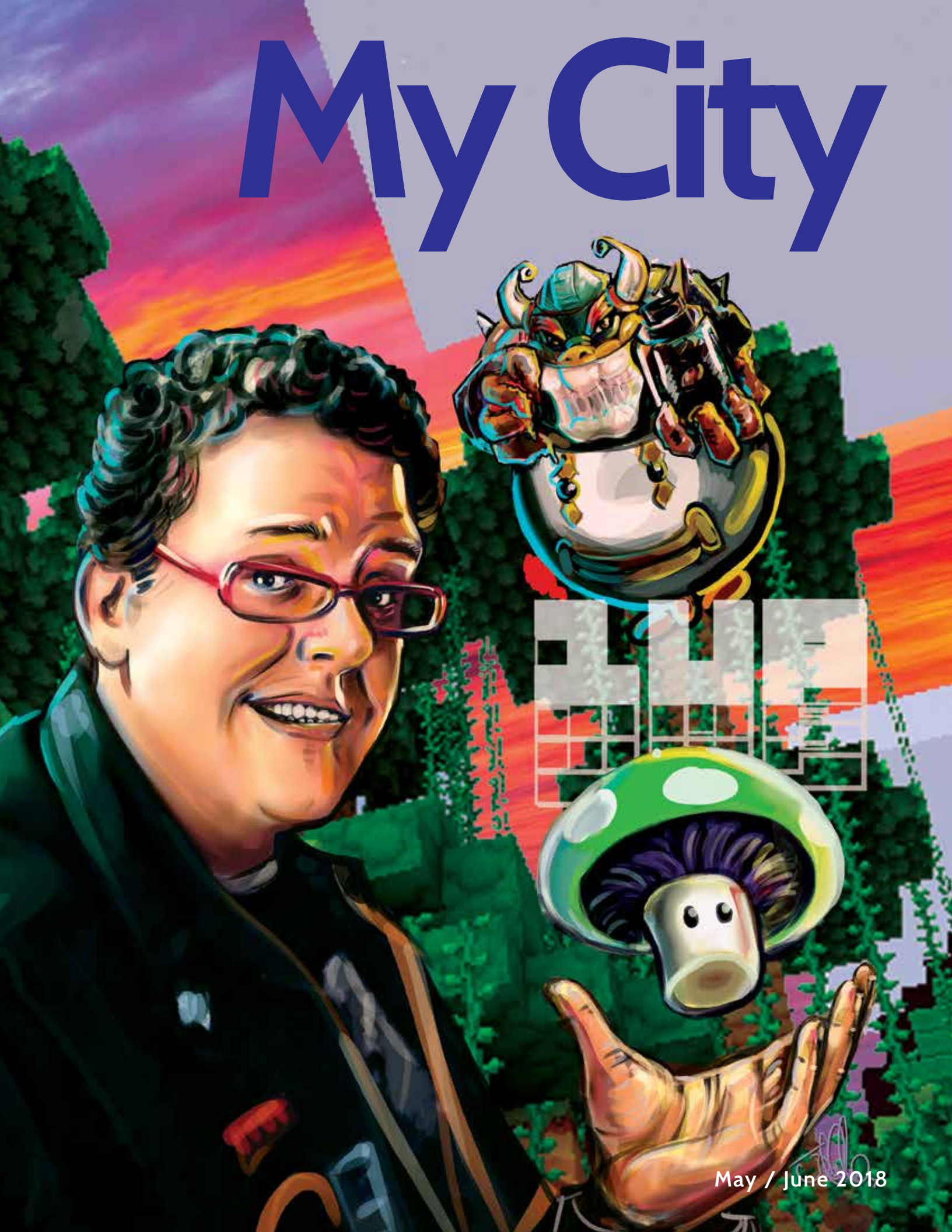


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# Letter From The Editor

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Hi Charlotte,

Thank you for picking up this issue of My City Magazine. In every issue, The Clown gives us his advice column and his comic strip "Micro Monsters". He gifts us with an interview with local children's book author, Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy, this time around. Mikal K Hill is our artist profile this month as we applaud him for sharing a very personal story with the world. Don't forget to check out the exhaustive event listing and the farms and farmers market list, plus subscribe to our biweekly newsletter by emailing 'subscribe' to [ellengurley@gmail.com](mailto:ellengurley@gmail.com). We hope you enjoy this issue and thank you for reading.

Enjoy today and every day,  
Ellen Gurley and the other My City Magazine personalities



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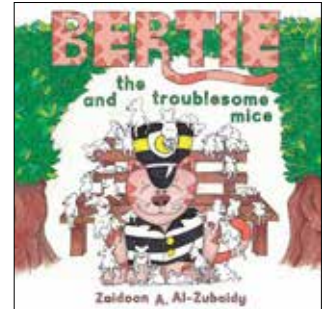
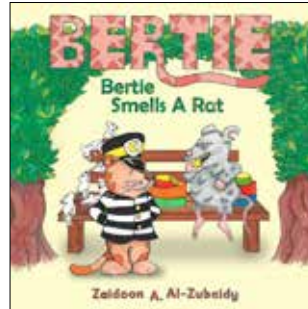
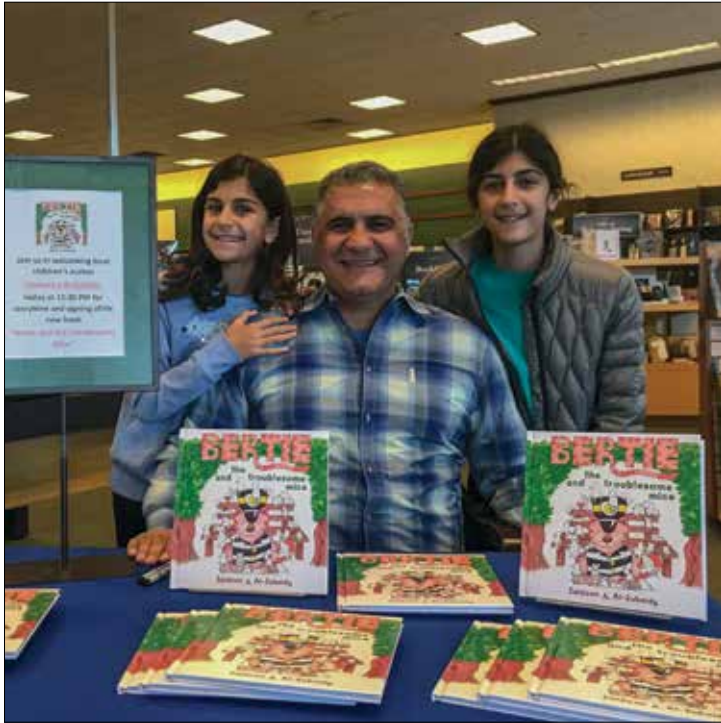
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# Securing the Cheese and Teaching Life Lessons

an Interview with **Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy** by The Clown



*"Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far one can go" from T.S. Eliot and "Do or do not. There is no try" from the Jedi master Yoda are two quotes that come to mind when pondering life's possibilities. When we see others becoming an embodiment of these ideas, the results are often inspiration, admiration, and maybe a bit of envy. The envy comes from the thought that we cannot possibly fit a dream into our busy schedules to feed our souls. Once that thought is defeated, possibilities seem endless.*

Some local individuals are ever expanding their possibilities and you can encounter them daily, if you so choose. The owners and operators of local shops and restaurants, publishers of independent children's book. Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy is a scientist, entrepreneur, comedian, business owner, father, explorer, and, now, children's book publisher. The Clown had some time to talk with the author of Bertie the Cat and the Troublesome Mice recently.

