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The best things to do this weekend in San Diego: Feb. 1-4

The Comic-Con Museum is among the many locations participating in Museum Month. Seen here is a virtual reality experience in the POPnology exhibit. (Nelvin C. Cepeda/The San Diego Union-Tribune)

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Here are some of the best things to do this weekend in San Diego from Thursday, Feb. 1 to Sunday, Feb. 4.

Thursday

Museum Month: More than 70 museums and cultural institutions will participate in the 35th annual Museum Month from Feb. 1 to Feb. 29. The event offers half-off admission to visitors at participating locations. New Museum Month locations for 2024 include LEGOLAND California Resort and its SEA LIFE Aquarium, the California Wolf Center and the Deer Park Winery & Auto Museum. A full list of participating sites will be available on sandiegomuseumcouncil.org.

San Diego International Jewish Film Festival: Over two dozen screenings of films in genres such as animation, documentary, drama and thriller will be shown at this year's festival. The scheduled screenings and events also include several meet and greets, special speaker events, receptions and Q&A sessions with filmmakers. See website for show times. The Oscar-nominated short film "Letter to a Pig" can be seen at the festival on Monday at 7 p.m. *Daily showings through Feb. 11. David & Dorothea Garfield Theatre, Lawrence Family JCC, 4126 Executive Drive, La Jolla. 2024sdijff.eventive.org*

Cygnet presents 'Lady Day': Cygnet Theatre presents Karole Foreman in Lanie Robertson's 1986 jukebox musical "Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill," which imagines blues singer Billie Holiday's final cabaret show before her death in 1959. *7 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays, 2 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Through Feb. 18. 4040 Twiggs St., Old Town San Diego. $39 and up. (619) 337-1525, cygnettheatre.com*

"English": The Old Globe presents Sanaz Toossi's 2023 Pulitzer Prize-winning play about a group of Iranian college students preparing to take the English proficiency

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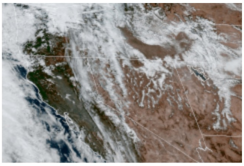

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exam that has the power to transform their lives. *7 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 2 and 8 p.m. Saturdays; 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays. Through Feb. 25. Old Globe's Sheryl and Harvey White Theatre, Balboa Park. $49 and up. (619) 234-5623.* *theoldglobe.org*

"Death Strikes" author event: Dave Maass is a writer, journalist and director of investigations at the Electronic Frontier Foundation. His new graphic novel mixes dystopian sci-fi, mythic fantasy and zombie horror and is based on a story about two prisoners at the Terezín concentration camp in Czechoslovakia. *7:30 p.m. Thursday. Warwick's, 7812 Girard Ave., La Jolla. Free. Reserved tickets start at $24.99. warwicks.com/event/maass-2024*

"Outside Mullingar": Lamb's Players Theatre presents John Patrick Shanley's drama about a four neighbors in rural Ireland whose dispute over a strip of farmland takes an unexpected turn. *2 and 7 p.m. Wednesdays; 7 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 2 and 7 p.m. Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays. Through Feb. 18. Lamb's Players Theatre, 1142 Orange Ave., Coronado. $28-$82. (619) 437-6000,* *lambsplayers.org*

Friday

A scene from "We Dare to Dream," a film that will be showed at the Human Rights Watch Film Festival in San Diego. (Courtesy of Human Rights Watch Film Festival)

Human Rights Watch Film Festival: The Human Rights Film Festival arrives in San Diego this weekend. Hosted at the The Museum of Photographic Arts at The San Diego Museum of Art, this 14th annual festival will screen films on subjects such as the stories of LGBTQ teens, family separation and press freedom for Native American tribes. The screenings will also include question and answer sessions with human rights leaders and filmmakers. Opening Night will feature "Summer Qamp," followed by "Bad Press," "Si Pudiera Quedarme (If I Could Stay)" and "We Dare to Dream" on Saturday. *6 p.m. Friday, 1 to 9 p.m. Saturday. Individual passes start at $6. Festival passes start at $20. 1649 El Prado, San Diego. ff.hrw.org/san-diego*

Zoltan Kaszas: Originally from San Marcos, Zoltan Kaszas has been featured on Netflix is a Joke Radio, Dry Bar Comedy specials and throughout San Diego County comedy shows and festivals. He'll perform four shows in Escondido this weekend. *6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Grand Comedy Club, 340 East Grand Ave., Escondido. $20. grandcomedyclub.com*

Duo Refracto: This ensemble of percussionist Michael Jones and pianist Shaoai Ashley Zhan will perform works by Hennies, Hurel, Good and Macbride with violinist Ilana Waniuk. *7 p.m. Friday. Conrad Prebys Concert Hall, UC San Diego, La Jolla. Free. RSVP at music.ucsd.edu/tickets*

