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Appalachian

Summer

Solstice

June 20 - 23, 2024



WHAT TO KNOW UPON ARRIVAL

Check in upon arrival at the Gatehouse. Day passes can also be purchased here.

Market and Office hours are 10:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Free parking is available out past the Grand Field. If you would like to park at your campsite, **parking passes can be purchased for \$40.**

WiFi is available throughout a majority of the campground. You can purchase this directly via your mobile device or from the Market.

Caffeina's Cosmic Cafe hours are 8:00 am - 10:00 pm.

Hestia's Hearth Kitchen will be serving lunch at 12:00 PM and dinner at 6:00 pm.

Green Man Tavern hours are 4:00 pm - 1:00 am. Happy Hour is from 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm and Happiest Hour is from 11:00 pm - 1:00 am.

Shower house is open 24 hours.

The swimming pond is open from 10:00 am till dusk. No lifeguard on duty; swim at your own risk.

Wood and ice can be purchased from the Market or Caffeina's. There are a small number of fire rings available; do not dig fire pits. Absolutely no fires in the Pines area.

Alcohol and tobacco use is permitted for those of the legal age. Outside alcohol is not permitted in Green Man Tavern. Please properly dispose of cigarette butts.

Clothing is optional within campground boundaries. Just because someone is nude, however, does not mean they are inviting you to have sex with, harass, touch, or leer at them. Be respectful of all attendees.

First Aid service is available. If you require first aid assistance, immediately find a FAST (First Aid and Security Team) member or another Wisteria staff member.

CAMPGROUND RULES

1. No firearms, no fireworks.
2. Pond is swim-at-your-own-risk. See opposite page for more pond rules.
3. All attendees must be registered, either before the event or upon arrival in the Market and Office.
4. No pets allowed. Service animals are allowed with the proper paperwork.
5. Use fire rings for fires at your camping site. Certain fire pits are designated in sacred sites. No fires in the Pines area. Do not leave fires unattended.
6. No firewood is to be harvested from Wisteria grounds. No outside firewood allowed.
7. Stay within campground boundaries and hiking trails. The campground map is located on page 4.
8. Do not block gates or roads.
9. Please recycle in the designated bins.
10. Do not litter. Properly dispose of cigarette butts.
11. No dish washing at potable water stations. Please use low-phosphate soaps.
12. Minors must be accompanied by a legal guardian. If the guardian is not the child's legal guardian, they will need a Parental Permission Form signed by the legal guardian.
13. You must comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws at all times.

CUSTOMS AND OTHER GENERAL INFORMATION

The campground is only a small portion of Wisteria's 620 acres. Do not stray from the clearly marked campground areas shown on the maps. Other land areas are off-limits because they are private sites, have rugged terrain, or are part of the wildlife/nature preserve. Wisteria land has many cliffs, ravines, and other natural features that may be hazardous.

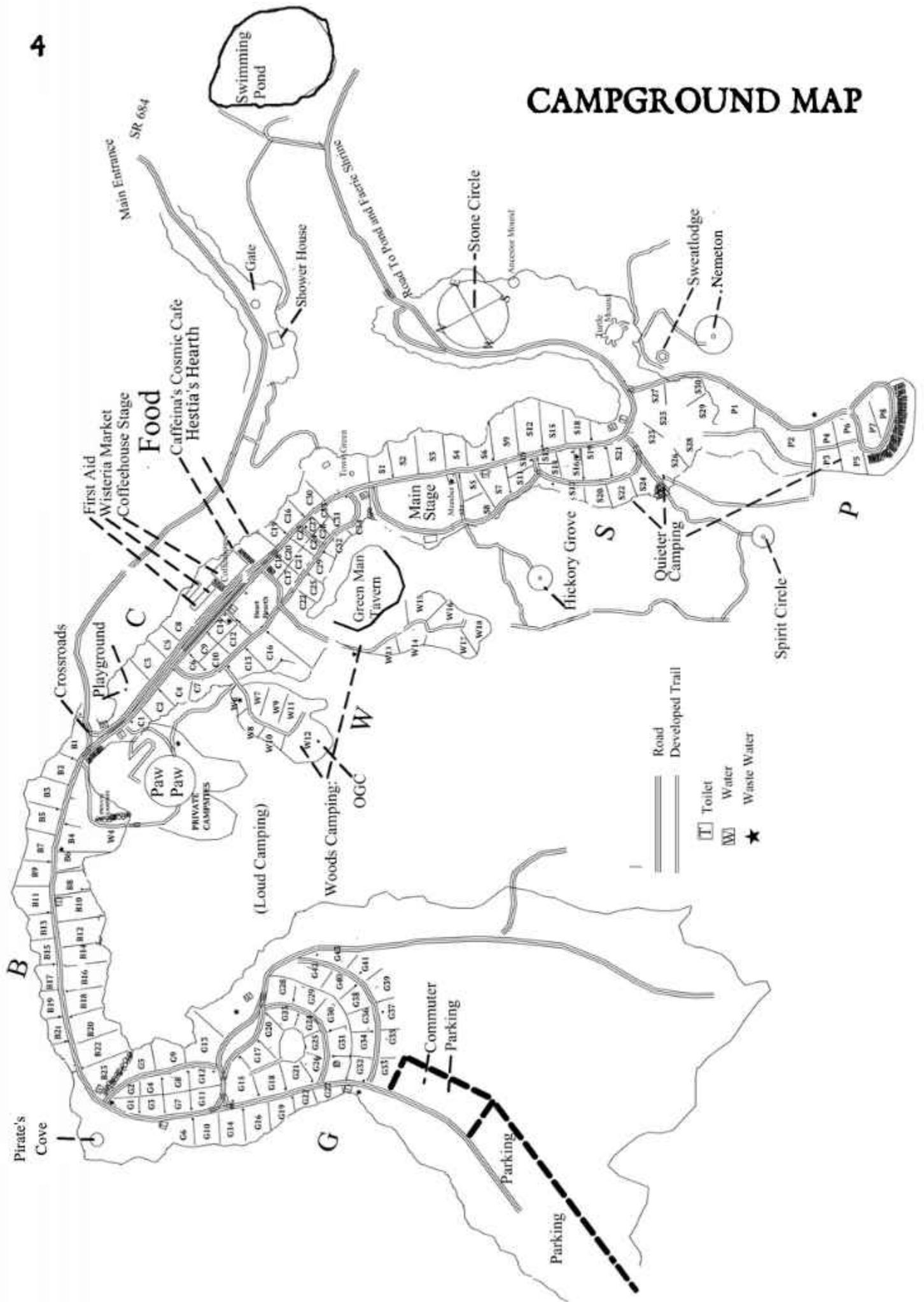
Over 200 acres of Wisteria have been designated as a permanent nature preserve and sanctuary. It encompasses many micro-environments from wetlands and woodlands to grassy fields and is a habitat for numerous species of plants and wildlife. Since the founding of Wisteria, this land has been left undisturbed, allowing reclaimed strip mine areas to heal as naturally as possible.

