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Welcome to ComFest 2018

Welcome to ComFest! You're participating in what is either a dated relic of the 1960s maintained by a bunch of aging radicals and hippies, or an open and generous celebration of how a community respects the differences of its members. Or maybe even something else.

The answer may depend on your implicit biases and what you want a festival to be.

ComFest began in 1972 as Community Festival, an artistic and political celebration of alternatives to mainstream culture. It grew from an early coalition of counter-cultural organizations—food co-op, health center, tenants union, underground newspaper, and phone information center—addressing needs not being met by the larger culture. Working with owners of small businesses such as import and clothing stores, ceramic artists, head shops, and jewelers, the group organized a two-day festival at 16th & Waldeck in the OSU area.

The principles around which the coalition organized remain the guiding ideals of ComFest (read them on page 9). They define the festival's continuing focus on progressive social change.

The five years preceding the first festival were some of the most tumultuous in the 20th century, and it's worth considering the insights and lessons nearly half a century can provide. Fifty years ago, 1968 was a pivotal year in American politics and culture, and there are some similarities with 2018.

Student protests. Military actions abroad. Attacks on civil rights. Police abuses. White supremacists. Increasing drug use. Black athletes protesting discrimination. Environmental devastation. Seismic changes in the status and power of women.

Broad coalitions of groups addressing varied issues (what some called The Movement) created a powerful image that inspired many to be part of something larger than themselves. Yes, there was friction and often conflict. But an ideal larger than Self—compassion? love?—compelled people to see their own humanity in the pain and struggles of others, and to take responsibility for others and take up the work necessary to create change. Poet Rebecca Baggett wrote, "...anyone who notices the world / must want to save it." These people noticed.

Love is a long, long road

—Tom Petty & The Heartbreakers
"Love Is a Long Road"

We're in a comparable historic moment (in which truth itself is under attack by a major political party). Given the Trump administration's tax breaks for millionaire friends and businesses, limits on health care, and corporate appointees trashing crucial government departments that affect all of us, it's not a stretch to see 2018 as a reboot of 1968's "Night of the Living Dead."

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The momentum of women who have driven #MeToo and brave #NeverAgain students shows the power of unified action to shape social change. Yet the diversity of progressive groups makes them highly susceptible to division and alienation. It is easy for small differences to become battle lines. But our differing approaches to tactics do not make us enemies. Our passion for justice can become the passion of anger born of frustration. Benjamin Franklin noted during the American Revolution, "We must, indeed, all hang together, or most assuredly we will all hang separately."

We must, as this year's ComFest slogan says, Stand Together. If we do this, we can find ways to realize that each of us is a work-in-progress and that no individual or group has a monopoly on truth.

In a time when many show understanding of gender fluidity and ambiguity, we often lose sight of nuance and retreat into binary thinking about issues—an either/or approach that denies the complicated nature of problems and undermines real progress. Like gender identity, political issues are painfully complex and frequently don't have simple definitions or solutions.

Working for incremental change through compromise is not selling out; actively confronting power structures is not an attack on allies. Our differences are not betrayals, and they're not failures of commitment to whatever cause is at issue. They are a manifestation of the difficult reality that we are complex creatures continually weighing our personal needs against those of larger social entities.

Building and sustaining a community takes work that includes both struggle and celebration. ComFest combines these elements as part of the multi-dimensional nature of lives that acknowledge the political in the personal.

Civil society is built by interacting with neighbors, doing good work (regardless of status), patronizing small businesses, joining others in common endeavors, participating in church, community, political, and sports

activities. These acts reinforce our interdependence. When we see others' well-being as part of our own, we build community.

This sharing in determining our lives is a sharing of our lives. It is the foundation of democracy. "Peace and love" is less a piece of easy snark than it is a description of a worthy, attainable goal and the admittedly difficult means for getting there.

*Gonna stand side by side
Our hearts in command
Love as our guide*

—Mavis Staples
"We Go High"

Much of what ComFest's founders agitated for has become mainstream, but the forces created and unearthed by the 2016 election have made clear that there is plenty still to be done: confronting racism, opposing militarism, protecting public lands and the environment, resisting attacks on health care, preserving reproductive rights, and developing laws and coherent programs to replace a system geared to the benefit of the few.

ComFest is grounded in the idea that people with widely varying lifestyles and beliefs—humanity—can co-exist in harmony and struggle together to build a community that emphasizes tolerance, peace, and social justice. What you see around you is a partial realization of that idea. Maintaining it, in fact and philosophy, is a group project.

This is not complicated. Become an active part of ComFest: volunteer, together with friends. Then make your voice heard, not just on Facebook or Twitter, but in the streets, in your neighborhood—together. Take action. Vote. Look for what needs to be done. Then do it. Together.

—Steve Abbott

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NOTE: No coolers, please. Don't leave backpacks unattended. Bags & coolers subject to being checked.

- No bottles or cans/NO BYOB. No glass of any kind.
- Please follow all federal, state, county, city, Ohio Dept. of Commerce Division of Liquor Control laws.
- No weapons of any kind are allowed at the event.
- No unauthorized motor vehicles or parking in the park.
- Walk bikes inside the park.
- No roller skates/blades/skateboards/Segways or scooters except medical mobility devices.
- No vending, distribution of arts, crafts, literature or petitioning except at an authorized booth space.
- Animals must be leashed and owners must clean up after them. For your pets' sake—leave them at home.
- No fires, grills, fireworks, torches or sparklers.
- No tents/shade shelters except event-authorized uses.
- No swimming in the pond.
- No drones.
- No unauthorized sound amplification.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

COMFEST CLOSING TIMES:

Friday at 11 PM, Saturday at 10 PM, and Sunday at 8 PM.

The Barricade at Swan & Park Street will close at 10 PM Friday/9 PM Saturday. No re-entry will be allowed

1. Look for Safety volunteers in ComFest T-shirts with SAFETY on the back for help and information. If something doesn't seem right - notify Safety.
2. Base station for Safety is at the north end of the Shelterhouse in the center of the park.
3. Program Guides are available at perimeter barricades, Information Stations and bars.
4. To volunteer, go to the Information Station located inside the park near the Russell St. entrance.





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This year's ComFest volunteer T-shirts carry a message that's simple, but urgent: STAND TOGETHER.

What makes this slogan so timely is the daily outrage of an administration that sells American policy to the highest bidder, accommodates criminals both domestic and foreign, and undermines basic democratic norms while gutting essential federal services and risking international conflagration.

To accomplish this, both American capitalists and Russian oligarchs chose the same strategy: divide and conquer.

Divisiveness and polarization are everywhere. Contentiousness and belligerence seem the only personality options imaginable to some people. Others who had treasured their insular subcultures are realizing there's no separate peace to be had when the mass culture is on fire.

Splits between allies, among neighbors, family and friends are spreading like Kilauea's fissures, spewing poisonous gasses and molten bedrock, changing the landscape of our common ground beyond recognition.

There's something ugly growing in the culture — something cynical and quick to blame, something that wants to win at any cost, something willing to forfeit our common future for personal triumph.

Distrust of institutions, including the press, creates a miasma of Fear, Uncertainty and Doubt in which economic frustrations are misdirected and weaponized, turning allies into enemies. Racism grows bold. Cruelty spreads.

None of this is accidental. Well-funded dirty tricksters are doing everything possible to divide Americans against each other. Disinformation campaigns use what their purveyors call “military-grade influencer marketing” and “voter disengagement services” to destabilize even the idea of verifiable fact.

But in the face of constant manipulative pressures, progressives have a powerful tool: UNITY.

Massive, history-making demonstrations by women in January and students in April pushed their demands

onto the national agenda by dint of sheer numbers. And the primary elections made obvious that a new wave of candidates and a new progressive agenda are gaining serious traction.

There are more women running for office this year than ever before, and many are expected to win. The 2018 bumper crop of progressive candidates share the support of organizations like Brand New Congress, Justice Democrats, Our Revolution and other national groups working to make meaningful endorsements, raise funds and get out the vote.

Labor, traditionally the backbone of the progressive movement, is undergoing a renewal as well, led again by young people and women. *The Nation* wrote, “A movement that we’re used to thinking of as getting older and smaller is actually growing stronger and younger.”

Teachers in WV, KY, NC, OK, AZ and CO walked out by the tens of thousands in state-

wide protests and strikes that held the line for up to nine days. By standing together, they won better pay for themselves and better funding for schools, and showed everybody else how it's done.

At the same time, the new Poor People's Campaign is challenging activists to center their work on a moral obligation to end poverty, and to make a commitment to nonviolent civil disobedience as a necessary tactic.

And week in and week out, INDIVISIBLE chapters in every Congressional district continue to reinvigorate the practice of participatory democracy, keeping up-close pressure on legislators to move the progressive agenda.

Unity forged in action — marching, lobbying, phone banking — is building the base for a reversal of the predations of the Trump era.

If popular movements like #MeToo and #NeverAgain can grow from reactive, ephemeral hugfests to intentional and principled unity, if these intense new activists can build sustainable organizations and strategic coalitions, the peoples' movement for justice will be unstoppable.

STAND TOGETHER — because it works!

— Mimi Morris



Photo by Michael Gruber

ComFest 365

Community Festival is a non-profit organization run by volunteers who work year-round through committees and general meetings to produce the festival each June. We welcome new members and new ideas. We make decisions based on a consensus model grounded in our core principles and code of regulations. You can learn more by visiting us on the web at comfest.com and our Community Festival Facebook page.



Community Festival looks easier than it really is. More than three dozen organizers work on it all year when nobody's looking. Each autumn, festival organizers host a planning retreat to work on improving the festival and strengthening community relations.

In early March each year, Community Festival sponsors a logo contest that attracts creative individuals who share their artistic talents hoping that their winning design will grace volunteer T-shirts, beer mugs and the cover of the Program Guide. The contest brings people together and helps us celebrate the arts community.

In early May, the annual membership meeting attracts organizers, volunteers and community organization representatives. We gather for a meal, conversation, a small amount of business, and conclude with the most

rewarding thing we get to do each year: distribute grants to support worthy innovative programs of local community organizations (see page. 31).

Involvement in community projects and other city events is how ComFesters promote the

spirit of the organization throughout the year. Today's organizers are the beneficiaries of over 45 years of planning and momentum, but there is always room for new volunteers ready to take the next step, from working at the festival to joining a committee and making ComFest something you do rather than simply attend. Maybe this is your year to step up and put your talents to work in helping to produce the city's best annual festival. Why not surprise yourself?

— ComFest Program Staff

Preparing to come to ComFest?

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COMMUNITY FESTIVAL STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES



The Community Festival is guided by its Principles.
The Principles are statements of what the members believe
is basically important. They are:

We think that people ought to work for the collective good of all people rather than for personal gain.
We support cooperation and collective activity rather than competition and individual profit.

The basic necessities of life are a right and not a privilege.
People have the collective right to control the conditions of their lives.

People should strive to conduct their lives in harmony with the environment.

We recognize that there are primary attitudes that divide and oppress people.
These attitudes are usually shown by prejudice against people on the basis of age, class, ability,
income, race, sex and sexual preference/orientation.

We seek to eliminate these attitudes.

The Statement of Principles is more important than any other writings of the Community Festival.

MEETING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, July 10, 7:30 PM – Follow-Up Meeting
Sunday, July 22, 1 PM – Follow-Up Meeting
Wednesday, September 12, 7:30 PM
Sunday, September 23, 1 PM
Tuesday, October 16, 7:30 PM
Sunday, October 28, 1 PM
Thursday, November 8, 7:30 PM
Sunday, November 18, 1 PM
Thursday, December 6, 7:30 PM
2019
Thursday, January 10, 7:30 PM
Sunday, January 20, 1 PM

Tuesday, February 12, 7:30 PM
Sunday, February 24, 1 PM
Thursday, March 7, 7:30 PM
Thursday, March 14, 7:30 PM – *Logo Contest*
Sunday, March 24, 1 PM
Tuesday, April 9, 7:30 PM
Wednesday, April 17, 7:30 PM
Thursday, May 2, 7:30 PM – *Membership Meeting*
Wednesday, May 15, 7:30 PM
Tuesday, June 4, 7:30 PM
Sunday, June 16, 1 PM
Wednesday, June 26, 7:30 PM

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Amber Evans

Amber Evans carries with her the names of Columbus residents who were killed during conflicts with the police—Henry Green, Joseph Haynes, Kareem Ali Nadir Jones, Tyre King, Kwame Patrick, Jaron Thomas—as she builds a new generation of leaders to change the relationship between law enforcement, lawmakers, and the low-income communities they serve.

Amber is the Director of Organizing and Policy for the Juvenile Justice Coalition (JJC), where she serves multiple roles as a community organizer, lobbyist, and at times guardian angel for at-risk youth in central Ohio. She is also lead organizer with the People's Justice Project.

Since 2015, she's been a familiar face on the 5th floor of the Franklin County courthouse, where she supports young people as they are ushered through a complex system of detention centers, children's services, and drop-out recovery programs for crimes related to poverty. This is part of her larger philosophy, which is that to effectively create change in marginalized communities, organizers must be directly affected by the issues at hand and co-create space for developing leaders.

Her approach has paid off and gained her national recognition. Since joining JJC, she has increased the organization's 2015 roster of 20 young activists willing to attend rallies or City Council meetings to over 300 people across five chapters. JJC's youth organizing alliance, Voices of the Unheard, worked with People's Justice Project to end the 2017 "Summer Community Safety Initiative" in which police selectively targeted youth in minority communities.

As an alternative, they created RestoreCBUS, which uses group conversations to resolve disputes and avert violent escalations and deadly confrontations with police. Her organization was also able to convince the General Assembly to pass HB 410, which combats high school dropout rates by requiring schools to take a less punitive approach to truancy.

The Director of the Juvenile Justice Coalition, Erin Davies, believes Amber has the potential to profoundly redefine organizing work through her rare ability to "pull threads together from her many experiences and backgrounds to create a single, very effective, organizer."

Amber grew up the oldest of six in a low-income community on the north side. Like many in her generation, she first began organizing in the wake of the 2008 fiscal crisis and Black Lives Matter movement. In 2011 she joined Occupy OSU, a student-led group that spoke out against growing income inequality. The group later evolved into the Ohio Student

Association, which worked to halt a state takeover of the Columbus School Board and the passage of a Stand Your Ground bill in the wake of Trayvon Martin's killing.

After graduation she was motivated by her childhood love of her local library, a true community center, to obtain her Masters in Library Science.

"Society cannot continue to isolate groups of people based on historic prejudices," she says. "I am committed to organizing a powerful alliance that will reconstruct governance for the sake of rebuilding an Ohio for all people." ComFest is proud to acknowledge her as 2018's Honored Community Activist.

