

**BRANDON**

**April 14**

**Racin' For the Seed**, a 5K & Duathlon fundraiser for The Mustard Seed, a loving Christian community for adults with developmental disabilities. 8 a.m. at Lakeshore Park. **601.992.3556** or [racinfortheseed.com](http://racinfortheseed.com)

**HATTIESBURG**

**April 7**

7<sup>th</sup> Annual **Rise & Shine Half-Marathon & 5K** to benefit The Arc of Southeast Mississippi that provides social and recreational activities for individuals with developmental disabilities. Sponsored by The Hattiesburg Clinic. [hattiesburgclinic.com/halfmarathon](http://hattiesburgclinic.com/halfmarathon)

**JACKSON**

**April 2**

**MS Children's Museum Magic Monday** from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. A full day of inspirational play! [mschildrensmuseum.org](http://mschildrensmuseum.org)



**April 5**

**Pro-Life Mississippi Spring Banquet & Silent Auction** at 6:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church. Keynote speaker Lt. Colonel Allen B. West. **601.956.8636**

**April 7 & 21**

**MS Children's Museum** presents visiting artist **Keri Horn** from 11 a.m.–4 p.m. Award-winning writer, voiceover actor and producer, she promises to entertain and inspire her young audience. Included in general admission charge.

**April 12**

**Child Evangelism Fellowship of Greater Jackson Banquet Fundraiser and Silent Auction** at the MS Sports Hall of Fame Museum. Silent auction opens at 5 p.m. and banquet at 6:30 p.m. Keynote speaker is Walt Grayson, reporter and TV Producer, and host of *Mississippi Roads* on MS Public Broadcasting. **601.923.1655** or [cefofmississippi.com](http://cefofmississippi.com)

**April 20, 21**

The Garden Club of Jackson presents its **Spring Garden Tour** featuring 4 gardens



and 3 homes in the Eastover Neighborhood. 9 a.m.–3 p.m. [gardenclubofjackson.com](http://gardenclubofjackson.com)

**April 27**

MS Fellowship of Christian Athletes hosts its annual **Bill Buckner FCA Luncheon** at First Baptist Church at 11:30 a.m. Keynote speaker is Baseball legend, Darryl Strawberry. [mississippifca.org](http://mississippifca.org)



**April 28**

Pro-Life Mississippi invites you to **Walk With Us**. Starts at St. Richard Catholic Church at 1242 Lynwood Drive. Check in is at 7:30 a.m. Walk begins at 8 a.m. Brunch will be served by the Knights of Columbus. [ProLifeMississippi.org](http://ProLifeMississippi.org)

**April 28**

**Metro Master Gardeners' Annual Plant Sale** at Mynelle Gardens, 4736 Clinton Boulevard from 8 a.m.–12 p.m. Wide variety of native and naturalized heirloom plants, perennials, shrubs and trees.

**April 28**

Mississippi Opera presents **Puccini's Turandot** at 7:30 at Thalia Mara Hall. Dazzling sets, extravagant costumes, cast of 300 performers. **601.960.2300** or [msopera.org](http://msopera.org)



**April 30**

The Spectrum Academy at New Summit School is hosting its first annual **Cooking for Kids** fundraiser for children on the autism spectrum. 5:30–7:30 p.m. at New Summit. Local restaurants showcased here! [msspectrumacademy.com](http://msspectrumacademy.com) or **601.982.7827**

**MADISON**

**April 7**

National Alliance on Mental Illness presents

**Youth Mental Health First Aid Training**

from 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. at Rebecca Baine Rigby Library, 994 Madison Avenue. Great opportunity for educators, parents, faith-based organizations, and other community members to learn how to intervene with youth who may be experiencing a health crisis. \$40; Continuing education hours offered. [advocacyintern@namims.org](mailto:advocacyintern@namims.org)

**RIDGELAND**

**April 7-8**

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual **Fine Arts Festival** takes place at The Renaissance. Weekend jam packed with Art, Wine and Food Samplings, and more. [ridgelandartsfest.com](http://ridgelandartsfest.com)

**April 14-15, April 21-22**

**KidFest 2018!** Family fun at Freedom Ridge Park as guests enjoy train rides, pony rides, interactive activities, and a variety of shows. \$12 admission. No debit or credit cards.

**April 14**

2018 **Susan G. Komen Jackson Race for the Cure** held at the Renaissance at Colony Park. Registration opens at 7 a.m. 10K starts 8 a.m. 5K starts 8:15 a.m. and 1-Mile Kid Fun Run at 8:30 a.m. [komenmemphisms.org](http://komenmemphisms.org) or **866.475.6646**

**April 19**

C Spire and the Ridgeland Chamber host their **2018 Golf Classic** at Lake Caroline Golf Club. Shotgun start at 1 p.m. Raffle with prizes and lunch provided. **601.991.9996**

**April 20 – 21**

St. Andrews Episcopal School hosts their annual **Arts on the Green**, a family-friendly event featuring an international focus held on the Ridgeland campus. Artists, live music, and children's activities. 11 a.m.–4 p.m. [GoSaints.org](http://GoSaints.org) or **601.853.6000**

**April 21**

**Over the Edge with Friends of Children's Hospital** takes over downtown Jackson. Raise support for sick and injured children by rappelling down the side of the Trustmark's 14-floor building! [overtheedgewithfriends.com](http://overtheedgewithfriends.com)