Summer on the Peninsula

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"When you have nothing more to say, just drive for a day... all round the peninsula..."

"The Peninsula," by Irish poet Seamus Heaney

Good advice, Seamus.

As you read this, you're likely sitting, standing or strolling in North Portland where two great rivers—the Columbia and the Willamette—converge to create one of the West Coast's major peninsulas

From wherever you are, St. Johns, Cathedral Park, Overlook, University Park, or one of the other 14 neighborhoods, you are within three miles of the rivers, 17 leafy parks, miles of walking, jogging and bicycling trails, sandy beaches, berry farms, sailboat marinas, canoe docks, sport fishing, an 18-hole public golf course with bald eagles flying over the fairways and more than a hundred business and bistros.

So let's take Seamus's advice—and drive (or walk or bike) around your North Portland peninsula this summer.

North Portland Summer Events

- **St. Johns Farmer's Market, Saturdays** 9am–2pm, May 6-October 28, Saturdays, N. Charleston Ave. at N. Central St.
- **Kenton Farmer's Market, opens June 7**, 3pm-7pm, Wednesdays. Live music. Details at www.portlandfarmersmarket.org/our-markets/kenton.
- **Porch Concerts, May–September**, 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month, 10am–12:30pm, Pioneer Methodist Church, 7528 N Charleston Ave, Sponsored by Cathedral Park Art Collective, cathedralparkarts.org/porch-concert-series.
- **Healthires Virtual Job Fair / Career Expo Event #Vancouver, June 2-Aug. 4,** first Friday of each month, 11–2pm, Event link: https://jobfair.tao.ai/pod/healthires. To signup: https://healthires.com/wertual/login/jobfair and complete the profile.
- **Pedalpalooza,** all July and August, anyone can create and lead a ride. Check the map at BikePortland,org for North Portland rides.
- **Golden Hour, every Thursday evening**, July-Oct., 7pm-8pm, Baltimore Woods work party. See calendar on FriendsofBaltimoreWoods.org for location.
- **Knitting in the Plaza, every Wednesday in July & Aug**. 5:30-7pm, St. Johns Plaza, N. Philadelphia and N. Lombard. Beginners welcome! Sponsored by Weird Sisters.
- **Game Night in the Plaza, every Thursday in July & August,** 6:30-8:30pm, St. Johns Plaza at N. Philadelphia and N. Lombard.
- **Rose City Open, July 7–9**, disc golf tournament sponsored by Huk Lab, Pier Park. Details at www.discgolfscene.com/tournaments/2023_Rose_City_Open_Presented_by_Stumptown_DG_2023.
- **Peninsula Park & Rose Garden 110th Anniversary, July 8,** 11am–3pm, the Friends of Peninsula Park invite the community to celebrate anniversary of the park and iconic Rose Garden. There will be family and kids' fun including performers, a puppet show, and art.
- **43rd Annual Cathedral Park Jazz Festival, July 14–16,** Cathedral Park. Free. Featuring local jazz, blues, soul, and Latin artists. See the July edition of the North Peninsula Review for the event schedule in the *Summer on the Peninsula* insert pg. 4.
- **Kenton Neighborhood Garage Sale, July 16**. Sign up here if you'd like to have your sale added to the map: http://tinyurl.com/knasale2023
- **St. Johns Plaza Clean Up, July 22,** 10-11am, supplies provided. Coffee from 2-Stroke. Meet under the clock. N. Philadelphia & N. Lombard.
- **Pier Park Summer Concerts, July 29** - Takohachi; **August 26** - Glitterfox. 3-6pm, Donations encouraged.
- **St. Johns Art Walk, Aug. 5,** 1pm-6pm, Artists and businesses between N. New York and N. Richmond will have art on display. Organizers hope to showcase all the creative makers and fine artists that belong to this unique community.
- **Columbia Slough Regatta, Aug. 5,** 10am-2pm, leisurely paddle, free use of kayak & canoes. Registration required. ColumbiaSlough.org. $10 donation recommended.
- **Frisbee Friends of Pier Park, 9am-6pm,** A disc golf fundraiser on a special 20-hole layout at Pier Park. $50 admission. Sponsored by IQ Credit Union.
- **Criterium Championship Bicycle Race, Aug. 6,** 10am-3:30pm. There will be food and great spectating. University of Portland campus. Racecourse will be 1 block off Willamette with the start/finish on N. Warren next to Beauchamp Rec. Center.
- **UP men's soccer vs Seattle U (Exh.) Aug 11**, 7pm, Merlo Field.
- **Bridge Pedal, Aug 13**, From the Sellwood to the St. Johns Bridge and the others in between. The route goes through North Portland. 20,000 bikers participate.
- **UP women vs. Washington State, Aug. 24,** 7pm., Merlo Field.
- **UP men vs. Sacramento State, Aug. 25,** 7pm, Merlo Field.
- **St. Johns Plaza Clean Up, Aug. 26,** 10-11am, supplies provided. Coffee from 2-Stroke. Meet under the clock. N. Philadelphia & N. Lombard.
- **Kenton Steet Fair, Aug. 27,** N. Denver Ave. A lively street fair with multiple live music stages, 80+ vendors, food vendors and plenty of great businesses on the block. Join the Kenton neighborhood for food, music, crafts and fun.
- **UP women vs Cal-Davis, Aug. 31,** 7pm, Merlo Field.
- **Dance United/Bollywood Dance, Aug. 31**, 6-8pm. St. Johns Plaza, N. Philadelphia and N. Lombard.
- **Once a Braided River film showing, Sept. 16,** 6pm tabling, 7pm locally-made documentary about the Willamette River followed by a panel discussion at St. Johns Twin Cinema, 8704 N. Lombard St.