— Graham Bowman



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Non-voters see themselves as not making a choice but the very act of non-participation has more influence on the election than anyone going into the voting booth.

The number of non-voters in the 2016 presidential election was greater than any of the votes the three national candidates received.

The largest group of non-voters are those below the age of 29. If these voters, who have a remarkably different view of the world than older voters, came out in any significant numbers results of many elections would change.

In the 2016 presidential election: voters over 65 voted at a rate of 70 percent, 45-64 at 66 percent, 30-44 at 58 percent and those under 29 at 46 percent rate.

Voting drops for those under 29 by more than half, to a mere 16-20 percent in midterm elections like 2018.

In the three closest swing states in 2016, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin the presidential race was decided by 77,000 votes or 0.6% of the votes cast in those states.

A March Gallup poll said women and young voters will decide the 2018 midterm election.

Therefore, it is no coincidence that the attempts to influence the 2016 presidential election played out on social media sites like Facebook, Twitter and Reddit.

Most people under the age of 30 say they get their news from these sites. They were being targeted because

as a group they are known as irregular voters, voters who do not go to the polls for every election.

So seeding distrust through misinformation and fake news stories was meant to keep young people from the polls. By setting false equivalents, young voters were being told there was no difference between the parties making voting a waste of time at best or collusion with a broken system at worst.



Photo by Michael Gruber

The students from Marjory Stoneman Douglas H.S. in Parkland Florida understand that the importance of young voters going to the polls is at the heart of changing the system.

As Emma Gonzalez said, talking about how politicians discount students and other young people, “Us kids don’t know what we’re talking about, that we’re too young to understand how the government works. We call BS.”

“If you agree, register to vote. Contact your local congresspeople. Give them a piece of your mind.”

The crowd broke out in chants of “Throw them out.” This is why this year’s beer mug slogan is EDUCATE, ADVOCATE, VOTE

It is time to stop cursing the darkness. Less than a 5 percent increase in youth voting this year will change the results. Make this year the year that young people make a difference.

“Remember the vote is precious. It’s almost sacred, so go out and vote like you never voted before,” said Congressman John Lewis, civil rights leader.

— Michael Weber

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Indivisible Columbus

When the dark cloud of authoritarianism and its fellow traveler, intolerance, rolled over our country in the form of the election of Donald Trump, a groundswell of grassroots resistance rose under the banner of the Indivisible movement.

In the Columbus area, Indivisible groups sprang up and linked with existing progressive organizations to oppose the Trump agenda. In the short time since Trump ascended to the Presidency, Indivisible Columbus groups have established themselves with a speed, purpose, and effectiveness that warranted their selection as 2018 ComFest Honored Community Organization.

Indivisible Columbus includes district-based groups working to influence specific legislators or races while others, such as the Clintonville Area Progressives, include the Indivisible ethos in their existing environmental, economic, and social justice goals. Last year Indivisible Columbus presented a ComFest workshop called “Indivisible: How to Get Involved 101.”

The Indivisible movement began nationally with the development of the *Indivisible: A Practical Guide for Resisting the Trump Agenda*, by former congressional staffers. The guide outlined how to effectively influence elected officials. In central Ohio, John Gatiss, Kimberly Morgan, and others set the groundwork for Indivisible Columbus, holding the first meetings, setting up the website, and dividing into district groups. Their efforts were aided by current Indivisible OH12 leadership team members Mia Lewis and Sara Samson.

When asked about her involvement, Mia Lewis said, “After Trump was elected, I felt I had to do something. Our elected representatives have lost their way morally

and ethically. We are trying to hold our legislators accountable and oppose the Trump agenda.”

Indivisible Columbus groups use a variety of approaches, from protests to after-work social events that include writing letters to Congressional representatives. “We try to make small changes,” Sara Sampson added, “to get people involved in calling their legislators, in meeting and testifying.”

The group has already made a huge impact with its support of the Fair Districts = Fair Elections campaign.



Circulating petitions for what became State Issue 1, the successful anti-gerrymandering constitutional amendment, volunteers collected their first signatures last year at the Columbus Arts Festival, Pride, and ComFest.

“That gave us a good start toward success,” Sara Sampson stated. “I’m proud of all the work we did on gerrymandering.”

Indivisible OH 12 also claims victory in its opposition to US Representative Pat Tiberi, who is supporting a Tea Party candidate in the fall

election. Mia Lewis noted, “We protested outside Tiberi’s office for 50 weeks until he resigned and will hold the next office holder accountable.”

Indivisible OH 12’s efforts earned them a say in the Democratic Party’s endorsement process for that seat.

Indivisible Columbus still has goals to accomplish. They continue to act in support of the Affordable Care Act and remind Senator Rob Portman of his duty to his constituents. “We are supporting good candidates in Licking and Delaware counties,” Mia Lewis said.

The group maintains a calendar of events along with news and posts at <http://indivisiblecolumbus.com/>.

— Harry Farkas

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Volunteer Central is where you come to volunteer, grab a Program Guide, and get useful information about ComFest. We can answer most of your questions and point you in the right direction.

Lost & Found is located at Volunteer Central. If you find something, or have lost something, come see us. We will do our best to help re-unite you with your things. Unclaimed items will be kept a short time after ComFest. E-mail LOST@ComFest.com. Useable items not claimed will be donated to charity.

Volunteer shifts are only 4 hours. Each shift earns chips redeemable for food, beverages or ComFest merchandise all weekend and a cool ComFest T-shirt with this year's logo and slogan. Wear your T-shirt proudly, but only while working your shift. Please turn the shirt inside out when not on duty. Visit our remote "Merch-in-Teer" locations to volunteer and purchase ComFest merchandise. One is located at Goodale and Park

Streets, and one west of the Live Arts Stage.

If you signed up on the web, don't forget to work your shift.

ComFest especially needs volunteers for later shifts. All ComFest volunteers must be sober.

You will enjoy ComFest more if you drink responsibly.

Community Organization

Volunteers check in to verify the needs of your group. Organizations are required to provide six four-hour shifts to Safety or Clean-up for reimbursement of their volunteer deposit fee.

Need help finding your favorite vendor, stage or community organization? Stop by any of the five ComFest Information kiosks located throughout the park. Several kiosks are located near Park and Russell and the main ComFest Merch-in-Teer booth. Another is near the Dr. Goodale statue, and one is just east of the shelter house.

Plan ahead to help next year. Please sign up to volunteer online at comfest.com prior to the festival.

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FIELD GUIDE TO COMFESTERS

Bike Corral.....	Coral Silk	Is That Coral or Corral?
Cleanup & Recycling..	Gold	Volunteers Are 24K 24/7
Electric.....	Safety Orange	Squeezing Our Electric Juice
Entertainment	Indigo Blue	Mood Indigo
Equipment	Red	They Never Stop
First Aid	Safety Pink	Think Pink When in Need
Food Fairies	Sky	Food From Heavenly Volunteers
KiDSART.....	Heather Sapphire	ComFest Kids Are All Gems
Libations.....	Violet	Pour Me Another Please
Logistics/Site	Royal	Keeping the Site Fit For a King or Queen
Merch-in-Teer	Sunset.....	ComFest Gear and Volunteer

Parking	Light Blue.....	Never Enough Space
Program	Tennessee Orange	Read All About It
Safety/No BYOB.....	Daisy	Here to Help
Signage	Blackberry	Showing Us the Way
Spirit & Purpose		
Healing.....	Lime	Workshops and Speakers
Street Fair.....	Heather Radiant Orchid	Shop 'Til You Drop
Turf & Trees	Ash Grey	Tree Huggers
Volunteer Central	Dark Heather	Find Us North of the Shelter
Voter Registration.....	Yellow Haze.....	Register and Vote

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Your Name Here: Would you like to see your name here? You need to volunteer. Stop by Volunteer Central or the Merch-in-Teer booths and find out how you can be one of the people who make ComFest happen. Volunteering is the only way to get the unique volunteer T-shirt featuring this year's logo design. Our Clean-Up and Recycling or Safety teams still need help in the evenings. And once again - **THANK YOU!**

Community Organizations

Americans United for Separation of
Church and State-Ohio Chapter
Buddhist-Christian Mother-Earth
Church
C.H.O.I.C.E. - Center for Humane
Options in Childbirth Experience
Colony Cats and Dogs
Columbus Coalition of Reason
Columbus Community Bill of Rights
Columbus DSA - Democratic Socialists
of America
Columbus KTC - Buddhist Meditation
Center
Columbus Resources
Columbus Veg Community
Columbus Vegan Meetup/Vegan Shift

Cozy Cat Cottage
Defend Our Future
Dyslexia Institute
FLOW - Friends of Lower Olentangy
Watershed
Franklin Co. Democratic Party
Franklin County LOSS
Franklinton Cycle Works
Freedom of Choice Ohio
Friends of Doo Dah
Friends of Goodale Park
Grassroots Ohioans
Humane Society of the US
ISKCON Krishna House
Martha Walker Garden Club
Move to Amend

Ngare Sergoi Support Group
North Central Mental Health
Ohio Green Party
Ohio Organizing Collaborative
Ohio Roller Derby
Sierra Club
Simply Living
Socialist Alternative
The Center for Balanced Living
The ONE Campaign
Third Hand Bicycle Co-op
Threadlocks
Three Cranes Grove ADF
WCRS Radio
Yes We Can Columbus

For locations of Community Organization booths, visit one of the ComFest information kiosks

Spirit & Purpose

ComFest celebrates community in all its manifestations from business to art to community organizations. Entertainment provides local music; Street Fair shows off local business, food, and arts and crafts; Spirit & Purpose focuses on health and wellness, performance art, and social and political issues of the day with a variety of speakers and workshops.

This year S&P once again explores the most critical issues of the day: gun violence, discrimination, immigration, civil rights, women's issues, environmental concerns, and, as always, health and healing as individuals and as a community.

Of special note this year: all emcees on all ComFest stages are women! This is an historic first for the festival—maybe for any festival not exclusively for women, and certainly any festival the size of ComFest. Women are moving in an upward arc, so now seems an appropriate moment to celebrate the women of Columbus as they manage the message from the festival stages.

Peace Village now has lots of food and shopping as well as workshops, many at Solar Tent where you can also learn more about the possibilities of renewable, clean energy sources. When you need a break from all the dancing and shopping, drop into the Peace and Healing Tent for some poetry or join the hilarity of ComFest Comedy Club.

Families are integral to the spirit and purpose of ComFest. KidsArt offers many fun and healthy activities for the entire family, bringing out the kid in all of us. Face painting, supervised and free style activities, and a terrific playground are just some of the offerings.

Help celebrate and congratulate ComFest honorees and grant recipients at the Award Ceremony Saturday on Bozo Stage. Read about them and check schedules in this

Program Guide.

The 2018 slogan "Stand Together" and the Unity logo represent a commitment to ComFest principles. The "Educate Advocate Vote" slogan on beer mugs is exactly what ComFest promotes, and to that effort S&P provides information, opportunities to get involved, and voter registration. Visit the many community organizations in the park to learn more about the people making a

difference in the quality of central Ohio life.

Columbus is rich in talent that deserves to be showcased. A progressive environment fosters such talent and forward-thinking, making this a great community in which to live and thrive. ComFest is the community's favorite festival, your festival. So, enjoy the music, art, information, shopping, and the beauty of the park, and don't forget to volunteer!

— Connie Willett Everett



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Visit the ComFest Museum

Stop by the Shelterhouse to visit the ComFest Museum and discover a rich history in the Columbus community. There will be displays of memorabilia and film footage from

prior festivals. A colorful display of prior years' festival T-shirts adorns two walls. Docents will be on hand to answer questions and embellish the history with their own experiences.



WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

	PEACE & HEALING PAVILION	SOLAR STAGE	
FRIDAY	<div>1 PM - 4:20 PM – Children's Programming <i>Join the Fun</i></div> <div>1PM – Super Sing-along and Storytelling <i>Joanie Calem, Queen Najla, Andicus, Mr. Eric, Super Art League</i></div> <div>2 PM – Lyn Ford Storytelling <i>Teller of Home-Fried Tales</i></div> <div>3 PM – Super Sing-along and Storytelling <i>More Stories and Songs</i></div> <div>4:30 PM – Star House <i>Youth Homelessness Awareness</i></div> <div>5:30 PM – DACA Time <i>Discussion Panel</i></div>	<div>NOON – Children's Music Network <i>Entertaining young kids and families</i></div> <div>12:50 PM – Home Mushroom Growing <i>John Carnes</i></div> <div>2:35 PM – Children's Music Workshop <i>David Hawkins</i></div> <div>5:50 – Cannabis Workshop <i>SDon Wirtshaffer, Saraquoia Bryant, Joe Brumfield</i></div>	
SATURDAY	<div>9 AM – Yoga Well Being <i>Rise and Shine Yoga</i></div> <div>10 AM – Luna Rising Yoga <i>Cynthia Clem</i></div> <div>11 AM – Chen Taiji of Ohio <i>Meet West of the Pond</i></div> <div>11 AM – Steven Rendina <i>Coiling Silk Qigong</i></div> <div>NOON – Nia Columbus <i>Movement Fitness</i></div> <div>1 PM – Full Circle Peace Laughter Yoga <i>A Happy Experience</i></div>	<div>2 PM – <i>What Was Pickawillany?</i> <i>Bill Pickard - Ohio History Connection</i></div> <div>3 PM – People, Planet, Prosperity <i>Fadhel Kaboub</i></div> <div>4 PM – Media Literacy Workshop <i>Panel</i></div> <div>5 PM – ETSS Immigrant Concerns <i>ETSS</i></div> <div>5:55 PM– Poetry Reading <i>Beverly Zeimer, Betty Bleen, Alexis Rueal, and Susann Moeller</i></div> <div>7:25 PM – Short Fiction Reading <i>Jen Knox</i></div> <div>7:40 PM – Story Club Columbus <i>Celebrating the oral tradition of storytelling</i></div> <div>8:30 PM – ComFest Comedy Club <i>Comedy Sketch Troupe</i></div>	<div>12:25 PM Bronzeville Growers Market <i>Urban Farming</i></div> <div>2:20 PM – March For Our Lives <i>Youth Addressing Gun Violence</i></div> <div>3:20 PM – Helping Immigrants & Refugees Thrive <i>Angie Plummer - Community Refugee & Immigration Services</i></div> <div>5:15 PM – Lady Parts -Vagical Mystery Tour <i>Justice League - Abortion Storytelling & Panel</i></div> <div>6:15 PM – Voices of the Unheard w/ People's Justice Project <i>Intergenerational Community Organizing</i></div>
SUNDAY	<div>10 AM – Yoga <i>Yoga with Malik</i></div> <div>11 AM – Sacred Bowls <i>Ben & Jo Nagel</i></div> <div>11 AM – Chen Taiji of Ohio <i>West of the Pond</i></div> <div>11 AM – Chi Kung (Qigong) <i>Darryl Mendelson (outside the tent)</i></div> <div>NOON – Meditation <i>Frank Tennyson</i></div> <div>1 PM – Self Healing Qigong <i>Taiji Ohio</i></div> <div>2 PM – Living Better With Less <i>Simply Living - Discussion & Sharing Circle</i></div>	<div>3 PM – Airing Out the Dirty Laundry <i>Andrea Downs (and you)</i></div> <div>4 PM – Confront White Womanhood: A Feminist Perspective <i>Rhiannon Childs</i></div> <div>5:00 PM – Social Action Song Swap <i>Joanie Calem, Brian Clash, and Leslie Zak</i></div> <div>5:55 PM – The Color Purple Preview <i>State of The Arts Productions</i></div> <div></div>	<div>11 AM – Mucus-Free Diet <i>Prof. Spira, PhD</i></div> <div>11:35 AM – Vegan Connection <i>Vegan Shift and Columbus Vegan Meetup</i></div> <div>1:05 PM – Community Garden Roundtable <i>Panel of Local Urban Gardeners</i></div> <div>2:50 PM – Columbus Free Press <i>Stimulating Political Discussion</i></div> <div>4:35 PM – Sanctuary Workshop <i>Rubén Castilla Herrera</i></div>

Spirit and Purpose Special Speakers



FRIDAY

Ohio Poor People's Campaign A national call for a moral revival to stand against the evils of militarism, racism and economic injustice. Hear about their bottom-up movement, recent non-violent civil disobedience actions and future organizing and actions.

