

Weekend Agenda

Events to catch this weekend, 11/2–11/5.

Published Nov 2, 2017 [Share](#)

[Comment](#)



Grizzly Bear performs at Brooklyn Steel this weekend.

(Photo: Frank Hoensch/Redferns)

1. Chris Rock tickets went on sale this week. Chris Rock tickets sold out this week. But if you've got the will, you know the drill. His **Total Blackout Tour** graces BAM on Friday and Saturday, and either way, he'll be back in NYC in December.
2. Some chill music is happening this weekend. **Grizzly Bear** plays Thursday through Saturday at Brooklyn Steel in support of their latest, the gorgeous and "disorienting" *Painted Ruins*. Grab onto a wall, and enjoy.
3. And at Kings Theater on Friday are **the Shins**, who released their latest, *Heartworms*, back in March. On Sunday you can catch them at the Capitol Theater in Port Chester.

4. The biannual performance-art extravaganza **Performa** brings together an international group of artists and runs through November 19. This year's highlights include a rare public performance by anthropological artist Wangechi Mutu and new work from genre-defying South African artist Zanele Muholi. There are also **Barbara Kruger MetroCards** to be found by some lucky straphangers at vending machines at four subway stations. Purchase wisely.

5. And this Friday through Sunday is the **Irish Arts Center's PoetryFest**, curated by Nick Laird, with a lineup including former U.S. poet laureate Billy Collins, MacArthur Fellow Terrance Hayes, and poet-filmmaker Alice Lyons. Friday night's program of guests reading their favorite poems includes Rachel Weisz, Zadie Smith, Colum McCann, and more.

6. This Sunday is the **NYC marathon**, but you can kick off your cheering early with the **Parade of Nations** on Friday, which showcases runners from around the world crossing the finish line in Central Park. It's free, with a preshow beginning at 4:45 and post-parade fireworks.

7. And this month the iconic **Blue Ribbon Brasserie turns 25**. For the occasion, the restaurant is offering two specials that you can try from Friday through November 17: a take on its signature fried chicken tossed in foie gras fat with crispy chiles and herbs, paired with a flute of Champagne Armand de Brignac's Gold Brut (\$90); and, for super high rollers, a seafood tower served with a bottle of Champagne Armand de Brignac's Gold Brut (\$579). Or just stop by for a cocktail and some bone marrow.

8. Natural wine lovers, rejoice. On Sunday, the **RAW Wine** fair returns to Bushwick, with more than 135 winemakers peddling their wares. Beginning Friday, there will also be a series of events around the city.

9. And explore the future of food through panels and tastings from chefs including Seamore's Michael Chernow and Untitled's Suzanne Cupps at the **Food Loves Tech** expo at Industry City on Friday and Saturday.

10. There are only a few weeks left to check out **Tiny Beautiful Things**, adapted from Cheryl Strayed's "Dear Sugar" columns. It won our critic over against her will.

11. And this Sunday, the seminal *Last Splash* **Breeders**-album lineup — of twins Kim and Kelley Deal with Josephine Wiggs and Jim McPherson — stop by Bowery Ballroom with new material and guitar riffs that takes us straight back to 1993. Stay retro, and happy weekend!