Columbia Children's Arboretum Re-opened June 11

Children can once again enjoy the Columbia Children's Arboretum, nature preserve in the East Columbia neighborhood just northeast of Kenton near Columbia Slough. The city recently re-opened the arboretum after a six-year, $1.1 million restoration of the site.

Kids will love this off-the-beaten track 27-acre nature park, with a 1-mile loop trail. It's one of North Portland's best-kept secrets at 10040 NE 6th Drive. Numerous labeled exhibits help guide youngsters through the chip trails, woodland, orchards and meadows. Listen carefully for beavers splashing their tails in the creek!

In the 1960s, the principal of the former Columbia School on the site, started the Growth through Research Organization and Work (GROW) program with an arboretum of trees from all 50 states for students to study. The Portland Bureau of Parks & Recreation later bought the arboretum after it lay fallow for many years. Funding emerged in 2016 to restore the preserve for the public.

Harper's Playground

An inclusive playground located at Arbor Lodge Park at N. Bryant and N. Delaware. Children of all abilities can play. The playground opened n 2012 with creatively designed equipment that is accessible, adaptive and inviting.

(For more children's events see page 3 of the Summer on the Peninsula insert)

PP&R Summer Free For All Cultural Event Schedule

Friday, July 21: McCoy Park,
6:30pm—Arietta Ward (Community partner, Home Forward and New Columbia). Referred to as the "1st Daughter of Funk and R&B" as well as the "Rip City Soul Funk Diva," Arietta Ward, aka "Mz. Etta" is a definitely a force to be recognized. Based in Portland, Oregon, Arietta is the daughter of NW Music Royalty, the late Janice Scroggins.

Sunday, July 23: Peninsula Park
3:00pm—The Jeffersons: Live! (Community partner, PP&R)

Saturday, August 5: Kenton Park
6:30pm—Iron Prophecy (Community partner, Kenton Neighborhood Assoc.)

Thursday, August 10: Peninsula Park
6:30pm—Dance United (Community partner, Dance United)

Sunday, August 20: Overlook Park
7:30pm—Soul, PG (Community partner, Overlook Neighborhood Assoc.)

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Saturday, August 26: George Park
2:00pm—The Kidz Outside Festival (Community partner, Gentrification is WEIRD!)