Jazz Stage 2:45 PM

Social Action Song Set

Joanie Calem, Brian Clash, Terry Keller, Leslie Zak, Duja Watson, Yehyeh Tamim and Queen Njala. Today's crazy politics require new social action songs. Local artists share both new and old music that addresses today's issues. **Bozo Stage 3:45 PM**

Planned Parenthood: Rhiannon Childs, Regional Field Manager for Planned Parenthood Advocates of Ohio. The primary healthcare and family planning service for millions of women is facing cutbacks and backlash from the current political administrations. What's at risk? Maybe your life?

Gazebo Stage 5 PM

Johnny Cannabis - The Landscape of Ohio's Medical Marijuana

Program As Ohio's #1 Industry Insider, Cannabis Media Group & Design Studio's Johnny Cannabis explains the reality of Ohio's Medical Marijuana Program, including what actual licenses have been awarded, the current status of doctor & patient licenses, when & how you will have access to products, and more.

Off Ramp Stage 4:25 PM



SATURDAY

Trans Experience - Briden Cole Schueren & friends Transgender people share their stories and discuss how they cope with daily hardships of trans issues.

Off Ramp Stage 1:50 PM

Harley Blakeman Author, speaker, social entrepreneur, and founder of www.backgroundmenot.com talks about key issues affecting formerly incarcerated individuals and provides tips for overcoming the challenges.

Jazz Stage 2:55 PM

Awards Ceremony: Meet this year's Honorees and Grant recipients as they are presented with their awards and recognition. These special people make Columbus a humane and progressive city. Help us say Thank You!

Bozo Stage 3:05 PM

Rubén Castilla Herrera- One of Columbus' leading activists talks about human justice issues.

Gazebo Stage 5:30 PM



SUNDAY

Travis Irvine & Friends on Ohio Politics Columbus native Travis Irvine (Viceland, Amazon Video) brings his off-brand political comedy to ComFest.

Gazebo Stage 2:30 PM

Kwodwo Ababio- Food Desert - A Crisis in Linden - Food deserts are a crisis across the United States, particularly in poor urban communities. In Linden, a Columbus neighborhood north of downtown, the only remaining Kroger grocery store has closed. What are city officials doing to help this community? What is the emergency food plan? Owner of New Harvest Cafe Restaurant and ArtsCenter has transformed the lives of Linden neighborhood residents with good wholesome food and opportunities to participate in community arts.

Bozo Stage 3 PM

Jen Miller: Our Vote Is Our Voice! Director of Sierra Club Ohio and jazz singer Miller takes the stage to remind everyone how important every vote is, especially now. With so much at stake, it matters who is elected to serve the people. Come hear why.

Jazz Stage 3 PM

Debra Shade: it's Just Sex This is an open conversation about modern day sex education and health safety. From sexual empowerment and physical satisfaction to the importance of testing and the current state of STDs in central Ohio, Shade has the info. Catch her workshop on the 2nd Saturday of every month at 4:30 PM at Bossy Grrls Pin Up Joint.

Off Ramp Stage 4:30 PM

Workshop Information and Details

Throughout the Weekend

Health and wellness of body, mind, and spirit is a core value at ComFest. Come to workshops about yoga, meditation, dietary practices, and more. Practice or learn Chen Taiji or Qigong in the beauty of the park. **See the schedule on page 24**

Friday

Kid Friendly Activities Start out Friday at ComFest with fun and entertaining activities for kids and parents **1 PM to 4:20PM Peace & Healing Tent**

Home Mushroom Growing with John Carnes Mushrooms are magical. We are only beginning to understand their value to the planet and to personal well-being. Learn to cultivate these delicious food sources and become part of a project to explore the benefits of mycology.

12:50 PM Solar Stage

Super Sing-along and Storytelling Kids shouldn't miss the fun with the creme-de-la-kid's entertainment stars Joanie Calem, Queen Najla, Andicus, and Mr. Eric and special guests. A perfect family start to ComFest weekend.

Noon & 3PM Peace & Healing Tent

Lyn Ford Storytelling Lyn Ford is an award winning author, a Laughter Yoga teacher and breath mechanic, a storytelling, creative-writing workshop and interactive keynote presenter, a Thurber House mentor and much more. **2 PM Peace & Healing Tent**

Children's Music Workshop David Hawkins Teaching young songwriters. **2:35 PM Solar Stage**

Star House Today 2,000 homeless youth live on the streets of central Ohio, and Star House remains the only drop-in center for them—as well as the only research-based, drop-in center in the country. In 2017, they served 996 individual youth. Star House offers necessities like food, clothing, and shelter, as well as therapy. They also collaborate with community partners to extend services like medical and dental. Find out more in this awareness-raising presentation.

4:30PM Peace & Healing Tent

DACA Time A discussion panel of Dreamers share personal stories, the use of technology to improve the immigration experience, how DACA works (or doesn't), and the role of social entrepreneurship in this critical

and timely issue for all communities.

5:30PM Peace & Healing Tent

The Ohio Medical Marijuana Fiasco - Grassroots Ohio Don E. Wirtshafter (attorney and activist), Saraquoia Bryant (president of Grassroots Ohio), and Joe Brumfield (artist and cannabis patient) explain why Ohio has failed to implement the medical marijuana bill more than a year after its passage. What's the hold up? Who is standing in the way and why? What are the loopholes in the law and how will they affect you? Grassroots Ohio is responsible for the Medical Cannabis and Industrial Hemp Amendment, a petition to amend the Ohio Constitution. This panel has expertise and experience in medical information and the law. If you are confused, don't miss this seminar.

5:50 PM Solar Stage

Fracking: Big Plans for Ohio? Sierra Club has been monitoring environmental impacts from fracking in Ohio even as plans are made to frack in Wayne National Forest and on other public lands. Join local members and find out why you need to be concerned, and how to help protect our homes and communities.

6:30PM Peace & Healing Tent

Saturday

Yoga Well-Being Rise and shine! This yoga seeks to still the mind by moving breath through the body. Learn new breathing techniques. Reduces tension, increases flexibility, strengthens and promotes a holistic lifestyle. Adapted to meet needs and abilities of all.

9 AM Peace & Healing Tent

Cynthia Luna Rising Yoga An annual favorite Hatha yoga practice with attention to breath, alignment, awareness of self.

10 AM Peace & Healing Tent

Healing Sounds Qigong Steve Rendina creates Good Vibrations through traditional Chinese exercises, "three tunings" (body, breath, mind). Breathe in the life force, exhale toxins and open energy paths. Rendina is a master level teacher. **11 AM Peace & Healing Tent**

Chen Taiji of Ohio Internal Gong Fu is the beginning of deep transmission. Get a demonstration and practice.

11 AM West of the Pond

Nia Columbus - Nia is so much fun you won't know you are exercising! Non-impact, cardio-dance workout to your favorite music. Often performed barefoot, this workout promotes mindfulness, body awareness, freedom to

Workshop Information and Details

move with your body's needs, preferences, and abilities. A favorite crowd pleaser last year. Revitalizing body and spirit!

Noon Peace & Healing Tent

Bronzeville Growers Market, Urban Farming Hacks Set to launch July 5 at the corner of 17th and Mt. Vernon, this market will operate on Thursdays from 2-7 PM and serve East Side residents. Primarily organic food; useful growing advice; tips to reuse, repurpose, recycle; providing a nutritious path to food and heritage. Take control of your family's health.

12:25 PM Solar Stage

Full Circle Peace Laughter Yoga The Laughter Yoga Circle includes guided deep breathing, rhythmic clapping, light aerobic movement, laughter exercises, and end with guided meditation.

1 PM Peace & Healing Tent

What Was Pickawillany? - Bill Pickard, Archaeology curator for Ohio History Connection, returns with another amazing story from Ohio's past. Pickawillany was an English trading post on the Great Miami River until the French destroyed it. Archaeologists have been working for several years, trying to put the historical pieces together. A fascinating journey back in time with a talented storyteller.

2 PM Peace & Healing Tent

March For Our Lives - Erick Bellomy and Kelly Escobar Columbus MFOL works to end gun violence in our schools and in our community

2:20 PM Solar Stage

People, Planet, Prosperity - Professor Fadhel Kaboub Makes the case for financial, food and energy sovereignty at the local level utilizing community currency and local public banks. National progressive policies to fight poverty, climate change, and inequality seem unlikely, but cities and municipalities have the power to make real change and pave the way toward prosperity. Look forward to an entertaining presentation and spirited Q&A.

3 PM Peace & Healing Tent

Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS) It's in the news every day, but how are current immigrant/refugee policies affecting our community and neighbors? CRIS has been assisting refugees and immigrants in Columbus for 20 years, helping them achieve self-sufficiency and successful integration. Discover what they do and how it improves the quality of life for everyone. Find out how you can get involved.

3:20 PM Solar Stage

Media Literacy Matters: Decoding the news in the "post-fact" era Join our panel of journalists and researchers for a multi-sided look at fake news, alternative facts and social media manipulation. Who uses these targeted disinformation techniques, and what can citizens do to recognize and counter their misdirection?

4 PM Peace & Healing Tent

Lady Parts Justice League's Vagical Mystery Tour Come hear (and share) authentic abortion stories. Break the stigma, refute the shaming, and find out what's really at stake for Ohio women, pregnant women especially, trying to access basic healthcare resources. LPJL founder Lizz Winstead moderates a conversation with an abortion provider and community organizers and activists. Plenty of time for audience questions and comments.

5:15 PM Solar Stage

Poetry Reading Popular local poets share original work in entertaining readings. Beverly Zeimer, Betty Bleen, Alexis Rueal, Susann Moeller, John Burroughs and Shelley Chernin take the stage.

5:55 PM Peace & Healing Tent

Voices of the Unheard, People's Justice Project - Amber Evans

Using hybrid art forms, like spoken word and music, youth and young adults affected by trauma—pushed out of school, pushed into the court system, incarcerated—cultivate hope for families, friends, and themselves, and share that power. PJP organizes people of color, workers, former incarcerated peoples and their families to establish safe, productive, healthy lives in equitable communities. The health of these citizens affects all communities. How can you help?

6:15 PM Solar Stage

Short Fiction Reading Jen Knox will share a reading of short original fiction.

7:25 PM Peace & Healing Tent

Sunday

Yoga with Malik Bring your own mat and enjoy an hour of vinyasa yoga flow. Start the day centered.

10 AM Peace & Healing Tent

Sacred Sound Waves Experience the Oneness of All through the vibrational waves of crystal bowls, metal Tibetan singing bowls and bells, gongs and tingshaws. A profound and inspiring way to start your ComFest Sunday. Ben and Joann Nagel provide background information about the historical use and meaning of each instrument.

11 AM Peace & Healing Tent

Workshop Information and Details

Chi Kung (Qigong) Energize your body, relax and calm your mind and raise your spirit. Darryl Mendelson leads easy-to-learn forms of Chi Kung, the science or practice of cultivating the body's internal energy.

11 AM Outside Peace & Healing Tent

Chen Taiji of Ohio Kung Freaking Ku. Internal Gong Fu.

11 AM West of the Pond

Mucusless Diet - Professor Spira, Ph.D A popular returning workshop about the original plant-based diet that can change lives. Weight loss is a benefit, but this diet is much more about healing. Find out how and why it works in this entertaining (and sometimes musical!) introduction to veganism.

11 AM Solar Stage

The Vegan Connection and Columbus Vegan Meetup - Eryiah Flynn, Da'Ves Lee Malone, Noelle Snyder Bartholdi Share recipes and practical advice for a vegan diet. Taste delicious food and learn where to shop and eat vegan in Columbus.

11:35 AM Solar Stage

Meditation for Mindfulness with Frank Tennyson Guided meditations designed to balance people into divine spiritual awakening.

Noon Peace & Healing Tent

Self-Healing Qigong - Jeff Radcliffe and Taiji Ohio Demonstrate easy-to-learn self-healing exercises.

1 PM Peace & Healing Tent

Community Garden Roundtable - Top-notch community garden leaders discuss starting and maintaining a garden, securing grants, and loads of tips on companion planting, insect control, composting, and more.

1:05 PM Solar Stage

A Minimalist Lifestyle Considering down-sizing? Sick of clutter?

Simply Living facilitates a conversation with local minimalists and the audience. Share your stories and get some helpful tips for streamlining your life. Live better with less!

2 PM Peace and Healing Tent

Columbus Free Press - The annual Free Press Salon returns with speakers, films, and performers, plus inspired discussions about today's most concerning issues. Join the conversation!

2:50 PM Solar Stage

Airing Out the Dirty Laundry This workshop is an opportunity to become a part of the narrative in a national dialogue about equality and social justice through visual storytelling. Andrea Downs, a North Carolina artist and art teacher, creates work to foster connections and deeper dialogue among women from diverse communities. This will be an interactive workshop. Create your own art story and hang it on the clothesline!

