

# Schedule

## Wednesday

Gate open 3pm-10pm (early arrival, \$25 age 13+, \$12 age 4-12)

7pm - Staff dinner (no general public food sales)

8pm - Staff meeting

9pm (approx) - Paw Paw Drum and Dance Fire Circle

## Thursday

Gate open 10am-10pm

9am - Sober Support Meeting w/ Rev. Donna @ Behind First Aid (18+)

11:30am-1pm - Lunch @ Pavilion

12pm - Sweatlodge orientation w/ Doug Sundling @ Sweatlodge

2:30pm-4pm - Dancing Colors w/ Tadashi Kato @ Main Stage

4pm - Green Man opens

4pm - 5:30pm - Opening Circle @ Stone Circle

4pm - 6pm - Happy Hour @ Green Man

5:30pm-7pm - Dinner @ Pavilion

7pm-8:30pm - 12 Steps Without God w/ Rev. Donna @ APM Booth

8pm-9pm - Captain Chucke and the Cadillac South @ Green Man

9pm-10pm - James Craig @ Green Man

9pm (approx) - Paw Paw Drum and Dance Fire Circle

10pm-11pm - Annie Wolfe @ Green Man

11pm-1am - Happiest Hour @ Green Man

TBD - Sweatlodge w/ Doug Sundling (arranged at noon meeting)

## Friday

Gate open 10am-10pm

9am - Sober Support Meeting w/ Rev. Donna @ Behind First Aid (18+)

10am-11:30am - Sacred Rage Release w/ Aimee Temple @ Pirates Cove

10am-11:30am - Queer Healing Circle w/ Carver Jenesis @ Spirit Circle

10am-11:30am - Making Magickal Shakers w/ Faith Hersey @ Pavilion

10am-11:30am - Brian Henke @ Kids Village

11:30am-1pm - Lunch @ Pavilion

1pm-2:30pm - Blacksmithing w/ Steve Hudson @ The Forge (additional times on arrangement)

1pm-2:30pm - Intro to Juggling w/ TBA @ Main Stage

2:30pm-4pm - Build and Tune a Pendulum w/ Elf @ Village Green

3pm-4:30pm - Special Presentation: Ohio Canid Center @ Pavilion

4pm-5pm - Face Painting w/ Jamie White @ Kid Village

4pm-6pm - Happy Hour @ Green Man  
4pm-5:30pm - Sacred Faces w/ Carver Jenesis @ Heart Hearth  
4:30pm-6pm - Special Presentation: Listening to Your Animal's Heart @ Village Green  
4:30pm-5:30pm - SWAMP @ Green Man  
5pm-5:30pm - Petite Paw Paw @ Paw Paw  
5:30pm-7pm - Dinner @ Pavilion  
7pm-8:30pm - Divine Feminine Gnosis & Our Prophetic Wombs @ Village Green (18+)  
7pm-8:30pm - Beginner/Intermediate Drumming w/ Roots @ Paw Paw  
7pm-8pm - Queer Spirit Shrine Dedication w/ Rev Lynx @ Labyrinth of the Ways  
8pm - Firelit Labyrinth Wander @ Labyrinth of the Ways  
9pm - Faerie Shrine Lighting @ Faerie Shrine  
9pm (approx) - Paw Paw Drum and Dance Fire Circle  
10:30pm - Fireworks at Grand Field  
11pm - Brian Henke @ Green Man  
11pm-1am - Happiest Hour @ Green Man

## Saturday

Gate open 10am-10pm

9am - Sober Support Meeting w/ Rev. Donna @ Behind First Aid (18+)  
10am-11:30am - St Johns's Wort: Herald of the Sun w/ Jenny Jean @ Green Man  
10am-11:30am - Beginner Acro w/ Fool's Journey @ Village Green  
10am-11:30am - Flow for Kids w/ Faith Hersey @ Kids Village  
11am-12am - Special Presentation: BARC @ Pavilion  
11:30am-1pm - Lunch @ Pavilion  
12pm - Sweatlodge orientation w/ Doug Sundling @ Sweatlodge  
12pm-1pm - Bardic Circle w/ Sinann Patricia @ Green Man  
1pm-2:30pm - 30 Years of Wisteria History w/ Charlene Suggs @ Pavilion  
2:30pm-4pm - Connection and Joy of Spirit Animals w/ Elf @ Paw Paw  
2:30pm-4pm - Flow w/ Fool's Journey @ Village Green  
2:30pm-4pm - Native Drum Sacred Practices w/ LaVerna Vickers @ Kids Village  
4pm-5:30pm - Making Sun Masks w/ Kelly Lawrence @ Pavilion  
4pm-5:30pm - Aerial Hammock w/ Fool's Journey @ Main Stage  
4pm - 5:30pm - Botanical Aphrodisiacs w/ Cody K & Dirt Mother @ Village Green (18+)  
4pm-6pm - Happy Hour @ Green Man  
4:30pm-5:30pm - Harlot @ Green Man  
5:30pm-7pm - Dinner @ Pavilion  
7pm-8:30pm - Fool's Journey Circus @ Main Stage  
9pm (approx) - Paw Paw Drum and Dance Fire Circle  
9pm-10pm - Osi and the Jupiter @ Green Man  
10pm-11pm - Avowal @ Green Man  
11pm-1am - Happiest Hour @ Green Man  
TBD - Sweatlodge w/ Doug Sundling (arranged at noon meeting)

