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# **APRIL 2019:** EVENTS, FESTIVALS, SHOWS & MORE!

# **Fantastic Fests**

#### Bonfire Improv Festival

When: April 4-6 & 11-13 Where: Citadel Theatre | 9828-101A Ave. | 780-425-1820 | rapidfiretheatre.com

**About:** This annual improv festival brings together the best local talents to present a variety of hilarious long-form comedy shows, drawing inspiration from some favourite performances from the current season.

#### **Edmonton Kiwanis Music Festival**

When: April 15-May 5

Where: Various venues | edmontonkiwanis.com About: Over 2,500 music students—as single or group entrants perform in a series of showcases and competitions to receive professional adjudication. See the stars of tomorrow, and celebrate 110 years of music excellence at this annual competitive music festival!

#### **Edmonton Poetry Festival**

When: April 22-28

Where: Various venues | edmontonpoetryfestival.com About: Be moved to speak and listen at this annual arts festival that celebrates poetry! Hear a variety of poetry readings from local and national artists, enjoy live music, mingle with some of the brightest literary talents in Edmonton, and try creating an original poem yourself.

#### Dreamspeakers Film Festival & Rubaboo Arts Festival When: April 26-May 7

Where: Metro Cinema at the Garneau, 8712-109 St. & Various venues | 780-425-9212 | dreamspeakers.org

**About:** Celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Rubaboo Arts Festival and the 25th anniversary of the Dreamspeakers Film Festival. Presented in tandem this year, this celebration features extraordinary artists and their work, across multiple disciplines, including film, theatre, music, and dance.

# **Fabulous Fairs**

#### **Orchid Fair**

When: April 5-7 Where: Enjoy Centre | 101 Riel Dr., St. Albert | orchidsalberta.wildapricot.org About: The largest of its kind in Canada, Orchid Fair features over 15,000 square feet of displays and vendors. With national and international vendors, you can find everything from the rare to the truly unusual.

#### Edmonton Woman's Show

When: April 13-14 Where: Edmonton EXPO Centre | 7300-116 Ave. | 780-471-7210 |

womanshow.com **About:** Experience influential guest speakers, discover new products and services, and enjoy entertaining presentations with a glass of wine at Edmonton's largest gathering of women.

## Cottage Life & Cabin Show

When: April 26-28 Where: Edmonton EXPO Centre | 7300-116 Ave. | 780-471-7210 | shows.cottagelife.com About: Check out 150 exhibitors with everything you need for lakeside and country living.

#### Edmonton Tattoo & Arts Festival

When: April 26-28 Where: Edmonton EXPO Centre | 7300-116 Ave. | 780-471-7210 | albertatattooshows.com About: View the amazing artwork of over 200 of the best local and international artists, all in one place. Finally get that tattoo you've always wanted, or just browse and listen to the live music.

# **Invigorating Performances**

#### The Misadventures of Count Ory

When: April 6, 9 & 12 Where: Jubilee Auditorium | 11455-87 Ave. | 780-427-2760 | edmontonopera.com

**About:** From the composer of *The Barber of Seville* comes a raucous comedy with gorgeous bel canto melodies and vocal fireworks galore! Come along for the ride as a love triangle unfolds between notorious skirt-chaser Count Ory, his cunning page, and a feisty countess—complete with naughty nuns, scandalous set-ups, and way too much wine.

## Fun Home

When: April 11-20

Where: Varscona Theatre | 10329-83 Ave. | 780-433-3399 | varsconatheatre.com

**About:** Based on the best-selling graphic novel by Alison Bechdel, this refreshingly honest, original show is about seeing your parents through grown-up eyes. The ground-breaking musical was the winner of five Tony Awards.

## Next Generation of South Asian Dance

#### When: April 17-18

Where: MacEwan University | 10700-104 Ave. | 780-497-5040 | bwdc.ca About: Over the years, the BWDC has built a strong relationship with Edmonton's rapidly evolving South Asian Dance Community. In this mixed program, four pieces will have their world premiere performance.