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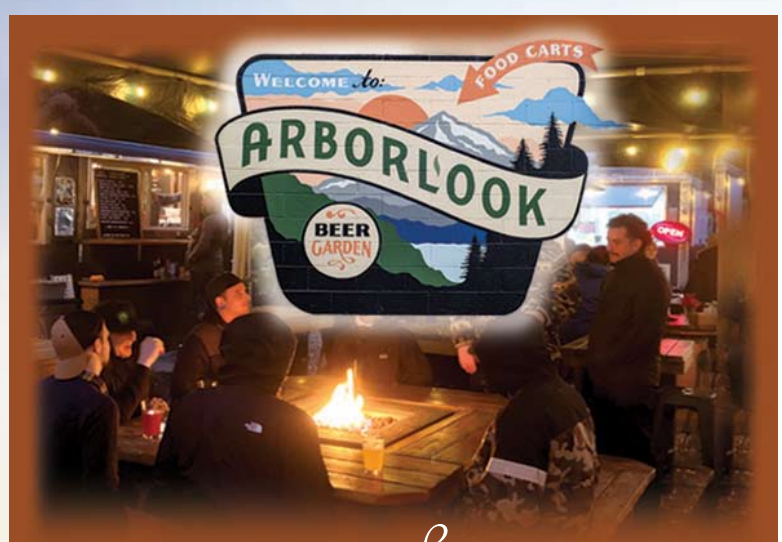

ArborLook Carts & Beer Garden

Selection of 300 beers both foreign & domestic
dozens of Wines, Ciders, Seltzers, and NA options

Wonderboy's Smokestack BBQ • Pizza Daddy Wood-fired Pizza
La Tehuana Oaxacan Cuisine • Shawarma Express - Middle Eastern Food

Thursday Movie Nights - Free, starting at Dusk

arborlookcarts.com | @arborlookcarts for movie listings, events

Open Daily Noon-10pm | 5916 N Greeley (just south of Ainsworth)

Adult Swim - Outdoor Pools

Peninsula Park Outdoor Pool - 700 N. Rosa Parks Way

Lap Swim Lap Lanes may vary. Please call for lane availability details.

Monday | 10:15am–12:45pm; 3:45–5:10pm
Tuesday | 10:15am–12:45pm; 3:45–5:10pm
Wednesday | 10:15am–12:45pm; 3:45–5:10pm
Thursday | 10:15am–12:45pm; 3:45–5:10pm
Friday | 10:15am–12:45pm; 3:45–5:10pm

Water Fitness

Monday | 9:00–9:55am—Aquaerobics
Wednesday | 9:00–9:55am—Aquaerobics
Friday | 9:00–9:55am—Aquaerobics

Pier Park Outdoor Pool - N. Seneca St. & St. Johns Ave.

Lap Swim Lap Lanes may vary. Please call for lane availability details.

Monday | 12:30–1:30pm; 4:45–6:30pm
Tuesday | 12:30–1:30pm; 4:45–6:30pm
Wednesday | 12:30–1:30pm; 4:45–6:30pm
Thursday | 12:30–1:30pm; 4:45–6:30pm
Friday | 12:30–1:30pm; 4:45–6:30pm
Saturday | 1:30–3:00pm
Sunday | 1:30–3:00pm

Classes for adults or young adults

Cathedral Park Performing Arts Collective

Programs and Offerings for children and adults:
Acting & Improv; Build a Bank; Choir, Composer's Workshop; Early Stages, Movement & Storytelling; Guitar & Ukulele; Marimba; Musical Theater; Strings; and Vocal Workshop. See more details and schedule at https://cathedralparkarts.org/classes-registration

ReWild

Resilience Classes - Free Skills Series, family-friendly monthly class exploring different skills through a rewilding lens. It is free and open to the public, and no previous experience is necessary to attend. Classes held at Green Anchors, 8940 N. Bradford.

- Plant Dyeing - July 29th, Saturday, 2–4 pm;
- Hand Felting - August 26th, Saturday, 2–4 pm
- Cordage with Invasive Species - September 30th, Saturday, 2–4 pm

Summer Nights by the River

A river education series sponsored by Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group. 5pm Happy Hour, 5:30-7pm Class, 7-7:30pm Vision Map. Green Anchors, 8940 N. Bradford St., Portland. Park in adjacent Cathedral Park parking lot. July 6, July 13, July 20 and July 27.
Contact mpouncil@comcast.net for more.