**Clown:** What was your favorite book as a child? Tell us a bit about it.

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Growing up as a child between England, Canada and Iraq, I loved the Richard Scarry books and stories of Arabian folklore, One Thousand and One Nights. I learned to read English from Richard Scarry books. They were brilliant for learning a new language. I loved the illustrations and the colours. The work was simple to follow and fun to read. From there, I graduated to Sesame Street where I improved my English thanks to their fantastic educational programming. Every young Arabian child learns of the fantastical stories of Sinbad the Sailor and Ali Baba. I have illustrated a few of these stories and hope to publish them one day.

**Clown:** What was your initial inspiration to produce this book?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Keeping a promise to my daughters (Mia and Zoe) and niece (Zara). They usually ask me to sketch and doodle for them. I did one of a cat and promised that I would turn the cat doodle into a book. The rest is history.

**Clown:** What made you choose children's literature?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** I am a kid at heart. I've always liked children's books. Most of them are whimsical with an educational or inspirational message.

**Clown:** Where did Bertie come from?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** My daughters and niece usually ask me to sketch and doodle for them. I did one of a cat, I asked my niece what was the cat's name. She answered "Bertie." Why Bertie? That was her grandmother's cat, Bertie. "What does Bertie do?" I asked her. "He lives in a cheese shop" she answered. I thought it was a little odd that a cat lived in a

cheese shop, "What does he do in this cheese shop?" she looked up at me as if I was silly "he stops all the mice from stealing the cheese." Of course he does! A light went off, go on little girl, keep talking, what else can you tell me about this cat. When I told my daughters about a cat named Bertie, they continued the story line. He was lazy. He didn't try. He didn't think he was good enough, the mice were smart, and so on. Their little minds were flowing with ideas. These books were born from the minds of little girls, a child's imagination.

**Clown:** Will there be a series of books featuring Bertie?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Yes, in fact the illustrations and story for Book 2 are complete' "Bertie meets Lexington the Rat". Book 3 is "Bertie meets Bella", Bertie leaves Appleford village to go to Lizard Gizzard to help Bella solve her missing cheese mystery. Book 3 story is complete. In Book 4, Bertie is tempted to leave the Cheese Shop. There are other non-Bertie related children's stories in process as well.

**Clown:** What would the full vision of this endeavor look like to you? (books, products, cartoons, etc)

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Spreading Bertie messages, experiences, lessons learned and sharing Bertie's adventures through digital media, cartoons, books. I hope to have Bertie's story licensed.

**Clown:** What messages do you want to deliver to your readers?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Every book has a different message. In this book we learn "anything is possible, all you have to do is try". In the next book, Bertie learns it's OK to ask for help, even if it's from others that you may not get along with. Following these, Bertie learns step outside of his comfort zone and leaves home on a trip. He also learns compassion and to see things from the others' perspective, not to be as judgmental. The fourth book in process has Bertie learning temptation and the value of friendship and loyalty.

**Clown:** What is the most difficult aspect of your process in completing a book?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Time, distractions, and other priorities. In our busy lives, we have a million and one things keeping us from doing what want to do. I had to focus on completing Bertie otherwise it would never get done.

**Clown:** What is the most rewarding thing about publishing your work?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Others appreciating my work and understanding the messages. Also, it gives me GREAT joy to see the smiles and wonder in children's faces.

**Clown:** Have any other authors had a hand in inspiring your work?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Authors? No. Friends and family? Yes. Friends and family helped fine tune the story with their perspective and imagination. They added details to the story. Sitting around the dinner table I would tell stories about what I am working on and they would chime in with their ideas. Over time and so many interactions and ideas, Bertie and his world was born.

**Clown:** What are your thoughts on the cultural importance of storytelling and writing?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** I fear the tradition of storytelling may be disappearing due to several reasons, whether be it technology, time constraints associated with modern living and whatever else. I believe storytelling helps bring people together and bridges the generational and cultural gaps. There is something intimate and interactive in the art of storytelling.

**Clown:** How has the response been to your initial release?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** Fantastic! Absolutely fantastic! I have been delighted with the response from all that have experienced the first Bertie. Wait till they see Bertie 2!

**Clown:** Any advice for aspiring writers out there?

**Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy:** It is the same advice I would give anyone who has whim or a passion to do anything. Just do it. "To Dare is To Do."

**Bertie the Cat and the Troublesome Mice can be purchased at Barnes and Noble, at Park Road Books, and on Amazon. You can also obtain it as an E-Book and Zaidoon A. Al-Zubaidy is available for book signings and readings regionally.**



# Farms & Farmers Markets



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Belmont Farmers Market, 6 N.Main St., Belmont

Bradford Store, the 15915 Davidson-Concord Rd., Huntersville, [TheBradfordStore.com](http://TheBradfordStore.com)

Charlotte Regional Farmers Market, 1801 Yorkmont Rd., [ncagr.gov/markets/facilities/markets/charlotte](http://ncagr.gov/markets/facilities/markets/charlotte) May-Sept. (daily except for Mondays)

Columbus Tailgate Market Courthouse Square, [PolkCountyFarms.org](http://PolkCountyFarms.org)

Common Grounds, 119 Huntley Pl., Charlotte, [CommonGroundsFarmStand.org](http://CommonGroundsFarmStand.org)

Conover Farmers Market, [ConoverFarmersMarket.org](http://ConoverFarmersMarket.org)

Cotswold Farmers Market, 309 S.Sharon Amity, [CotswoldFarmersMarket.com](http://CotswoldFarmersMarket.com), May-Oct. Saturdays 8am-12pm

Cramerton Farmers Market, [Cramerton.org](http://Cramerton.org)

Crossroads Regional Farmers Market 1551 E.Broad St., Statesville, [CrossroadsRegionalFarmersMarket.org](http://CrossroadsRegionalFarmersMarket.org)

Davidson Farmers Market, 120 S.Main St., Davidson, NC, [DavidsonFarmersMarket.org](http://DavidsonFarmersMarket.org) (Saturdays 8am-noon)

Denvers Farmers Market, 3633 Hwy. 16 N., Denver, NC, [LincolnCountyFarmersMarket.com](http://LincolnCountyFarmersMarket.com)

Elkin Farmers Market, 226 N.Bridge St.

Foothills Farmers Market, Shelby, NC, [FoothillsFarmersMarket.com](http://FoothillsFarmersMarket.com)

Gastonia Farmers Market, 410 E.Long Ave., Gastonia, [GastoniaFarmersMarket.com](http://GastoniaFarmersMarket.com)

Herb-N-Produce Stand, 4245 Rea Rd., 704-560-9231

Hickory Farmers Market, 231 Government Ave. SW, Hickory, NC, [HickoryFarmersMarket.com](http://HickoryFarmersMarket.com)

Highland Creek Farmers Market, 6213 Bell's Bill Dr., [HighlandCreekFarmersMarket.com](http://HighlandCreekFarmersMarket.com) Apr.-Oct. Wednesdays 3-7pm

Huntersville Farmers Market, 103 Maxwell St., Huntersville, NC, [Huntersville.org](http://Huntersville.org) May-Oct. Saturdays 8am-12pm

Josh's Farmers Market, 189 Williamson Rd., Mooresville

Kings Drive Farmers Market / Simpson's Produce, 939 S.Kings Dr., 704-332-6366, Tuesdays, Fridays, Saturdays

Lincolnton Market, 225 W.Water St., Lincolnton, NC, [LincolnCountyFarmersMarket.com](http://LincolnCountyFarmersMarket.com)

Lowell Farmers Market, [LowellNC.com](http://LowellNC.com)

