

10 Things to do this weekend

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(Slightly) **offbeat** and **off-the-beaten path** ideas for your **off days**

1 Friday is your last chance this season to see **Frederick C. Robie House After Hours**, a three-hour reception of the Frank Lloyd Wright masterpiece at dusk. The nighttime peek at Prairie-style will include hors d'oeuvres, drinks and live music. Oct. 25, 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Cost is \$35, \$30 for Preservation Trust members. 5757 S. Woodlawn Ave., (312) 994-4000, [gowright.org/...](http://gowright.org/)

2 Modern Vintage will bring Hermes ties, Armani suits and more to the **Randolph Street Market** this weekend. Shop indoors with two floors packed with finds from more than 75 vendors. Oct. 26 and Oct. 27, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Admission is \$8 in advance, \$10 at the gate; student discounts available. 1340 W. Washington Blvd., (312) 666-1200, www.randolphstreetmarket.com



3 The Sondheim classic **Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street**, opens at the Raue Center for the Arts this week. This musical look at 19th century London is presented by Williams Street Repertory, the Raue Center's in-house production company. Oct. 25 and Oct. 26, 8 p.m., Oct. 27, 3 p.m. Tickets start at \$25. 26 N. Williams St., Crystal Lake, (815) 356-9212, www.rauecenter.org/wordpress

4 Celebrate the 30th anniversary of **Facets' Chicago International Children's Film Festival** with a family-friendly "Boo Bash" at the Park West Chicago. The afternoon includes a red carpet-walk with filmmakers, stars and under-age fans. Festivities include a Halloween costume contest. Oct. 27, 2 p.m. – 5 p.m. Tickets are \$125, \$50 for kids, proceeds benefit Facets' year-round educational programs and the Chicago International Children's Film Festival. 322 W. Armitage Ave., (773) 281-9075, [facets.secure.force.com/...](http://facets.secure.force.com/)

5 Saturday's **opening of South Lake Shore Drive Extension** will make previously inaccessible parts of the lakefront open to the public. Kick-off the opening of this two-mile stretch with a 5K run and team trial cycling event, or just come hang out for a neighborhood festival. Oct. 26, 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. Race registration is \$39; festival is free. 87th Street and South Lake Shore Drive Extension, (312) 944-3777, www.chicagolakesidefest.com

6 Costume-clad kids (and their parents) can make the holiday about more than candy during the Old Town School of Folk Music's **Spooky Singalong**. Join Mr. Singer and The Sharp Cookies for themed merriment. Oct. 27, 11 a.m. Tickets are \$12, \$11 for members. 4544 N. Lincoln Ave., (773) 728-6000, [www.oldtownschool.org/...](http://www.oldtownschool.org/)

7 The romance of the iconic Chicago Pullman train era is the destination for **Pullman Porter Blues**, a musical on stage at the Goodman Theatre. The run of the show, which includes a live, on-stage band, ends this weekend. As a bonus, when you buy a ticket to the play you'll be entered to win a trip for two on a restored Pullman rail car. Oct. 24, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 25, 8 p.m., Oct. 26, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Oct. 27, 2 p.m. Tickets range from \$17 - \$74. 170 N. Dearborn St., (312) 443-3800, www.goodmantheatre.org/Pullman

8 Table, Chicago's magazine's annual benefit for the Auxiliary Board of Northwestern Memorial Hospital, takes over the River East Art Center this weekend. Sip cocktails designed to pair with dishes from local chefs from Trenchermen, Billy Sunday, Del Frisco's and other restaurants; dishes were culled from the pages of the magazine. Oct. 25, 7 p.m. – 10 p.m. Tickets are \$125; VIP tickets are an extra \$25 and offer pre-event access and elbow-rubbing with chefs. 435 E. Illinois St., www.chicagomag.com/...

9 Jahangir Khan, the world's top-ranked squash player, makes an appearance at the **2013 Chicago Squash Open** this week at Life Times. Watch all the on-the-court action, including Saturday's appearance by Mr. Khan. Oct. 25 and Oct. 26, 5 p.m., Oct. 27, 3 p.m. 680 Woodlands Pkwy., Vernon Hills, (847) 995-0670, www.lifetimesquashtour.com/...

10 The 25th annual **Meals on Wheels Chicago Celebrity Chef Ball** gives you plenty of opportunity to taste some of the city's best. Choose from seated meals or a dine-around tasting experience both at the Zhou B Art Center. More than 70 chefs and 13 mixologists will be showing off their recipes at this event, which benefits Meals on Wheels. Oct. 26, 6:30 p.m. – 12:30 a.m. Tickets are \$150 or \$350. 1029 W. 35th St., (773) 661-4550, www.mealsonwheelschicago.org/...