Creatures great and small inhabit the land. Insect repellent may be needed to repel mosquitoes. Check your body daily for ticks. Keep food stored securely with lids to discourage raccoons, ants, and other creatures from visiting your camp. Be cautious around wood piles and downed trees, as these may be habitats for wildlife. Please treat all local wildlife and insects with respect. If you are concerned about an encounter, contact a Wisteria staff member for assistance, so that no harm comes to campers or resident wildlife.

To avoid infestation from invasive insects, do not bring in firewood from other areas. No firewood is to be harvested from Wisteria forests, except for small dead twigs and branches. Do not dig fire pits. A limited number of community fire rings are available for sharing. Do not leave unattended fires burning (this includes lamps and candles). In wooded camping sections, use only established fire rings and circles. **No fires in the Pines area.** Should a fire get out of hand, immediately find a Wisteria staff member. Fire extinguishers are available throughout the campground. Keep water handy near fires. Please use caution when kindling fires of any size, and be careful with candles, torches, and cigarettes.

FRS radios are used by Wisteria staff. If your party uses these radios, please check with a staff member to ensure that you are not on the same frequencies.

CAMPGROUND MAP



SCHEDULE

Thursday, June 20th

12:00 pm: Appalachian Summer Solstice begins

4:00 pm: Green Man Tavern opens | *Happy Hour from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm*

Join us in the intimate and verdant Green Man Tavern for local draft beer on tap! Happy Hour features special pricing on beer.

4:00 pm: Kids Village Opening Circle | *Beth Zimmerman, Kids Village*

Welcome to Summer Solstice! Kids Village watches over our beloved little ones every festival - for this ritual, we'll gather together to bless, cleanse and secure the space. Parents are invited, but this is magick for the kids to do! This hands-on ritual will allow for creativity, inventiveness, and personal empowerment, for each of our little ones. They only need to bring themselves, their imagination, and any magickal tools they might want to utilize!

6:00 pm: Dinner | *Hestia's Hearth Kitchen*

Dinner will be available from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm.

9:00 pm: Pawpaw Opening Ritual | *Pawpaw Fire and Drum Circle*

A procession from Heart Hearth to Paw Paw Fire and Drum Circle makes way for a short opening rite as attendees become reacquainted with this sacred space.

11:00 pm: Happiest Hour | *Green Man Tavern, 11:00 pm - 1:00 am*

Happiest Hour features special pricing on draft beer. Green Man Tavern closes at 1:00 am.

Midnight: Shedding Our Past with Lilith | *Beth Zimmerman, Spirit Circle*

At midnight we gather to greet the Dark Goddess. As the first keeper of secrets, Lilith knows what we have confronted, and as the Mother of Demons she is able to address anything that might plague us. Her power is ancient and vast, but willingly shared with those who call her Mother and welcome her as she is - much like so many of us naturally crave to do. You are welcome to join us, to release the past and embrace the future. Remember to come fearlessly into the darkness - all lights will be extinguished for the majority of this rite.