Matthews Community Farmers Market, 188 N.Trade St., Matthews, NC, [MatthewsFarmersMarket.com](http://MatthewsFarmersMarket.com), Saturdays

Mecklenburg County Market, 1515 Harding Pl., [MecklenburgCountyMarket.com](http://MecklenburgCountyMarket.com)

Meeting Street Market @ Cedar Walk, 9612 Longstone Ln., [MeetingStreetMarket.com](http://MeetingStreetMarket.com)

Mill Hill Farmers Market, 7601 Matthews-Mint Hill Rd., Mint Hill, NC, [MintHillHistory.com](http://MintHillHistory.com)

Mooresville Rotary Farmers Market, 150 S.Church St., Mooresville, NC, 704-451-9190

Mount Airy Farmers Market, 218 Rockford St., Mount Airy, [SurrYarts.com](http://SurrYarts.com)

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North Mecklenburg Farmers Market, 700 N.Tryon St., 704-336-2561  
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 Pilot Mountain Farmers Market, 206 E.Main St., Pilot Mountain, [Surry.ces.ncsu.edu](http://Surry.ces.ncsu.edu)  
 Pineville Farmers Market, 300 Main St., Pineville, [TownOfPineville.com](http://TownOfPineville.com), Saturdays 8am-12pm  
 Plaza-Midwood Farmers Market, 2007 Commonwealth Ave., 704-794-2033  
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 Providence Produce #1 10636 Providence Rd., #2 11252 Lawyers Rd., #3 3116 Old Monroe Rd. #4 1316 Providence Rd. S., [ProvidenceProduce.com](http://ProvidenceProduce.com)  
 Rock Hill Old Town Market, 121 Caldwell St., Rock Hill, [OnlyInOldTown.com/market](http://OnlyInOldTown.com/market)  
 Salisbury Farmers Market, [SalisburyFarmersMarket.com](http://SalisburyFarmersMarket.com)  
 Shamrock Farmers Market, 1501 Eastway Dr., Charlotte  
 Selwyn Farmers Market, 3100 Selwyn Ave., Wednesdays 3-7pm  
 Sow Much Good Urban Farm & Market, 3400 Sunset Rd., 704-947-6842, [SowMuchGood.org](http://SowMuchGood.org)  
 Stanly County Farmers Market, 100 Railroad St., Albemarle, [AlbemarleDowntown.com](http://AlbemarleDowntown.com)  
 Statesville Evening Farmers Market, 134 N.Center St., [TheEveningFarmersMarket.com](http://TheEveningFarmersMarket.com)  
 Statesville Rotary Farmers Market, 131 E.Sharpe St., [StatesvilleRotary.org](http://StatesvilleRotary.org)  
 Union County Farmers Market, 802 Skyway Dr., Monroe, NC  
 Wallace Community Tailgate Market, 11202 Harris Rd., Huntersville  
 Waxhaw Farmers Market, 116 McDonald St., Waxhaw, [WaxhawFarmersMarket.org](http://WaxhawFarmersMarket.org), Saturdays 9am-1pm  
 Wedgewood Farmers Market, 4800 Wedgewood Dr.  
 Winecoff Market, 518 Winecoff School Rd., Concord  
 Yadkin Farmers Market, 1230 Tennessee St., Yadkinville  
 York Tailgate Market, 802 E.Liberty St., York, [YorkTailgateMarket.blogspot.com](http://YorkTailgateMarket.blogspot.com)

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 Aw Shucks, 3718 Plyer Mill Rd., Monroe, NC, 704-709-7000, [AwShucksFarms.com](http://AwShucksFarms.com) (Pick-Your-Own Pumpkin : FALL)  
 Bame, 1585 Patterson Rd., Salisbury  
 Barbee, 1000 Shelton Rd., Concord, 980-521-1395 (Mon.-Fri. 9am-3pm)  
 Beam Family Farms, 5200 Seven Pines Rd., Lawndale  
 Big Oak Farm, 6565 Beaver Rd., Kannapolis  
 Bountiful Harvest Farm, [BountifulHarvestFarmNC.com](http://BountifulHarvestFarmNC.com)  
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Coddle Creek Farms, 2200 Coddle Creek Hwy., Mooresville, 28115, 704-402-8885 (Wed.-Sat. 10am-6pm)

Coldwater Creek, 2151 Bethlehem Church Rd., Gold Hill, [ColdWaterCreekFarms.blogspot.com](http://ColdWaterCreekFarms.blogspot.com)

Commonwealth Farms, 704-756-4948, FB: Commonwealth Farms

Cotton Hills Farm, 2575 Lowrys Highway, Chester, SC 29706, 803-581-4545, [CottonHillsFarm.com](http://CottonHillsFarm.com) (strawberry picking thru April / peaches June-Sept. / pumpkins FALL)

Cottonmill Mushroom Farm, 414 N.Meriah St., Landis

East of Eden, 8300 McIlwaine Rd., Huntersville

Fading D Farm, 295 Fading D Farm Rd, Salisbury, 28144, 980-330-8189 (Saturdays 3-6pm)

Gilcrest Natural Farm, 1164 Lowes Ln., Iron Station

Good Karma Ranch Alpacas, 1041 Brevard Place Rd., Iron Station

Grateful Growers, 3006 Mack Ballard Rd., Denver, [GGFarm.com](http://GGFarm.com)

Hall Family Farm, 10713 Providence Rd. W., 704-562-4021, [HallFamilyFarm.com](http://HallFamilyFarm.com) (strawberry picking Apr.-June / FALL : Pick-Your-Own Pumpkin)

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Hodges Farm, 3900 Rocky River Rd., 704-494-0107, [HodgesFarmNC.com](http://HodgesFarmNC.com) (FALL : Pick-Your-Own Pumpkin)

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Poplar Ridge Farm, [PoplarRidgeFarmNC.com](http://PoplarRidgeFarmNC.com)

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Riverbend Farm, 12150 McManus Rd., Midland, 704-888-2891, [RiverbendFarm.net](http://RiverbendFarm.net) (FALL : Pick-Your-Own Pumpkin)

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Small City Farm, 704-962-1025, [SmallCityFarm.com](http://SmallCityFarm.com) | [Kim@SmallCityFarm.com](mailto:Kim@SmallCityFarm.com)

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Two Moons Family Farms, 2263 Hwy 218 East, Polkton, NC 28133, [TwoMoonsFamilyFarms.com](http://TwoMoonsFamilyFarms.com)

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Whispering Hope Farm, 704-674-8911, Gastonia, [WhisperingHopeFarm.com](http://WhisperingHopeFarm.com)

Wild Acres Organic Farm, 4701 Hartis Rd., Indian Trail, 28079, 704-628-6232 (Thurs.-Sun. 10am-7pm)

Wild Turkey Farms, [WildTurkeyFarms.com](http://WildTurkeyFarms.com) (not open to the public)

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# Ask The Clown

*What do I know I'm just a clown?  
Advice from "The Clown"*



Q

Dear Clown,

My significant other is spending our money as fast as we bank it. We have the ability to pay bills, put money in savings, and still have spare money for a limited amount of entertainment. Lately, it seems that we "need" so many things for our home, but most of it seems to be unnecessary to me. I have always been disciplined with my money because I don't want to work forever. This is driving me mad. Help?

Sincerely,  
Saving

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A

Dear Saving,

I would hope that you can broach this topic with your significant other and come to some sort of budget agreement. If this does not stop, I would suggest diversion of some measure of income into banking products that limit access.

