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To Do This Week

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Vivian Maier: A Quiet Pursuit - Photo: Maier, Self-Portrait, 195

Looking for some things to do this week (Oct. 8-14)? If you like food fests, the arts or animals playing with pumpkins, you're in luck.

This week marks the kick-off for the FotoFocus Biennial, which celebrates lens-based art and photography. For a list of events and recommend viewing, including the much talked about Vivian Maier street photography exhibit, check out last week's cover story here.

Also on the art front, 20,000 Days on Earth, starring Nick Cave, will be at the CAC on Monday, Oct, 13. And the Know Theatre brings the tale of Moby Dick to the stage in a stripped-down performance.

There are also some classic Americana road-side attraction mermaids coming to the Newport Aquarium through Oct.

19. The Weeki Wachee Mermaids will be swimming around the Coral Reef exhibit from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. daily.

For Halloween, it's one of the final weekends for the Fall-O-Ween festival at Coney Island and HallZOOween at the Cincinnati Zoo.

And if you're hungry or trying to bulk up before winter, there are several food festivals this weekend. Staring on Friday and going through the weekend, Cincinnati Parks hosts the city's first-ever sanctioned State Championship Kansas City Barbecue Competition: River Grill Before the Big Chill. Guests can watch pro teams compete to make the perfect barbecue in categories based on meat type — and then taste the results. On Saturday, take a drive to downtown Waynesville for the 45th annual Ohio Sauerkraut Festival. And then stay local on Sunday for Findlay Market's Fall Food Fest, featuring an amateur pie making competition.

Find more events and full details here.