3 PM Peace & Healing Tent

Confronting White Feminism - Rhiannon Childs, Erin Spencer Upchurch & Rashida Manuel Intersectional feminist organizing: Historically women and femmes of color experiences have not been taken as seriously or even acknowledge by their white female counterparts. Even within a new wave of inclusive feminism, progressive white allies have perpetuated and caused further harm to women and femmes of color. To end patriarchal white supremacy, we must learn and listen to the stories of women and femmes of color to understand how to come together where our oppression intersects through race, class, and gender. Anti-racism must be at the forefront of the discussion towards accepting the oppression of all people..

4 PM Peace & Healing Tent

The Sanctuary Movement - Rubén Castilla Herrera a former ComFest Honored Activist who talks about his activism and his continuing work on behalf of those who have sought refuge from cruel immigration policies tearing families apart.

4:35 PM Solar Stage

Social Action Song Swap- Joanie Calem, Brian Clash, and Leslie Zak Come share social action songs in a sing-along circle.

5 PM Peace & Healing Tent

The Color Purple Preview - State of The Arts Productions The Color Purple is an inspiring family saga telling the story of a woman named Celie finding strength through love to triumph over adversity and discover her unique voice in the world. Set to a score featuring jazz, ragtime, gospel, and blues, The Color Purple is a story of hope and a celebration of life. Based on the classic Pulitzer Prize-winning novel by Alice Walker and the film by Steven Spielberg. The Color Purple will be presented at Columbus Africentri High School July 26-29, 2018.

5:55 PM Peace & Healing Tent

COMFEST HONORED ARTIST

Allen Zak

Allen Zak lit out for California in 1962 in search of, he says, “adventure, romance, and movie stars.” And though he had caught the shutter bug at 16, he didn’t know he’d become a professional photographer when he went west.

Along the way, Allen witnessed the first of two life-shaping events: in a hotel office he watched as a black man was denied a room. “We’re not integrated here,” said the clerk.

Zak took a job in LA with the real estate maintenance department of a savings and loan. During the evaluation of a foreclosed property, he encountered a shoeless African-American boy. Asked why he wasn’t in school, the kid replied that he shared one pair of shoes with his brother, so they alternated days going to class.

“The kid tipped it for me,” said Zak.

He became an organizer and activist, helping lead demonstrations sympathetic to Martin Luther King, Jr.’s activities. In March, 1965, he made a commitment that would shape his career: traveling across the country to Selma, Alabama to join 600 marchers led by Dr. King on their way to the state capital in Montgomery to stand for voting rights.

“He boarded a Greyhound with \$12 and six rolls of film,” according to a *Columbus Dispatch* feature in 2015, “curling up for the grueling 1,800 mile trip.”

Catching sleep where he could and borrowing film from other photographers, he shot more than 200 pictures, many of them images that have become identified with the event. Allen’s friend Mack Crawford spotted him in a vintage clip in the recent film “Selma,” power-napping by the side of the road.

The ongoing struggle for justice wasn’t news to the photographer, whose mother was an outspoken Communist. Likely, it shaped his career commitment to the causes of labor and social justice organizations.

Neither is he a stranger to the spirit of conciliation. His father, a life-long Republican, met his mother at a Communist social. Allen attributes his belief in the possibilities of consensus to that upbringing.

Zak’s work has graced *Rolling Stone*, *The Washington Post*, *Time*, and *Newsweek*, among others. He was a staffer at the legendary “underground paper” *Los Angeles Free Press* and has shot famous people including Angela Davis and Andy Warhol.

Allen met his wife Leslie, herself a “red-diaper baby,” while in Los Angeles. The couple moved to Columbus in 1975, attending Community Festival for the first time the next summer.

His work is a chronicle of his own humanity and dedication to social justice.

“His images from the front lines of the civil rights movement captured the determination of people in their struggle for freedom and justice,” said fellow photographer and ComFest volunteer Michael Gruber.

“Allen—and Leslie—got me engaged in civic action,” remembered longtime friend Debbie Crawford, who met the couple in 1984.

ComFest program writer Marty Stutz captured Allen Zak’s place in Columbus: “Our community is fortunate to count Allen Zak as a neighbor, artist and activist.”

— Curtis Schieber

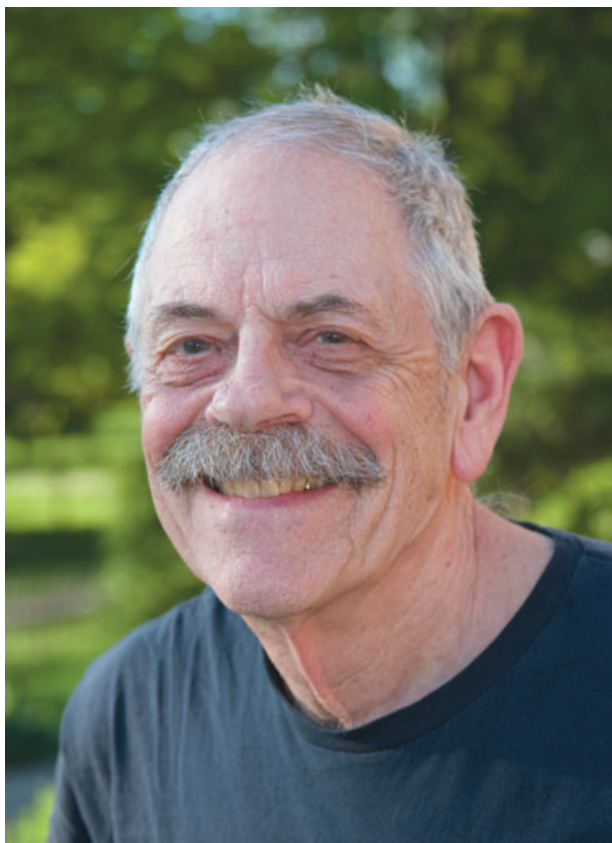


Photo by Michael Gruber

COMFEST HONORED VOLUNTEER

Bryan Hartley

Before thousands descend on Goodale Park to celebrate ComFest, a dedicated team of volunteers comes together to—literally—assemble the festival.

ComFest Logistics volunteers are responsible for transforming the park into a secure, safe and manageable small village. That means transporting and putting up tents and fencing, supplying water and moving hundreds of tables, chairs and other supplies into place.

Bryan Hartley has emerged as a highly regarded leader on the Logistics Committee, assuming ever-increasing responsibilities over several years to ensure everything is in place in the days leading up to Friday morning. For his tireless efforts, ComFest recognizes Bryan as a 2018 Honored Volunteer.

The heavy lifting, largely unnoticed by ComFest attendees, is crucial to putting on the city's best community event.

Bryan began attending ComFest in 1994 and was hooked right away. For several years he worked with Ryan Stevens, who operated the BurritoBago food booth, a mainstay at ComFest and music festivals around the country.

Bryan's first experience as a ComFest volunteer was in 2006 when he signed on as a Food Fairy. He enjoyed Friday mornings at the shelter house preparing meals for volunteers. The job also provided the opportunity to meet "the elders," as Bryan describes longtime ComFest organizers.

Bryan quickly sought other volunteer opportunities and today is responsible for the logistics map, which lays out where everything needs to go during festival set-up.

"Bryan is a remarkable person," said Candy Watkins. "His creativity and energy level are amazing. He gives his all to each project."

"It's hard work, of course," Bryan says, "but I also get to drive 70 or 80 golf carts off the truck and over to the shelter house. That's a lot of fun."

He oversees a crew of about 12 when they start moving everything in on Tuesday and Wednesday. By Thursday evening when streets are shut down and vendors are setting up, he may need up to 30 or more.

Bryan is motivated in part by seeing so many people enjoy the festival. "It's satisfying that, because of all our hard work, so many other people can have a great time," he said.

His work doesn't end with setting up the festival. All weekend Bryan operates his food booth The Love Bug in Peace Village, which he helped to build up by recruiting other vendors into the area.

His spirit of generosity and volunteerism can be found at his booth. Bryan has invited crew members to his booth and cooked for them.

"ComFest is a big part of our community," he said. "It's great for the community to come together and so important that everything is done by volunteers."

Bryan is also important to the future of the ComFest as a member of the next generation to carry on the festival.

"I don't ever see myself not being a part of Comfest," he said.

That's good news. And as Bryan's friend Rob Schorr said upon learning about his recognition: "Now you've done it, boy," he said. "You're stuck for life!"



Photo by Michael Gruber

Principles In Action: Community Festival Grants

Community Festival supports cooperation and collective activity. One way we actualize that is through our grants program, which has awarded more than \$300,000 to programs of community organizations since 2006. We are proud in 2018 to award grants to the following central Ohio groups:

Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services - (ETSS)

Survivor Support ETSS is a point of integration for immigrants, refugee families, and low-income individuals in central Ohio. The Survivor Support Group provides assistance to foreign born survivors of domestic violence, human trafficking, and sexual assault. The grant assists with supplies for meetings, financial literacy activities, bus passes, and culturally appropriate food. www.ethiotss.org

ROOTT/CHOICE -

Collaboration to Address Black Infant Mortality

Restoring Our Own Through Transformation (ROOTT) and The Center for Humane Options in Childbirth Experiences (CHOICE) work to reduce infant mortality in the African American community. Their project provides education on combating the effects of structural and institutional racism. The grant funds training materials, books, diagnostic instruments, and printing curriculum books. www.choicemidwives.org/ www.roott.org

Hubbard PTO - Playground Project Hubbard PTO serves families and students of Hubbard Mastery School, a pre-K to 6th grade Columbus school. The Playground Project will allow volunteer families and community groups to convert part of their asphalt playground to a green natural play space. Our grant assists with the purchase of trees, plants, wood chips, and natural play materials. www.hubbardpto.org

Striving to Achieve Real Success (STARS) -

Emerging Young Musician Outreach STARS helps talented teens seeking careers in music, video, and/or graphic arts. The program helps at-risk teens develop technical, engineering, and artistic skills necessary for successful careers. Our grant supports the purchase of instruments for use by students. starsworldwide.org/

Paisley Nash-Dooley - Sunbury Urban Farm -

Sunbury Urban Farm educates its community about

agriculture, nutrition, sustainability, and the environment. To help expand the program's 2018 day camp, the grant provides supplies, equipment, and financial assistance to campers to help expand this year's program. facebook.com/sunburyurbanfarm/

Radio 614 - Radio 614 Live educates the public about audio, video, internet, and broadcast technologies, helping individuals find ways to use technologies to enrich local culture. Radio 614 Live will produce live remote broadcasts of community music events and work

with artists and musicians underserved by local media. The grant assists with the purchase of equipment for live broadcasts. radio614.org

LifeCare Alliance - IMPACT Safety Bystander Intervention Training IMPACT Safety develops and teaches interpersonal safety skills to women, youth, the elderly, and individuals

living with disabilities. Bystander Intervention Training teaches self-defense and assertive communication skills. The grant supports program fees and costs to provide bystander intervention trainings. www.lifecarealliance.org

Actors' Theatre of Columbus - Access Shakespeare The Access Shakespeare outreach program works with residential care facilities, community groups, schools, and incarceration centers. The goal is to allow people with limited access to theater and performance arts to experience live theater and participate in performances. www.theactorstheatre.org

Heaven Sent Community Garden - Breaking Chains Ranch Heaven Sent Community Garden creates healthy habitats by establishing a community garden in partnership with Heaven Sent Children's Academy. The grant helps pay for an artist's mural, signage, and other amenities.

The Grants awards ceremony on the Bozo Stage Saturday at 3:05 PM will celebrate these worthy organizations. Check comfest.com for details on how to apply for a grant next year.



Photo by Michael Gruber

"A great democracy has got to be progressive or it will soon cease to be great or a democracy." -Theodore Roosevelt

"...we are the dancers, we create the dreams." -Albert Einstein

"...we dance for fears, we dance for hopes, we dance for screams..."

"We dance for laughter, we dance for tears, we dance for madness..."

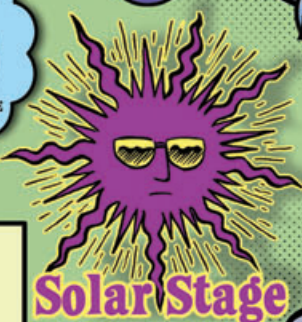
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HEY, BLINK-
WITH SO MUCH
TO DO HERE,
WHAD'YA WANNA
DO NEXT?

EVERY
THING!



Treat everyone
with Love and
Respect



"Travel Light, Leave No



Lend a Hand,
Be the Change!



Goodale St

Map Key

- ATM
- Bars
- Food
- Merch-in-Teer
- Street Fair
- Toilets
- Water
- Wine



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Jor de Canela

Blink & Sam © Max Ink
Rainbophant © Flor de Canela

"Unity Dancers" inspired by
Laura Bova's design

"The basic necessities of Life are a Right,
not a Privilege." -ComFest Statement of Pricipals



ComFest
Fun Map 2018

This Program Guide is brought to you in living color for easier navigation around the map and entertainment, workshop and speaker schedules.

