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Experience two Miami summer staples that are ideal for family fun.

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MIDSUMMER TREATS

The annual Mango Festival is one of the highlights of Miami's Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden this summer.

Family-oriented fun has never tasted so sweet. The annual Mango Festival returns to Miami's Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, showcasing various mango-based foods, beverages, and goods from regional vendors. The event honors the "King of Fruit," offering a jam-packed weekend of cooking demonstrations, mango-centered lectures, children's games, live music, the highly anticipated farmer's market, and more. Full of family fun, locals and visitors alike can learn about the tropical fruit's cultivation and applications. At the same time, adults sip on mango-inspired cocktails, and children enjoy the assortment of different mango smoothies. Complete with 8+ acres of botanical garden space, Fairchild promises that this year's festival will surpass all other years, bringing more than 100 types of mangoes from around the world to sample. July 8-9, 10901 Old Cutler Rd., Miami, fairchildgarden.org

DANCE YOUR HEART OUT

Ballet Stars from renowned companies worldwide will once again arrive in Miami, performing their most famous classical, neo-classical and Contemporary ballet pieces for the International Ballet Festival of Miami (IBFM).

Returning for its 28th year, the IBFM presents prestigious principals among the dance community. Since its inception, the festival has recognized talent worldwide, encompassing companies from Europe, Asia, and Latin America, making their U.S. debut. Showcasing artistic excellence, the festival begins with a formal invite-only poster unveiling reception setting the overarching creative theme for the year. Appreciating different dance styles and cultivating a love for the artistic nature of ballet, the International Ballet Festival of Miami presents a series of summer programming. Featuring two grand classical galas and three Contemporary performances, the festival will also feature performances by youth medalists. From an art exhibit series, workshops, and a dance film series, IBFM showcases international culture to the audience, shining a light on the ballet community and promising an extensive lineup of events for all ages. July 22-Aug 13, internationalballetfestival.org



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