

ARIZONA COMMISSION ON THE ARTS

Welcome to Chandler

Home of the Southwest Arts Conference 2010

2010

417 WEST ROOSEVELT, PHOENIX, AZ 85003

Building an Artistic Future for Arizona: Southwest Arts Conference 2010 Thursday, July 29, 2010 and Friday, July 30, 2010

In each of the last 33 years, the **Arizona Commission on the Arts** has hosted an annual **Southwest Arts Conference** – a convening of statewide arts administrators, artists, educators, advocates and volunteers – in locations across Arizona. The annual Southwest Arts Conference is presented in association with **Alliance for Audience**, hosted by the **Chandler Center for the Arts** in Historic Downtown Chandler.

Conference Venue:

Chandler Center for the Arts

250 North Arizona Avenue, Chandler, AZ 85225-4567

The Chandler Center for the Arts is a cultural landmark in downtown Chandler, Arizona with a more than 20-year history of bringing arts experiences to their community.

The Chandler Center for the Arts is home to three versatile theatres, including the 1500-seat Main Stage, the 350-seat Hal Bogle Theatre and the 250-seat Recital Hall.

Conference Accommodations:

The Crowne Plaza San Marcos Golf Resort

One San Marcos Place, Chandler, AZ 85225

The Crowne Plaza San Marcos Golf Resort is the oldest golf resort in Arizona, and is located in historic downtown Chandler, adjacent to Dr. A. J. Chandler Park, where many of Chandler's special events are held.

The resort is two short blocks from the Chandler Center for the Arts, the venue for the 2010 Southwest Arts Conference, and is within walking distance of many local shops and eateries.

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* Indicates an event location for the Southwest Arts Conference

Welcome to Chandler

This year, the home of the **2010 Southwest Arts Conference** is the downtown area of Chandler, AZ. Chandler is one of the fastest growing cities in the country, with a rich history and bright future. One of Chandler's main priorities as a city and community is to preserve and advance its arts and culture, making it an ideal backdrop for the Southwest Arts Conference.

Chandler was the first planned community in Arizona, and has been able to keep its traditional down-home feel while expanding into a modern and diverse community. The downtown square is home to historic buildings such as the hotel **San Marcos**, which was co-designed by the famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright and the founder of Chandler, Dr. A.J. Chandler. The surrounding downtown area is made up of multiple small and unique businesses that wholly embrace the local culture and engage Chandler visitors and residents alike, through events such as art-walks, music festivals and numerous other family events.

Currently, downtown Chandler is in the process of making the grand addition of a new city hall, which will add a widely anticipated "urban edge" to the downtown area. The new city hall will act as a sleek and modern border to the original historical downtown district. The new addition brings the promise of more pedestrians, synergy, and excitement to the already thriving downtown area. Engineers designed the new city hall in a manner that would encourage business activity in the area, as well as add a sleek, urban element without disrupting the historical feel of the downtown district.

Another great aspect of the Chandler area is its impressive collection of local shops, galleries and non-chain restaurants. A local favorite is the Kokopelli Winery and Bistro, which serves its own wine produced in Arizona on a family vineyard. It also happens to be the largest winery in Arizona. Nearby is **XICO Inc**, a non-profit multidisciplinary arts organization that promotes indigenous arts and culture throughout the community. Along the same strip is **Vision Gallery**, a non-profit art gallery managed by the Chandler Cultural Foundation, and Uptown Bridal Boutique, a family business run by twin sisters. It is this type of eclectic community that gives the Chandler area its charm, and its constant growth.

Hopefully you will take the time to get to know the Chandler area. As a Chandler resident myself, I can personally attest to the fact that any visitor will instantly feel like a local. The people and atmosphere of the downtown area are warm and inviting, and any visitor will want to hang out and relax. The downtown area is definitely one of the valley's best kept secrets, but ask any resident and they will be more than happy to share about the place they call home.