RHS & Youth Sports

- Rider Youth Camp, grades 3 to 8, Aug 7-11, all day, RHS gym
- Roosevelt Varsity Football Jamboree game, Aug 26, time TBD, Friday, RHS Stadium
- Roosevelt Varsity Football Season opener, Sept. 1, Friday

Public Beaches

Cathedral Park Beach
Kelley Point Park Beaches
Lindbergh's Beach on Swan Island
Broughton Beach off Marine Dr.
Nearby
Collins Beach (clothing optional), Sauvie Island
Thousand Kiss Beach, Sauvie Is.
Willow Bar, Sauvie Is.
Lyons Beach, Sauvie Is.
Sauvie Island Beach, Sauvie Is.

(Note: Always use caution when swimming in a major river system. There can be currents, eddies, and excessively soft bottom sediments)

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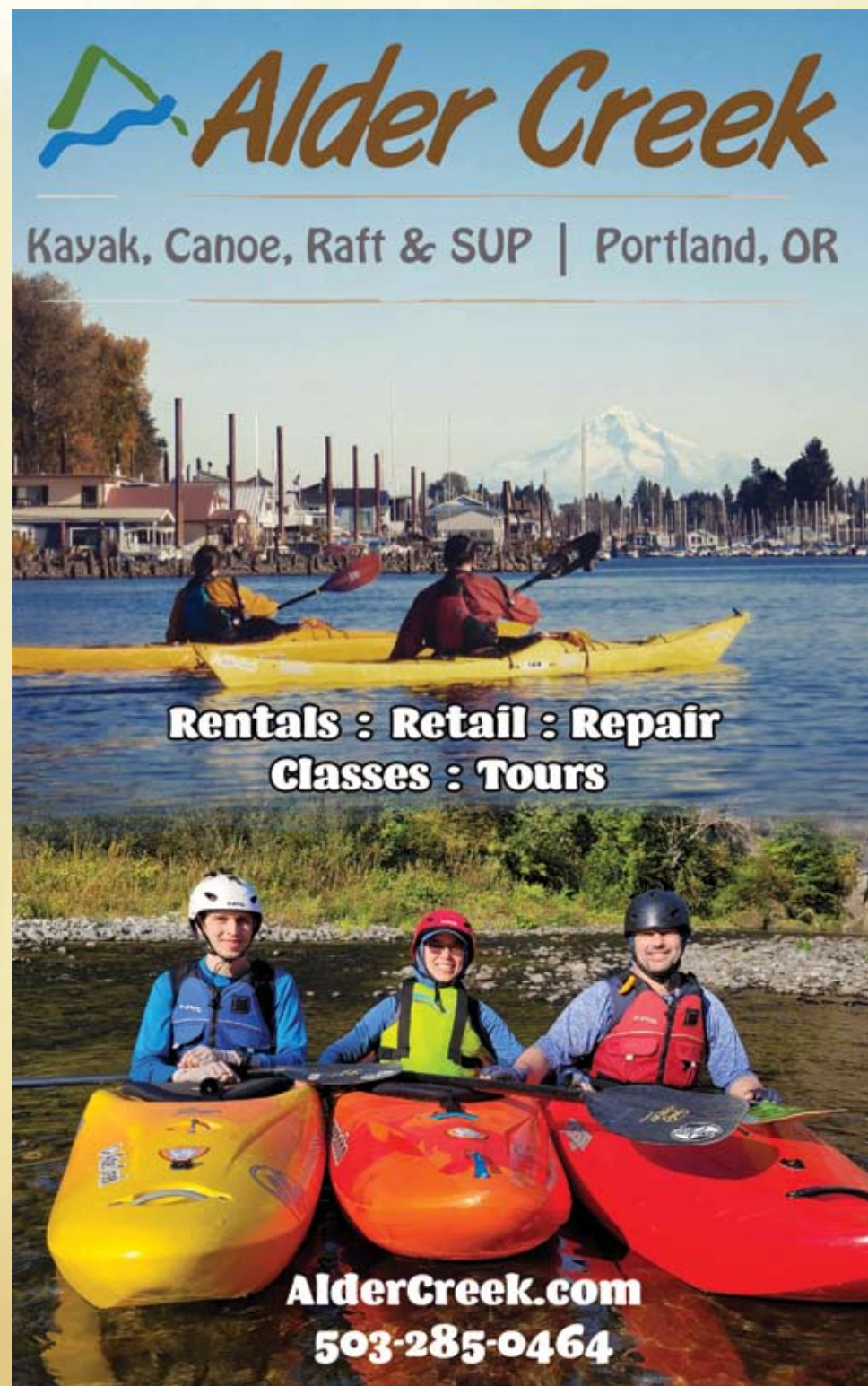
Columbia Cottage

Columbia Park's picturesque cottage is available for business & club, quinceneras, anniversaries, birthdays, weddings & special events.
The cottage can serve up to 60 people and includes a kitchen, WIFI, projection screen, white board and two restrooms.
To learn more visit www.focp.org



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Children's Activities

PPR Swimming Pools and Lessons

Outdoor pools are open June 21 - August 27, 2023.

