

## 5 Things to Do: September 27 - 29

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Indoors and out, there's something for everyone this weekend.

Catch a season preview to all things cultural in Evanston, learn more about green living, take in an apple festival or snag a vintage find—it's all on tap from Chicago to Lake Forest.

### Backstage Evanston

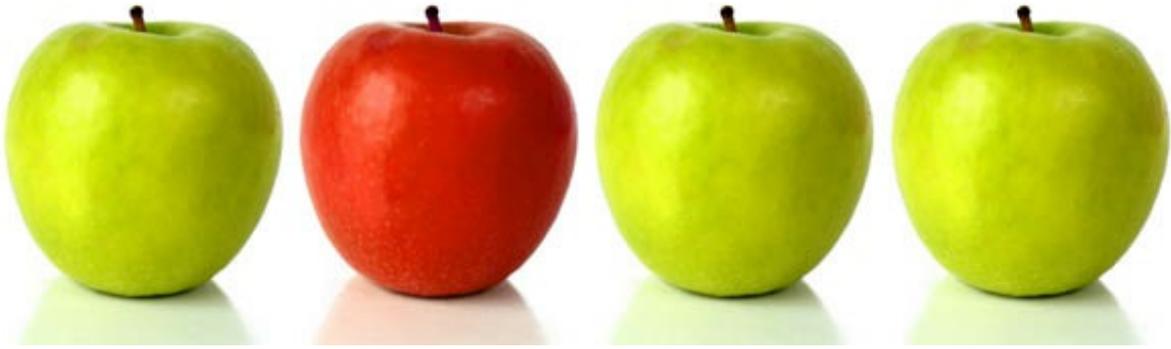


Sunday, Sept. 29

Ethel Barber Theatre, 30 Arts Circle Drive, NU Campus, Evanston

It's a one-stop shop for Evanston's cultural scene this Sunday. For just \$25, you can catch snippets of this season's theatrical, musical and dance offerings from the likes of Piven Theatre, Next Theatre, Light Opera Works, Piccolo Theatre, Actors Gymnasium, Evanston Dance Ensemble and more. And the cost of admission also gets you a \$20 voucher to put toward tickets to any of the participating groups' shows this year.

### Long Grove Apple Festival



Friday, Sept. 27 to Sunday, Sept. 29  
Downtown Long Grove

Find your favorite fall fruit in just about every incarnation, from taffy apples to apple martinis to lattes to hot cider. And in addition to fall flavor, there's fall fun—the music, foliage and Long Grove's cozy quaint atmosphere make for a fantastic way to spend the day.

## Green Living Festival



Saturday, Sept. 28  
Evanston Ecology Center, 2024 McCormick Blvd., Evanston

Everyone could live a little [greener](#)—and thanks to this fest, you've got a place to go for the latest in tips and tricks to take your better living habits to the next level. Recycle your old bike, learn more about energy alternatives, pick up some tips on composting ... Mother Earth thanks you.

## Randolph Street Market



Saturday, Sept. 28 and Sunday, Sept. 29  
1340 W. Washington, Chicago

Get your vintage on this weekend with Randolph Street Market's monthly offering of the latest in hip, cool, funky finds.

## Bagpipes and Bonfire



Sunday, Sept. 29  
Middlefork Nature Preserve, Lake Forest

Kilted sky divers (yes, kilted sky divers!) are just one of the highlights of the annual festival that signals the start to the fall season here on the North Shore.

**Wait! There's more ... We've got a few "do good and feel good" opportunities this weekend:**

[Shop and support local music programs](#)—The GBS Marching Titans Garage Sale and Bake Sale is this Saturday in Glenview. Find GREAT stuff on the cheap and feel good knowing you're supporting kids in their musical endeavors.

[Fill up on good food and help others eat well, too](#)—Nosh for [Nurture](#) is this Saturday. Come on out and support this great organization that teaches low-income families about nutrition and wellness through eating.

[Burn calories and build leukemia awareness](#)—The LLS' annual Blood, Swear and Tears Charity Bike Ride is this weekend. Sign up now or support a rider!