#### The Empress & the Prime Minister

When: April 17-May 5

Where: The Roxy on Gateway | 8529 Gateway Blvd. | 780-453-2440 | theatrenetwork.ca

**About:** On the 50th anniversary of the decriminalization of homosexuality in Canada, Darrin Hagen premieres a new play about the life of drag queen Ted Northe, also known as the Empress of Canada. Northe's life's work of activism draws a young Minister of Justice, Pierre Trudeau, to his side, and the two form a remarkable connection that changed Canada.

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# **Hot Dining**

#### Green Onion Cake Man | 9132-118 Ave. |

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Edmonton is known for its green onion cakes, and Siu To, the 78-year-old man who's credited for introducing them to our city, has come out of retirement to give Edmontonians the green onion cake restaurant they've been craving. Appropriately named Green Onion Cake Man, the teeny tiny shop on Alberta Avenue offers light, crispy, and delectably addictive green onion cakes (to stay or to go), as well as delicious hot and sour soup, and spring rolls.



Kanu Café | 10803 Jasper Ave. | 780-760-5268 | kanucafe.ca Plant-based food has come to downtown Edmonton in a big, delicious, and decidedly elegant way. With its dedication to minimally processed, organic ingredients, Kanu offers upscale and flavourful dishes like Butternut Squash Nachos, Kimchi Dumplings, and Coconut Cream Pie.

## Hot Art

#### Portraits | Through April 27

Alberta Craft Council Gallery | 10186-106 St. | 780-488-6611 | albertacraft.ab.ca

At its most basic, a portrait can convey the likeness of a person in physicality, personality, or even mood. This exhibition features the work of 35 fine-craft artists from across Canada who share stories of family, culture, place, being, and belonging through their work.



#### BAMF | Through April 27

Latitude 53 | 10242-106 St. | 780-423-5353 | latitude53.org Zachary Ayotte's new work engages in remembrance and rethinking of the gradual disappearance of queer spaces in our city. *BAMF* is a series of human-scale images of bodies slipping into the aether, realized as blackand-white photographs.

# **Great Gifts that Keep On Giving**

Whether we're building community relationships, championing environmental practices, or partnering with like-minded go-getters, Edmonton's do-good philosophies make their way into what we buy, make, and sell. Here are our picks for some do-good gifts.

#### 1. Azalea Single-origin Coffee Beans, \$17.95, per bag

Available at Good Earth Coffeehouse locations.

Good Earth roasts and packages all its coffee in Canada and operates by committing to direct trade with coffee farmers. Azalea is a single-origin, Rainforest-Alliance-Certified coffee from Costa Rica, grown on micro-lot farms, run by multi-generational farmers. Try the light-roast, medium bodied coffee with notes of citrus, brown butter, vanilla, and black tea.

#### 2. Salgado Fenwick Market Bag, \$20

Available at Barking Buffalo Café (124 Street) and salgadofenwick.com All Salgado Fenwick market bags and garments are handmade and silkscreened in small batches, making every collection a limited edition of wearable art. The Edmonton Crest Bag is made from 100% cotton and the perfect size for a trip to the market or returning books to the library.

# 3. Natural Soap from Wild Prairie Soap Company, \$6.25 each

Available at Wild Prairie Soap (Whyte Ave.) and many gift shops in and around Edmonton.

All Wild Prairie soaps are 100% vegetable-based and contain 50% olive oil, making them long-lasting and skin-nourishing. All their product packaging is recyclable, and you can even bring your empty containers back to the store to receive 10% off the same product.



#### 4. Assorted Tea from Vitaliteas, \$9.99, per box

Available at select cafés, including Block 1912, Café Bicyclette, and the Sugar Bowl, as well as the Strathcona Farmers' Market and vitaliteas.ca Vitaliteas' founder, Fanta Camara, produces her high-quality teas right here in Edmonton, using organic mint and chamomile from local farmers and sourcing her spices and tea from importers who belong to the Ethical Tea Partnership, Fair Trade, and Well Earth Sourcing programs.