Summer lessons take place from July 5 through August 27
For details and sign up:
https://www.portland.gov/parks/recreation/pools#toc-swim-lessons

Play Swim Schedule

Peninsula Park Outdoor Pool
700 N. Rosa Parks Way

Monday
1:00–3:30pm—Open Swim
6:30–8:00pm—Open Swim
Tuesday
1:00–3:30pm—Open Swim
(Free on Tuesdays)
6:30–8:00pm—Open Swim
Wednesday
1:00–3:30pm—Open Swim
6:30–8:00pm—Open Swim
Thursday
1:00–3:30pm—Open Swim
6:30–8:00pm—Open Swim
Friday
1:00–3:30pm—Open Swim
6:30–8:00pm—Open Swim
Saturday
1:00–5:00pm—Open Swim
Sunday
1:00–5:00pm—Open Swim

Pier Park Outdoor Pool
N. Seneca St. & St. Johns Ave.

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1:45–4:30pm—Open Swim
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6:45–8:00pm—Open Swim
Saturday
1:00–5:00pm—Open Swim
Sunday
1:00–5:00pm—Open Swim

PPR: Summer Free For All - Free Lunch + Play Schedule

Play for days at Free Lunch + Play, where kids come to share a meal together and have fun! Free meals for ages 18 and under. An adult can pay $5.00 cash on-site for a lunch. Monday through Friday from 10am-2pm. No program Tuesday, July 4.

Columbia Park: N Woolsey + N Winchell, June 21-Aug 18, 11:30am-1pm
Tuesday's: June 27, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 15, 11:00am-1:00pm – Bookmobile Babe
Thu, August 17, 11:30am-1:00pm – Exploratory Nature Walk

Kenton Park: N Delaware and N Kilpatrick, June 21-Aug 18, 12-1:30pm
Tue, July 11, 12:00-1:30pm, Friends of Baseball
Thu, July 20, 12:00-1:30pm – Exploratory Nature Walk
Thu, August 10, 11:30am-1:00pm – Rose City Rollers

McCoy Park: N Newman and N Newark, June 21-Aug 18, 12-1:30pm
Fri, July 21, 12-1:30pm - SMART Reading
Fri, July 28, 11:30am-1:00pm – Rose City Rollers
Thu, August 3, 12:00-1:30pm – Exploratory Nature Walk
Tue, August 8, 12:00-1:30pm - Friends of Baseball
Wed, August 9, 11:30am-1:00pm - Portland Opera
Tue, August 15, 11:30am-1:00pm - SoundsTruck NW

Peninsula Park: 700 N Rosa Parks Way, June 21-Aug 18, 12-1:30pm
Thu, July 6, 12:00-1:30pm - Exploratory Nature Walk

St Johns Park: 8427 N Central, June 21-Aug 18, 12-1:30pm
Mon, August 14, 11:30am-1:00pm – Exploratory Nature Walk

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The Cathedral Park Jazz Festival is live for our 43rd anniversary of this landmark festival!
~ Jazz Society of Oregon

Cathedral Park Jazz Festival

FRIDAY, July 14

4:30-5:30pm — Mary Flower
Singer, songwriter, guitarist Mary Flower, is considered a world-class finger-style guitarist and lap slide player. In addition to performing at folk festivals around the world, she is a dedicated guitar teacher, hosting the annual "Blues in the Gorge" intensive for 10 years. With 13 CDs to her name she has been awarded seven Muddy awards for Acoustic Guitar, was twice a finalist in the International Fingerstyle Guitar Championship and nominated three times for the Blues Music Award.