Cha-ching!  
The Clown

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Q

Dear Clown,

I am dying. I have been diagnosed with a terminal illness. I have accepted this and I am at peace with what is to come, however, I have not informed anyone in my family. I have never married and I have no children. This leaves my father and extended family as the ones I would be letting in on this secret. I don't want anyone to cause any fuss and I have already arranged everything for the point that my time expires. I am trying to decide whether to let them know now, or just wait until the end comes. What would you do?

Sincerely,  
Final curtain

A

Dear Final,

This is certainly one of those situations I never thought I would encounter. I want you to have all of your wishes and dignity intact. If you are close to any family member, I would suggest letting them know to give them the opportunity to create a few more memories with you and to say farewell. This may not be what you want to do right now, but I have found that selfless actions are always the best. Your calm in this matter is remarkable and I wish you the best.

Sincerely,  
The Clown

## Things I should not have to tell you:

1. It is best to conduct oneself in quiet dignity and be cordial to all. Negativity is too easy and it is not needed
2. Never forget what it was like to explore your identity and choose to encourage those doing this now. Mocking is unnecessary.
3. Your family always wants to hear from you.  
Call. Write
4. Read more books.
5. Face to face interaction is so much better than being buried in a phone or tablet. Take time to listen to your friends.

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Do you have a question for The Clown? Write him at [Martin.Barry@yahoo.com](mailto:Martin.Barry@yahoo.com)

# Events In Your City

## SUNDAYS:

### SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

@ Common Market (Plaza-Midwood): 2pm Slow Riders - 15 mile bike ride

@ Lenny Boy: 12pm run club

• Sun., May 27th @ Charlotte Motor Speedway: Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series

### BEER / WINE / FOOD:

@ 300 Restaurant: ½ wine by the bottle

@ Petra's: 2nd Sunday - Jazz Workshop & Improv w. John Shaughnessy

• Sun., May 6th @ the Visulite Theatre: the Melvins, All Souls

• Sun., May 6th @ Blumenthal Performing Arts Center: Yanni

• Sun., May 13th @ the Fillmore: Imparables

• Sun., June 3rd @ McGlohon Theater: the Bacon Brothers

### PLAY OR POETRY READINGS / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ Red at 28 th : "Soulful Sundays" feat. poets, vocalists, comedians, musicians, DJs w. host J Pragmatic



@ Birdsong Brewing: open 12-8pm + food truck

@ Free Range Brewery: 1-7pm taproom open

@ NoDa Brewing Co.: Tap Room open 12-7pm w. Food Truck Tin Kitchen / 3pm tour 6.24 JJ Grey, Mofro

@ Olde Mecklenburg Brewery: open 11am-10pm / tours 2, 3 & 4pm / 2:30pm Bike-In

@ Sir Edmund Halley's: 1/2 off of wine by the bottle

@ Triple C Brewing: Curbside Deli (food truck) + bike ride

@ Zen Fusion: 1/2 price by the bottle (under \$45)

• Sun., May 6th @ Tommy's Pub: 3pm (Deviled) Egg-Off (for charity)

### LIVE MUSIC:

@ Comet Grill: 8pm Omari & the Hellraisers

@ the Evening Muse: 5.06 Peter Case, Paul Luc // 5.20 Skinny Beaver & the Honeysuckle Playboyz /

Lincoln Durham, the Ghost Wolves // 5.27 the Mannish Boys (live recording) // 6.03 Gabrielle Sophia (EP release), Shealee Cousino // 6.24 Joshua Davis

@ the Wine Vault: Jared Allen

@ Soul Gastrolounge: DJ Scott Weaver

### COMEDY / THEATRE:

@ the Comedy Zone: 5.06 Kevin Farley / 5.27 Finesse Mitchell / 6.10 Karlous Miller, DC Young Fly, Chico

Bean / 6.24 Chris Redd

### MUSEUMS / ART:

@ the Levine Museum of the New South: 1st Sundays free admission / 1/2 off admission (every Sunday thereafter)

@ the Mint Museum (Uptown): 1-4pm free admission for kids + hands-on art activities, yoga & more

### TRADE / INTEREST SHOWS & FESTIVALS:

• Sun., May 20th @ Sanctuary Imports: Root to Crown Productions Presents: Caregivers Workshop

### KARAOKE:

@ Snug Harbor: Bone Snugs-n-Harmony karaoke w. Bryan Pierce

### FILM:

@ the Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture: 2pm the Classic Black Cinema Series



## MONDAYS:

### SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

@ Boardwalk Billy's (Crown Point): 1st Mondays (thru October)

@ Sir Edmund Halley's: 7pm Trivia Night

@ AnyTime Fitness (Matthews): 5:30pm Root to Crown Productions Presents: Vinyasa Yoga w.Mandi

@ Root to Crown Productions: 6-7pm Insight Into You Meditation w.Kim

### BEER / WINE / FOOD:

@ 300 East Restaurant: 1/2 wine by the glass

@ Bonterra: service industry night - 1/2 wine by the glass / Meatball Mondays

@ Bulldog Beer & Wine (Park Rd.): 6:30 MEAT Up

@ Lebowskis: 1/2 off bottles of wine

@ NoDa Brewing Co.: Tap Room open 4-9pm w.Food Truck Tin Kitchen (5pm) / You Drink, We Donate (benefiting a local charity each week)

### LIVE MUSIC:

@ Bradshaw Social House: open mic

@ Crown Station: 8:30-10pm Jazz Mondays w.Troy Conn, DC Ocie Davis & more

@ the Evening Muse: 8pm "Find Your Muse" open mic band night w.guest headliners 5.07 Frank

Lockavitch / 5.14 Matt Hectorne / 5.21 Chris Watts / 5.28 closed / 6.04 Toney Rocks / 6.11 Brian Dolzani

/ 6.18 Hank & Brendan

@ the Fillmore: 5.21 St. Vincent / 6.18 the Neighbourhood

@ the Visulite Theatre: Monday Night Allstars

• Mon., June 11th @ Knight Theatre: Boz Scaggs

• Mon., June 18th @ Spectrum Center: 7pm Daryl Hall & John Oates, Train

### PLAY OR POETRY READING / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ the Rabbit Hole: 8-11pm 1st & 3rd Mondays : "Monocle" : Improv Monday

@ the Press Box: Avant Elocution w.host Bluz

@ Petra's: 1st Mondays 7-11pm slam poetry w.hosts Isiah & Grannae's Boys

@ Tropics: Rhythm & Poetry w.host CFour Black

### COMEDY / THEATRE:

@ the Comedy Zone: stand-up comedy private class 6.04

Frank Calliendo

### DANCE MUSIC / DJs / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

@ Growler's Pourhouse: DJ Elon Shomaker

@ Snug Harbor: Fresh Grounds Presents: "Knocturnal" w.Justin Aswell & friends + Bboy & MC cyphers

@ Soul Gastrolounge: DJ Mookie Brill

### TUESDAYS:

### SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

@ Hattie's Tap & Tavern: Bingo w.Garin / 1st Tuesdays 7-10pm Beard & Mustache Club of NC monthly

meeting [www.BMCofNC.com](http://www.BMCofNC.com) (+ tacos)

@ the Common Market (Plaza-Midwood): 8pm PMTNR 15 mile bicycle ride w.a new route weekly (by

Pamela Murray)

@ Olde Mecklenburg Brewery: 6:30 Yoga on Tap

@ Pint Central: 8pm Mindless Minutia Trivia

@ Petra's: 2nd Tuesdays: Drag Trivia w.Lana Cane & Ilean Dover / 4th Tuesdays: Lost Cargo - Tiki Social

Club (specialty drinks & exotica music) 8-11pm / last Tuesdays: Buzzed Spelling Bee w.PBR, Old Tankard

