TRADITIONAL FOLKLORE
Date: Every Saturday (25 Feb - 29 April)
Venue: Dar Al Muharraq

Every Saturday evening, Dar Al-Muharraq located near Dar Jinaa, will host live Fijri music. Fans of Bahraini music will be treated to the different variations of this traditional art such as Bahri, Hadadi, and Makhlouf. The event series supports Dar AlMuharraq’s mission to enrich the non-material heritage of Muharraq, especially as it lies on the Pearlring Path, an open 3 kilometer-long museum due for completion in 2018 when the city will be that year’s Capital of Islamic Culture. Free Admission.

PAINTERS VOW TO PROMOTE PEACE THROUGH THEIR ARTWORKS
Date: Today
Venue: IPI Mena Office

IPI, MENA) The International Peace Institute for the Middle East and North Africa (IPI, MENA) will host an exhibition of ‘Art for Peace’ in collaboration with Ms. Wedad Al Bakr, a prominent Saudi Artist, Peace Activist and the participation of painters from the region. Held within the Culture of Peace Project, the exhibition will take place at 11:00 am on Sunday, 2 April at IPI, Mena Office, 51-52 Harbour House (5th floor), Bahrain Financial Harbour, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain. The exhibition will showcase art pieces by prominent painters, equally women and men, inspired by the pressing need to promote the culture of peace. These benefactor artists include Ms. Mayasa Al Sowadi, Ms. Zakeya Zada, Ms. Dawiya Ebrahim, Ms. Thajba Naejeb, Ms. Wedad Al Bakr, Mr. Ali Almahmeed, Mr. Abbas Almosawi, Mr. Abderrazak Hamouda and Mr. Ebrahim Bussad. The ‘Art for Peace’ exhibition aims at fostering the culture of peace through inspiration and creativity. All artworks will remain under the custody of the IPI MENA as tokens of the artists’ attachment to peace in the region and beyond.

MEXICAN FOOD FESTIVAL
Date: March 31 – April 10
Venue: The Gulf Hotel Bahrain Convention & Spa Margarita

The Gulf Hotel Bahrain Convention & Spa will be launching once again, the ever popular Mexican Festival that will be held at the hotels famous and award winning Mexican dining destination Margarita Mexicana.

The festival will bring authentic and sizzling spices of true Mexican cuisine with a ballet of entertainers specially flown in from Mexico.

This year’s Mexican Festival is taking place from 31st March till 10th April of 2017. The festival will come alive in the idyllic indoor setting of our Margarita Mexicana and the upper layer of our Lobby Lounge that will be transformed into a true Mexican ranch complete with the Mexican Ballet’, Said Ali Amralla Director of Business Development and Strategies.

The Mexican Ballet will be welcoming the guests from the minute they arrive at our main Lobby. This will be supported by a lively atmosphere of Mexican music till the entrance of the Mexican Food Festival, there you can smell the irresistible aromas of the smoked barbeque grills that are sure to transport our guests to the heart of the South.

The Mexican Food Festival promises a feast of Southern favourites. The special menu includes an awe-inspiring array of the famous Mexican dishes, sweet delights and traditional refreshments.

Adding to the festive feel, the Mexican Food & Cultural Festival will include a host of fun and engaging activities for the guests done by the Mexican ballet, including country line dancing and Mariachi music.

GRAND PRIX (1966)
Date: 04 April 6:30 pm – 9 pm
Venue: The Domain Hotel, Bahrain-Manama

Speed and cameras do mix. To celebrate Bahrain F1 Grand Prix season, we look at the very best motor-sport movies to hit the silver screen this month. One of the first and still one of the best motor racing films around today, 1966’s Grand Prix tells the story of American driver Pete Aron, who becomes romantically involved with an ex-team-mates wife. However, it’s the racing scenes that really make this movie great.

PERFORMANCE BY MUSIC LEGEND TOM JONES
Date: April 7,8pm
Venue: Bahrain Bay

Legendary performer and recording artist Sir Tom Jones is set to perform at the electrifying grand finale of this years’ Spring of Culture festival. Tom Jones has cemented his place amongst music’s icons following a highly active career that has spanned five decades and includes hits such as ‘It’s Not Unusual”, “Kiss”, “Delilah”, ‘What’s New Pussycat”, ‘I’ll Never Fall In Love Again” and “If I Only Knew”. Tom Jones’ concert at the Spring of Culture 2017’s grand finale has been organized by the Bahrain Economic Development Board (EDB), and tickets for the performance can be purchased on March 25 at the Bahrain Entrance 4 and online atwww.springofculture.org.

KIDS TO ENJOY WORLD OF WONDER AT BAHRAIN GP
Date: April 14 to 16
Venue: BIC

Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) has put together a world of wonders for children to enjoy while attending the 2017 Formula 1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix. The kids’ activities make for one of the biggest parts of the off-track entertainment at the annual Formula 1 extravaganza, which this year is scheduled for April 14 to 16 in Sakhir. It will be the third of 20 rounds on the 2017 FIA Formula 1 World Championship. BIC has made it a point to make the Bahrain Grand Prix as accessible and enjoyable for children of all ages. Just as it is every year, toddlers aged under three years old can get into the circuit for free. Then, there is a 50% discount on ticket prices for youngsters aged three to 12.

This year’s line-up of kids’ attractions include colourful shows, interactive workshops and a wide variety of outdoor activities. The shows include an Amazing Bubble Show, a Drumming Puppet and spectacular Magic and Dance Shows. The Bubble Show features various bubble tricks of every form and size, performed by the supremely talented and bubbly Dr. Bubbles. The Drumming Puppet is a ground-breaking entertainer who is always present at international festivals in Europe and the Americas. Gary James and Ricky McLeod are award-winning professional family entertainers who put together a fast-paced, action-packed magical show. The movable dance show features showcases the skills of The Dancing Grannies group. They are a comedy theatre company based in the UK who put on wacky dances involving traditional Bhanga and modern routines.

DOCUMENTING FOOD IS CULTURE

Food is Culture is a creative experimental project that aims to bridge together the mediums of art and food. In its second edition, the unique collaboration which took place between 11 artists from the culinary and visual arts fields in January 2017 now culminates with the launch of a book documenting the process. In addition, a documentary film will also be featured, translating to the audience the experiences of the artists and chefs as they explore the phases of their creative collaboration and the development of their final concept. The chefs and artists will be present in a panel discussion to share their collective experiences and impressions with the audience.