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This incredible Pumpkin Ravioli from Restaurant Olivia looks way too good to eat. Pg. 54



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Creative music



For Alex Creighton, nothing was more frustrating than the unexpected closure of Denver's music school DIME (a franchise of the Detroit Institute of Music Education). More so than the degree that he was missing out on, Creighton sought to regain the sense of community that the music world offered. Less than a year later, his efforts paid off with the foundation of Coastless Creatives, a collective of musicians turned LLC that connects small artists to live performance opportunities around Denver. Creighton and his co-founders work collaboratively to schedule shows, share press releases, and organize community events such as studio meetups for burgeoning artists. But beyond the logistics, Coastless Creatives seeks to be a model for a music scene that can overwhelm new artists with no connections. "If artists and musicians want to know how to get started... they can count on us," says Creighton. "We want to create a strong community of thriving artists." @coastlesscreatives

Did YOU know?

Famous big-band composer Glenn Miller is among Colorado's most iconic musicians, starting his career as a student at the University of Colorado Boulder. Though he failed his classes and never received his degree, the university's largest ballroom is still named after him.

Immersive art

Fans of mind-bending, immersive electronic art are sure to enjoy the **Perplexiplex**, a new venue in downtown Denver slated to host various DJs, musicians and artists. The indoor venue, which will seat 488 patrons, is a component of Meow Wolf's Convergence Station, a multimedia art installation located in the heart of Denver. Hosted in an unassuming, plain white box of a building is a labyrinthine set of rooms, each one artfully crafted with neon lights, gothic architecture and intricate floral patterning. The surreal experience, which opened this summer, invites visitors to wander the halls and immerse themselves in otherworldly visual art. Only now, wanderers of the Convergence Station universe are invited to enrich their journeys at the Perplexiplex, which is slated to host various electronic artists for late-night shows on a recurring basis. meowwolf.com



ON THE SCENE

As the temperatures drop this season, you can enjoy a wide variety of live performances at these indoor venues.

Sturtz

There's no pairing more perfect than an acoustic performance and an intimate venue. Luckily, the soothing, laid-back harmonies of folk ensemble Sturtz will arrive to Boulder's Chautauqua venue on Nov. 5.

chautauqua.com

Celebrating the Music of Ray Charles

While Ray Charles may have passed more than 15 years ago, his enduring work lives on. Contemporary singers and musicians Clint Holmes, Nnenna Freelon and more will reimagine the vast catalog of Charles' pop, gospel and soul classics. The performance will take place on Nov. 14 at CU Boulder's Macky Auditorium. cupresents.org

Trans-Siberian Orchestra

As the late November snow starts to settle, it's time to get into the holiday spirit. Kick off the festivities with the Trans-Siberian Orchestra, who will bring their epic renditions of holiday classics from their debut album to the Ball Area on Nov. 20. ballarena.com

Natasha Paremski

Russian classical pianist Natasha Paremski will bring to life the work of acclaimed composer Sergei Prokofiev from Nov. 19-21. Joining her will be New York City Music Ballet director Andrew Litton, leading the members of the Colorado Symphony. coloradosymphony.org