6:00-7:00pm — Terry Robb Trio
With drummer Gary Hobbs, bassist Dave Captein, and virtuoso blues guitarist Terry Robb, who is also a composer, singer, and producer. Robb has released 15 albums and has toured with Buddy Guy, Steve Miller, Robin Trower, and John Fahey; Captein has performed with Larry Coryell, Mose Allison, Wynton Marsalis and Tom Grant; Hobbs has played with the Stan Kenton Orchestra, Bud Shank, Anita O'Day, and the Woody Herman Orchestra.

7:30-8:30pm — The Gold Experience
Gold Experience, a collaboration of veteran blues, soul, gospel, hip-hop, and jazz musicians, backing up artists, such as Buddy Guy, BB King, Pleasure, the Neville Brothers, Sting, Aretha Franklin, and others.

9:00-10:00pm — Curtis Salgado Band
Award-winning blues, blues rock and soul blues vocalist, instrumentalist and songwriter Curtis Salgado was the inspiration for John Belushi's Blues Brothers. He has 10 albums to his name and performs here with his band.

SATURDAY, July 15

1:00-2:00pm — The 1905 Orchestra
The 1905 Orchestra blends both classic jazz and contemporary big band music.

2:30-3:30pm — Dmitri Matheny Group "West Coast Cool"
Dmitri Matheny Group, "West Coast Cool", will play from the Chet Baker songbook. A protegee of Art Farmer, flugelhornist Matheny has also been compared to Miles Davis and Chet Baker. He is accompanied by vocalists Zach Connolly and Holly Pyle.

4:00-5:00pm — Shoehorn's Hatband
Shoehorn's Hatband is an unusual jazz quartet led by tap-dancing saxophonist Michael Conley aka Shoehorn, who dances while he plays.

5:30-6:30pm — Chuchito Valdes Trio
Chuchito Valdés – Cuban-born pianist, arranger, composer, and bandleader Valdes has performed for large audiences in South America, Europe, and the U.S. He is a master of Cuban music (mambo, danzon, timba/salsa, and guaguanco) with a passion for American jazz and classical music.

7:00-8:00pm — 3 Leg Torso
3 Leg Torso – Originally a trio, now a quintet with an original, eclectic sound, 3 Leg Torso has released six CDs and composed music for films, TV and symphony orchestras. Calling themselves "modern chamber pop music", the group's music is influenced by tango, Eastern European folk music, other world music, chamber music, and rock and roll. Béla Balogh (violin, trumpet, piano, octave mandolin), Courtney Von Drehle (accordion, tenor sax, slide guitar), T.J. Arkko (percussion), and Bill Athens (double bass).

8:30-9:45pm — Ural Thomas and The Pain
Ural Thomas and the Pain - Thomas topped the soul charts in the 1960s and was brought back to the live music scene by a group of young Portland musicians. A showcase for vintage soul and funk, this group always gets the audience dancing.

SUNDAY, July 16

1:00-2:00pm — Portland Vanguard Big Band
Portland Vanguard Big Band members combine Portland Youth Jazz Orchestra alumni, professionals, band directors, college students and top high school musicians. They will play big band music from all eras.

2:30-3:30pm — Jesse Marquez
Latin jazz vocalist Jesse Marquez blends Cuban, Brazilian, jazz and pop sounds with lush harmonies. She recorded in Havana with members of the Afro Cuban All-Stars.

4:00-5:00pm — Brian Charette Organ Trio
New York-based organist and composer Brian Charette will be accompanied by Portland's own Mel Brown on drums and Pink Martini's Dan Faehnle on guitar. The trio will take us on a tour of jazz organ history.

5:30-6:30pm — Yak Attack
Yak Attack is a live electronica power trio, drawing on a wide spectrum of electronica along with elements of jam, funk, and jazz.

7:00-8:15pm — Jr Soul Masters of Funk Pleasure Tribute
Jr Soul Masters of Funk is an 11-piece band, including some original members of the iconic 1970's group Pleasure, in a tribute that blends soul, funk, and jazz.

This is a free event, but you will have many opportunities to support the festival through cash donations and purchasing drinks from the beer and wine garden!
Dogs are discouraged unless they are service animals.
Alcohol consumption is allowed for those 21 and over in the beer and wine garden only • We do not allow any umbrellas or tents on the festival grounds.
Get there early to get a good parking spot (street parking only) - or better yet, take public transit to the park!

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