

UNTIL NOV. 1 *Editor's note: Items on the Upcoming Events page run free of charge as space is available for events in the [Mesa](#) area. Please submit items by e-mail to emesanews@newszap.com or post online at <http://arizona.newszap.com/calendar>.*

The Crypt Haunted Attractions at Fiesta Mall:

Opens at 7 p.m. on weekends and select weekdays at Fiesta Mall, 1445 W. Southern Ave. in [Mesa](#). Cryptic Illusions will bring back its Crypt, Haunt and Asylum attractions to Fiesta Mall this year. For more information, visit www.hauntedaz.com.

UNTIL NOV. 2

Vertuccio Farms Fall Festival: 9 a.m.- 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday; and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday at Vertuccio Farms, 4011 S. Power Road in [Mesa](#). Families can enjoy a 10-acre corn maze, mini hay maze, farm animals, barrel train rides, a bouncy house and more at this annual event. Admission is \$9; children 2 and under get in free. The festival is handicapped accessible. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/vertucciofarms.

OCT. 8-WEDNESDAY

Brain health seminar: Noon-4 p.m. at the Red Mountain [Community](#) Center, 7550 E. Adobe St. in [Mesa](#). Banner Health will host the Brain G.Y.M. Boot Camp, an interactive seminar designed to boost brain health. The seminar will review lifestyle factors related to brain health and teach a variety of methods to exercise cognitive domains of the brain. Cost is \$25 per person. To register, call 602230-2273.

OCT. 9-THURSDAY

Community Cinema Series: 6 p.m. at the Dobson Ranch Library, 2425 S. Dobson Road in [Mesa](#). The Community Cinema Series returns for its fifth season with a screening of "Makers: Women in Space," a film tracing the history of women pioneers in the U.S. space program and featuring the next generation of women engineers, mathematicians and astronauts. Following the screening there will be a panel discussion, a 3-D printing demonstration and a robotics showcase. The next [Community](#) Cinema Series event is Nov. 6. For more information on the full season lineup, visit www.mesaaz.gov/diversity.

OCT. 9-NOV. 15

"Run For Your Wife" at The Palms Theatre:

Evening and matinee showtimes at The Palms Theatre, 5247 E. Brown Road in [Mesa](#). This British comedy follows a taxi driver as he tries to get away with having two wives in different cities. When complications arise, the protagonist tries to keep his double life from exploding. Admission starts at \$30. For more information, call 480-924-6260 or visit www.thepalmstheatre.com.

OCT. 10-FRIDAY

"Artober" Fest: 6-8:30 p.m. at the [Mesa](#) Arts Center, 1 E. Main St. in downtown [Mesa](#). Learn about the history and composition of different Oktoberfest beers and sample great craft beers from Arizona and around the world. There will be prizes for the best Oktoberfest attire. Speakers include Chuck Noll and Neil Baier. Tickets are \$60 for non-members and \$50 for members. For more information, visit www.mesaartscenter.com or call 480-644-6500.

OCT. 10-18

"Rumpelstiltskin" at Mesa Community College: 7 p.m. evening shows and 2 p.m. matinees at [Mesa](#) Community College, 1833 W. Southern Ave. in [Mesa](#). This play based on the classic fairy tale is written by Linda Daugherty and directed by Kevin Dressler. For more information on showtimes or to purchase tickets, visit www.ezticketlive.com/mcc.

OCT. 10-26

“The Dixie Swim Club”: Evening and matinee showings at the Black Box on Brown Theatre, 318 E. Brown Road No. 101 in [Mesa](#). “The Dixie Swim Club,” a comedy presented by [Mesa](#) Encore Theatre, follows five women whose friendships began on a [college](#) swim team. The friends rely on each other as life unfolds and band together to face new challenges. More information on showtimes and ticket sales can be found online at www.mesaencoretheatre.com or by calling 602-888-1062.

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11-SATURDAY Cigna flu shots: 7-11 a.m. at the Stapley Multi-Specialty Center, 1840 S. Stapley Drive No. 101 in [Mesa](#). Last year, the first reported case of the flu showed up Oct. 7. Cigna Medical Group will administer flu shots by appointment for \$32 for the public. Cigna customers will have the flu shot covered at no cost under their preventative care benefit. Participants should bring ID. High-dose flu shots will also be available for \$55 for people with high risk for complications and those over 65. For more information, call 480-464-8500 or visit www.cignamedicalgroup.com.

Mystery at the Museum: 6:30-9 p.m. at the i.d.e.a. Museum, 150 W. Pepper Place in [Mesa](#). “Mystery at the Museum” is an interactive dinner theatre program presented by the East Valley Children’s Theatre. The audience will actively participate in solving the mystery while enjoying dinner and a silent auction. For more information, visit www.evct.org.

