



ART

Reconfigure

"Nothing exists but the figure," the artist Toulouse-Lautrec once said, according to one of his biographers, going on to declare landscape painters "brute artists." We can assume them that he'd have approved of this show, which is all about the figure and what you could call its revelation by obscurity, featuring painters Ariel Basson Freiberg and Lavaughan Jenkins.

Sept. 1-Oct. 1, Abigail Ogilvy Gallery, 460 Harrison Ave., free, abigailogilvy.com

cat trainer Samantha Martin, however, has trained her cats to jump through hoops, climb ropes and even play in a rock band, all in this weird, adorable, one-of-a-kind traveling show.

Sept. 2-4, Regent Theater, 7 Medford St., Arlington, \$21-\$24, regenttheatre.com

FESTIVALS

King Richard's Faire

New England's premiere Renaissance Fair returns for another season of fake-medieval joviality. Special weekend events this year include a game called Troll Ball, the self-explanatory Cleavage

Contest, a chance to renew your wedding vows King Richard-style, a "Game of Thrones" trivia and costume contest (naturally) and, balancing out the cleavage, a "Highland Hunks" male beauty contest in which all contestants must wear kilts. Sept. 2-Oct. 22, King Richard's Fairgrounds, 235 Main St., Carver, \$32, kingrichardfaire.net

MOVIES

"Night of the Vampire"

Halloween comes early to the Harvard Film Archive with this diverse vampire movie marathon, featuring the early "Dracula's Daughter" (1936), "Horror of Dracula" (1958) starring that great interpreter of the Count, Christopher Lee, Tony Scott's "The Hunger" (1983) featuring David Bowie, Kathryn Bigelow's "Near Dark" (1987), "Nadja" (1995), "Trouble Every Day" (2001) and the K-horror entry "Thirst" (2009) by Park Chan-Wook. Sept. 2, 7 p.m., Harvard Film Archive, 24 Quincy St., Boston, \$12, hcl. harvard.edu/hfa

FAMILY FUN

Art at the Park

There's amusement for all ages on the Lawn on D this Saturday, with glass-blowing class from Diablo Glass, jugglers the Airborne Comedians, soap bubble master Jim Dichter, magician Evan Northrup, an unique percussion creation called the Beat Bucket, chalk art, face painting, Mega Stump trivia, live mural painting by Percy Fortini-Wright and music from Gretchen and the Pickpockets, Sam Robbins and LOVE LOVE. Sept. 2, noon-11 p.m., Lawn on D, 420 D. St., free, signatureboston.com/lawn-on-d/
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