Friday, June 21st

10:00 am: Safe and Fun Foraging | *Beth Zimmerman, Meet at Village Green*

We will be using plant identification apps as well as our own know-how to identify medicinal plants that happen to be growing around Wisteria! By studying these plants using modern technology, and taking the time to look up their lookalikes, we'll figure out what might be safe or even helpful for various purposes - from eating to medicines to treating our booboos. Parents are invited to bring their kids, because we will take home lots of helpful information about what's growing all around us! Please wear hiking shoes and long pants to join, and try to bring a cloth bag for what we gather. (For safety purposes, children will be required to avoid consuming plants from the workshop without parental consent.)

Friday, June 21st**10:00 am: Warts, Waters, and What Mountain People Know | *Byron Ballard, Hickory Grove***

Appalachian folk magic makes use of available resources for healing and the energy of what we think of as magic. From plant materials to willow water, we explore the simple effective techniques of the old mountains we love.

10:00 am: 12 Steps Without the God Part | *Rev. Donna Donovan, Main Stage*

It's a comment heard often in helping those with addictions: "I tried AA or NA, but I just couldn't get past the God part." The God part, of course, refers to the references to God and spirituality that appear in Alcoholics Anonymous literature – the 12 Steps and 12 Traditions in particular – as well as to the more overt signs of religion that can be part of some AA meetings, such as the reciting of the Lord's Prayer. For the Heathen or Pagan, as well as with the agnostic, atheist and humanist, it can feel like a distraction from the work at hand as well as a disturbing admonishment to check their beliefs at the door. For others, however, tapping into God's power is the very thing that makes recovery possible. How, then, to ignore it? The conflicting mindsets have created tension over the years, a tension that AA/NA has sought to address by encouraging a personal definition of God as any higher power the person may choose. It could be, for example, nature, love, or the AA/NA group as a whole (in the latter case, as the explanation goes, G.O.D. becomes Group Of Drunks). As part of her co-authoring of the book, "Steel Bars, Sacred Waters", Donna Donovan wrote a Celtic pagan version of the 12 Steps. This workshop focuses on the different versions of the 12 Steps that those who do not follow an Abrahamic path can utilize in their recovery. Despite any differences in beliefs, those in AA/NA are kindred spirits at heart, all struggling to subdue addiction's hold on their lives. And for that, support is essential. Rather than dispute which path is best, we're wise to remember the words of AA co-founder Wilson: "The roads to recovery are many." Just like in Vegas, the same as in the rooms: what is said and shared at this workshop stays in this workshop.

<https://appalachianpaganministry.com/resources/>

10:00 am: Intro to Blacksmithing begins | *Steve Hudson, Infinity Forge*

This beginner-friendly workshop will cover the basics of blacksmithing, including tool use, metalworking techniques, and safety practices. Under the guidance of our skilled blacksmith, you'll have the opportunity to create your own simple forged items while learning about the ancient art of metalworking. Whether you're looking to craft your own ritual tools or just interested in learning a new skill, this class is the perfect way to connect with the elemental forces of fire and metal. No prior experience is necessary – just bring your enthusiasm and a willingness to learn!

12:00 pm: Lunch | *Hestia's Hearth Kitchen*

Lunch will be available from 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm.

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Friday, June 21st

12:00 pm: Sweatlodge Orientation | *Doug Sundling, Sweatlodge Site*

Unless arranged otherwise with the facilitator, you must attend the NOON ORIENTATION at the Sweatlodge Site if you wish to participate in a sweatlodge ceremony. Friday, June 21, NOON: Orientation for an open sweatlodge at dusk, time to be determined at Orientation. Open to adults 18 years old or older. Saturday, June 22, NOON: Orientation for an open sweatlodge at dusk, time to be determined at Orientation. Open to adults 18 years old or older. At the Sweatlodge Orientation, a general overview of a sweatlodge shall be presented. We will discuss fundamentals of traditional sweatlodges, share personal experiences with sweatlodges, and advise how to prepare for an evening sweatlodge. Open to anyone, but those who wish to participate in a sweatlodge must attend this orientation. Number of participants, format for sweatlodge, and time to begin ceremony will be determined at the Orientation Workshop on the day of the ceremony. The Sweatlodge Ceremony. The cycle of birth and death fuels the flame of life. Nature embodies a process of seeking stability and equilibrium – of maintaining balance. A strategy for existence in such a world is movement through the cycles, built upon the four quarters of the directions, the elements, the seasons – fundamental to traditional sweatlodges. The sweatlodge is a ceremony to ascertain balance through cleansing and renewal. A sweatlodge ceremony is shaped by both the past and the present. Your spiritual sincerity is the most important thing you can bring to a sweatlodge. No Drugs or Alcohol; just the 4 Elements – Earth, Air, Fire, & Water.

