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Rock'N the Park

Texas country music icon **Pat Green** will join rock legends **KISS** and special guest **Daughtry** at **Rock'N the Park** Saturday, September 18 at Pizza Hut Park in Frisco.

Born in San Antonio and raised in Waco in a blended family of nine children, Pat Green learned early on how to step above the crowd. He says on his Web site, "It was a real *Yours, Mine and Ours* situation and growing up around all those kids, there was so much going on and so many distractions and so many sources of feeding my younger self with music."

Green doesn't credit one genre as his inspiration but says while a student at Texas Tech, he tuned out the radio and turned on Robert Earl Keen. "[His] stories were great, and the music...just painted a better picture with deeper colors." Keen's music then turned Green on to Jerry Jeff Walker, which led him to go further back. "Sure, I had already heard of Merle Haggard, Willie Nelson and Johnny Cash," he said, "but now I explored it all. I fell in love with country music and how it can be a great way of heartland storytelling."

The concert begins at 1 p.m., and tickets are \$49.50–\$99.50. VIP and Meet & Greet Packages are available.

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three events you don't want to miss this month

BY BRIT MOTT

Forza Italia

Hector Guzman and your **Plano Symphony Orchestra** open the 2010–2011 Season with "Forza Italia" on Saturday, September 25 at the Eisemann Center. Award-winning violinist **Mariusz Patyra** (mariuszpatyra.com) will perform one of the most demanding pieces in all concerto literature—Paganini's "Concerto No. 1"—which has been hailed as "a gala of brilliant playing, musical perfection...an absolutely impeccable technique."



The evening concert will also feature Rossini's overture to "William Tell" and Respighi's "Roman Festivals."

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Adventures in Mating

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Adventures in Mating by Joseph Scrimshaw entertains audiences September 9–October 2 at the Cox Building Playhouse in Plano. The production is directed by Lisa Devine.

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Rachel M. Carothers is *Miranda*, **Chester Mapel** is *The Waiter*, and **Robert Paterno** is *Jeffrey* in *Rover Dramawerks' Adventures in Mating*. Profile photo/Jason Rice



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