"Intimate Apparel": North Coast Repertory Theatre presents the final weekend of Lynn Nottages drama about a lonely seamstress in 1905 New York dreaming of love and a better life. *8 p.m. Friday; 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. 987 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach. $49-$74.(858) 481-1055.* *northcoastrep.org*

"Chapatti": Scripps Ranch Theatre presents Christian O'Reilly's 2014 comedy-drama about a lonely and depressed Dubliner and his dog Chapatti who cross paths with an amiable Irishwoman and her 19 cats — and sparks fly. *Opens Friday and*

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A great matchup: Utah State's Great Osobor vs. SDSU's Jaedon LeDee on Saturday at Viejas Arena

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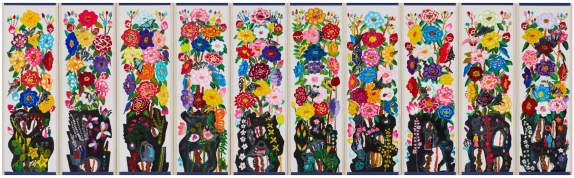
runs through Feb. 25. Showtimes, 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 2 p.m. Sundays. Legler-Benbough Theatre, Alliant International University, 9783 Avenue of Nations, San Diego. $29-$49. (858) 395-0573, scrippsranchtheatre.org.

"The Cocktail Hour": Trinity Theatre presents A.R. Gurney's award-winning off Broadway play about a playwright who surprises his parents and sister by announcing his next play is going to be about them. *7 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. Mission Valley mall, Suite 128, 1640 camino Del Rio North, San Diego. $25. trinityttc.org*

"On Golden Pond": Patio Playhouse presents this touching drama about an elderly couple summering at their lakehouse whose lives are disrupted when their estranged daughter drops off their grandson for an unexpected stay. *8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday. 115 S. Kalmia St., Escondido. $12-$20. (760) 746-6669, patioplayhouse.com*

Saturday



Kim Chonghak, *Metamorphosed Peony*, 2006. Acrylic on canvas, ten-panel folding screen. 78 3/4 x 216 17/32 inches. Courtesy of the artist. (Courtesy of the Ilchi Foundation. Photography by Kim Hyunjoo.)

'Korea in Color' On the Steps at SDMA: In celebration of Korean art and culture, and its exhibit "Korea in Color," the San Diego Museum of Art will host a festival with Korean-inspired art-making activities, K-POP performances and art booths from local artists. Free admission to the museum will also be available during the event. 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday. *On the steps in front of the San Diego Museum of Art, 1450 El Prado, San Diego. Free. sdmart.org/event/korea-in-color-on-the-steps-at-sdma-new-date*

Love Esco Day kick-off party: To start off Love Escondido month, the organization Love Esco will host a kick-off party on Saturday. There will be free food from local restaurants, appearances by World Cup Champion Shannon MacMillan and radio host Jesse Lozano, live music and other entertainment, interactive activities, giveaways and contests. *8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Saturday. Grape Day Park, 321 N. Broadway, Escondido. Free. loveesco.org/day*

Plays by Young Writers Festival: This "Night of Celebration" will feature all four winning plays from the California Young Playwrights Contest and a reception with the playwrights. *6:30 p.m. Saturday. Salvation Army's Joan B. Kroc Theatre, 6611 University Ave., San Diego. $50. tickettailor.com/events/playwrightsproject1/1089722*

Camarada's "Tango Buenos Aires": The San Diego ensemble and a pair of tango dancers will perform works from the group's 2023 concert tour of Argentina. 7:30 p.m. Saturday. *Baker-Baum Concert Hall, The Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Ave., La Jolla. $33-$98. theconrad.org*

Korean American Heritage Celebration: The Korean Cultural Center, Los Angeles and the San Diego Central Library are hosting an event with drumming from the San Diego Korean Pungmul Institute, along with Korean-themed crafts, a photo opportunity with traditional Korean clothing and Korean games. *Noon to 3 p.m. Saturday. Central Library, 330 Park Blvd., San Diego. Free. sandiego.librarymarket.com/event/korean-american-heritage-celebration-340225*

Lake Poway Youth Fishing Derby: The lake will be stocked with rainbow trout and will be open only to youths ages 15 and younger. Winners must be present to claim prizes at the awards ceremony. Admission is free. Participants must check in at the registration tables to receive their wristbands before fishing that morning. *6 a.m.*

to noon Saturday. Lake Poway, 14644 Lake Poway Road. Visit poway.org.