By Nichole Sessego
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Things to Do

Apache Trail and Superstition Mountains

Highway 88
AZ

Arizona Railway Museum

330 E. Ryan Road
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.821.1108

Chandler Center for the Arts*

250 N. Arizona Avenue
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.782.2683

Chandler Fashion Center Mall

3111 W. Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.812.8488

Firebird International Raceway

20000 S. Maricopa Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone: 602.268.0200

Gila River Casino - Lone Butte

Chandler Blvd. and 56th St.
Chandler, AZ Toll-Free: 800.946.4452
Phone: 520.796.7777

Vision Gallery*

The vision Gallery is a fine art gallery located in Chandler's Historic Downtown. Managed by the Chandler Center for the Arts and the Chandler Arts Commission, the Vision Gallery exhibits the works of over 350 local and regional artists and sponsors a free Charge arts educational program of artist taught workshops for children. For more information about the Vision Gallery and its programs, visit www.visiongallery.org.

Xico Inc. *

Xico is a multi disciplinary arts organization which plays a unique role in the community through its programs, including mentorship programs for under-served youth, professional development for artists, cultural festivals for the community and visual and performing arts exhibitions. Xico's downtown Chandler facility includes a monoprint studio/ art space, exhibition space and works by local artisans. To learn more about Xico's current exhibitions and programs, visit www.xicoinc.com.

Rawhide Western Town and Steakhouse

Wild Horse Pass and I-10 Freeway
Chandler, AZ Toll-Free: 800.527.1880
Phone: 480.502.5600

The Vision Gallery*

<http://www.visiongallery.org/>
80 S. San Marcos Place
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.917.6859

USA Skateland Chandler

1101 W. Ray Rd
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.917.9444

Xico Inc.*

<http://www.xicoinc.com>
44 S San Marcos Pl •
Chandler (480) 833-5875

Zelma Basha Salmeri Gallery of Western and Native American Art

22402 S. Basha Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.895.5230 opt. 2

Things to Eat

24 Carrots

6140 W Chandler Bl #2
Chandler, AZ 85226 Phone:
480.753.4411

5 and Diner

960 N. 5th St.
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.753.1114

AZ Coffee

Connection

1020 E Pecos Rd #7
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.722.9407

Bagel Nosh

2950 S Alma School Rd #1
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.855.1295

Bernard's at Ocotillo

3751 S. Clubhouse Dr.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.917.6600

Bistro @ Kokopelli Winery*

<http://www.kokopelliwinery.net/>
35 W. Boston St.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.792.6927

Blu Burger Grille

4995 S Alma School Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.895.6308

Bongo's Bar & Grill

4080 West Ray Road, #26
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.831.0000

Bosa Donuts

1016 N Arizona Ave.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.7134

Brunchies

17 E. Boston St.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.5036

Buffalo Wings and Rings

1760 W Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.8000

C-Fu Gourmet*

<http://cfugourmet.com/>
2051 W. Warner Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.3888

Chinese Gourmet

2386 N Alma School Rd
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.821.2481

Coffee Rush

1949 W. Ray Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.855.9815

Cork

4991 S Alma School Rd #1
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.883.3773

Cousins Subs

70 W Warner Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.8696

D' Vine Wine Bar & Bistro

3990 S Alma School Rd
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.5550

Dilly's Deli

2895 S. Alma School Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.722.0644

Down Under Wines

3305 W Chandler Bl #7
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.705.7131

Draft House Sports Café

393 W. Warner Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.5520

El Taco de Chandler

757 E Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.732.9229

El Zocalo Mexican Grille*

<http://elzocalo.com/>
28 S. San Marcos Place
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.722.0303

Elmer's Tacos

355 N Arizona Ave.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.6763

Fibber Magees

1989 W. Elliot Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.722.9434

Firebirds Wood Fired Grill

3435 W. Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.814.8003

Fired Up Grill

7131 W Ray Rd., Ste. 45
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.940.4040

Firehouse Subs

3245 W Ray Rd. #1
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.726.8200

Flaming Kabob

393 W Warner Rd., Ste. 103
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.7915

Floridino's Pizza and Pasta*

<http://www.floridinos.net/>
590 N. Alma School Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.812.8433

