

SAN DIEGO GUIDES

The best things to do this week in San Diego: March 25-29



Jonathan Marquez from Scripps Ranch and his son Jonathan Marquez, Jr. wait near the Padres dugout at Petco Park hoping for the chance to get a player autograph on the Padres home opening day on Thursday, April 14, 2022 in San Diego, CA. against the Atlanta Braves. (Nelvin C. Cepeda/The San Diego Union-Tribune)

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Here are some of the best things to do this week in San Diego, from Monday, March 18 to Friday, March 22.

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Monday

San Diego Theatre Month: Locals can celebrate theater and other performing arts throughout the month of March with \$15, \$30 or \$45 tickets at various venues. Broadway San Diego, City Ballet of San Diego, Mockingbird Improv, New Village Arts, Cygnet Theatre, Moxie Theatre, Lamb’s Players Theatre, SDSU School of Theatre, Television and Film and San Diego Junior Theatre are among the participating organizations this year. *See the full list at [sandiegoteatremonth.com](#)*

Rescheduled from Padres’ fanfest: On Monday, gates at Petco Park will open at 3 p.m. to allow fans to explore the renovated Gallagher Square and potentially track down a “golden ball” during Padres batting practice to exchange for a replica jersey of their choice at the team store. Various Padres alumni will also be on hand for an autograph session (3:30-5:30 p.m.) and a youth clinic on the new Play Ball Field in Gallagher Square. More info: [padres.mlblogs.com/peter-seidler-celebration-of-life-moved-up-padres-fanfest-cancelled-816d139c4284](#)



PADRES

Weather prompts Padres to cancel Sunday’s FanFest, change Peter Seidler’s celebration of life start time

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Colum McCann author event: McCann is probably best known for experimental novels such as “Let the Great World Spin” and “Apeirogon,” but on this night he’ll be discussing his latest, a nonfiction account of Diane Foley, who recounts the story of her son, Jim Foley, a journalist who was killed by ISIS fighters. *7 p.m. March 25. Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice Theatre, University of San Diego, 5555 Marian Way, Linda Vista. \$26-\$36. (858) 454-0347, [warwicks.com](#)*



BOOKS

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Tuesday

Whiskey tasting: The day before International Whiskey Day, Fierce & Kind founder and CEO Basem Harb will be the featured guest at the Whiskey House’s monthly whiskey club. The event will also have a tasting of three kinds of bourbon from Fierce & Kind that include an 86 proof straight bourbon, 112.6 proof single barrel and a limited release single-barrel cask strength straight bourbon. Plus there will be wings, filet sliders and charcuterie board tastings. *6 p.m. Tuesday 420 Third Ave., San Diego. \$50-\$60. (619) 546-6289, [thewhiskeyhousesd.com](#)*

Plant-based dinner series: The Plot in Oceanside is bringing back its Plantscape dinner series starting Tuesday. It will be a six-course dinner featuring ingredients from The Plot’s backyard garden and locally sourced foods. Guests will also be welcomed with a house cocktail and can add a wine or cocktail to their dinner for an additional fee. Reservations and tickets for this dinner can be made at [OpenTable](#). *4 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday. 1733 S. Coast Highway, Oceanside. \$80. (442) 266-8200, [theplorestaurant.com](#)*

“The Imaginary Amazon”: San Diego State University presents this exhibition curated by Gillian Sneed in conjunction with the Behner Stiefel Center for Brazilian Studies and the Consulate General of Brazil in Los Angeles. It features works by Indigenous artists from the Amazon region and those who live outside it. *Noon to 4 p.m. Tuesdays-Thursdays, through May 2 (closed April 1-5). Art Gallery, 4th Floor Courtyard, SDSU School of Art and Design, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego. [art.sdsu.edu/gallery-program/university](#)*

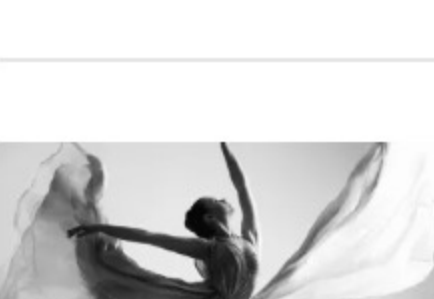
Camarada Tango Quartet: The Camarada Tango Quartet will perform a free concert. The program will include melodies of the tango composed by Astor Piazzolla and Andrés Martín. The concert will feature Beth Ross Buckley (flute), David Buckley (violin), Andrés Martín (double bass) and Dana Burnett (piano). The concert is part of the Friends of the Rancho Bernardo Library’s 24th annual Chamber Concert series. Donations are appreciated. *6 p.m. Tuesday. Rancho Bernardo Library’s second-floor community room, 17110 Bernardo Center Drive. [friendsoftherblibrary.org](#).*

Wednesday



City Ballet of San Diego will present Geoffrey Gonzalez’s new ballet “An American in Paris in the spring. (Courtesy of City Ballet of San Diego)

City Ballet of San Diego presents ‘An American in Paris’: Visits to France and Spain inspired two world premieres by resident choreographers Geoff Gonzalez and Elizabeth Wistrich. Besides the fashionable title piece, “An American in Paris,” and the flamenco-flavored, “Boléro — The Awakening,” the program includes a contemporary ballet by Christopher Wheeldon at venues downtown and in North County. *7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 N. Escondido Blvd., Escondido. \$35-\$99. [cityballet.org](#)*



ENTERTAINMENT

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“Tartuffe”: North Coast Repertory Theatre presents Richard Wilbur’s translation of the Molière comedy about a family taken in by a religious charlatan. *7 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays; 8 p.m. Fridays; 2 and 8 p.m. Saturdays; 2 and 7 p.m. and Sundays. Through April 7. 987 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach. \$54-\$79. (858) 481-1055, [northcoastrep.org](#).*

Scarlett St. Clair author event: The Native American author is obsessed with Greek mythology, as evidenced by her multiple series that are based in the worlds of gods and goddesses. She will come to town to discuss her latest, the seventh and final book of her acclaimed Hades x Persephone series. *7 p.m. Wednesday. Mysterious Galaxy, 3555 Rosecrans St. #107, Midway District. \$18.99-\$26.99. (619) 539-7137, [mystgalaxy.com](#)*

“The Office” Trivia: Fans of “The Office” can compete for themed prizes in a trivia competition. There will be specialty drinks available. *8 p.m. Wednesday. 4650 Mission Blvd., San Diego. \$5. [eventbrite.com/e/the-office-trivia-at-the-duck-dive-tickets-859873152747?aff=oddttdtcreator](#)*

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