Malachi Bailey shows off comic books the Wingless Comics booth at the San Diego Black Com!x Day 2023 at The WorldBeat Cultural Center in Balboa Park on Saturday, February 11 2023 in San Diego. (Sandy Huffaker/For The San Diego Union-Tribune)

Black Com!x Day at WorldBeat center: The free community event for all ages, themed "Heroes Rise VI," held for its sixth year, highlights Black-owned cartoons and comics. Meet Black creators of comics, films and animation. Special panels are scheduled and food will be available on-site. A panel discussion on "Empowered: Black Culture in Anime and Manga" is from 1 to 2 p.m. Feb. 3. A panel on "The Real Afro Avenger! Cheryl Morrow" with a discussion on Black hair, the history, products and business behind it, is from 1 to 2 p.m. Feb. 4. *10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the WorldBeat Cultural Center, 2100 Park Blvd. Free tickets are at eventbrite.com/e/black-comx-day-2024-tickets-743768590877.*

Stitch In Public Day: The nonprofit Muchas Manos de San Diego, which is part of the Embroiderers' Guild of America, is participating in Stitch In Public Day. The group will be offering free cross-stitch and embroidery kits to anyone interested in learning to stitch. Stitchers are welcome to join the group. *1:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday. Mira Mesa Library, 8405 New Salem St., San Diego. muchasmanos.org.*

Miniatures Show & Sale: The show, hosted by the nonprofit San Diego Miniature Crafters group, features a variety of small-scale creations from dollhouses and dioramas to tiny furniture and accessories crafted with artistry and attention to detail. There will be exhibits, sales and make-and-take workshops along with food at Tu Mercado. Admission tickets are $10; $5 for kids ages 8-12, sold online through Jan. 31 and at the event. Parking is free. *10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. University of San Diego's Hahn University Center, 5998 Alcalá Park.* sdminiatureshow.com

Sunday

Model Majority's Luna New Year Event: Model Majority is an All-Asian stand-up comedy show, and this performance will be in celebration of the Year of the Dragon. *8:30 p.m. Sunday. Mic Drop Comedy, 8878 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., San Diego. $20. micdropcomedy.com/shows/246115*

Home Improvement Expo: For two days, home improvement experts, businesses, exhibitors and salespeople will take over O'Brien Hall for a special exhibition dedicated to all things home improvement. *10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. O'Brien Hall, Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd, Del Mar. Free. sandiegohomeimprovementexpo.com*

'Cheetah, Cheese, and Crackers': Wild Wonders will hold a meet and greet in the wild animal refuge's cheetah area. Attendees will meet Tavi the cheetah, and Yara, his yellow lab friend, along with Jackie Navarro, Wild Wonders' founder and director. Navarro will tell Tavi's story and talk about her connections with cheetah conservation groups in South Africa that partner with Wild Wonders. A portion of the proceeds from this event will go to cheetah conservation. *2 to 3 p.m. Sunday. Wild*

Wonders, 5712 Via Montellano. $125. Open to ages 21 and older. wildwonders.org.

The Balourdet Quartet perform Feb. 4 in La Jolla. (Courtesy of The Balourdet Quartet)

Balourdet Quartet performs in La Jolla: Winner of Chamber Music America's Cleveland Quartet Award, the Boston-based Balourdet Quartet will perform Mozart's String Quartet No. 15 in D Minor, Beethoven's String Quartet No. 7 in F Major and Karim Al-Zand's Strange Machines. *3 p.m. Sunday. Baker-Baum Concert Hall, The Conrad Prebys Performing Arts Center, 7600 Fay Ave., L a Jolla. $33-$58. theconrad.org*

San Diego Seals Military Appreciation Day: The Seals will face rival Colorado Mammoth for Military Appreciation Day, with a pregame tailgate party from 12:30 to 2 p.m. and free beer for active duty military and veterans with identification. *3 p.m. Sunday. Pechanga Arena, 3500 Sports Arena Blvd., San Diego. Tickets start at $15. sealslax.com*

RustiCucina celebrates 4 years in Hillcrest: To mark four years in Hillcrest, RustiCucina will be offering complimentary glasses of champagne for guests at the end of their meals. *Open noon to 10 p.m. on Sundays. 3797 Park Blvd., San Diego. rusticucina.com*

Le Salon de Musiques: A five-piece piano quintet will perform works by Hahn, Saint-Saens and Faure. *4 p.m. Sunday. La Jolla Women's Club, 7791 Draper Ave., La Jolla. $45-$95. lesalondemusiques.com*

Tifereth Israel Community Orchestra: This 60-member community orchestra will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a performance of Beethoven's Symphony No. 5, Vivaldi's Concerto for 4 Violins and the Israeli tone poem EMEK. *4 p.m. Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. First United Methodist Church, 1200 East H St., Chula Vista. $10-$25. tiferethisrael.com/events/tico-concert*.

Free Baby & Me HIIT Class: Parents and babies are invited for a free workout class with personal trainer Gianna Ravaglioli, who specializes in pregnancy and postpartum training. These classes take place every Sunday in February. *10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday. Located on the lawn behind Harland Brewery. One Paseo, 3725 Paseo Place,*
San Diego. Free. onepaseo.com/events/baby-me-hitt-class