Ale & Tullamore Dew

@ Move Studio: Root to Crown Productions

9:30am deep stretch yoga / 10-11am Aire Mediation yoga w.Kim

### BEER / WINE / FOOD:

• on WCCB Charlotte: 7-9am Troy's Everyday Eats w.Chef Troy Gagliardo

@ 7th Street Public Market: 5-7pm the Assorted Table Wine Shoppe Weekly Wine Tasting (\$5, 5 wines +

nibbles)

@ Birdsong Brewing: open 3-10pm / Get Fit Yoga w.NC Yoga Bar 6:30pm \$10

@ Cornelius Drafthouse & Bottle Shop: 1/2 off wine

@ Crafty Beer Guys: beer tastings

@ NoDa Brewing Co.: "NoDable Series" (new beers released in their taproom 4pm) / Tap Room open 4-

9pm / Tin Kitchen food truck 5pm

@ Rhino Market: 1st Tuesdays of the month beer tasting

@ Sir Edmond Halley's: Latin Tuesdays

@ Zen Fusion: 1/2 price wine by the glass & select bottles

## LIVE MUSIC:

@ the Comet Grill: Red Rockin' Chair

@ Dvine: open mic w.Shannon Lee

@ the Evening Muse: 5.01 Rock Europa, the Bleeps / 5.08 Matthew Logan Vasquez, T.Hardy Morris / 5.15

the Brevet, Von Grey / 5.22 Ruby Boots / 5.29 Youth in a Roman Field / 6.12 David Hause, Northcote /

6.19 Alvarez Kings, Anarbor

@ Puckett's: open mic w.Jeff Claud

@ Smokey Joe's: 9pm open mic night w.resident band the Smoking J's

@ the Visulite Theatre: 5.15 Tank & the Bangas, Sweet Crude / 5.22 Lillie Mae

@ Morehead Tavern: 8pm Bill Hanna Jazz Jam

• Tues., May 8th @ the Fillmore: Nathaniel Rateliff & the Night Sweats

• Tues., May 1 st @ McGlohon Theater: Herb Alpert, Lani Hall

• Tues., May 15th @ the Neighborhood Theatre: Margo Price

## PLAY OR POETRY READINGS / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ Apostrophe: open mic spoken poetry w.host Sir Abstraxxx

@ Loft & Cellar: Sayword w.host Jst Jah

## MUSEUMS / ART:

@ Petra's: 8-11pm Crafty Hour with www.CrownedSparrowCo.com

## DANCE MUSIC / DJs / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

@ Petra's: 1st Tuesdays 8pm-12am Bring Your Own Vinyl Night w.Justin Aswell

@ Soul Gastrolounge: DJ Shanti Moore

## WEDNESDAYS:

## SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

• www.CharlotteIndependence.com: 6.13 @ Atlanta United 2 / 6.27 vs. Tampa Bay Rowdies

@ Abari Game Bar: 7pm-12am Overwatch League Wednesdays

@ Lenny Boy: 6:30pm trivia night

@ the Spoke Easy: 6pm (pay what you can) Yoga

@ Stax: 7:30pm Brewga (Yoga then Beer) w.Ashley Masters

@ the Tippy Burro: 7pm Tippy Trivia w.prizes

@ Renaissance Park: 5-7pm www.NCBattle.com Presents: Dagorhir - hit nerds with foam swords, etc.

## BEER / WINE / FOOD:

@ 300 East Restaurant: 1/2 wine by the bottle

@ Birdsong Brewing: 3-10pm open / + food truck

@ Bonterra: 1/2 off wine by the glass

@ Central Coffee: 15% off of pounds of coffee

@ the Common Market: 7-9pm Free beer tastings

@ Burtons Grill & Bar: 1/2 wine by the bottle

@ Crafty Beer Guys: wine tasting

@ Dilworth Neighborhood Grill: 1st Wednesdays www.CarolinaBrewMasters.com meeting

@ Free Range Brewery: 5-11pm taproom open

@ JJ's Red Hots: kids eat free (w.purchase of an adult combo)

@ NoDa Brewing Co.: Tap Room open 4-9pm w.Food Truck Tin Kitchen (5pm) / Run Club 6:30-8:30pm

@ Sir Edmund Halley's: 1/2 off of wine by the bottle

@ Triple C Brewing: Papi Queso (food truck) + Pilot Batch Release

@ Zen Fusion: Robert Fernandez + 1/2 price Sangrias

## LIVE MUSIC:

@ Petra's: 7:30-9:15pm songwriter open mic

@ Rhino Market: Wak Wednesdays w.Derrick Hines 1st & 3rd w.open mic

@ Smokey Joe's: Rock Fabulous & the Mystery Machine

@ the Comet Grill: open mic / open jam

@ the Evening Muse: 5.02 Tosco Music Open Mic / 5.09 Blue Water Highway / 5.16 Jenny Don't and the

Spurs / 5.30 SondorBlue, Wanderwild, the Brook & the Bluff / 6.06 Tosco Music Open Mic / 6.13, 6.20,

6.27 David Ryan Harris June residency

@ the Underground: 5.09 Black Rebel Motorcycle Club / 5.30 Big Boi

• Wed., May 2 nd @ the Visulite Theatre: Tauk, the Fritz

• Wed., May 2nd @ Belk Theatre: the Gypsy Kings, Nicolas Reyes, Tonino Baliardo

• Wed., May 9th @ the Neighborhood Theatre: Buckethead

• Wed., May 16th @ Spectrum Center: James Taylor, Bonnie Raitt

• Wed., May 23 rd @ Charlotte Metro Credit Union Amphitheatre: Khalid

#### PLAY OR POETRY READINGS / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ Behailu Academy: Meals, Minds, & Movement (a series of conversations) 5.09 Let's Talk Sexuality /

6.06 Immigrants, Refugees, Citizens & Neighbors / 6.18 Exploring Age

@ Flo Bar Lounge: 7-10pm Floetry w.host Iz-Real

@ Mugs Coffee: 7:30pm Free the Mic w.host Shane & the Guerilla Poets

@ Red 28th (UNCC): 9pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays Release Therapy w.host A Poet Named Superman

#### SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

@ Petra's: 2nd Thursdays - Potions & Pixels (video games & board games)

@ Queen City Bicycles: 6:30pm Tub Ride from there to Birdsong (free 12oz. to those with

[www.BicycleBenefits.com](http://www.BicycleBenefits.com))

@ Yoga Warrior Studio: 12pm Root to Crown Productions Presents: Moving Meditation & Yoga Flow w.Mandi & Guided Meditation w.Kim Irene Barker / 4pm Root to Crown Productions Presents: Hot Yoga Vinyasa Yoga (96 degrees) w.Mandi

@ Burn Boot Camp (Pineville): 6:45pm Root to Crown Productions Presents: Deep Stretch w.Mandi



#### COMEDY / THEATRE:

@ the Comedy Zone: 4th Wednesdays Blayr Nias' Almost Famous Comedy Show 5.02 Ira Coleman,

Rutherford Jones & more / 5.09 Comedy Smackdown - the Roast Battle / 5.16 Steve Rannazzisi

(benefiting Thomas Davis Defending Dreams Foundation) / 5.30 Carlos Valencia / 6.06 Spanky Brown

#### TRADE / INTEREST SHOWS & FESTIVALS:

@ Spandex City Comics: 5pm Pokemon league

#### DANCE MUSIC / DJs / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

@ Petra's: karaoke w.host Pucci Mane / 1st Wednesdays 10pm Bugalu (patio: Latin vinyl + Lady Go-Go's

tortas

@ Snug Harbor: 10pm-2am back: Modern Heritage Weekly Mixtape w.Michael K. Earle & Luke