#### 5. Heartprint Threads' Blanket, \$160

Available at The Makers' Keep (Kingsway Mall) and heartprintthreads.com At Heartprint Threads, a blanket for you means a blanket for someone in need. For every blanket sold, one is also donated to a local charity.

#### 6. Pride Tape, \$7, per roll

Available at United Sport & Cycle and pridetape.com

As a badge of support for the LGBTQ community, hockey coaches, parents, teams, and pros are wrapping their sticks in Pride Tape to help stop homophobia in sport. The Edmonton Oilers, You Can Play NHL, and the Oilers Entertainment Group are among the proud supporters. Pride Tape also supports LGBTQ youth outreach initiatives, which means every roll sold makes an impact on and off the ice.

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#### **April Events at a Glance**

Mar 27-A 14: Slight of Mind — Citadel Mar 30-A 21: The Candidate — Citadel Mar 30-A 21: The Party — Citadel A 1: Dermot Kennedy — Union Hall A 2-13: 13 Encounters & Fish at the Bottom of the Sea — ATB Arts Barns A 3-13: The Attic, the Pearls & Three Fine Girls — Walterdale A 4: Ben Caplin — Station on Jasper A 5: Electric Six — Starlite A 5: Clay Walker — River Cree A 5-7: Orchid Fair — Enjoy Centre A 6: Don Burnstick — River Cree A 6: Master of Justice (Metallica Tribute Band) — Shakers Roadhouse A 6, 9 & 12: The Misadventures of Count Ory (Edmonton Opera) — Jube A 8: Morgan James — Starlite A 10-14: Jason Elmore & Hoodoo Witch — Blues on Whyte A 11: David Francey — Arden A 11: Charlie Chaplin's The Circus — Winspear A 11-20: Fun Home, The Musical — Varscona A 12: Big Sugar — River Cree A 12: Dilly Dally — Starlite A 13: Colleen Brown — Arden A 13: The Most Amazing Symphonies (Symphony for Kids) Winspear A 13: Fleetwood Mac — Rogers A 13-14: Edmonton Woman's Show — EXPO A 14-15: Wildrose Antique Show — EXPO A 15: Michael Buble — Rogers A 16: Alan Parsons — Winspear A 17-21: Dennis Jones Band — Blues on Whyte A 17-21. Definits Johes Band — Bides off Whyte A 18: Tim Isbery — Festival Place A 18: Kemo Treats — Station on Jasper A 18-May 5: The Empress & the Prime Minister — Roxy A 19: Dan + Shay — Jube A 19: Wintersleep — Starlite A 19: Sharry Mann — River Cree A 19: Good Friday at the Winspear — Winspear A 19: Good Friday at the Winspear — Winspear A 17-18: Next Generation South Asian Dance (Brian Webb) — MacEwan A 20: Classic Albums Live: AC/DC — Festival Place A 20-May 12: The Tempest — Citadel A 20: Rain: A Tribute to the Beatles — River Cree A 21: Metric — Shaw

A 22-28: Edmonton Poetry Fest

- A 24: National Geographic: Symphony for our World Jube
- A 25: Ariana Grande Rogers
- A 26: Wayne Brady River Cree
- A 26: Kańsas Jube
- A 26-27: Accordion Wizardry Winspear
- A 26-28: Cottage Life & Cabin Show EXPO
- A 26-28: Edmonton Gem & Mineral Show AB Aviation Museum
- A 26-28: Canada's Vape Expo EXPO
- A 26-May 7: Dreamspeakers International Film Festival Metro Cinema
- A 26-May 7: Rubaboo Arts Festival A 27-28: Cannabis & Hemp Expo EXPO Centre
- A 30-May 11: A Man Draws a Bird ATB Arts Barns
- A 30-May 5: Nassim

\*Find out more about these events at InfoEdmonton.com

