

## February Roundup

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### Area attractions

**El Paso Streetcars** — The restored streetcars run daily on two connected loop routes, covering a total of 4.8 miles, from Father Rahm in South El Paso to Glory Road in Kern Place. Hours of operation are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursdays, 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Fares: \$1.50 (\$3.50 day pass); \$1 military and ages 6-18; 30 cents for seniors and disabled with Sun Metro ID. Information: 212-3333, epstreetcar.com or on Facebook.

**Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino** — 1200 Futurity Dr. (at Sunland Park Drive), Sunland Park, N.M. Hours are 10 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. Thursday; and 10 a.m. to 4 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Information: (575) 874-5200 or sunland-park.com.

**Mesa Vista Wine Tasting Room** — The new tasting room, which includes wine and craft beer, is at 3200 Hwy 28 in Anthony, N.M. (La Union area at NM 28 and S. Vinton Road). Open Thursday through Sunday. The room also features local alpaca products and Mayaluna Yarns. Live music featured 2 to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Information: 494-7248 or mesavistawinery@gmail.com.

C.L. Smith will play 2:30-5:30 p.m. Sunday,

**Feb. 3**, for “Game Day Widows Escape.” Smith plays folk, blue and other acoustic genres. Super Bowl “escapees” can play board and card games.

**Western Playland** — The amusement park is at 1249 Futurity Dr. in Sunland Park, N.M. across from the racetrack. Tickets (tax not included): \$21.99 42 inches or taller or \$16.97 juniors 34 to 41 inches (pay one price); \$5 non-rider admission. Individual ride tickets are \$2.50; rides are 1 or 2 tickets. Information: (575) 589-3410, westernplayland.com or on Facebook.

Season opens 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, **Feb. 23-24**.

March hours are 2 to 9 p.m. Saturdays and 2 to 7 p.m. Sundays.

**Indian Cliffs Ranch** — The working cattle ranch in Fabens offers a children’s zoo, buffalo, longhorns, deer, rattlesnake pit, movie sets and the Fort Apache playground. It’s also home to the famous Cattleman’s Steakhouse. Information: (915) 544-3200 or cattlemanssteakhouse.com.

**La Viña Winery** — 4201 S. NM Highway 28, one mile north of Vinton Road. Information: (575) 882-7632 or lavinawinery.com.

The tasting room and patio are open for sales and tasting of wines from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday through Tuesday (closed Wednesdays). Tasting fee is \$5. A daily tour is offered at 11:30 a.m. by appointment only; the \$10 fee includes tasting.

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**USA Dance** — USA Dance Las Cruces NM Chapter 5058, hosts an afternoon dance 2:45 to 5 p.m. Sunday, **Feb. 3**, at Belton Bridge Center, 1214 E. Madrid in Las Cruces.

Admission: \$10 (\$5 members); free age 12 and younger. Information: Jerry, (575) 639-3993 or Facebook at USADanceLasCruces.

Hilario and Cynthia will demonstrate the Milonga at 4:35 p.m.

**Valentine Dance** - USA Desert Dancers Chapter 5017 hosts a “Dancing from the Heart” dance 2:15 to 5 p.m. Sunday, **Feb. 10**, at Shundo Dance Studio, 120 Paragon Lane. Rumba lessons from 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. No partner needed. Admission: \$11 (\$7 members and military; \$5 students). Information: Rachel, 345-6432; Georgena, 328-0527 or usadance.org.

**World Dance Alliance Americas** — The UTEP Department of Theater & Dance hosts the World Dance Alliance Americas General Assembly, “Moving Interactions: Dancing through In-Between Borders” **Feb. 14-16**, at UTEP’s Wise Family Theatre, with original works from UTEP faculty members, nationally renowned guest artists Jose Zamora and Shannon Mockli, and UTEP alumni-collective Fawnz Dance Company. Showtime is 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and noon Saturday. Tickets: \$10. Information: 747-5118, the-atredance.utep.edu or on Facebook.

**Contra Dance** — The Southern New Mexico Music and Dance Society’s monthly contra dance is 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Friday, **Feb. 15**, at Mesilla Community Center, 2251 Calle de Santiago in Las Cruces. This month is a Mardi Gras theme with music by Bayou Seco of Silver City, recipients of the 2017 Governor’s Award for Excellence in the Arts. Caller is

Lonnie Ludeman. The dance begins with beginners’ lessons at 7:30 p.m.; no partner or experience needed. Cost: \$6 (\$4 youth; \$15 family). Information: (575) 522-1691 or snmms.org.

**‘A Western Ode’** — Mesilla Valley Dance Eclectic presents its original family-friendly show inspired by story elements of the epic poem, “The Odyssey” 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, **Feb. 23-24**, at the Black Box Theatre, 430 N. Main in the Las Cruces Downtown Mall. Tickets: tktassistant.com. Information: mesillavalleydance.com.

Follow the adventures of a girl who left home to move out west for a better life, is forced to navigate through a long series of wanderings and hardships to make her way back home. Original choreography by the members of Mesilla Valley Dance Collective tell a story through genres of dance ranging from classical ballet to modern dance.

**Munson Center Saturday Night Dance** — Munson Center, 975 S. Mesquite, Las Cruces, hosts its monthly senior adults 4 to 6 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month (**Feb. 2, March 2**). Tickets: \$3;. Information: (575) 541-3000.

**Dancing with Parkinson’s** — The dance classes for people with Parkinson’s and Movement Disorders El Paso are 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Fridays at St. Alban’s Episcopal Church, 1810 Elm. Professional caregivers and family (age 16 and older) are welcome. No dance partner necessary. Walker and wheelchair friendly. Classes are modeled after the Mark Morris Dance Group/ Brooklyn Parkinson’s Group/Dance for PD program. Beginning classes integrate all styles of music and movement. Cost: \$5 for dancer/patient (first class is free). Information: 345-1438.

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