Stemmerman

@ Soul Gastrolounge: Soul Almighty

#### THURSDAYS:

#### BEER / WINE / FOOD:

• [www.PBSCharlotte.org](http://www.PBSCharlotte.org): 8:30pm Charlotte Cooks

@ Birdsong Brewing: 3-10pm open / 3pm Thirsty Thursdays (new releases) / 6:30pm brewery tours

@ Bonterra: Tapas Night & 1/2 all Spanish wines by the glass

@ Bottled & Tapped: 1/2 price wine

@ Jackalope Jack's: meatballs & football night

@ Free Range Brewery: 5-11pm taproom open / 6:30pm yoga

@ NoDa Brewing Co.: Tap Room open 4-9pm w.Food Truck Tin Kitchen (5pm) / 6pm tour

@ Triple C Brewing: Herban Legend (food truck) & Run Club + Yoga

#### LIVE MUSIC:

• on UNC-TV: 7:30pm Our State Magazine

@ Blue: John Alexander, Ron Brenale, Chris Garges [www.JaJazz.net](http://www.JaJazz.net)

@ Buddy's Point (Monroe): open mic jam

@ the Craft Tasting Room & Growler Shop: 8-10pm JoJo &



Friends feat.local musicians & songwriters

@ Crown Station: 7pm open mic w.the Willie Douglas Band

@ the Evening Muse: 5.03 John Baumann, Zach Nytomt / 5.10 Brendan James / 5.17 Nathan Stanley,

Jordyn Pepper / 5.24 Shane Smith & the Saints / 6.07 Purple Note 3: Celebrating the Life of Prince

through Jazz / 6.14 Marie Miller / 6.21 Red Clay Saxophone Quartet

@ the Fillmore: 5.03 Blue October / 6.14 Royal Blood

@ PNC Music Pavilion: 5.10 12:55pm Country Megaticket w.Jason Aldean, Dierks Bentley, Luke Bryan,

• Thurs., May 31st @ the Evening Muse: Release the Kracken Within: a Comedy Self Help Seminar

w.Aaron Chasteen

MUSEUMS / ART:

@ the Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture: 6-10pm 3rd Thursdays free: Gantt After Dark

TRADE / INTEREST SHOWS & FESTIVALS:

@ Providence Country Club: 7:15-8:45am Ballantyne Business Network robfiga@gmail.com

DANCE MUSIC / DJS / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

@ Rhino Market: DJ Jah-Sun Rising (Jason Herring) + 1st



Kenny Chesney, Alan Jackson, Lady Antebellum, Darius Rucker, Miranda Lambert, Little Big Town, Brad

Paisley, Rascal Flatts, Keith Urban / 7:30pm Steely Dan, the Doobie Brothers // 6.14 Slayer

@ the Visulite Theatre: 5.31 Justin Townes Earle, Lilly Hiatt / 6.21 American Aquarium

• Thurs., May 10th @ Charlotte Metro Credit Union Amphitheatre: Odesza

• Thurs., June 7th @ the Neighborhood Theatre: Bruno Major

PLAY OR POETRY READINGS / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ Roc's Jazz Bar: Touch One Thursdays w.host Jaycee

@ Wired Coffee Express (Kannapolis): One Mic Stand w.host Daniel & the Guerilla Poets

@ Dupp & Swat: Word of Mouth 2nd & 4th Thursdays w.host A Poet Named Superman

COMEDY / THEATRE:

@ the Comedy Zone: 5.10 Huggy Lowdown / 5.17 Steve Rannazzisi / 5.24 Adele Givens / 5.31 Tom

Segura / 6.21 Chris Redd

Thursdays of the month wine tasting

@ Snug Harbor: 10pm-2am Le Bang w.Buckmaster

@ Soul Gastrolounge: Jason Cooper

KARAOKE:

@ Hattie's: karaoke w/ShayNanigans

@ Morehead Tavern: 9pm karaoke w.band (Will & Rob)

FILM:

@ Canvas Tattoo & Art Gallery: 9pm night at the movies

@ Abari Game Bar: movie night

FRIDAYS:

BEER / WINE / FOOD:

• www.FeastFoodTours.com

@ Birdsong Brewing: 3-10pm open / + food truck & live music

@ Free Range Brewery: 5-11pm taproom open

@ NoDa Brewing Co.: Tap Room open 4-10pm w.Food Truck Tin Kitchen (5-9pm) / Live Music 6:30-8:30pm / 6pm tour

@ Trinity Presbyterian Church: 5-9pm [www.Facebook.com/CotswoldTrucks2017](http://www.Facebook.com/CotswoldTrucks2017)

@ Triple C Brewing: Vitos Pizza (food truck)

@ 2161 Hawkins St.: 5-10pm SouthEnd Food Truck Friday

@ East Blvd. & Scott Ave.: 6-10pm Dilworth Food Truck Friday

@ Sycamore Brewing: 5pm SouthEnd Food Truck Friday

#### LIVE MUSIC:

@ Cigars Etc. 2: 6-11pm Soul Fridays

@ the Comet Grill: the Lenny Federal Band

@ the Evening Muse: 5.04 Karen Waldrup / Jonathan Scales Fourchestra, Chuck Lichtenberger // 5.11

Sarah Peacock, Adam Ezra Group / Beta Radio // 5.18 From Wrinkle Neck Mules - Leon III / Ink & Ash,

Dreambrother // 5.25 Trashcan Sinatras / Luthi & the Go Rounds // 6.01 Michael Flynn, Young Mister / Kid

Politics, the Business People, Rosewave // 6.08 the Mulligan Brothers, Will Kimbrough // 6.15 Michigan

Rattlers, Miki Fiki // 6.22 India Ramey, Clay Parker, Jodi James / Virginia Man

@ the Fillmore: 5.04 Matt & Kim, Tokyo Police / 6.08 Frank Turner

@ the Milestone: 5.04 Pterodactyl / 5.11 Satyr, Warboys, King Thing, Joules

@ PNC Music Pavilion: 5.11 Kenny Chesney / 6.15 Rascal Flatts / 6.29 Luke Bryan

@ the Visulite Theatre: 5.04 Cosmic Charlie (a Grateful Dead tribute) / 5.11 Southside Watt / 5.18 Of

Good Nature, Mike Pinto / 5.25 Matthew Sweet, the Eyebrows

• Fri., May 4th @ Bechtler Museum of Modern Art: 6pm & 8:15pm McCoy Tyner's Atlantis (jazz)

• Fri., May 4th @ Coyote Joe's: Granger Smith, Earl Dibbles, Jr. (Coyote Joe's 27th bday bash)

#### PLAY OR POETRY READINGS / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ McGlohon Theater: SlamCharlotte 3rd Fridays w.host Bluz

@ Camp North End: 3rd Fridays Off Broadway Page to Stage

#### COMEDY / THEATRE:

@ the Comedy Zone: 5.04 Fortune Feimster / 5.11 Huggy Lowdown / 5.18 Steve Rannazzisi / 5.25 Adele

Givens / 6.01 Tom Segura / 6.22 Chris Redd

• Fri., May 11th @ Ovens Auditorium: Whose Live Anyway

• Fri., June 8th @ the Evening Muse: Comedy Night w.Stewart Huff, Mat Alano-Martin

#### MUSEUMS / ART:

• in SouthEnd: 1st Fridays Gallery Crawl

• 2nd Fridays @ Oak Street Mill (Cornelius): art, music, & vendors

• Fri., May 4th @ C3 Lab: 6-10pm OBRA Collective Presents: Resistance - an Activist Art Show

