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September 2013 Calendar of Events - Mesa

"The Secret Garden"

WHEN: Thurs., Oct. 3, and Fri., Oct. 4, at 7 p.m.; Sat., Oct. 5, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.; and Sun., Oct. 6, at 2 p.m.

WHERE: Nesbitt/Elliott Playhouse, One E. Main St., Mesa

COST: \$15; \$11 children 17 years and younger

INFO: (480) 644-6500 or www.mesaartscenter.com

The East Valley Children's Theatre presents "The Secret Garden," an adaptation from the novel by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

MCC's Homecoming 2013

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 5, all day

WHERE: Mesa Community College, 1833 W. Southern Ave., Mesa

COST: Depends on event

INFO: (480) 461-7445

This year's event features a new attraction, a Food Truck Rally, prior to the game. The college offers other events, including a 1973 Football Team 40th Reunion and a golf tournament, all leading up to the football game at 7 p.m., featuring the MCC Thunderbirds vs Phoenix College Bears.

"World Voices"

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 5, at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: First United Methodist Church, 15 E. First Ave., Mesa

COST: \$18; \$15 for seniors, children, students and groups of 10 or more

INFO: (480) 305-4538 or www.SonoranDesertChorale.org

From America's "Sourwood Mountain" to Ireland's "Danny Boy" to the Russian folk song tongue twister, "Véniiki," the music travels without borders. It soars high in "Song to the Moon" and dances with driving energy in "Jai Ho!"

Pink Army-Party in Pink Zumbathon Event

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 5, from 11 a.m. to

2 p.m.

WHERE: Mesa Convention Center, 263 N. Center St., Mesa

COST: \$15

INFO: www.zumba.com/en-US/partyinpink

Second annual Pink Army-Party in Pink Zumbathon Event celebrates breast cancer awareness through the art and exercise of Zumba.

Second Friday Night Out: "Nightmare on Main"

WHEN: Fri., Oct. 11, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

WHERE: On Main Street between Center and Robson streets, Mesa

COST: Free

INFO: http://2ndfridaynightout.com

Ghosts and goblins make an appearance during this monthly event suited for the entire family.

Dolores Marie Patterson Book Signing

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 12, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: The Book Rack, 1752 S. Signal Butte Rd., Suite 108, Mesa

COST: Free admission; \$16.99 book

INFO: (480) 380-0044

Author Dolores Marie Patterson signs her new book "The Schoolteacher and the Bad Boy."

Mesa Sprint Triathlon

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 12, at 7 a.m.

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WHERE: Skyline Aquatic Center,
845 S. Crismon Rd., Mesa
COST: \$15 to \$300

INFO: (480) 644-4119, lily.king-cisneros@mesaaz.gov or <http://mesasprinttriathlon.com/>

The third annual event benefits youth programs. The triathlon is sponsored by the Foundation for Mesa Parks and Recreation, which raises support through fundraisers that benefit youth who cannot afford recreational programs, swim classes and camps.

Holiday Craft Fair

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 12, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: Holy Cross Church, 1244 S. Power Rd., Mesa

COST: Free

INFO: (480) 656-1522

The Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Council No. 7904 Ladies Auxiliary will hold its Holiday Craft Fair, featuring talented vendors displaying their handmade crafts. Refreshments will be offered in which proceeds will go to benefit local charities as well.

East Valley Pennsylvania Group

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 12, at 10 a.m. (second Saturday of the month)

WHERE: Old Country Buffet, 1855 S. Stapley Dr., Mesa

COST: Charge for meals

INFO: (480) 832-5755

The dues-free social group meets about all things Pennsylvania.

Udderly Sweet Vintage Boutique

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 19, and Sun., Oct. 20, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Superstition Farm, 3440 S. Hawes Rd., Mesa

COST: Free; \$8 early admission tickets

INFO: (602) 432-6865 or www.superstitionfarm.com

The Udderly Sweet Vintage Boutique "pop-up" sale features local vendors selling an assortment of vintage, industrial, upcycled and recycled items. There is also food available as well as hayrides, live music and a petting zoo for the kids.

Alton Brown Live: Inevitable Edible Tour

WHEN: Sun., Oct. 20, at 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Mesa Arts Center, Ikeda Theater, One E. Main St., Mesa

COST: \$35 to \$55

INFO: (480) 644-6500 or www.mesaartscenter.com

Alton Brown, creator of the award-winning show "Good Eats," is presenting his newly "reinvented" live show, the "Inevitable Edible Tour," which will feature comedy, quiz, lecture, puppet, talk, science, storytelling and music.

Antique Appraisals

WHEN: Sun., Oct. 20, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

WHERE: Tower Point RV Resort, 4860 E. Main St., Mesa

COST: \$10 per item; three for \$25

INFO: (602) 692-7492

The Optimist Club of Mesa is hosting an antique appraisal fair where participants can discover the value of their treasures.

Empty Bowls

WHEN: Wed., Oct. 23, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

WHERE: MCC's Red Mountain Campus, Mesquite Building, Community Room, 7110 E. McKellips Rd., Mesa

COST: \$10 donation

INFO: (480) 461-7445

For a \$10 donation, those attending Empty Bowl events can take home a one-of-a-kind bowl made by accomplished local artists and dine on a simple meal of bread, soup and water in observance of World Hunger Day. All proceeds go to Paz de Cristo.

Dia de los Muertos Celebration

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun., Oct. 27, from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: Mesa Arts Center, One E. Main St., Mesa

COST: Free

INFO: (480) 644-6627 or www.mesaartscenter.com

The Day of the Dead festival will feature delicious foods, a colorful mercado featuring an assortment of Dia de los Muertos merchandise, jewelry, arts and crafts.

Las Sendas Elementary School Community Garage Sale

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 26, from 6 a.m. to

1 p.m.

WHERE: Las Sendas Elementary School parking lot, 3120 N. Red Mountain, Mesa

COST: Free admission; \$25 per parking space to sell items. Deadline Oct. 23.

INFO: Krystal Schmier, (602) 448-9732 or mamaschmier@gmail.com

The Las Sendas PTO will sell reserved parking spaces where guests can set up their own garage sale and keep the profits.

Anyone-not just Las Sendas residents-can participate.

The Halloween Spooktacular

WHEN: Fri, Oct. 25 and Sat., Oct. 26, 7:30 p.m. and 9:45 p.m.

WHERE: National Comedy Theatre,

1111 S. Longmore Rd., Mesa

COST: \$12 to \$14

INFO: (602) 374-5638, info@nctphoenix.com or www.nctphoenix.com/showtimes.html

This haunted wonderland welcomes all ages even features holiday-themed games as well as a costume contest.

Pro-Life Lasagna Dinner

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 26, 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Anderson Hall, Holy Cross Church, 1244 S. Power Rd., Mesa

COST: \$ 10 donation per person.

INFO: (480) 218-6369

Award-winning journalist and author Joyce Coronel will speak at the fourth annual Pro-Life Lasagna Dinner in support of Maggie's Place, a home welcoming expectant mothers in distress.

The Paisley Pumpkin

Holiday Festival

WHEN: Sat., Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

WHERE: Dana Park, northwest corner of Val Vista and Baseline roads, Mesa

COST: Free

INFO: www.ThePaisleyPumpkin.com

The third annual holiday festival serves as a fundraiser for Hope Kids Arizona, which provides ongoing events and activities, and a support community for families who have a child with cancer or other life-threatening medical conditions.

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