Fresco Juice

2820 S Alma School Rd. #10
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.917.5911

Gingerroot

1076 W Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.917.1240

Hangar Café

1725 E. Ryan Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.6965

Heart Attack Grill

6185 W Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ

Hibachi San

3111 W Chandler Blvd., Ste. FF232
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.857.0050

Hoosier Cafe

393 W Warner Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.814.7199

Hot Pot Caribbean Cuisine

2081 N Arizona Ave. #132
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.722.7577

Hungry Howie's Pizza

1909 E Ray Rd. #6
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.857.9377

Indus Village

1964 N Alma School Rd. #1-2
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.284.6011

Jersey's Tavern & Grill

5945 W. Ray Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.705.9700

Jilly's American Grill

825 N. 54th St
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.763.6909

Jimmy and Joe's Pizzeria

3950 W Ray Rd. #1
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.6633

Keegan's Grill and Taproom

1095 W. Queen Creek Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.814.0003

La Fonda

3125 S. Alma School Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.786.0585

La Stalla Cucina Rustica

68 Buffalo St.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.855.9990

Latitude Eight Thai Grill*

<http://www.latitude-eight.com/>
11 W Boston St., Ste. 5
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.722.0560

Majerle's Sports Grill

3095 W Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.7999

McDuffy's Grille

980 E Pecos Rd. #5
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.966.8200

Mikado Sushi

3125 S. Alma School Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.726.0255

Mimita's Cuban Cafe

1950 N Arizona Ave
Chandler, AZ 85225 Phone:
480.963.9918

Murphy's Law*

58 S San Marcos Pl.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.812.1588

New York NY Fresh Deli

250 S. Arizona Avenue
Chandler, AZ 85225 Phone:
480.814.9675

Ono Hawaiian BBQ

2990 E Germann Rd. #1
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.814.0300

Patsy Grimaldi's Pizzeria

1035 W. Queen Creek Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.812.2100

Pho68

2025 N. Dobson Rd.
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.917.8811

Phoenix Palace Chinese Restaurant

1949 W Ray Rd. #23
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.855.4035

Pita Jungle

1949 W. Ray Rd., Ste. 29
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.855.3232

Rawhide Steakhouse

5700 W. North Loop
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.502.5600

Rosati's Pizza

1050 E. Ray Rd., Ste. 2
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.5444

Sandstone Cafe

4959 W Ray Rd. #38
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.961.2913

SanTan Brewery*

<http://santanbrewing.com/>
8 S. San Marcos Place
Chandler, AZ 85225 Phone:
480.917.8700

Sauce Pizza and Wine

2551 W Queen Creek Rd. #4
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.388.3640

Serrano's*

<http://www.serranos.com/>
141 S. Arizona Ave.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.899.3318