12:00 pm: Purdy Up the Pond begins | *Michelle Horan, Pond*

Have you ever just felt a need to weave some things together for a land that you love and and to be a creative artist in your local festival community ? Come on down to the pond area and learn the basics of hurdle/ wattle weaving with natural materials and get your hands on experience to help create a beautiful more beautiful; sacred space for the Wisteria Campgrounds pond area too! If you happen to have your own, please bring safety glasses and pruning shears. This will be an ongoing project throughout the festival!

2:00 pm: (Un)Holy Ikon: Conjuring the Sacred & Profane | *Carver Casey, Pavilion*

From fashioning fetishes to rendering of reliquaries, witches and sorcerers the world over have long iterated the ephemeral into physical forms. In this workshop, we will dive into the Arte of physically embodying concepts such as local deities, fetches, and our own internal emotions into a constructed idol. Attendees will be provided the basics for constructing a simple reliquary, but are strongly encouraged to bring their own materia for filling and decorating the creation.

2:00 pm: Informal Quilting Circle | *Byron Ballard, Hickory Grove*

Join Byron Ballard in the inviting shade of Hickory Grove for an informal quilting circle!

Friday, June 21st**2:00 pm: Intro to Wet Felting | *Sasha Sigetic, Pavilion Stage***

Learn to wet felt wool and understand why and how the process of felting works! Participants will have creative freedom, but a suggested project of a wall hanging or small pouch will be demonstrated.

2:00 pm: Petite Pawpaw | *Beth Zimmerman, Pawpaw Fire and Drum Circle*

Petite Pawpaw is a long-standing tradition at Wisteria, where we teach and share the magick of making music and dance together as a group. We will show each other how to better play with the deep, resonant history here, bringing the essence of Pawpaw to the younger generations. Feel free to bring instruments and costumes - this is a reverent time to play!

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4:00 pm: Shamanic Journey: Upper World Healing | *Nightbird, Main Stage*

Nightbird will lead a shamanic quest to the Upper World, where participants will search for their personal Healing Place and ask to receive healing from Spirit helpers. After the journey, people will be invited to share experiences, ask questions, and offer insights to each other. Please bring a mat or blanket to lie down on for the journey.

4:00 pm: Connecting with Local Spirits, for Worse and Better | *Beth Zimmerman, Stone Circle*

If you have ever wondered what hid your wallet from you or what just went bump in the night, this is the class for you. We discuss the many varieties of interactions that nonphysical beings can have with the living. Whether nonplanar beings, nature spirits, ghosts, guardians, or even local memories, Beth has learned to connect and communicate with a range of local beings. She wants to help you tune yourself to learn about them, guard against the unwelcome, and find peace with these amazing and fun aspects of our world. This will be hands-on, focused time, learning from our environment. Please ensure all attendees can use the time well - children are welcome to come, if they want to learn for themselves.

4:00 pm: Beginning Herbal Medicine | *Reneé Spence, Hickory Grove*

Learn how to begin working with & connecting to the plant friends you & the mountains around us grow.

6:00 pm: Dinner | *Hestia's Hearth Kitchen*

Dinner will be available from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm.

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8:00 pm: Pride Night: Drag Show and Tea Dance | *Green Man Tavern*

Happy Pride Month! Join us in Green Man Tavern for a drag show featuring Rayley Saphron, Kazma Knights, and Freak followed by our annual Tea Dance!

During the 1940s and 1950s, LGBTQ+ folks gathered at private dance parties where they could feel safe to socialize and celebrate. The Tea Dance at Wisteria is a celebration of our queer community through music, dance, drink, and merry-making. Come celebrate the spirit of Pride!

9:00 pm: Shrine Lighting begins

The Sacred Sites throughout Wisteria will be illuminated with candles, from Shrine Valley (the trail and sites located in Spirit Circle) to Stone Circle and Crystal Grove out to the Labyrinth of the Ways and the Faerie Shrine. Walk at your own pace through this self-guided luminary and be sure to stick around the Faerie Shrine for the Faerie Ball that begins at midnight!

10:00 pm: Fire Lit Labyrinth Walk | *Rev. Lynx, Labyrinth of the Ways*

Take a wander through a fire pit the Labyrinth of the Ways. Located on the road to Faerie Shrine across from Crystal Grove, the Labyrinth will be lit up and ready for anyone who wants to wander the Ways.

11:00 pm: Happiest Hour | *Green Man Tavern, 11:00 pm - 1:00 am*

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Midnight: Faerie Ball | *Faerie Shrine*

Join us in the Faerie Shrine for music and revelry. Feel free to dress up in costume and bring a gift to leave for the Fae!

Saturday, June 22nd

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Saturday, June 22nd

10:00 am: Guided Painting | *Kim Keffer, Main Stage*

No painting experience necessary. This workshop is for everyone and intended to ignite the creative spirit and silence the censor. Kim will talk about creativity and tapping into that part of the self while guiding the painting process. Each participant will leave with a completed painting and a new perspective on themselves as creators! All supplies provided. Wear something you don't mind getting paint on.

10:00 am: Putting Food By: Preserving the Harvest, Mountain-style | *Byron Ballard, Hickory Grove*
Appalachian folks have so many ways of preserving food from the harvest. We'll talk about canning (of course), drying, root cellars and leather britches.

