



HOT DATES

TOP STOPS

For when you want to hear someone sing for spring.

MAY 6-JUNE 18
BOSTON POPS Keith Lockhart's acclaimed Boston Pops opens its spring season with special guest Seth MacFarlane singing classics from the American songbook. The "Family Guy" and "Ted" producer-director features a baritone voice and a love of songs from the 1950s. Six weeks of additional concerts on various themes follows. Symphony Hall, 301 Massachusetts Ave., 888.266.1200, boston-pops.org

MAY 21
RADIO 92.9 EARTH-FEST This annual free outdoor concert afternoon is chockablock with some of the music industry's favorite bands. There's also an Eco-Pavilion with exhibits about the environment and Kids Planet, an interactive area for kiddos under age 12. DCR Hatch Memorial Shell, Storrow Drive, earthfest.com

MAY 27-29
BOSTON CALLING MUSIC FESTIVAL Three stages host a slew of up-and-coming and veteran performers over three days. That's *alotta* music! Headliners this year include Sia, Lisa Hannigan and Aaron Dessner, The Vaccines, Janelle Monáe and Elle King. City Hall Plaza, 1 City Hall Square, bostoncalling.com

MAY 8: Lilac Sunday

Arnold Arboretum hosts its 108th annual, fragrantly scented homage to Mom and Mother Nature this month, so hop on the Orange Line and get the party started. Expect to tour one of the continent's premier collections of lilacs (now in full bloom), freely roam the Emerald Necklace park, participate in family activities, hear live music and munch on snacks or lunch served up by local food trucks. 10 am-3 pm.

125 Arborway, Jamaica Plain, 617.524.1718

5 Great Things Not to Be Missed



Duckling Day



Cirque du Soleil

- 1 THE SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL >**
APRIL 13-MAY 8
 Boston's own Actors Shakespeare Project presents Richard Brinsley Sheridan's scandal-laced comedy that swirls luridly with treachery and deceit. *Multicultural Arts Center, 41 Second St., Cambridge, 866.811.4111*
- 2 SPRING ARTWEEK >**
APRIL 29-MAY 8
 Highland Street Foundation and Citi Performing Arts Center collaborate on this twice-a-year, citywide festival of creativity. More than 100 individual events run the gamut from painting demonstrations to poetry slams. *Citywide, artweekboston.org*
- 3 DUCKLING DAY PARADE >**
MAY 8
 Local and visiting families alike dress in

their finest feathers to celebrate the iconic Boston-based children's book "Make Way for Ducklings." Face painting, magic shows, and mini massages (for Mom) are a prelude to the parade. \$35 per family. 10 am, parade begins at noon. *Boston Common Parkman Bandstand*

4 THE NAKED MAGIC SHOW >
MAY 19-21
 Two thirty-something Aussie magicians dressed in, well, nothing, make for a hilarious and hot evening of entertainment. *Citi Shubert Theater, 267 Tremont St., 617.482.9393*

5 CIRQUE DU SOLEIL'S KURIOS >
MAY 26-JULY 10
 Quebec's favorite circus arts troupe returns to Boston with its 35th unique production "KuriOS: Cabinet of Curiosities," during which performers and audience journey to a fantastical realm where time has stopped. *Suffolk Downs, 525 McClellan Highway, 877.924.7783*

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