#### TRADE / INTEREST SHOWS & FESTIVALS:

@ the Last Word: FNM Magic the Gathering

• Fri., June 1st @ the Fillmore: 7pm [www.CharlotteMagazine.com](http://www.CharlotteMagazine.com) Presents:

[www.CharlotteBOBAwards.com](http://www.CharlotteBOBAwards.com)

#### DANCE MUSIC / DJs / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

@ the Common Market (Plaza-Midwood): 1st & 3rd Fridays w.DJ That Guy Smitty

@ Scorpio's: DJ Lin Benfield + MC Tiffany Storm

@ Sullivan's Steakhouse: "Beer & Beats" w.resident DJ Selector E (Eric Brayman)

@ Vibrations Lounge: Grown Folks Friday w.DJ KL

@ Whiskey Warehouse: DJ Matt Bolick

@ Workman's Friend: DJ Wiiz Kid (Steve Warwick)

@ Petra's: last Fridays : Mirror Moves ('80's/'90's) w.DJs Cody Hare & Jah-Sun Rising (Jason Herring)

#### KARAOKE:

@ Noda 101: karaoke w.Sam Fleming

#### FILM:

@ Cinebarre: 1st & 3rd : Rocky Horror at Midnight feat. [www.ThatType.com](http://www.ThatType.com)

#### SATURDAYS:

#### SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

• [www.CharlotteIndependence.com](http://www.CharlotteIndependence.com): 5.05 @ Charleston Battery / 5.12 vs. Cincinnati / 5.26 @ Richmond

Kickers / 6.02 @ Ottawa Fury / 6.16 vs. Charleston Battery / 6.23 @ Richmond Kickers / 6.30 @

Bethlehem Steel

• [www.CharlotteRollerGirls.com](http://www.CharlotteRollerGirls.com) @ Grady Cole Center: 5.19 CLTRG A. vs. Little Steele Derby Girls / 6.09

CLTRG B. vs. Spartanburg Deadly Dolls / 6.16 CLTRG A. vs. Dominion Derby Girls A.

@ Lenny Boy: 10am \$5 yoga

- Sat., May 12th: [www.AIDSWalkCharlotte.org](http://www.AIDSWalkCharlotte.org)
- Sat. May 19th @ Ramsey Creek Park (Cornelius): [www.CharlotteDragonBoat.com](http://www.CharlotteDragonBoat.com) Festival
- Sat., May 19th @ Charlotte Motor Speedway: Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series

#### BEER / WINE / FOOD:

- [www.FeastFoodTours.com](http://www.FeastFoodTours.com)
- @ Birdsong Brewing: 12-10pm open / food trucks + live music
- @ Crafty Beer Guys: 2nd Saturdays home brew class
- @ Doc Porter's Distillery: tours
- @ Free Range Brewery: 1-11pm taproom open
- @ NoDa Brewing Co.: Tap Room open 12-10pm w.Food Truck Tin Kitchen / 4pm tour
- @ Olde Mecklenburg Brewery: open 11am-11pm / tours @ 2, 3 & 4pm
- Sat., May 12th @ SouthPark Mall: 12pm Beer, Bourbon, & BBQ Festival
- Sat., May 19th @ the McColl Center for Art + Innovation: 6-11pm Dinner with an Artist STUDIO PARTY

w.cocktails, live auction, dessert, dancing, & more feat. Shaun Cassidy, Andrea Chung, Carlos Estevez,

Dustin Farmsworth, Maja Godlewska, Marek Ranis, Hongsock Lee, Anne Lemanski, Rashaad Newsome &

Fahamu Pecou (limited seating)

#### LIVE MUSIC:

- @ Coyote Joe's: 5.12 Aaron Watson, Drew Parker / 5.19 Dylan Scott
- @ the Evening Muse: 5.05 TFDI / 5.12 Tas Cru / 5.19 AJ Ghent, Pierce Edens / Jamie McLean Band / 5.26 the Reverend Shawn Amos / 6.02 Willy Porter / 6.09 Kerri Powers / 6.16 Dane Page (CD release), Matt Phillips
- @ PNC Music Pavilion: 5.26 Willie Nelson, Sturgill Simpson, Old Crow Medicine Show, Elvis Costello & more / 6.30 Lynyrd Skynyrd
- @ the Visulite Theatre: 5.05 Lisa de Novo (CD release), Late Night Special, Major Falcon & the Universe, Abbey Elmore Band / 5.12 Magic Giant, Young Rising Sons / 5.19 the Clarks / 6.09 Night Riots, Courtship, Silent Rival / 6.16 Town Mountain

- Sat., May 12th @ Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral: 10pm Mihalīs Xatzigiannīs, Melina Makris

- Sat., May 12th @ the Underground: Guided by Voices
- Sat., May 19th @ Charlotte Metro Credit Union Amphitheatre: Primus, Mastadon
- Sat., May 26th @ the Fillmore: Tech N9ne

#### PLAY OR POETRY READINGS / BOOK SIGNINGS:

@ the Last Word: Book signings / 4th Saturdays Encore Open Mic w.host Shane & the Guerilla Poets 7-

9pm

@ the Fresh Shop: Inkblot Slam w.host Breeze

- Sat., May 12th @ Sanctuary Imports: Root to Crown Productions Present: writers workshop

#### COMEDY / THEATRE:

@ the Comedy Zone: 5.05 Fortune Feimster / 5.12 Huggy Lowdown / 5.19 Steve Rannazzisi / 5.26 Adele

Givens / 6.02 Tom Segura / 6.23 Chris Redd

@ Madison's Coffee House (Indian Trail): "Cup of Humor" (every first Saturday) feat. comics: Darryl

Smith, Rob McDonald, Roxanne McDonald, James Dugan, Ed Fox

- Sat., June 30th @ Ovens Auditorium: the Impractical Jokers Starring the Tenderloins

#### MUSEUMS / ART:

@ ClearWater Artists Studio: every 2nd Saturday 10am-4pm Open Studios

@ the NASCAR Hall of Fame: 2nd Saturdays interactive program exploring racing

#### PHILANTHROPY:

- Sat., May 5th @ Theatre Charlotte: Broadway Ball

#### TRADE / INTEREST SHOWS & FESTIVALS:

@ Spandex City Comics: 11am Pokemon league

- Sat., May 5th @ McGlohon Theater: 7pm Dancing Through Latin America

- Sat., May 19th @ 12601 Moores Chapel Rd.: 8am Charlotte Transporter Show #15

- Sat., May 19th @ Misty Meadows Farm: 11am [www.Drumstrong.org](http://www.Drumstrong.org) DrumsForCures

#### DANCE MUSIC / DJs / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

@ Roxbury: DJ Jody

@ the Stashe House: DJ DR

@ Vibrations Lounge: 9pm-12am Old School Saturdays (live



105.3 broadcast) hosted by Rae Styles

@ Workman's Friend: DJ Wiiz Kid (Steve Warwick)

- Sat., May 5th @ 911 E. Morehead St.: 10pm "Mode" feat. DJs ADJ & Mr. Atomic (Kris Krause)

- Sat., May 5th on McDowell Street: 11am-7p NoDa Day in May w. DJs Tobivan, Melodious Funk, Johnny

Darling, Chuck Martin, G3X, Cody Lannom w. food trucks

KARAOKE:

@ Noda 101: Karaoke

COMICS:

- Sat., May 5th @ Cabarrus Brewing Co. (Concord): 12-5pm Beardy Weirdy's Comic & Toys Presents: Concord Micro-Con