Sidelines Tavern and Grill

2980 S. Alma School Rd., Ste. 2
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.792.6965

Simply Unique

8 S San Marcos Pl.
Chandler, AZ Phone: 480.8141615

Spicy Pickle

3235 W Ray Rd. #1
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.786.4483

Springfield Golf Club and Eagles Nest Grill

1200 E St. Andrews Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.895.0936

Takamatsu Restaurant

3002 N. Arizona Ave., Ste. 18-19
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.632.5655

Taqueria Mi Casita

2050 N Alma School Rd. #30
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.814.7047

Teakwoods Tavern and Grill

5965 W. Ray Rd., Ste. 20
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.961.0945

Places to Shop

Historic Downtown Chandler*

Historic Downtown Chandler is located at Arizona Avenue just south of Chandler Boulevard and offers an excellent variety of shopping and dining, as well a host of art galleries and the Chandler Museum. Eclectic art galleries, trendy boutiques, tasty restaurants and the historic Crowne Plaza San Marcos Golf Resort surround Dr. A.J. Chandler Park, the City's original town square. Award winning restaurants include the Bistro at Kokopelli Winery, an Arizona micro-winery and café, InPockets – a European deli and bakery, 98 South Restaurant and Wine Bar, La Stalla Cucina Rustica Restaurant, Brunchie's, El Zocalo Mexican Grille, San Tan Brewery, Sushi Eye in Motion, Urban Tea Loft and many more. Boutique shops include such places as Di Sciacca Company featuring museum quality, original mouth blown glassware and the Blue Peacock, a unique gift shop. For a complete listing of current businesses in the historic square, please visit the Downtown Chandler website at <http://www.downtownchandler.org>. Historic Downtown Chandler is also home to a year round farmer's market held Thursday afternoons, a monthly art walk on the first Wednesday of each month, and many annual events such as the Tumbleweed Tree and the popular Jazz Festival held each spring.

Chandler Fashion Center

Chandler Boulevard & Price/Loop 101 Freeway, Chandler
(480) 812-8488

A stones throw from the Historic Downtown Chandler, Chandler Fashion Center is comprised of more than 180 shops and restaurants. The indoor/outdoor Mall is anchored by Dillard's, Macy's, Nordstrom and Sears. Enjoy an extensive selection of restaurants and eateries including Kona Grill, The Cheesecake Factory, California Pizza Kitchen, BJ's Restaurant & Brewery and more. Marvel at Dancing Waters, a one of a kind, magnificent display of water, light and music. It is the largest water fountain of its kind in any U.S. shopping center!

Chandler Pavilions/Casa Paloma

just east of Interstate 10 on Ray Road

Chandler Pavilions and Casa Paloma offer unique shopping, dining and recreation. Here you can find year-round ice-skating at Desert Schools Coyote Center. Shops include Talbots, White House/Black Market, Ann Taylor and Banana Republic, and the nation's only Philosophy retail store. Enjoy a meal at any one of their restaurants, including Tomaso's, Bucca di Beppo, Z'Tejas Southwestern Grill, Fleming's, Roy's and My Big Fat Greek Restaurant.

SanTan Village

Williams Field Rd & Loop 202 (SanTan Fwy)

Located in the heart of the retail corridor of Gilbert, SanTan Village blends regional and power center retail, entertainment, other commercial uses and eventually residential to create a vibrant, sustainable, live-work-shop experience. Retailers include Dillard's, Macy's, Coldwater Creek, J. Jill, Lucy, Chico's, SOMA, White House/Black Market, Aeropostale, Paradise Bakery, Ann Taylor, Ann Taylor Loft, Coach, Banana Republic, Blue Wasabi Sushi & Martini Bar, Bath & Body Works, Eddie Bauer, Lane Bryant/Cacique, Victoria's Secret, American Eagle Outfitters, The Buckle, The Body Shop, Hot Topic, PacSun, Charlotte Russe, The Children's Place, Disney Store, Kay Jewelers, Weisfield Jewelers, Champs, Footlocker, Hat Club, and Swarovski Crystals.

Sports and Recreation

**Chandler
Community Center**
125 E. Commonwealth
Ave.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2727

**Chandler Parks and
Recreation
Department**
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2752

Desert Breeze Park
660 N. Desert Breeze Blvd.
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2727

**Desert Oasis Aquatic
Center**
1400 W, Summit Place
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.732.1061

Espee Park
450 E. Knox
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2727

Folley Pool
600 E. Fairview
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.732.1063

**Hamilton Aquatic
Center**
3838 S. Arizona Avenue
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2630

Paseo Trail
Trail begins at Galveston
St. and continues through
Riggs Rd.
Phone: 480.782.2727

Polar Ice Chandler
7225 W. Harrison Street
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.598.9400

Snedigar Sportsplex
4500 S. Basha Road
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2727

**Tumbleweed
Recreation Center**
745 E. Germann Road
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2900

**Tumbleweed Tennis
Complex**
2200 S. McQueen Road
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.963.5265

**Veterans Oasis Park
and Environmental
Education Center**
4050 E. Chandler Heights
Rd
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.782.2890