10:00 am: Stitching with Nature | *Nancy Baur, Nancy's Campsite (By the Pavilion)*

During this workshop participants will learn simple stitches with a needle and thread to embellish upon natural materials creating a personal and beautiful keepsake from Wisteria. All materials are included and will come in a kit with basic instructions.

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12:00 pm: Heart Hearth Restoration | *Heart Hearth*

Gather at Heart Hearth in the middle of town to aid in this loving community restoration of a most cherished sacred space!

2:00 pm: Ohio Wildlife Center | *Featured Presentation, Pavilion*

Join the Ohio Wildlife Center in this exciting presentation featuring the natural history of Ohio's native wildlife, coexisting with wildlife and the inspirational stories of our animal residents featuring live animal ambassadors!

4:00 pm: Green Man Tavern opens | *Happy Hour from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm*

Join us in the intimate and verdant Green Man Tavern for local Jackie O's draft beer and West End Ciderhouse cider on tap! Happy Hour features special pricing on beer. **Live music from Digger T.**

4:00 pm: Grounding, Centering, and Energy Paintball | *Beth Zimmerman, Stone Circle*

It's important to learn how to protect ourselves energetically, but we often forget the basics of doing it. This workshop is a playful, hands-on reminder, or tutorial. We'll talk through grounding, shielding, and then streamlining our energy use - through magickal paintball! This class will be aimed at our tweens and teens, but anyone who needs a fun refresher on shielding is welcome!

4:00 pm: Hard Times: How to Survive (and Thrive) in Difficult Circumstances | *Byron Ballard, Hickory Grove*

The world we live in seems complicated and difficult to navigate as we seem beset on all sides by illness, injustice and lack. We'll reframe the current paradigms and look at ways mountain folks have managed hard times. Yes, there will be singing.

4:00 pm: Music Magick | *Allen Lindsey, Kids Village*

This workshop will explore the idea of making music as an act of magick. We'll have a brief discussion on the topic, but the point is to actually MAKE some music magick together. Attendees will have access to an assortment of rhythm instruments and will learn a couple of songs. Our second day is all about rehearsal as we bring to our fellow Wisterians a performance by the soon-to-be-famous Band That Will Be Named By The Kids following (Whichever day/mealtime works best for your schedule)

6:00 pm: Dinner | *Hestia's Hearth Kitchen*

Dinner will be available from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm.

8:00 pm: Brian Henke | *Live Performance, Green Man Tavern*

IPMA (International Pagan Music Awards) Best Male Artist winner both in 2019 and again in 2020, Brian Henke composes and performs his music like a painter putting images on canvas, a kind of sonic shaman, drawing his inspiration from the world around him. Join us in Green Man Tavern for a performance that you won't want to miss!

Saturday, June 22nd**8:00 pm: Wail Channels | *Seleka Behrs, Stone Circle***

Participants are transported through time and space to salve the wounds of their heart. Wail Channels is an operatic sound healing ceremony inspired by ancient mourning rituals. Wailing women held a therapeutic role in society by creating a reverent space for the community to grieve without embarrassment. Our ceremony is led by emotions and is unique every time it occurs. It speaks to a deep emotional and spiritual need to grieve not only death, but loss in all forms. Wail Channels delivers an improvised vocalization that is spontaneously performed as a lamenting expression of loss through singing, sound healing instruments, meditation, body movements, throat singing, and wailing. Tending our grief provides sanctuary and safe passage for it to move through the body, the psyche, and the nervous system – requiring us to submit to its gravity so we may regain the joyful levity of our spirit.

8:00 pm: Non-binary Healing Circle | *Carver Casey, Spirit Circle*

Gather here ye spirits of the twixt and twain. All who identify as queer, non-binary, Two Spirit, or anywhere in between enter the Circle as we reach out and connect to ourselves, our community and our ancestors with the intention of healing and growth. Given the nature of subjects that may arise during the healing circle, this event is reserved for individuals age sixteen and up. A chair or comfortable blanket is recommended.

11:00 pm: Happiest Hour | *Green Man Tavern, 11:00 pm - 1:00 am*

Happiest Hour features special pricing on draft beer.

Sunday, June 23rd**10:00 am: Cleanup & Kids Village Closing Circle | *Beth Zimmerman, Kids Village***

Tear down has never been so much fun! Feel free to bring your leftover snacks to share as we work together to organize Kids Village at the end of the festival. Anyone from our Kids Village family who wants to contribute to the effort is welcome! We'll have a great time getting everything packed up as parents do the same. A short ritual of closing will follow our efforts.