OCT. 13-NOV. 10

Gallery interpreter training: Held 9 a.m.12:30 p.m. Mondays at the Arizona Museum of Natural History, 53 N. Macdonald in [Mesa](#). The training will cover archaeology, paleontology, geology, interpretation techniques and customer service. After training, participants are asked to commit to one three-hour shift per week as a gallery interpreter. For more information or to register, call 480-644-2670, e-mail azmnh.info@mesaaz.gov or visit www.azmnh.org.

OCT.**17-FRIDAY**

Overnight at the Museum: 6 p.m. Friday until 9 a.m. Saturday at the Arizona Museum of Natural History, 53 N. Macdonald in [Mesa](#). This overnight, Halloween-themed event encourages participants ages 6-12 to come dressed in costume to enjoy stories, games, crafts, snacks and special animals guests. Each child must have an adult chaperone. The cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for nonmembers. For more information or to register, call 480-644-3553.

OCT. 18-SATURDAY Goofy Ghost Walk: 7 p.m. at Usery Mountain Regional Park, 3939 N. Usery Pass Road in [Mesa](#). Kick off the Halloween season with a nighttime walk at the park. Decorate a bed sheet at home and wear it for this quarter-mile journey through the desert. Rangers will judge the best child, teen and adult bedsheets costume. Event includes free snacks and drinks, games and spooky stories. Guests should bring a flashlight and closed-toed shoes. No pets. Cost is \$6 per car. For more information, call 480-984-0032.

Celebrate Mesa: 5-9 p.m. at the Red Mountain Soccer Complex, 905 N. Sunvalley Blvd. in [Mesa](#). This free fall festival is expected to have close to 10,000 participants this year. The event includes carnival games, rides, music, food trucks, live entertainment, hot air balloon rides, a Ferris wheel, a free movie showing of “Monster’s Inc.” and special guest appearances by costumed characters of Elsa and Ana from “Frozen.” Vendors must bring their own tent, table and chairs. Limited space is available. For more information, call 480-6443651 or e-mail mark.grant@mesaaz.gov.

OCT. 24-FRIDAY Scorpion Hunt: 7:30 p.m. at Usery Mountain Regional Park, 3939 N. Usery Pass Road in [Mesa](#). Take a walk in the park at night and spot scorpions using a black light on this nighttime walk. All ages can hone their spotting skills as they hunt for glow-in-the-dark scorpions. This is the final scorpion hunt of the year. Guests should bring water, a flashlight and closed-toed shoes. No pets. Cost is \$6 per car. For more information, call 480-984-0032.

OCT. 25-26

Dia de los Muertos Festival: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday at [Mesa](#) Arts Center, 1 E. Main St. in

downtown [Mesa](#). Mesa Arts Center's annual festival will include traditional cuisine, a colorful market with themed merchandise, arts and crafts and two stages of live entertainment. Festival admission and parking are free. Families and groups may participate in an altar contest presented by the [Mesa](#) Arts Center. For more information, visit www.mesaartscenter.com.

OCT. 30-THURSDAY

Merrymakers Halloween Dance: 7-10 p.m. at Las Palmas Grand, 2550 S. Ellsworth Road in [Mesa](#). Celebrate Halloween with musician Rich Howard. Doors open at 6 p.m. Cost is \$7 for members and \$8 for nonmembers. For more information, visit www.dancemm.com.

NOV. 1-SATURDAY

Mesa Arts and Crafts Festival: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Macdonald Street between Main Street and Pepper Place. MACFest features artists and crafters selling their work in a [community](#) setting. Events will be held on the first and third Saturday of each month through April. Vendors can rent a space for \$20 per event. The festivals are free to the public. [College](#) and high school students are encouraged to showcase their art at the events this year. Artists under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Music will be provided by small combo bands. For more information, e-mail info@macfestmesa.com.

NOV. 2-SUNDAY

Target "3 for Free" concert series: 1-4 p.m. at the [Mesa](#) Contemporary Arts Museum, 1 E. Main St. in downtown [Mesa](#). Target is offering free admission on the first Sunday of each month to the i.d.e.a. Museum and the Arizona Museum of Natural History as well as special activities at the [Mesa](#) Contemporary Arts Museum. Each venue is located within three blocks of each other. Kids can create their own artwork and enjoy free performances in the outdoor courtyard. For more information on the concert series, visit www.mesaartscenter.com.

NOV. 9-SUNDAY

Pinal County Scramble Golf Tournament: All day at the Arizona Golf Resort, 425 S. Power Road in [Mesa](#). In celebration of Veterans Day, the Pinal County Scramble Golf Tournament will benefit the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program. The event will include golf contests, prizes, live music and a banquet. For more information, call Don at 480-349-8017 or Emie at 480-720 0903.





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