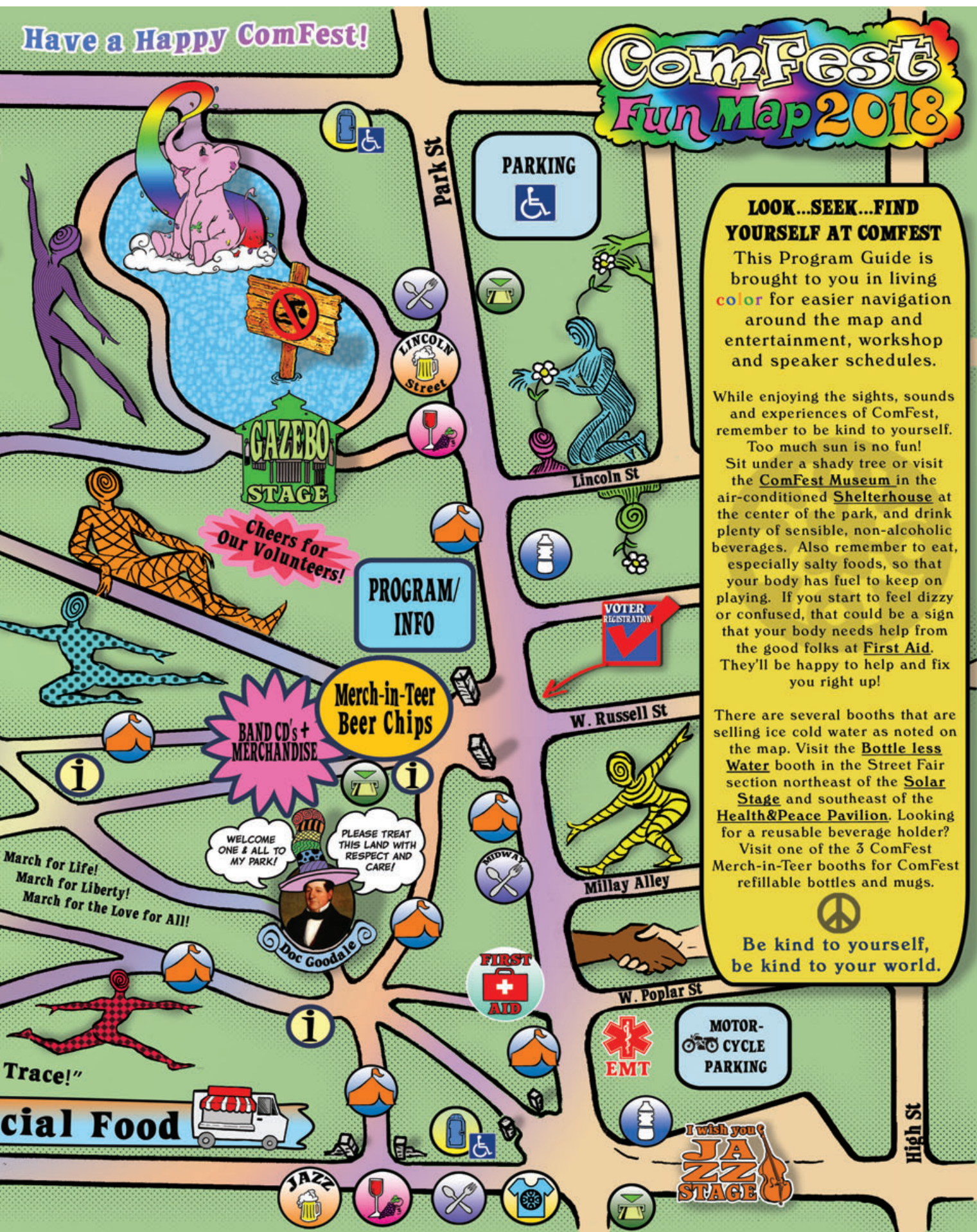
Too much sun is no fun!

Sit under a shady tree or visit the ComFest Museum in the air-conditioned Shelterhouse at the center of the park, and drink plenty of sensible, non-alcoholic beverages. Also remember to eat, especially salty foods, so that your body has fuel to keep on playing. If you start to feel dizzy or confused, that could be a sign that your body needs help from the good folks at First Aid. They'll be happy to help and fix you right up!

There are several booths that are selling ice cold water as noted on the map. Visit the Bottle less Water booth in the Street Fair section northeast of the Solar Stage and southeast of the Health&Peace Pavilion. Looking for a reusable beverage holder?

Visit one of the 3 ComFest Merch-in-Teer booths for ComFest refillable bottles and mugs.

Be kind to yourself,
be kind to your world.



FRIDAY JUNE 22

BOZO

Wednesday Wine
Women Who Wrock!
 NOON

The Coffee House Rebels
Passion Filled Music
 12:55 PM

Scott Gorsuch
Seize The Debauchery
 1:50 PM

Urban Tropic
Indie Rock Folk
 2:50 PM

 **Social Action Song Set**
Inspired Political Action
 3:45 PM

Clemens & Co.
Blues Soul Rock
 4:30 PM

Booty&thekidd
Hip-hop Jazz Collective
 5:30 PM

Zoo Trippin'
Party Blues-rock Funk-hop
 6:30 PM

Doc Robinson
Backyard BBQ Breakup Music
 7:35 PM

Lungu Vybz
Youth Reggae Band
 8:45 PM

The Worn Flints
Rock Psych Blues
 9:55 PM

GAZEBO

Matt Steidle & "That's the Breaks"
Dance Funk & Dance
 NOON

PhAMILY BAND
Hybrid Jam Rock
 1 PM

Bob Ras
Roots Rock Reggae
 2 PM

The Pink Flamingos
Melodious Punk Rock
 3 PM

ANDICUS
Progressive Folk Rock
 4 PM

 **SPEAKER - Rhiannon Childs**
Planned Parenthood
 5 PM

Dave Buker & The Historians
Americana
 5:35 PM

Knot Brothers
You'll Like Us
 6:35 PM

Conscious Pilot
Psychedelic Rock Music
 7:35 PM

Electric Orange Peel
Progressive Funk Rock
 8:40 PM

The Quasi Kings
Roots Rock Reggae
 9:50 PM

OFF RAMP

The Cartographers
Indie Rock Band
 NOON

META CHROMA / Dark Wave
 12:40 PM

Jupiter Gray
Fun Real & Dope
 1:20 PM

Into The Briar Patch / Heavy Evil Rock
 1:35 PM

Eradicate
Throwback Thrash Attack
 2:15 PM

Peradam
Atmospheric Doom Metal
 2:55 PM

Deprecator
Columbus Thrash Metal
 3:40 PM

 **SPEAKER - Johnny Cannabis**
 4:25 PM

The Original Soundtrack
Blues Rock Soul
 4:55 PM

Gold From Grief
Double-stop Foot-stompin' Rock
 5:40 PM

The Damn Thing
Haunting Hard Rock
 6:30 PM

The 3rd Power
Supa Soul Music
 7:20 PM

Flight Brothers (Lambo VanGogh & King Ezz)
Fun Energetic Experience
 8 PM

Embers of Arson
Folksy Rock Group
 8:50 PM

Dom Deshawn
After Hourz
 9:35 PM

Sarob
Hip-hop Neo-soul R&B
 10:25 PM

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 SPEAKER DETAILS
 BE A PART OF THE
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FRIDAY JUNE 22

JAZZ

Book Lites

Young Fluid Diverse
NOON

Meghna & The Josh Hindmarsh Band

Stirs The Soul
12:55 PM

Positive Energy

Positive Funky Jazz
1:50 PM

SPEAKER - Rev. Susan K. Smith

Ohio Poor People's Campaign
2:45 PM

Wade & The Mojo Blues

True Blues Band
3:30 PM

Don Norman Jazz Band

Old Skool Blues
4:30 PM

New Basics Brass Band

Sousaphone - Powered Party Music
5:30 PM

Lil' Red, The Rooster & Columbus International Blues Travelers

Rockin' Soulful Trashabilly
6:30 PM

Sean Carney

Old School Blues
7:30 PM

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Jazz Funk Fusion
8:35 PM

Chicken Hawk Birdgetters

The Jazz Offensive
9:40 PM

LIVE ARTS

Opening Drum Circle

NOON

La Belle Musette

French Cafe Musique
12:50 PM

Shimmy Mob Team Columbus 2018

Charity Belly Dance
1:25 PM

Girlz Rhythm n' Rock Campers

Girlz Rock Out
2:05 PM

LethalFX

Professional Human Beatboxer
2:50 PM

The Flying Squirrels

Fusion Belly Dance
3:30 PM

Westminster-Thurber Drumming Circle

Creative Fun Community
4:10 PM

El Ritmo Flamenco Ensemble

Flamenco Dance Performance
5:00 PM

ExWahoos

Wahoo Must Die!
5:40 PM

Jim Maneri

Jazz Piano Songfoolery
6:25 PM

Dr. Danga Grimaldi Circus

Circus DJ Aerial
7:05 PM

The Speakeasy

ComFest's Longest-running Hip-Hop
7:55 PM

Sex Kitten Purr-lesque

Burlesque Variety Troupe
8:45 PM

Columbus Burlesque Collective

Sexy Sultry Ladies
9:20 PM

ElectroCult Circus

Ecclectic Party Fusion
10 PM

SOLAR

The Children's Music Network

NOON

Workshop: John Carnes Home Mushroom Growing

12:35 PM

Dogwood Road

High-energy Mostly Irish
1:25 PM

Rosewater Well

Acoustic Floral Harmony
2 PM

David Hawkins - Children's Music Workshop

2:35 PM

Intermittent Animals

Space Station Porch
3:45 PM

Bow Echo / Backyard Sticks

Blue Collar Acoustic / Catchy Folk Pop
4:30 PM

Kelly Zullo

Fingerstyle Funk + Singing
5:15 PM

Cannabis Workshop

SDon Wirtshaffer, Saraquoia Bryant, Joe Brumfield
5:50 PM

Round: Sarah Cooperider/Joanie Calem/Dave Hawkins

6:40 PM

Bill Kurzenberger

Americana Keyboardist Singer/Songwriter
7:35 PM

John Zuck Superstar

Electric Bass Symphony
8:10 PM

Admiral Contempt

Classy Edgy Fun
8:45 PM

Tim Easton

Participation Activism Voting
9:20 PM

Tripped Up String Band

Appalachian Jamgrass
10:10 PM

LAST CALL!

Bars and wine booths close at the same time. The closing times are:

Friday: 10:30 p.m.

Saturday: 9:30 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 p.m.

Drink Responsibly

Have a Designated Driver

Keep ComFest Clean And Green

Respect the Party by Respecting the Park

Community Festival is a fantastic party, but every year thousands of pounds of trash are left behind. In 2017, ComFesters generated 12 tons of trash. Festival-goers and Clean-Up and Recycling volunteers worked together to save 6 tons of recyclable materials and compost 2.12 tons of material.

Try to purchase what you can consume so less waste is created, and take home what you can and compost at home.

ComFest shopping bags are for sale at the ComFest Booth. Use them for your ComFest gear and festival purchases. Continue to use them year-round at the grocery store.

Please help us become a zero-waste festival. Increased cleanup demands require more time and volunteers, so please do your part: clean up after yourself and volunteer to help clean up the park. Volunteers of all ages are welcome.

Clean-Up and Recycling In 2018

We plan to use clear stream containers from SWACO. These will replace the cardboard boxes used in the past. The clear stream approach makes it easier to see where recyclables go versus trash. Hopefully this will lead to greater number of recycled materials. Enjoy ComFest more by following a few simple guidelines:

1. LEAVE NO TRACE Treat ComFest as a wilderness and leave nothing behind but your footprints. Use the trash and recycling bins. Pick up after your messy neighbor and your dog (ComFest is barefoot-friendly, after all!). This is the most important contribution you can make. If we each do a little more, no one has to do a lot.

2. VOLUNTEER for a four-hour Clean-Up and Recycling shift. You'll receive a unique T-shirt and chips good for ComFest food and refreshments. Sign up at comfest.com, or go to Volunteer Central or Merch-inTeer booths and they'll point you in the right direction. Volunteers are especially needed for night shifts. Ask about volunteer opportunities for community organizations.

3. DON'T BE A GLASSHOLE Glass containers are never allowed in the park. Broken glass is dangerous. Glass is heavy and adds to cleanup costs. Please don't bring glass into the park.



4. RECYCLE your #1 and #2 plastic beverage containers. Please empty the contents and flatten items if you can. Clearly marked containers are located throughout the park.

5. NO BYOB This is the number one way to reduce tons of trash and recycling. You can make ComFest cleaner and more environmentally friendly by leaving plastic, glass, and aluminum at home. Buy ComFest beverages and support the festival.

6. TELL US if our recycling or trash boxes are full. Clean-Up and Recycling headquarters is north of the Bozo Stage near the Shelter House.

7. RESPECT THE PARK Goodale Park is YOUR park. This 40-acre site is a gift from Dr. Lincoln Goodale, so please treat it gently.

For 46 years, Community Festival has promoted environmental awareness as a part of its celebration. Dedication to recycling and composting has always gone hand-in-hand with cleanup. Please help when and where you can!

Remember: No Planet, No Party!

We Don't Want to See Your Butts

Cigarette butts are the most commonly found man-made waste that originates on land. That butt you carelessly drop on the ground finds its way to our waterways. Please use our Butt Cans located conveniently around the park. Thanks.

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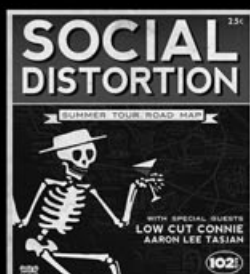
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NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



JUNE 26
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



JUNE 27
EXPRESS LIVE!



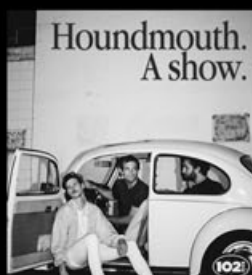
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NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



JUNE 28
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



JULY 11
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



JULY 11
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



JULY 13
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



JULY 14
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



JULY 23
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



JULY 25
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



JULY 27
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



AUGUST 3
EXPRESS LIVE!



