



2011 October

Fête du Vin Wine Dinner and Auction



The Fort Worth Club - 12th Floor - October 8, 2011 - 7:00 p.m.

We're selling out fast! There are still tickets available starting at \$300 and tables start at \$3,000. [But you better hurry!](#)

Fête du Vin is a signature black-tie affair, where guests can enjoy a festive evening featuring fine wines, haute cuisine, and silent and live auctions. Unique to the event, guests are invited to bring their favorite wines to their tables to share and compare.

Want a [sneak peak](#) of some of this year's spectacular live auction items?

Celebrity Bar Tending at Grace

Join us October 18, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. for Celebrity Bar Tending at [Grace](#). The Lead by Nature Young Professionals Group would like you to come help raise money for BRIT. A portion of all drink sales go back to BRIT. It's a fun and easy way to raise BIG money.



“Trinity Perspectives 2: Past and Present” in the BRIT Exhibit Hall

The new photography exhibition created by [Streams & Valleys](#) is worth visiting BRIT for the first time or coming back again, if you have already been to our new home. “Past and Present” uses photography to portray the transformation of the Trinity River from a barren muddy channel into a thriving urban river.

Archived photos from the 1940s to 1970s are compared to photos taken by select regional photographers in 2010 and 2011. The result is a compelling narrative of the transformation of the river, as well as a reflection of the diverse views of the Trinity River today.

4:30 Forum

The Intercultural Festival at Alice Carlson Applied Learning Center: Place-Based Education Applied

Join us on Wednesday, October 12, when our final [4:30 Forum](#) of this year will take place. [Alice Carlson Applied Learning Center](#) staff will share the story of the transformation that occurred in the school’s annual Intercultural Festival, following their week-long experience in place-based education at the Teton Science School. Student work and displays reflect a deep sense of place in a variety of surprising ways. The team will share their goals and how the journey toward place-based education has impacted both their teaching and their learning community. Work from the students will be on display.

Solar Saturday – October 15

Witness the power and benefits of solar energy with the [North Texas Renewable Energy Group](#) at BRIT on Saturday, October 15, from 11 a.m.–1 p.m. The whole family will enjoy the demonstration of a solar shuttle, which showcases two full-size, fully independent portable electric systems capable of powering a modest, energy-efficient home.



Prairie Day – October 22

Celebrate our North Texas prairie heritage with BRIT on Prairie Day, Saturday, October 22, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Families will learn about hardy Texas native plants that grow on the prairie and how to harvest the seeds of those plants to enjoy next season. Learn how to make seed balls with the perennials from BRIT's gardens, and help us toss these miniature gardens onto our pocket prairie to nurture spring wildflowers. Learn more about the cultural and natural history that defines our region through activities and games for the whole family. BRIT's Prairie Day is being held on the last day of Texas Native Plant Week.

Public Tours of BRIT

Remember that BRIT offers [free public tours](#) of our LEED Platinum building. Public tours are offered Tuesday–Friday at 1:30 p.m. and on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Our public tours are led by our wonderful [BRIT Ambassadors](#).

Bella's Story Time



[Bella's Story Time](#) program is heading into the fall with oodles of great books ready to be explored. These hour-long programs are designed for preschool-development levels and their adult partners. Participants will enjoy an interactive story read aloud and explore hands-on nature activities inspired by the story.

October 4 – *Pumpkins Pumpkins* by Jeanne Titherington

October 18 – *Pumpkin Circle* by George Levenson

November 1 – *The Little Red Hen* by Byron Barton

November 15 – *The Tortilla Factory/La Tortillerja* by Gary Paulsen (A bilingual program)

Dates: First and Third Tuesdays of the Month

Time: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Pre-registration is not required; however, due to limited space, preschools and day care centers will need to schedule one week in advance.



Families may attend at no cost thanks to the generous support of the Fash Foundation.

Members Receive Extra Savings

Get a head start on the holiday shopping Saturday, November 5th from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. All BRIT members will receive 15 percent off in Flora, the gift store at BRIT. For that special someone in your life, give an unique one-of-a-kind gift they'll treasure for a lifetime! Refreshments will be served during your visit.

Don't forget during your Fall decorating to visit BRIT's reciprocal partners [Calloway's Nursery](#) and [Marshall Grain Co.](#) Show your BRIT membership card and receive 10 percent off! Every penny counts! You want in on all this savings? Please visit the [membership](#) page of our website, or for additional information contact, Tammie Crole at 817.332.7518 or tcrole@brit.org.

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Our Mission is to conserve our natural heritage by deepening our knowledge of the plant world and achieving public understanding of the value plants bring to life.

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