SPECIAL OR MULTIPLE DAY EVENTS:

SPORTS / ACTIVITIES:

- Thursdays-Sundays [www.FunnyBus.net](http://www.FunnyBus.net) (starts @ 7th Street Station)

- Historic Uptown Neighborhood Tour [www.CharlotteNCTours.com](http://www.CharlotteNCTours.com) (daily)

BEER / WINE / FOOD:

- Tuesdays-Sundays @ Wooden Robot : the Twisted Eats by Kre8 Food Truck

- Thursdays-Sundays @ Dragon Moonshine : 4-8pm facility tours & tastings

- Tuesdays-Saturdays @ Great Wagon Road Distillery: tours

- Mondays-Thursdays 5-9pm & 12-4pm Fridays @ Sycamore Brewing : Papi Queso food truck

- Southern Food Bicycle Tour [www.CharlotteNCTours.com](http://www.CharlotteNCTours.com)



FLEA MARKETS:

- Sat., June 30th 12-4pm @ Midwood Country Club: That Charlotte Flea - the June 2018 edition w. Kale Farms Products by Mandi English of Root to Crown (yoga mat spray, toothpaste, skin cream, etc.), momUmental Designs (greeting cards) / My City Magazine, Urbanzue (vintage items, art), Jas The High Priestess (Tarot card readings, crystal healing jewelry, handmade oils & scrubs), NoDa Candle, Dren Records, Ador Creations (soaps, bath bombs, soy candles), Ralph Jannelli (pottery), Damon Thiele (toys, collectibles, knick knacks), Em & Lu Jewelry by Emily Walters, Very Good Hubcaps (collectible hubcaps & vintage sneakers), Candy May (massages), Mila Simmons (vintage clothing, art), Beardy Weirdy Comics and Toys (event/vending questions: Ellen Gurley, 704-575-6611, [ellengurley@gmail.com](mailto:ellengurley@gmail.com))

(daily)

LIVE MUSIC:

- May 11th & 12th @ Stumptown Park: [www.BeachFestMatthews.com](http://www.BeachFestMatthews.com)

COMEDY / THEATRE:

- May 1st-6th @ Knight Theater: the Humans

- May 4th-12th @ Duke Energy Theater: Evening Star Productions Presents: David Lindsay-Abaire's the Rabbit Hole

- May 8th-13th @ Belk Theater: Something Rotten

- THRU May 6th @ ImaginOn: Madagascar - a Musical
- THRU May 12th @ Frock Shop: PaperHouse Theatre Presents: the Sherlock Project (a Theatrical

Conundrum)

- May 2nd-19th @ Actor's Theatre of Charlotte: the Mermaid Hour

- May 10th-26th @ Warehouse Performing Arts Center (Cornelius): Charlotte's Off-Broadway Presents:

www.Chickespeare.com Barbeque Apocalypse

- May 17th-26th @ Duke Energy Theatre: Every Brilliant Thing
- THRU June 10th @ Theatre Charlotte: Spring Awakening

#### SYMPHONY / OPERA / DANCE:

- May 4th & 5th @ Belk Theater: www.CharlotteSymphony.org Presents: Disney's Fantasia
- May 11th & 12th @ Knight Theater: www.CharlotteSymphony.org Presents: Jupiter
- May 18th-25th @ Knight Theater: www.OperaCarolina.org Presents: I Dream (in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr.)

#### MUSEUMS / ART:

- Liberty Walk: self-guided tour of the American Revolution - www.CharlotteLibertyWalk.com / www.HandHeldHistory.com | contact@meckdeck.org
- THRU May 5th @ the McColl Center for Art + Innovation: "We are the Storm" & "Transitory

Emplacements" / Justseeds Artist's Cooperative

- May 5th & 6th @ Little Sugar Creek Greenway: Kings Drive Art Walk
- THRU May 12th @ Jerald Melberg: Wolf Kahn
- THRU May 21st @ SOCO Gallery: Shara Hughes
- THRU May 26th @ Elder Gallery of Contemporary Art: Mary Erickson, Don Demers & more
- THRU May 26th @ Lark & Key: Flow feat.Elizabeth Foster & Elise Delfield
- THRU May 31st @ NASCAR Hall of Fame: Cars 3 - inspired by NASCAR
- May 31st-Aug.4th @ Elder Gallery: Larry Horowitz's Landscapes without Borders
- THRU June 30th @ Charlotte Museum of History: Charlotte's Road to the Revolution
- THRU June 3rd @ Mint Museum (uptown): Costume Designs - William Ivey Long
- THRU June 17th @ Mint Museum (uptown): Reveal & Detonate - Photography in Mexico Develar y

Detonar - Fotografia en Mexico

- THRU July 8th @ Bechtler: Alfred Manessier
- THRU July 21st @ Jerald Melberg: Brian Rutenberg
- THRU July 29th @ Mint Museum (Randolph): the Glamour & Romance of Oscar de la Renta

- THRU July 29th @ Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture: By & About Women- the collection of Drs Dianne & Carnell Locke, FrankHaveMercy - Frequency, a Creative Journey - the collection of the Diamonds & Lillain Blades' Mirrors of Life

- THRU Sept. 9th @ the Bechtler Museum of Art: Wrestling the Angel (curator: Jennifer Sudal Edwards)

#### TRADE / INTEREST SHOWS & FESTIVALS:

- May 18th-20th @ Sheraton Hotel: www.DaysOfTheDead.com Horror Party
- May 19th-20th @ Rowan County Fairgrounds (Salisbury): Hippie Fest
- June 15th-17th @ the Charlotte Convention Center: www.HeroesOnline.com Presents: Heroes

Convention

#### INTERNET RADIO:

- check out www.PMCRadio.org for a schedule of DJs daily

#### TRAVEL TO EVENTS:

#### BEER / WINE / FOOD:

- Tuesdays @ LTO Burger (Greenville, SC): tater tot bar

#### LIVE MUSIC:

- Fri., May 18th @ Greensboro Coliseum: James Taylor, Bonnie Raitt

#### DANCE MUSIC / DJs / BURLESQUE OR DRAG:

- June 1st-3rd @ 765 Stoney Fork Rd. (Ferguson): Pangea Productions Presents: Smoke Sign, Florian,

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# Mikal K Hill

by: Ellen Gurley



I met emcee and producer Mikal K Hill pre 8 Mile, out there proving his worth, when he and his boys were on the same bill as some groups I was then managing (shoutout to the Others/the Katsckillz Project and the DiSoRiEnTaLiStS) at a show at the Hungry Duck (thanks, Blackwoods).

Kid was dropping the most intelligent rhymes that could fall off the notepad in a nerd's burlap napsack. Those were the earliest '00s, now a father of two and a husband (to another self-ascribed geek), Mikal kHill can usually be found at a hacker convention, gaming with his wife, flowing or learning another instrument in his spare time. Now one of his boy's short, he is more man than ever. Recently, Mikal kHill, with amazing strength and transparency, fully documented on social media, his loss.

After discovering a malignant tumor that required emergency surgery, he is down one testicle and a up brand new view on life. Cancer could have took his life and his followers got the day-to-day play-by-play. It was the scariest and most raw thing I've ever seen. Urging his boys to pay attention to their boys was the coolest story to which I've subscribed to date. Now living in the Boone area, you can catch him running around Asheville on occasion or at the Milestone when we are lucky. Follow all of his acts (Mikal kHill, the ThoughtCriminals, Two Weeks Notice, and The TroubleShooters) on social media, get on his blog, and listen to his stuff on Bandcamp, Spotify, or Tidal. Thank My City Magazine later.

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