AUGUST 7
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



AUGUST 8
EXPRESS LIVE! OUTDOOR



AUGUST 9
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



SEPTEMBER 7
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



SEPTEMBER 9
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



OCTOBER 14
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL



NOVEMBER 2
NEWPORT MUSIC HALL

SATURDAY JUNE 23

BOZO

Trachete
Lady Grunge Rock
Noon

Maza Blska
Far Away Places
1 PM

All Star Jammerz
High Energy Reggae
2 PM

 **ComFest Awards Ceremony**
Honorees and Grant Recipients
3:05 PM

New Pollution
Funk du Jour
4 PM

Darrio Lamont
Nationally Credited Artist
5 PM

Trek Manifest
Hip Hop Artist
5:45 PM

Willie Phoenix & The Soul Underground
Rock and Roll
6:35 PM

The Deeptones
Deep Soulful Funk
7:45 PM

Parker Louis
Color + Groove
8:55 PM

GAZEBO

Cathy Wicks & The Catbirds
Soul-driven Love Rock
Noon


The Devil Doves
Clusterfolk
12:50 PM

Bob Sauls
Down Home Blues
1:45 PM

Chittenden Hotel
Dylanesque and Funky
2:40 PM

Donna Mogavero Band
Acoustic Singer Songwriter
3:30 PM

Barry Chern & Co.
Avant Deep Roots
4:30 PM

 **Speaker**
Rubén Castilla Herrera
5:30 PM

Gathering Stars
Guitars Keys Harmony
6PM

Bloodthirsty Virgins
Cinematic Torch Rock
7 PM

Erika Hughes & The Well Mannered
Boot Stompin' Americana
8 PM

Megan Palmer
Cinematic Torch Rock
9 PM

OFF RAMP

2d6
Hyperactive Nerdy Hip-Hop
Noon

Breetherapper
Good Vibes Only
12:40 PM

OG Vern
High Energy Raps
1:20 PM

 **Speaker - Briden Cole Schueren**
Trans Experience
1:50 PM

Pistil
Heavy Psychedelic Rock
2:20PM

Reflex Machine
Noisy Sludge Rock
3:05 PM

Bridesmaid
Drum and Bass
3:55 PM

Brujas del Sol
Proggy Space Rock
4:45 PM

Hot Wet Trash
Hilltop Soul Party
5:40 PM

Greg Owens
An Eclectic Soul
6:35 PM

Weezee
Singer Songwriter Activist
7:20 PM

Nightbeast
Them Nasty Boys
7:55 PM

Cadaver Dogs
Cadaver Fucking Dogs
8:45 PM



Photo by: Ian C. Powell

**Remember, it's everybody's
job to maintain the
mellow!**

SATURDAY JUNE 23

JAZZ

John's Jazz Trio
New Orleans Piano
NOON

Kelly McLennan & a Coterie of Melodymakers
Vocals Horns Rhythm
1 PM

Circus of Cool
Poetry & Jazz Dig?
2 PM



Speaker
Harley Blakeman
2:55 PM

Funk Worthy
Energetic Charismatic Funky
3:25 PM

Jen Miller & Friends
Jazz Blues Songbird
4:25 PM

Soul Eyz - The Michael Kahn Quartet
Sizzlin' Soul Jazz
5:30 PM

Blue Spectrum
Unexpected Musical Giftedness
6:30 PM

Descendre
Electric Jazz Fusion
7:40 PM

Jim Maneri's Flypaper
EDM Jazz Circus
8:50 PM

LIVE ARTS

Columbus KTC Buddist Meditation Center
Prayer for Compassion
11 AM

The Sizzler
Hip Hop Fitness
11:50

Tropical Enchantment
Polynesian Dance Troupe
12:25 PM

Brechtfest!
Brecht For Lovers
1:05 PM

Tai Chi w/music by Paul Brown
Meditation Movement Music
1:40 PM

Super Spanda/The Last Giraffe
Eclectic Ecstatic Trippy
2:15 PM

Mahana Productions
Polynesian Dancers
2:50 PM

Sacred Music LLC
New Age World Indian Music
3:30 PM

Underdog Academy
Spoken Word Activists
4:10 PM

Sacred Shimmy Tribal Bellydance
Tribal Bellydance Extravaganza
5 PM

Hugs and Kisses
Catchy Tragic Fun
5:45 PM

Doctah X
Dubmaster In Action
6:35 PM

Mas Bagua
Neighbor of the Beast
7:30 PM

Spirit Drummers & Pat Funderburg's Afro-Rhythms
Afrocentric and World-beat
8:20 PM

Dance and Drum Circle
Come Play Together
9 PM

SOLAR

Terry C. Keller
Rock Roots Blues
11 AM

Vincent Trocchia
Soulful Acoustic Singer/Songwriter
11:40 AM

Workshop: Bronzeville Growers Market
12:25 PM

Round: Mark See/Bec Selvious/John Mullen
1:25 PM

Workshop: March for Our Lives
2:20 PM

Workshop: Community Refugee Immigration Services
3:20 PM

Round: Molly Winters/Paul Painter/Eric Ahlteen
4:20 PM

Workshop: Lady Parts Justice League
Vagical Mystery Tour
5:15 PM

Workshop: People's Justice Project
Voices of the Unheard
6:15 PM

Fox n' Hounds
A Bluegrass Malestorm
7:15 PM

Round: Tommy Lee/John Schnabel/Sheri Dean
8:05 PM

Folquinox
Folk Rock Fusion
9:05 PM

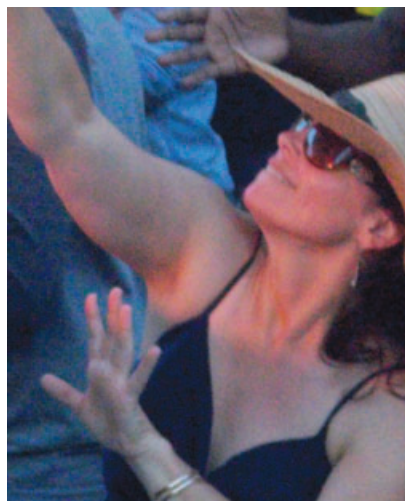


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Merch-In-Teer

Happy ComFest, ComFesters!

Looking for ComFest souvenirs or general festival information? You can find both at the MERCH-IN-TEER booths.

The Merchandise Booth has been renamed Merch-in-teer and expanded to three locations. Here ComFest volunteers will sell merchandise, dispense information, and recruit volunteers.

This year's merchandise offers a few surprises: several items are created from old ComFest t-shirts and koozies. And vintage volunteer T-shirts from previous festivals are now available. Want to modify a t-shirt on the spot? The Merch-in-teer booth near the Live Arts Stage has a t-shirt modification station coordinated by Women Crafting Change. For \$5 you can modify any t-shirt into your own style. ComFest Volunteer white chips can be used for merchandise at the value of \$4 each.

All three Merch-in-teer booths will sell souvenirs with the Community Festival's Hopewell symbol logo and try to answer any festival questions. Beer chips will also be sold ONLY at the main Merch-in-teer booth just inside the Park's main gate at Russell and Park Streets.

Decorating each Merch-in-teer booth will be a ComFest

t-shirt quilt made by Women Crafting Change. You can purchase these quilts, with pick-up on Sunday. Interested in having a quilt made from your own volunteer t-shirts?

Stop by Merch-in-teer booths to learn more. ComFest and Women Crafting Change are developing a program that allows your quilt to benefit the ComFest Grants Program.

As you enjoy ComFest, you can help reduce plastic bottle waste. Purchase a ComFest water bottle or mug; you can fill it for a small fee at water stations around the site, including the Simply

Living booth near Peace Village. These stations will fill any beverage holder with water, including ComFest beer mugs.

Remember a portion of your purchase of beer, wine, souvenirs, merchandise, or food from our vendors comes back to Community Festival and funds grants to community organizations.

It's never too late to volunteer for ComFest this year. Sign up at Volunteer Central (north end of shelter house) or stop by a Merch-in-teer tent.

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NOON

Dougie Simpson & The Faith Band
Reggae Music Mon
1 PM

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Energetic Exciting Engaging
2 PM

 **SPEAKER-**
Kwodwo Ababio - Linden Neighborhood
3 PM

BHB & The Hip Hop Community
Hip Hop Culture
3:40 PM

The Late Crew
Funky Good Time
4:40 PM

Jae Esquire & the Last Outside Generation
Hip Hop Lives
5:45 PM

The Ark Band
Reggae and Calypso
6:50 PM

GAZEBO

The Deuce
Cool Acoustic Duo
11 AM

The Salty Caramels
Americana Nostalgic Rock
11:40 AM

Carole Walker
Love Folk Soul
12:35 PM

The John Turck Trio
Piano Rock Trio
1:30 PM

 **SPEAKER - Travis Irvine**
Ohio Politics with
Travis Irvine & Friends
2:30 PM

BareFuzz
Psychedelic Funk Rock
3 PM

Strange Grain
Deep Track Rock
4 PM

Theo's Loose Hinges
Electric Soulful Eclectic
5 PM

The Apostles
Funky Good Time
6 PM

George Barrie Band
Groovy Rock and Roll
7 PM

OFF RAMP

Yesterday Kids
Alternative Punk Pop
NOON

Highwire Kicks
Alternative Hard Rock
12:45 PM

The Black Antler
Hardcore Thrash Black Metal
1:30 PM

Prize the doubt
2-piece Punk Skrams
2:15 PM

The Turbos
Rock n Roll
3 PM

Stems
Goofy Swingin' Hip-Hop
3:45 PM

 **SPEAKER**
Debra Shade
4:30 PM

Kashis Keyz
The Lyrical Wordsmith
5:10 PM

Kale Da Que
Books Streets Storytelling
5:50 PM

Happy Tooth & Dug
Hip-Hop Indie Rock
6:35 PM

Souther
Garage Soul
7:25 PM

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**Rise Up!
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SUNDAY JUNE 24

JAZZ

Vaughn Wiester
Big Band Jazz
NOON

Rhinestone - Joe Diamond Tribute
1 PM

The Jazz Poetry Ensemble
Political Jazz Poetry
2 PM



SPEAKER

Jen Miller - *Our Vote is Our Voice*
3 PM

Anna & The Consequences
Jazzy Vintage Blues
3:30 PM

The Emily Syring Band
Neo-Soul R&B Funk
4:35 PM

Canta BRASIL
Brazilian Jazz Beat
5:40 PM

Tony Monaco
Hot Jazz Organ
6:45 PM

LIVE ARTS

Three Cranes Grove
Neopagan Druid Grove
9:30 AM

Yoga on High
Ashtanga Yoga Demonstration
11 AM

The Shazzbots
Original Kids' Rock
NOON

The Muppet Mayhem Band
What You Need
1 PM

Mr. Eric's Kid's Music
Build Kids Band
1:50 PM

Dances of Universal Peace
Universal Peace Dance
2:25 PM

OSU Hillel Folkdancers
Fun Dance Peace
3:20 PM

Columbus Contra Dance
Dance Smile Repeat
4:15 PM

Seven Dance Company
Contemporary Dance Company
5:10 PM

Is Said and the Advance Party
Music Dance Poetry
5:50 PM

Poetry Slam
Spoken Word Competition
6:40 PM

SOLAR

Workshop: Prof. Spira, PhD
Mucus-free:
The Original Vegan Diet
11 AM

Workshop: Vegan Connection
11:35 AM

The Goldsberry's
Original Folkgrass Jam
12:30 PM

Workshop: Community Garden
Roundtable
1:05 PM

Round: Katie Davis/Buddy Stanford
Bill Canonico
2 PM

Workshop: Columbus Free Press
2:50 PM

Round: Stevie Cade/Ralph Leesberg/
Jason Turpening
3:45 PM

Workshop: The Sanctuary Movement
Rubén Castilla Herrera
4:35 PM

The Mighty Troubadours
Traditional & Contemporary Bluegrass
5:30 PM

The Wayfarers
Old-time Bluegrass Folk
6:15 PM

Freedom N' Folk Revival
Upbeat Rhythmic Harmonic
7:05 PM

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Libations — Local Brews

This year, ComFest has made our beer selections 100% local. After seeing the growth of local brewers—Four String Brewing Co. and Columbus Brewing Company—we saw an opportunity to take it all local. Both brewers expressed their love of ComFest and embraced the opportunity to be part of our move to 100% local.

We feel this brings more quality craftsmanship to our taps from local brewers. The success of Hilltop Lager and Hilltop Light from Four String opened the door to offer these two local options as an alternative to the previous selections from large domestic brewers. These beers, coupled with IPA, Summerteeth and Thunderlips from Columbus Brewing Company, will provide a wide selection of flavors for attendees.

A special treat for beer lovers is the ComFest Kolsch. It was brewed in limited quantities and it's a collaboration beer with 2 Tones Brewing Company, Sideswipe Brewing and Combustion Brewing. It takes local to a new level. It is brewed using locally sourced and donated malted barley from Rustic Brew Farm in Marysville, Ohio. Dry hopped Kolsch is a light hybrid beer. It's citrusy, crisp and refreshing.

For those who imbibe from the fruits of the vine, we offer some new wines to satisfy your palette—Old Soul Chardonnay and Pinot Grigio. To complement these try a glass of Frances Ford Coppola Pinot Grigio or Rosso Red Blend. The Rosso is made from Zinfandel, Cabernet Sauvignon and Syrah—smooth and not too sweet. All of these choices are available at the Off Ramp and Jazz bars as well as the wine booth on Park Street.

There are currently four festival bars:

Peace Village: Our newest location that premiered in 2017 has expanded this year and now offers both beer and mixed drinks. Located in the northwest area of the park east of the Dennison Avenue parking lot.

Lincoln: Offering beer only. It's the first booth on the north end of Park Street near Lincoln Alley.

Jazz: Offering beer, wine and mixed drinks. Find it at the corner of Park St and Goodale St.

Off Ramp: Offering beer and wine. on Goodale St. next to the Off Ramp Stage.

Remember to have your ID ready. Every bartender will ask to see it and will examine it carefully. All ages are treated the same. No ID means no service, no matter your age.

Remember to drink responsibly and always have a designated driver or take a bus, cab or Uber. We want you to enjoy yourself responsibly so we can see you back at Community Festival next year.

— Libations Committee



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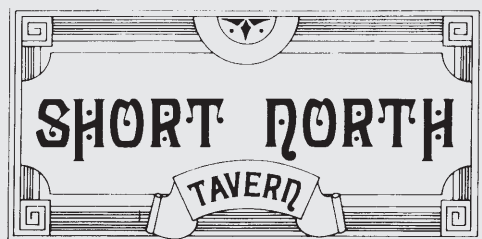
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Kid-Friendly Entertainment

FRIDAY

NOON SOLAR STAGE

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NOON LIVE ARTS

OPENING DRUM CIRCLE

1 PM PEACE AND HEALING

SUPER SING-A-LONG & STORYTELLING

ALL VOICES WELCOME

2 PM PEACE AND HEALING

LYN FORD - STORYTELLER

TELLER OF HOME-FRIED TALES

2:05 PM LIVE ARTS

GIRLZ RHYTHM N' ROCK CAMPERS

YOUNG GIRLZ ROCK OUT

2:35 PM SOLAR STAGE

DAVID HAWKINS - CHILDREN'S MUSIC WORKSHOP

3 PM PEACE AND HEALING

SUPER SING-A-LONG & STORYTELLING

ALL VOICES WELCOME

4:10 PM LIVE ARTS STAGE

OHIO LIVING WESTMINSTER-THURBER DRUMMING CIRCLE

DRUMMING FROM THE YOUNG-AT-HEART

SATURDAY

NOON PEACE AND HEALING

NIA COLUMBUS

1 PM PEACE AND HEALING

FULL CIRCLE PEACE LAUGHTER YOGA

2:50 PM LIVE ARTS

MAHANNA PRODUCTIONS - POLYNESIAN DANCE

SUNDAY

NOON LIVE ARTS

THE SHAZZBOTS

ORIGINAL KIDS' ROCK

1 PM LIVE ARTS

THE MUPPET MAYHEM BAND

OHIO'S PREMIERE MUPPETS TRIBUTE BAND,

1:50 PM LIVE ARTS

MR. ERIC'S KIDS MUSIC

2:30 PM PUPPET PARADE

PUPPETS AND KIDS WILL PARADE FROM KIDSART TO LIVE ARTS AND BACK

KiDSART

KiDSART will be open Saturday and Sunday from noon until 6 PM at the picnic shelter at the far west side of the park near the playground equipment. There are lots of Kid-Friendly options on



Friday as well. This year the tie-dyed T-shirt logo was created by 11 year-old Kama Ramsey. If you are 17 years old or younger and you would like to see your design on next year's KiDSART T-shirt, come to KiDSART and make an entry for next year's competition.

