Spring festival guide: Celebrating Louisiana food, music, crafts and culture

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Advocate staff photo by Ian McNulty -- The crawfish from NOLA Crawfish King has a distinctive spice level: lots of cayenne and a hint of clove.

Whether they're two-stepping to Cajun music, celebrating history or sampling local food favorites, festivalgoers know that somewhere in the Bayou State, the good times are always rolling this time of year.

Louisiana enjoys a true embarrassment of riches in fairs and festivals, so take advantage of the revelry from the Red River down to Venice. Here's a sampling of some of the party pastimes in the months to come.

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Thursday, March 23

TOP TACO FESTIVAL:

8:30 p.m. Culinary competition featuring gourmet tacos and creative tequila cocktails from 40 of the Big Easy's best restaurants, along with live entertainment. Spanish Plaza. Must be 21. $65 and up.
topitacornola.com.