle!

## 12 MATTRESS FIRM ILLUMINATION SENSATION

Experience the nightly celebration – completely remastered! Set along the scenic reflecting pool, Mattress Firm Illumination Sensation wows the crowd with dancing waters and twice the pyro than ever before. A unique and breathtaking show that combines fireworks and high-energy pop music with engaging performances by dancers and acrobats. This sensational 16-minute production begins nightly at 8 p.m. Show up early to grab the best vantage points along the Esplanade!