As in previous years, KiDSART will have face painting, T-shirt tie-dyeing, sidewalk chalk, toddler space, recycled artwork, streamer making, painting, and musical instrument making and a scavenger hunt. In addition to all our arts and crafts activities, we will have two full days of performance acts that will include Craig Woodson and his World Orchestra; Flavor'd Flow Dance Studio; Tantalizing Tigers with their hula hoops; Columbus Red Diamonds Drill Team; Sing-a-long with Vanessa Prentice; Karaoke; Storytelling by Michael the Storyteller with a Puppet Show from Edee Malley, Joanie's Sing Along, and Storytelling with Queen Najla.

On Sunday at 2:30 PM Open Heart Creatures will be leading a KID'S PARADE starting at the Live Arts Stage and winding its way to KiDSART and back. Bring your musical instruments and streamers and join in the fun!

Wristbands For Kids

Wristbands are available at KiDSART, Safety Base at the north end of the shelter house, and at entry barricades. It's also a good idea to take a picture of your children when you arrive at ComFest. This will help you give an accurate description of what a child was wearing if s/he becomes lost.

Lost kids are brought by police or Safety volunteers to the Safety Base to wait for their parents.

KiDSART Activities

SATURDAY

NOON

MICHAEL THE STORYTELLER & EDEE MALLEY PUPPETEER

1 PM

KOGURYO

MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY - BLACK TIGERS

2 PM

JOANIE CALEM & ROGER PARISH
STORYTELLING

3 PM

FLAVOR'D FLOW STUDIO
KIDS' BREAKDANCING

4 PM

VANESSA PRENTICE
SING-ALONG

5 PM

TANTALIZING TIGERS
HULA HOOP INSTRUCTION



Photo by: Michael Weber

SUNDAY

NOON

GREG WOODSON WORLD ORCHESTRA
MUSICAL INSTRUMENT MAKING

3:30 PM

COLUMBUS RED DIAMONDS
DRILL TEAM DANCE

4:30 PM

TANTALIZING TIGERS
HULA HOOP INSTRUCTION

5:30 PM

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Designs must have the dates June 28, 29, & 30, 2019 and the name "Community Festival" and must incorporate the Hopewell symbol into the logo. Images need to be camera ready and one color image (no grayscale). After the first of next year, go to comfest.com and look for the logo contest link for more details.

2019 Logo Contest

Thursday, March 14, 2019, 7:30 PM

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ComFest Logo Design: This year's logo design was created by Laura Bova. We congratulate her and all the talented artists who entered.

Street Fair

The 2018 Community Festival Street Fair reflects the diverse community we are. Here you will find handmade items, unique art, and wares from around the world. You can learn more about a multitude of community organizations passionate about the work they do to make the community vibrant and how YOU can help. There's tasty food from local folks as well as traditional "fair food" on the midway (aka Goodale Street when it's not ComFest time). Your patronage of these local artists, businesses, and organizations is vital to keeping the festival going year after year.

The Street Fair's many paths lead from food to art, from live performance to social change. Stop by the community organizations for information about how you can make our city and our world a better place. Browse vendors' booths to find things that literally can be found nowhere else. Snack your way through the community and commercial food vendors for a cornucopia of great eats.

One of the most popular vendors for the last few years is Red Giraffe Designs. This is a great example of a local artist (Kate Stevens) starting out at craft shows and making it big. Ask about the three—soon to be four—

local shops selling her unique jewelry and consider buying something while you're there. You can find RGD in the park, between the statue and the midway. They are our Blue Ribbon Vendor for 2018!

Producing this Street Fair requires dozens of volunteers who begin months in advance and then pound the pavement nonstop for four days. (Yes, we start before the festival begins and sometimes that pavement pounding is quite literal.) Look for us this year in berry-colored T-shirts, tiaras, and goofy hats; we are always happy to help you find what you're looking for. From fashion and jewelry to your favorite community organization or stage, herbal iced tea to gluten free snacks and deep fried cheese on a stick, there is a LOT to see, do, and eat along the Street Fair.

You may also want to consider being a part of the ComFest Team. Stop by the volunteer booth now at

the north end of the shelter house and VOLUNTEER!

And while you're enjoying the festival, please watch out for the children. They're our future and they're welcome here. You'll see mine helping as they are now in their 20's and have not missed a festival since the year they were born. And please, do your pets a favor and leave them at home.

— Joan Couden



Sculptures at ComFest

Moby's Back! Bryan Loar and the Eco Library Mobile Unit return to ComFest, promoting the joys and comforts of reading, writing and storytelling. Follow the twinkling lights to the Lit Spot and discover the world of words. Bring your own poems and stories and add them to Moby's shelves. A Community Festival grant helped Columbus Metropolitan Libraries create this interactive experience. A great space for young and old to visit.



The Art of Swinging is a pendulum driven drawing machine that uses people power, gravity and the earth's rotation to make unique art. The installation is created by Columbus Ohio Burners Radical Art Group, aka COBRA. It will be fun to watch "the artist" while it creates, but please don't try to operate it without an assistant there to let you get the pendulum into the swing of things.

— Connie Everett

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HONORED COMFEST VOLUNTEER

Meghan Ralston

"I don't want to be one of the people who just wants to help themselves," Meghan Ralston says, "I want to be the one who helps others."

A Columbus native, Ralston attended her first ComFest as an 18-year-old freelance photographer, working for local bands who hired her to capture images of them as they performed at the festival. Soon, Ralston would become an award-winning photojournalist, an authority on Columbus' diverse music scene, and a standout ComFest volunteer who is helping to shape the future of the festival.

"I just kind of wandered into it by accident," Ralston says. She began volunteering at the band merch booth, but she was also curious about the how the entertainment schedule was determined. This led her to volunteer with the Entertainment Committee, of which she is now a co-head and the Off-Ramp Stage manager. "It's a very visible presence at the festival, and the ability to try to program diverse music that will appeal to a diverse group of people is a challenge that I enjoy," she says.

She quickly gained recognition for her work ethic and enthusiasm. Darryl Mendelson, longtime festival organizer says, "The first time I met Meghan was when she joined the Entertainment Committee. Her impact there was tremendous." Mendelson continues, "She has made the Off-Ramp stage relevant and has brought in a lot of new, young diversity."

Ralston has a passion for ensuring that ComFest's Entertainment Committee showcases talent that truly reflects the community in which we live. In the past four years, the festival has offered more hip-hop entertainers than ever, including the late rapper Sheron "Nes Words" Colbert, who electrified the Off-Ramp stage last year. "I have never been so happy to give someone two more

minutes on stage," Ralston reflects, "because it was his last performance."

Ralston also serves on the Sprit and Purpose Committee, where she organizes photographers and videographers as well as coordinating content for workshops. "To me, it's kind of the heartbeat of the whole festival," she says. Making a concerted effort to offer programs to train social justice activists and teaching people how to practice self-care is an integral part of ComFest.

"I see Spirit and Purpose as being who we are and Grants as what we do," Ralston says. Every year, ComFest's Grants Committee donates thousands of dollars to community organizations. There is a wide variety of organizations and projects that align with ComFest's principles. Ralston has served on the committee for the past three years and helped to modernize the grant application process, making it completely paperless. She continues, "The ability to put any funding towards those projects and the ability to help them in any possible way is the biggest payoff."

The modernization and design of ComFest's web page was also managed by Ralston. Jerod Keron, who volunteers with Ralston on the Technology Committee says, "She overcomes obstacles, gets things done, and has been an intricate part of many of the positive changes within the Community Festival organization."

Ralston has made a deep impact with her energy and mentorship. Longtime festival organizer Lu Brammer says, "You can always find Meghan providing assistance to most anyone. She seamlessly steps into supporting roles for most every committee." She continues, "To sum up Meghan: she is one dependable, fair, empathic, intelligent and delightful being."

— Shanna Harr



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Carrie Antosz

One of our 2018 honorees is a businessperson who owns and operates her own accounting firm in Baltimore, Maryland, where she lives. Yes, Maryland. While that kind of long-distance volunteerism is rare, it's not the only remarkable aspect to Carrie Antosz of the Libations Committee.

Carrie first became involved in ComFest in the 1980's when she lived in Columbus. Her brother, Tom McGuire, was one of the Beer Committee organizers, so she also volunteered. "I also came for fun and to see people I see only once a year."

She has lived out of state for many years, but in the early 2000's Carrie returned to Columbus just for "the fun of serving" at the Lincoln Street bar. She began assisting John Gurney, who "passed the baton of the day-to-day operations of the Lincoln Bar to me."

The transition was smooth for all concerned, Carrie reports. "Because [my brother] Tom was going to retire after 30 years, he worked closely with [Libations Committee chair] Kevin Brammer for more than two years preparing to pass along the leadership role."

"Carrie has been part of the Libation Committee for more than 20 years," Kevin said. "She has done almost every job there is—bartender, cashier, supervisor, count room, mug runner."

"She is the most calm, levelheaded person you could hope for in a volunteer," he adds. "She could have left ComFest when her brother did. She didn't. She loves the festival so much she kept coming back."

Carrie's role as supervisor of a ComFest bar demands organization and judgment. Often, her responsibilities include dealing with people who have partied a bit too much, sometimes to the point that special-duty police become involved.

"We keep the situation calm and respectful of everyone," says Carrie. "I have found that often someone is just having a bad moment, and that a calm, understanding person in charge can help them decide that it may be better to get food or a ride home."

She adds, "The goal is for everyone to enjoy ComFest and stay safe."

"She's collected and consistent," John Gurney says of Carrie, noting that she participates in committee meetings throughout the year via Skype.

Carrie appreciates that the festival has remained committed to its founding Principles and addresses political issues that continue to exist today.

Her own professional work involves non-for-profit groups and labor unions, and she notes how unions reflect the spirit of focused collective action that drives ComFest. Its cooperative, collective spirit demands teamwork that opens her to new ways of performing the basic operations and employing people's specific skills for certain tasks.

It's work, to be sure, but there are perks.

"Who else gets to volunteer and hear live, local music as you work?" she notes.

Carrie's long-term, long-distance commitment to ComFest makes us proud to recognize her as a 2018 Honored Volunteer.



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CORVA watermelon: Watermelon cubes

Go Bananas: Chocolate covered bananas

Park St. Midway Food

Firdous: Middle Eastern food

Whole World: Broccoli burger, veggie pizza

Gilligans: Chicken & veggie stir fry

Nida Sushi: Phad thai, sushi

Queen's Table: Fishboat, sandwich

Flavors of India: Chicken tikka, lamb curry, veggie platter

Free Clinic: Sun-brewed iced tea

Global Gallery Coffee Shop: Corn on the cob, Tibetan momos

Bubble Tea: Yummy beverages

The Jamaican Club: Jamaican food

Wellness Forum: Vegetarian cuisine

Lavash Cafe: Middle Eastern Food

Franklin Ave. Neighbors **WATER** — refill your water bottle: here

Park & Goodale

Columbus Coalition for the Homeless: **WATER**

Icee Rainbows: Italian ice

J-Pops: Gourmet popicles



Photo By: Ying Chien



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Bozo Food

Ribman: Barbeque

Tortilla: Mexican delights

Jeni's Ice Cream: Ice cream

Short North Bagels & Deli: Deli Sandwiches

Mikey's Late Night Slice: Pizza

Four Winds: Native American food

Bubble Tea: Yummy beverages

Aloha Ice: Flavored shaved ice

Patty Cake Bakery: Gluten-free baked goodies

Kensler Lemonade

Ecole Kenwood PTA: **WATER** — refill your water bottle here



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PeaceVillage Food

The Smoothie Bike: Bike powered smoothies

Love Bug: Gourmet daily menu

Paddy Wagon: Burgers, snacks and so much more

Island Noodles: Noodles and more noodles

2 Fat Indians: Indian Food

Naturally Yummy Baking & Catering: Baked goodies

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Near Live Arts Stage

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IN MEMORIAM

The last year has taken a heavy toll on several of the volunteers, activists and entertainers who gave their passion, talent and vision to make their mark on ComFest and the wider Columbus community. The following have left us but their memories will remain to sustain us as we head into another year. We remember and honor those who have made our community a better place through their talents and giving spirit.



John Vogel was around in the early days of ComFest when Community Festival was a small street festival at 16th and Waldeck Avenues.

More recently he volunteered with the Archives Committee and helped develop the ComFest Museum.

John worked closely with Jodi Kushins accumulating and sorting pieces of ComFest history. "Through our work together on the archives, John and I really got to know one another. We would sit around for hours listening to old records while reading through old campus area newsletters, campaign posters, photos, and ComFest programs. John was proud of the work we did together and with festival founders and long-time organizers," Jodi recalled.

Known as "Wahl" by many, John graduated from Ohio State University and was past president of the Columbus Landscape Association. He was a skilled and knowledgeable landscape horticulturist who loved soulful music, delicious food and big stories.



Tom Harker, better known as "UkuleleMan" was an activist entertainer whose wit and way with words brought smiles

to people's faces while delivering political messages. Tom was a regular performer at ComFest, wearing colorful Hawaiian shirts while skilfully strumming his ukulele.

Tom brought his political opinions to the printed pages of numerous letters to the editor and guest columns. Tom always believed that individual action could make the world a little less crazy and a better place for all.

Tom studied English and Psychology at Ohio State and then was an educator for thirty-one years. While teaching in Circleville, Ohio he led the teachers union and stood up for both teachers and student rights.

Tom's voice and music live on in his CD's of original music, YouTube videos and two books of music and poetry.



Margaret "Peg" Stansbery was honored as an activist by ComFest along with her husband Les. They were tireless in their activism and their

lifelong dedication to peace and justice. She was one who definitely practiced thinking globally while acting locally.

Peg loved her teaching career dedicating twenty-seven years in the Columbus City School District. She took pride as an educator as well as being a union member.

Peg and Les met in Geneva while attending The Ecumenical Institute.

Her deep faith helped direct her lifelong commitment to work for justice for oppressed people. It also led to 60 years of marriage to Les.

Peg's work promoting education is carried on through an endowment fund in her memory through The Community Organizing Center, 1001 Bryden Rd., Columbus, Ohio 43205-1821.



Mary Beittel was another half of a dynamis activist team honored as community activists by ComFest. Mary, with her husband Kent, were

dedicated to improving the lives of some of Columbus' most vulnerable individuals. For over three decades she and Kent founded and managed the Open Shelter in its various locations. Mary gave her insight, wisdom, resources and respect through her compassionate work with and for our homeless citizens.

Faith was an important element of Mary's life. In a Sunny 95 interview Mary said: "I do what I do because it is who I am." "My faith sustains me and the generosity of the community makes our work possible." She was involved with the Broad Street United Methodist Church where she served as treasurer for a number of years.