**West Chandler
Aquatic Pool**
250 S. Kyrene Road
Chandler, AZ Phone:
480.783.8261

Places to Golf

People have been booking Arizona vacations in Chandler because of the championship level golf courses for almost as long as Arizona has been a state - some 90 years! It all started in 1913 at the San Marcos Resort on their 100- acre course. A year later, the course was seeded with Bermuda grass, making it the first grass links in Arizona. Today, golfers planning Arizona vacations to Chandler have many options.

San Marcos Golf Resort *

San Marcos Golf Resort

One San Marcos Place, Chandler
480-812-0900

Rich in tradition, this PGA championship, par 72, 6,500-yard-course is enhanced by lush green fairways, heavily lined by mature Tamarisk and 320 palm trees. The course easily accommodates tournaments of up to 144 people, a couple of foursomes, or just you and an associate with equal ease. Facilities include a driving range, putting green, complete pro shop and a pro for lessons.

Bear Creek Golf Course

bearcreekaz.com
500 E. Riggs Road, Chandler
480-883-8200

Lone Tree Golf Club

www.lonetreegolf18.com
6262 S. Mountain Blvd., Chandler
480-219-0830

Ocotillo Golf Resort

www.ocotillogolf.com
3751 S. Clubhouse Drive, Chandler
480-917-6660 or 888-624-8899

Places to Stay

Crowne Plaza San Marcos Golf Resort*

One San Marcos Place
Chandler, AZ 85225 Toll-Free: 800.528.8071
Phone: 480.812.0900

Best Western

950 N. Arizona Avenue
Chandler, AZ 85225 Phone: 480.814.8600

Comfort Inn

255 N. Kyrene Road
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.4.CHOICE
Phone: 480.705.8882

Courtyard by Marriott

920 N. 54th Street
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.835.6205
Phone: 480.763.9500

Courtyard by Marriott Phoenix Chandler/Fashion Center

1100 S. Price Road
Chandler, AZ 85286 Phone: 489.855.8600

Fairfield Inn

7425 W. Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Phone: 480.940.0099

Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Phoenix Chandler/Fashion Center

1100 South Price Road
Chandler, AZ 85286 Phone: 480.855.8600

Hampton Inn

7333 West Detroit St.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.HAMPTON
Phone: 480.753.5200

Hampton Inn and Suites Phoenix SE

1231 S. Spectrum Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85286 Phone: 480.917.9500

Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham

5858 W. Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.527.1133
Phone: 480.705.8881

Hilton Phoenix/Chandler

2929 W. Frye Road
Chandler, AZ 85224 Phone: 480.899.7400

Holiday Inn at Ocotillo

1200 W. Ocotillo Rd.
Chandler, AZ 85248 Toll-Free: 800.887.5096
Phone: 480.203.2121

Homewood Suites

7373 West Detroit
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.CALL.HOME
Phone: 480.753.6200

Homewood Suites Phoenix SE

1221 S. Spectrum Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85286 Phone: 480.963.5700

Radisson Hotel Phoenix-Chandler

7475 West Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 888.201.1718
Phone: 480.961.4444

Red Roof Inn

7400 West Boston St.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.RED.ROOF
Phone: 480.857.4969

Residence Inn by Marriott

200 N. Federal Street
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.331.3131
Phone: 480.782.1551

SpringHill Suites by Marriott

225 North Metro Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 888.287.9400
Phone: 480.726.7666

Windmill Inn Suites

3535 West Chandler Blvd.
Chandler, AZ 85226 Toll-Free: 800.547.4747

Information Courtesy of: www.visitchandler.com

Downtown Chandler Community Partnership

<http://www.downtownchandler.org>

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Chandler, AZ 85225
480.855.3539

Chandler Office of Tourism

<http://www.visit Chandler.com>

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Chandler, AZ 85244
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