3:00 pm: Appalachian Summer Solstice ends

PRESENTERS

H. Byron Ballard, BA, MFA

H. Byron Ballard, BA, MFA, is a western NC native, teacher, folklorist and writer. She has served as a featured speaker and teacher at Sacred Space Conference, Pagan Spirit Gathering, Southeast Wise Women's Herbal Conference, Glastonbury Goddess Conference, Heartland, Sirius Rising, Starwood, Scottish Pagan Federation Conference, Hexfest and other festivals and conferences. She serves as senior priestess and co-founder of Mother Grove Goddess Temple and the Coalition of Earth Religions/CERES, both in Asheville, NC. She podcasts about Appalachian folkways on "Wyrd Mountain Gals."

Her essays are featured in several anthologies and she writes a regular column for SageWoman Magazine. Her books include "Staubs and Ditchwater" (2012), the companion volume "Asfidity and Mad-Stones" (2015) "Embracing Willendorf" (2017), "Earth Works: Ceremonies in Tower Time" (2018), "Roots, Branches, and Spirits: the Folkways and Witchery of Appalachia" from Llewellyn (Feb. 2021) and "Seasons of a Magical Life: a Pagan Path of Living" (Weiser, August 2021). Upcoming: "The Ragged Wound: Tending the Soul of Appalachia" (Smith Bridge Press), "Porch Food: a cookbook from Wyrd Mountain", a musical adaptation of A Midsummer Night's Dream, and "Feral Church: Finding Goddess in the Wilderness".

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Nancy Baur

Nancy is a local artist who loves to make things out of yarn, string, paper, and natural elements. She has been teaching knitting and crochet in the area for some time and loves to share this craft with others.

Seleka Behrs

Seleka Behrs is the multi-modality healing artist, meditation musician, and holistic mental health specialist of Behrs Necessities. She initiates a gentle process of deep listening and attuning to a quietly subtle dimension of life. These highly intuitive sessions are rooted in the internal self-healing wisdom innately accessed as you pause and carefully listen. Sessions with Seleka are a catalyst for cultivating and integrating qualities of acceptance, compassion, serenity, clarity, humility, forgiveness, and loving kindness.

Carver Casey

Carver Casey (They/Them) is a West Virginia native, although they have lived all over the country. They are currently finishing their BA in Anthropology with a focus on cultural resiliency. They've been a practicing witch and pagan for roughly twelve years and teaches several workshops around their home of central WV in topics such as Divination, Animism, Norse Shamanic practices, and other magickal workings. They are excited to once again return to Wisteria this year.

PRESENTERS

Rev. Donna Donovan

Rev Donna Donovan is the founder of Appalachian Pagan Ministry whose focus is on pagan prison ministry, reentry, and substance abuse recovery. Rev Donna is a member of the Athens County Reentry Task Force, Athens HOPE, Ohio's Reentry Coalition, various West Virginia Reentry Coalitions, as well as several National Reentry Coalitions. Once formerly incarcerated herself then 10 years later working for the state, that incarcerated her, Rev Donna brings an inside perspective to the table of reentry. She has spent the past decade plus working with individuals who are currently incarcerated, returning from incarceration, and/or in various stages in their substance abuse recovery journey. Rev Donna is a person in long-term recovery, beginning recovery of her meth addiction on Jan 8, 1989. As well to being a mother to a daughter who is also in long-term recovery, she lost her son to his battle with opiates on Nov 24, 2015. Rev Donna brings a perspective from all sides of the addiction issue and facilitates the Heilvegr (a Heathen recovery program) in various facilities nationally. Under the Appalachian Pagan Ministry banner, she leads a bi-weekly street outreach in Parkersburg WV, providing meals, hygiene products, and harm reduction supplies.

Steve Hudson

Steve Hudson is a blacksmith and craftsman with over 10 years of experience. At this year's festival, Steve will be running the forge and teaching blacksmithing classes. Known for making blacksmithing fun and accessible, he will guide you through the basics of tool handling, metal shaping, and safety. Join in to learn and create your own forged pieces!

Michelle Horan

Hello again everyone! For those who I've not yet had the pleasure to meet, I am Appalachian folk artist Michelle Horan (by any other festival nickname is also just fine too...). I am a working artist and granny ways woman located in Huntington West Virginia, where I teach a variety of classes year round centered in various Appalachian traditions. As a working artist I share my creativity and the heart of my magicks through teaching classes, local art booths, workshops and the occasional campfire when the moon is just right to pull out a dulcimer or a drum for a song or a story time... My happiness this year is to teach some earth friendly methods with you of creating with natural materials and wattle weaving process... would love to see you there !

Kim Keffer

Kim is a life long artist who's belief is that we are all artists. Her mission in life is to ignite the creative spirit and silence the censor. Kim uses the creative process as a significant part of her personal healing and evolution.

Allen Lindsey

Allen is a Celtic-leaning Pagan and member of the Indianapolis Guild of the Gods. A life-long musician, he divides his time between his wonderful wife and children, his woodworking pursuits, gigging around Cincinnati with his band, and spending as much time as possible outside playing in the dirt.

PRESENTERS

Rev. Lynx

Druid of the Cervidae Nemeton and Steward of the Labyrinth of the Ways. Ecstatic Animist.

