

South Korea's Vibrant May 2026: Festivals, Film, and Tech Trends

Events South Korea · Answer Key · 15 Questions

1. Which major film festival in South Korea is scheduled to take place from April 29 to May 8, 2026, and is known for its focus on independent films and experimental documentaries?

- A) Busan International Film Festival (BIFF)
- B) Jeonju International Film Festival (JIFF)**
- C) Bucheon International Fantastic Film Festival (BIFAN)
- D) Jeonju Short Film Festival

2. The Lotus Lantern Festival (Yeon Deung Hoe) is a significant cultural event celebrating Buddha's Birthday. In May 2026, when is this festival primarily scheduled to take place in Seoul?

- A) May 1-3, 2026
- B) May 5-7, 2026
- C) May 16-17, 2026**
- D) May 24-25, 2026

3. Which South Korean city will host the '2026 Busan Wheat Festival' on May 9-10, 2026, around Hwamyong Ecological Park?

- A) Seoul
- B) Busan**
- C) Incheon
- D) Daegu

4. The 'Seoul International Garden Expo' is set to run from May 1 to October 27, 2026. Which park is a primary location for this event?

- A) Olympic Park
- B) Seoul Forest**
- C) Olympic Park
- D) Hwajeong Park

5. In May 2026, which international film festival in Busan focuses on short films and runs from April 23 to April 28?

- A) Busan International Film Festival (BIFF)
- B) Jeonju International Film Festival (JIFF)
- C) Busan International Short Film Festival (BISFF)**
- D) Asian Film Festival Busan

6. The 'Haeundae Sand Festival' is a notable event in Busan. When is it expected to take place in May 2026, with sculptures remaining longer?

- A) May 1-5, 2026
- B) May 9-10, 2026
- C) May 15-18, 2026**
- D) May 22-24, 2026

7. Which major technology conference, focusing on offensive security, is scheduled to take place in Seoul from May 25 to May 29, 2026?

- A) Open Source Summit Korea
- B) Korea Blockchain Week 2026
- C) TyphoonCon**
- D) MCP Dev Summit Seoul

8. The 'Seoul Jazz Festival' is mentioned as a popular music event in May 2026. Where is it generally held or associated with?

- A) Olympic Park
- B) Han River**
- C) COEX Convention Center
- D) Gwanghwamun Square

9. What is the date of 'Children's Day', a public holiday in South Korea that often features family-friendly events in May 2026?

- A) May 1, 2026
- B) May 5, 2026**
- C) May 8, 2026
- D) May 24, 2026

10. The 'Seoul Money Show', a financial expo, is scheduled to be held at the COEX Convention Center in Seoul from May 7 to May 9, 2026. What is the primary focus of this event?

- A) Technology and Innovation
- B) Art and Design
- C) Finance and Investment**
- D) Culinary Arts

11. Which festival, celebrating Korean folk music and traditional performances, is designated as a government cultural tourism festival in May 2026?

- A) Jongno Lantern Festival
- B) Seoul Rose Festival
- C) Busan Lotus Lantern Festival
- D) There is no such officially designated festival mentioned for May 2026**

12. The 'Diaspora Film Festival' will take place in Incheon, South Korea, from May 22 to May 26, 2026. What type of films does it primarily showcase?

- A) Animated Films
- B) Documentary Films
- C) Short Films
- D) Films related to diaspora experiences**

13. Which technology event, focusing on digital printing and signage, is scheduled to take place at KINTEX in Goyang-si from May 7 to May 10, 2026?

- A) Electric Power Tech Korea (EPTK)
- B) Seoul Digital Printing Sign Expo**
- C) KOBA SHOW
- D) Fire & Safety Expo Korea

14. The '2026 Seoul World City Culture Festival' is scheduled for May 9-10, 2026. What is the general theme of this event?

- A) Traditional Korean Crafts
- B) Global Cultures and City Life**
- C) Independent Film Showcase
- D) Technological Advancements

15. The 'Busan International Performing Arts Festival 2026' is scheduled to run from May 9 to May 17. What is its theme for 2026?

- A) K-Pop Music
- B) Sand Sculpture Art
- C) Difference and Repetition**
- D) Traditional Korean Dance