IN MEMORIAM



Don Voss

Candy Watkins fondly remembers Don Voss as a lifelong friend and “an adventurer all his life. Anyone who knew him

also knew he was a ferocious defender of the environment.” Don served on the Board of Northend Community Center Corporation – the organization that gave birth to Community Festival. He worked hard on the Northend recycling efforts.

Don’s affection for the environment led him to Florida where he gained a master Captain’s license. He chartered boats, accumulated scuba diving hours and became a Master Diver.

In 2001 Voss founded a group of divers who worked to remove trash from waterways.

Don’s last visit to ComFest was just a few years ago. He had a wonderful time visiting and sharing the tales of his work and experiences.

Bob Weld staffed the Dennison parking lot each day all day during ComFest and did a great job.\

Bob’s passionate activism was his fuel. He worked for Ohio Citizen Action for nine years and volunteered with the Democratic Party through many election cycles. For the last ten years he worked in the south end of Columbus as a grassroots coordinator for the Get Out The Vote efforts.

Bob put his signature on many petitions that sought to call out the onerous actions of the Ohio legislature.

Allen Ahrens was a longtime Safety Base volunteer at ComFest. His most prized possession was the collection of ComFest volunteer T-shirts he had accumulated.

Allen was a lover of history and good food. He attended over 100 Grateful Dead concerts and was known to enjoy singing and karaoke.

Allen’s friends knew him as a gentle, sweet, kind and genuine friend loved by many. The last few years were a challenge for Allen. No matter how he felt, it was his goal to make it to ComFest.

After he lost his battle with cancer friends said “a mighty oak has fallen.”

Tom Grace was a volunteer at ComFest First Aid. He was a Registered Nurse and retired from Twin Valley Behavioral Center. Tom was an Army veteran who served during the Vietnam War.

Tom was a healing force at the First Aid booth. He was both knowledgeable and compassionate. He will be missed.



Sheron “Nes Wordz” Colbert

“Nes Wordz” was an educator and a premier hip-hop and rap artist in Columbus who passed away 4 days after his final

performance as headliner Saturday night at the Off Ramp Stage last year. For the past few years, Nes had been performing at the festival, headlining Saturday night on the Bozo Stage in 2016. What most don’t know about were his quieter contributions to the festival – like in the Entertainment Committee where he helped with selection of rap and hip-hop

performers for multiple years, or the time he and Dominique Larue cleaned up an entire stage by themselves in 2015.

Dressed in all white, surrounded by his friends and fellow artists on stage all dressed in black, Nes almost glowed as he worked Off-Ramp, his powerful performance engaged the crowd. They sang his lyrics back to him as Nes, friends, and crowd moved as one, as the stage itself bounced and bowed in his presence. When he came off stage, Nes looked satisfied, proud, and accomplished. “He gave me a big, sweaty hug, and we told each other how happy we were that the other was there. It was the normal love-fest that I had come to expect from him,” said Off Ramp Stage Head Meghan Ralston, “I’ll miss that most of all.”

Mike Parks was one of Columbus’s premier guitarists. His contributions to great music in Columbus date back to the 1960s. He played with lots of local bands including Willie Phoenix in the 1990s, Shakedown and The Godz. More recently his guitar licks could be heard playing with The League Bowlers. His great spirit, talent and smile will be missed.

“Peace General” Bruce Duncan was a longtime volunteer with the ComFest Archives Committee. He was at ComFest every year shooting video. He was a tireless activist who forged his own path and followed his convictions. “He was strongly dedicated to fighting injustice and for a world of peace,” recalled Robb Ebright. Bruce used to say he wanted to “inspire people and wage peace at war’s pace.”

Valet Bike Parking

The bike corral has grown through the years. Here are a couple of ways you can help make it even greater this year:

Ride your bike to ComFest. Riding your bike not only allows you to do good things for the environment and your health, but you will likely get in and out of the festival quickly, park closer, and walk less.

Contrary to popular belief, riding a bike to ComFest is the smart thing to do on days you feel lazy. Bring it to the bike corral where a group of lovely volunteers will protect it for you.

Volunteer in the bike corral during a closing shift. Stop by the bike corral or Volunteer Central to see if we have open shifts

Experienced bike corral volunteers can stop and help anytime you see a line. We can't give you volunteer perks for these random acts of kindness, but your efforts will be appreciated.

Let others know about the bike corral!

— Bike Corral Team



Photo By Rachael Barbash

Respecting Goodale Park

- Being at ComFest means being responsible—for yourself, the welfare of others, and the park itself. City parks are community resources, so don't hurt the park or make work for others in your quest for a good time.
- If you see trash, PICK IT UP! Yes, even if it's not YOUR trash!
- If a weather emergency requires shutting things down, please LEAVE THE PARK when asked.
- Treat the grounds gently. Turning wet areas into grass slides destroys the park. It destroys something that belongs to all of us and costs ComFest money to repair your damage.
- Carry out everything you bring in.
- Walk your bike or check it at the bike corral.
- Most of all, treat everyone with respect and love.
- Want to volunteer? Volunteer Central is at the north end of the Statehouse. Stop by to see how you can pitch in. Besides getting a cool t-shirt and tokens good for food and beverages, YOU will have made a contribution to ComFest's success and survival.

— Candy Watkins

Parking Info

Don't park up the neighborhood!

Remember that city parking regulations are fully enforced during ComFest. Don't spoil your ComFest experience by parking in a place from which you will be towed.

There are ample parking lots and garages south of Goodale Park in the Arena District.

Allow extra time to find parking spaces. Respect the neighborhood. We are all visitors during ComFest.

Don't park in the lot at Neil and Buttles or you will be towed!

BIKE PARKING

Another choice is to ride a bicycle and park it at the Bike Corral at Buttles and Dennison.



RIDE A COTA BUS

The following bus lines will get you to ComFest: #1, #2, #4, #5, #8, Night Owl (Fri. & Sat. evenings). and CBUS.

HANDICAPPED PARKING



Left curb only on
Dennison: marked
spaces south of Buttles.
Park Street at Buttles: first eight
spaces on the southeast corner.
All regular marked handicapped
spaces on surrounding streets.

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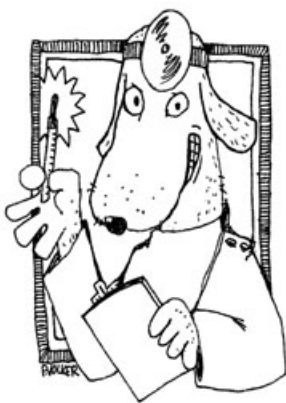
Relieve Dog Stress — Leave Them At Home

You may think your best friend likes outdoor festivals as much as you do. In reality, these are potentially hazardous to your dog, you, other festival-goers, and their dogs. Large events raise a dog's stress level and can make it unhappy and more likely to act in ways that can be unpleasant to others (while you're relaxing).

1. **NOISE.** Your dog's hearing is perhaps 10 times more sensitive than yours. Even if you aren't right in front of a live stage speaker, overall volume level, sound reverberation and sheer quantity of constant noise coming from all directions is potentially damaging to your dog's sensitive hearing. Guitar shredding can shred your dog's hearing.

2. **HEAT AND FATIGUE.** When was the last time you went to a summer concert in a fur coat? Even when water and shade are available, heat can quickly dehydrate dogs and cause life-threatening heat stroke. Taking a long walk around the neighborhood is one thing. Walking for hours on hot pavement or even grass is exhausting for a dog.

3. **CROWDS.** Being in a crowd makes a dog confused or anxious, so even the best-behaved dogs stress out in crowds. Aside from crowded conditions and sensory overload, a lot is going on at knee level that you may not see, such as a toddler reaching to pet the dog's face. "But my dog would never bite..." may be true in ordinary calm situations, but a crowded event creates unpredictable conditions and serious risks.



4. **BITING.** All dog bites are required by law to be reported to the authorities. If your dog bites someone at ComFest and it does not have a current rabies vaccination tag and papers, it must be quarantined (confined) and observed for 10 days, even if it is a healthy dog. Also, there is little to stop your dog from catching a disease from another dog at ComFest. Be sure your dog is up to date on all of its vaccinations, especially rabies.

5. **FOOD DANGERS.** The ground is one big chow bowl to a dog. Peppery foods, sugary foods and onions are just part of the buffet only a few inches away from that big wet nose. Your dog could develop pancreatitis. Often a direct result of such "dietary indiscretions," it can range from milder symptoms demanding care by a vet to severe and life-threatening problems requiring hospitalization, possible surgery, and hundreds of dollars of expense (your guilt aside).

6. **GETTING LOST.** Lost pets risk never being returned to their owners or, worse, being hit by a car. Be sure your dog is wearing some form of identification at all times.

Why would you bring your dog here? Taking your dog to any large outdoor event is an ego trip at your dog's expense. The only benefit to your dog is that Fido doesn't have to pick up your poop. Do your best friend a big favor: don't take your dog to ComFest or other crowded public events.

— Paul Volker, with Dr. Theresa Burke, DVM,
Creature Comforts Animal Clinic

ComFest Comedy Club - LOL

ComFest loves comedy! The 2018 lineup of sketch comedy and stand up comics include: Troy Hammond, Peter Brieck, Wonder Doug, Georgia Barnes, Leslie Battle, Lisa Berry, Jeff Burgstrom, Dave Burkey, RJ Creamer, Pat Deering, Bobbie Dodds, Gilli, Chris Fenner, Nick Glaser, Carlin Haggerty, Angie Healey, Cecil Heyman, Travis Irvine, Dan Loper, Ian Miller, Tom Plute, Jameson Rogers, Gary Sherriff, Sean Somerville, Olivia Smith, Garret Snipes, Cortney Taylor, Carlos Teel, Walta Yoseph

Friday night Peace and Healing Tent hosts It's All Been Done Radio Hour 7:30PM and FakeBacon Improv 8:30PM.

Laughter is the best medicine, so come laugh til your sides hurt! ComFest Comedy Club showcases the funniest local and nationally-touring comedians from the Columbus area. Come to Peace Village Friday 9:30 & Saturday 8:30PM to get your laughs on!

— Connie Everett

First Aid

Sunburned? Dehydrated? Twisted ankle while dancing? These are among the common complaints seen at the First Aid Stations. We have nurses, EMTs, doctors, former army medics, teachers, Eagle Scouts, lifeguards, health care providers and other volunteers to handle most needs and to assess when more treatment is needed from the Columbus Division of Fire Medic unit we have for each of our two stations.

To better serve Community Festival's crowds, First Aid has operated two stations since 2009. The Main Station is in the center of the park, next to the Cleanup & Recycling HQ, and will operate from 9 AM to midnight all 3 days. Station Two is just inside the park, across from the intersection of Park & Poplar Streets, and will operate on Friday from Noon-11 PM, and from 12-9 PM Saturday and Sunday.

ComFest First Aid commends the Columbus Division of Fire EMS Medics of the Columbus Firefighters Union Local #67 IAF for their courteous and professional dedication to duty each day, as well as the medical students who volunteer for the Columbus Free Clinic.

The Columbus Free Clinic provides basic primary health care for the under- and uninsured of Columbus. Visit columbusfreeclinic.com and click on "How to be seen." Donations to the Clinic are tax-deductible as allowed by the IRS. Please send to: Columbus Free Clinic, Rardin Family Practice Center, 2231 N. High St, Columbus, OH 43201.



The 2018 Community Festival wishes you a safe and healthy time, but always remember: our volunteers and the city's paramedics are here when needed. In recent years we have sponsored free First Aid & CPR training for over 45 organizers and volunteers to improve our ability to provide on-site care

for festival-goers with an insect bite, splinter, cut foot or heat exhaustion.

All volunteers get a 2018 First Aid Tshirt, chips for free food & beverages, (plus more chips at the Volunteer Appreciation Party, Friday evening, September 7, at the Hot Times Festival).

— Bill Finzel

Poetry and Spoken Word

Literary arts offer a change of pace at ComFest. Lyn Ford, Ohio's first storyteller to be nominated for the Governor's Award, will perform at Peace & Healing Friday at 2PM.

Poetry readings in the Peace & Healing Tent's Poetry Corner Saturday afternoon (5:55 PM) feature Betty Bleen, Susann Moeller, Beverly Zeimer, Alexis Rueal, and John Burroughs and Shelley Chernin (Poets with Ukuleles).



Photo by: Meghan Ralston

Following at 7:25PM Jen Knox will give a short fiction reading, and at 7:40PM Story Club Columbus entertains with the oral tradition of storytelling.

Underdog Academy will perform lively spoken word on Live Arts Stage Saturday at 4:10 PM.

Take a break and listen to some of Ohio's finest literary talent!

— Connie Everett



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HEADS UP!

Every visitor to Community Festival is expected to observe public safety laws and event rules listed in the Program Guide.

Visitors to ComFest this year again should anticipate a police presence and enforcement of all applicable laws. There will be uniformed officers hired by Community Festival as well as uniformed officers and plainclothes detectives deployed by the Columbus Division of Police, as is usual at all large public events.

The Police want festival attendees to know that laws will be enforced, whether the offense involves shoplifting from vendors, bringing outside alcohol into the park, lighting a fire, or consuming illegal drugs.



Anyone unwilling to comply with these laws and rules should not enter the festival grounds.

Thanks to the support of an aware, engaged audience and hard-working volunteers, ComFest has earned a track record as the most peaceful event of its size in Columbus. With everyone's help, the 2018 Community Festival can again set a high standard for staying safe, clean, and green.

Don't be a tourist when you come to ComFest. Sign up to help. Bring your best self and become part of this sprawling model of collective and peaceful self-governance. Remember, it's everyone's job to maintain the mellow!

Pass it on!

Park Closing Times

FRIDAY, 11 PM

SATURDAY, 10 PM

SUNDAY, 8 PM

Please cooperate when you are asked to leave the Park

Don't Become a Statistic

ComFest has lots of signs warning visitors that there is a No BYOB rule in the park, and organizers want everyone to know that includes everything that is still illegal in Ohio. Safety/No BYOB teams patrol the park and take time to personally warn people and encourage lawful enjoyment of the festival.

FACT: people have ignored numerous warnings and ended up being statistics of arrests and citations for BYOB, underage alcohol, cigarette and pot-related offenses.

Law enforcement agencies and liquor agents, both uniformed and plainclothes, attend events where alcohol and large crowds are present. Community Festival organizers expect them at ComFest again this year. They will be watching the crowd, looking for any illegal activities.

If you don't like a law, then work to change it. While the law is in place, play by the rules and keep the Community Festival safe. We want you to be able to stay and enjoy the festival. **DON'T BECOME A STATISTIC.**