Rev. Karen Martin (Nightbird)

Rev. Karen Martin (Nightbird) is a Reiki Master in the Usui tradition, and has completed an intensive two-year shamanic apprenticeship with Windsong Healing Arts (Dayton, Ohio), amongst other education, training, and experience. She has been in practice for over a decade.

Featured Presenter: Ohio Wildlife Center

Founded in 1984, Ohio Wildlife Center is dedicated to fostering awareness and appreciation of Ohio's native wildlife through rehabilitation, education and wildlife health studies. The Ohio Wildlife Center features the state's largest, donation-supported Wildlife Hospital with on-site veterinary care, treating more than 6,000 patients each year representing more than 150 species from more than 60 of Ohio's 88 counties; a 20-acre outdoor Education Center with more than 50 Animal Ambassadors that greet visitors during our public events, camps and group programming; wildlife assistance for the public via social media and phone for step-by-step guidance with wildlife issues and questions. ohiowildlifecenter.org

Sasha Sigetic

Sasha has been an artist and crafter since childhood. At the age of 7 one grandmother taught her to crochet, in high school the other taught her to knit. Since then she has received a BFA in Ceramics from Ohio University and a Masters in Sustainable Food Systems. She is ever interested in the ways that agriculture and the natural world interact with art and craft. Whether it's plating up home grown food on a hand made plate, or shearing a sheep for fiber to process into useable form for clothing or craft, her inspiration and materials always come from nature. She resides in Meigs County, Ohio with her partner, daughter, dogs, cats, chickens and goats.

Reneé Spence

Hi! I'm Reneé, the owner of Granny Witch Gardens! I'm West Virginia born & raised, and a 6th generation Granny Woman. Lifetime practitioner of folk herbalism & natural healing techniques that have been handed down through the generations. I'm passionate about creating products that nourish mind, body, and spirit-and even more passionate about reconnecting folks to the lost ways of our Appalachian ancestors.

Doug Sundling

Doug Sundling has been involved with sweatlodges since 1986. He brought the sweatlodge to Wisteria in 1997. Since then, he has constructed and maintained a sweatlodge site at Wisteria and has facilitated sweatlodges for events held at Wisteria.

PRESENTERS

Beth Zimmerman

Beth Zimmerman is a returning friend of many here at Wisteria, but lives in Indianapolis, IN, where she runs the Guild of the Gods, a gathering place for those who want companionship through religious exploration. They gather for the Wheel of the Year, run an online group, and support each other through life's challenges. Beth is a multilevel artist whose work is featured at Balefire & Brew, books are published with Dark Moon Press, and whose uncensored ramblings are available on Wordpress. She is also a professional psychic on Keen, and always happy to help where she's needed. She's applied her skills in engineering, preschool and art education, art history and anthropology - and she's happy to discuss it all!

PERFORMERS

Brian Henke

IPMA (International Pagan Music Awards) Best Male Artist winner both in 2019 and again in 2020, Brian Henke composes and performs his music like a painter putting images on canvas, a kind of sonic shaman, drawing his inspiration from the world around him. His unique guitar style has been called everything from Folk to New Age to Neo-Classical to Pastoral or as Brian likes to call it "a big stewpot of everything, stirred up, simmered and served to taste."

Throughout all of his music is an undercurrent of spirituality and mysticism that Brian says is very much a part of the creative process. Because of this he has received radio air play all over the world on shows as varied as WKSU's "Folk Alley", International Pagan Radio and John Dilberto's "Echoes." A winner of many acoustic and electric guitar awards, he has also been a finalist in the prestigious National Fingerstyle Contest in Winfield, Kansas, the National Guitarmeddon regional finals in Boston and in New Age Reporters Top 10 for 2006 and 2010.

Digger T

Digger T. was born in New York on July 4th, 1949. His major childhood musical influences came from his father, Joseph P. Tozzi who played trumpet and his uncles Charlie and Arty Muller who played guitar and washtub bass. A devoted Dylan fan as a teenager Digger learned to play guitar and rack mount harp in the late 60's, eventually refining his technique from the likes of James Cotton, Jr. Wells, Little Walter, to name a few. After 25 Years playing in blues bands T. has gone back to playing solo. Covering songs by the likes of Gillian Welch, Ray Lamontagne, Amos Lee, Tyler Childers, Dylan, and of course The Blues. www.facebook.com/DiggerTozzi/

HESTIA'S HEARTH KITCHEN

Hestia's Hearth Kitchen will serve lunch from
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm and dinner from 6:00 pm -
7:30 pm. Meal tickets can be purchased at
Caffeina's Cosmic Cafe.



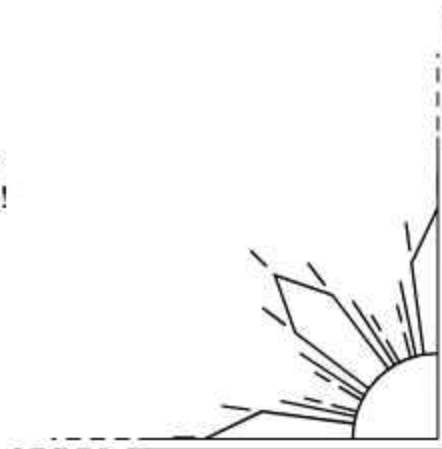
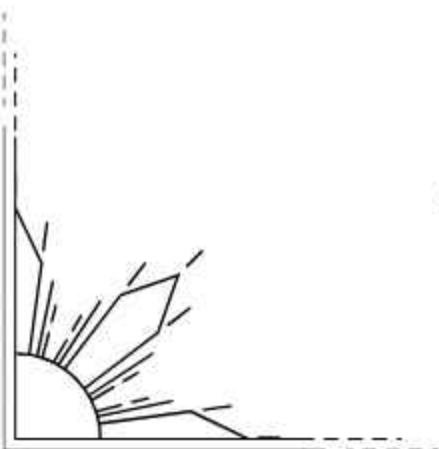
CAFFEINA'S COFFEE HOUSE



Caffeina's Cosmic Cafe features fresh-brewed Silver Bridge Coffee, breakfast sandwiches, snacks, hot dogs, brats, and a wide selection of beverages.

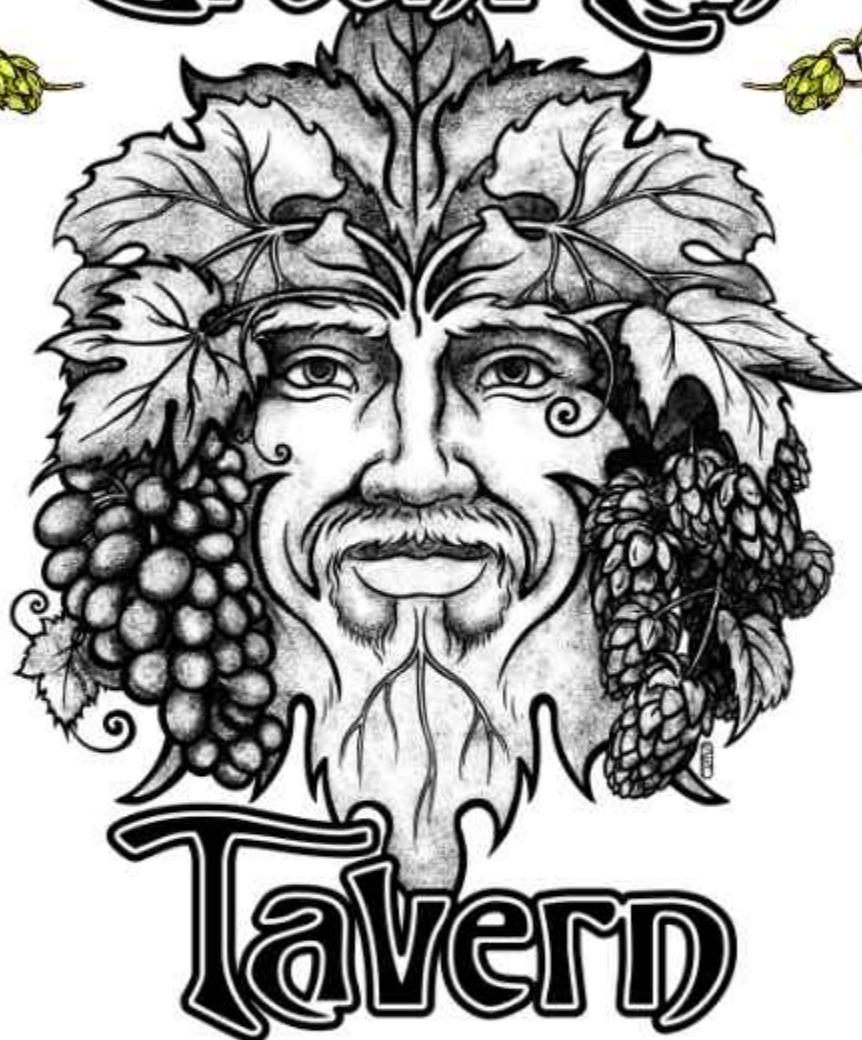
Meals from Hestia's Hearth Kitchen, firewood, ice, and WiFi passes can also be purchased at Caffeina's!

Caffeina's is open daily from 8:00 am - 10:00 pm



GREEN MAN TAVERN

Green Man



Green Man Tavern features local draft beer from Jackie O's Brewery! Other drink options are available.

Green Man Tavern is open daily from 4:00 pm - 1:00 am.

Happy Hour: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Happiest Hour: 11:00 pm - 1:00 am



THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING APPALACHIAN SUMMER SOLSTICE!

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 9 - 15: The Starwood Festival

July 26 - 28: Stargazer Cannabis Festival

Aug 2 - 4: Barleycorn

Aug 15 - 18: Appalachian Herbfest

Aug 30 - Sept 1: Manifest/Labor Day Weekend

Sept 20 - 22: Fall Equinox Community Weekend

Oct 9 - 13: Autumn Fires



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