## Sunday

9am - Sober Support Meeting w/ Rev. Donna @ Behind First Aid (18+)

10am-11:30am - Solstice Ceremony w/ Kelly @ Stone Circle

11:30am-1pm - Lunch @ Pavilion

3pm - Event closing time

## Performances

### The Fool's Journey

*Saturday 7:00pm @ Main Stage*

The Fool's Journey follows a wandering soul through the unfolding of a ten-card tarot spread, where each draw shapes their path and tests their spirit. Tasked with carrying a fragile flame, The Fool moves through moments of wonder, connection, temptation, and risk as they meet the other characters of the tarot deck.

Blending trapeze, lyra, partner acrobatics, and fire performance, this show is a living ritual of movement and meaning. A little chaotic, a little tender, and lit from within, it invites you to see yourself in The Fool.

### Fireworks Show

*Friday 10:30pm @ Grand Field*

Join us in Grand Field for a fireworks show! Starting 10:30pm sharp, we will (hopefully) have music to accompany the show.

### Captain Chucke and the Cadillac South

*Thursday 8pm @ Green Man*

### James Craig

*Thursday 9pm @ Green Man*

### Annie Wolfe

*Thursday 10pm @ Green Man*

Annie Wolfe is a singer songwriter and multi-instrumentalist influenced by Folk, Jazz, psychedelic rock, and blues.

Friday Band Lineup

## SWAMP

*Friday 4:30pm @ Green Man*

Swamp is a folk rock group beginning in 2025 as duo between Maria Dessoffy and Joseph Tagliavoni, and has now grown to include other musicians including drummer Rusty Edwards and bassist Ryan Saghey. With musical influences from Melody Gardot, and Grace Potter, as well as blues coming from New Orleans, all in an acoustic wrapping, Swamp portrays subject matter that is not only personal to the musicians, but also includes a heavy focus on spirituality and the lesson life has to offer. Swamp will be coming out with the first debut album "Split" in 2026.

## Lin Sanders

*Friday 8pm @ Green Man*

Lin Sanders fronted, played guitar, and sang in a number of bands during her musical career. She has sung and performed as a Stevie Nicks impersonator; sang hard rock and metal in a cover band; and played and sang original music in the band she is most noted for, the dynamic all girl pagan band, Burning Sage.

Lin left band life during the Covid lockdowns to work from her homestead and spend time in her gardens. Ever the Creatrix, Lin is still creating music in betwixt canning tomatoes, growing vegetables, and crafting an array of homestead products.

Her music is like her life, ever influenced by the nature spirits and beings that make up the world around her. Gemini the communicator, while not so much in conversation, works her magic through songwriting in expressive and emotional terms, drawing from social issues, relationships, and her spiritual practice.

Lin steps out solo now to return to her acoustic roots. She is currently working on her bucket list of projects, which include a long anticipated compilation of solo acoustic works, which span her wide range of musical interests including Americana, folk, rock, and world.

## Colin and the Crows

*Friday 9pm @ Green Man*

Colin blends lyrics and poems with melodies pulled from the ether to create spellbinding songs. The natural flow of the songwriting process makes room for different genres to blend together. With contributions from other musicians it culminates into an energetic and heartwarming experience to behold.

## Brian Henke

*Friday 11pm @ Green Man*

IPMA (International Pagan Music Awards) Best Male Artist winner in 2019, 2020 and again in 2024, 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 Guitarmageddon regional finals in Boston and in New Age Reporters Top 10 for 2006 and 2010.

## Bardic Circle with Sinann Patricia

*Saturday noon @ Green Man*

## Harlot

*Saturday 4:30pm @ Green Man*

From over the hills comes Harlot, the folk Americana duo bringing rich melodic vocal harmonies and intricate rhythmic tones to haunt your local holler. With over 10 years of songwriting, Harlot brings original music and a few unique covers that listeners have described as “mystical and ethereal” and “hauntingly beautiful”.

## OSI and the Jupiter

*Saturday 9pm @ Green Man*

Hailing from the shadowy forests of Ohio amongst the echoes of old songs dwell the haunting hymns of Osi and the Jupiter.

Sean Kratz offers his multi-instrumental talent in honor to Northern pagan traditions and in worshipful tribute to the peaceful finality of death. From its birth in 2015, the focus of the project has been on the spiritual connection between nature and the will of the old Gods – channeled through various representations of life, death and rebirth, this connection speaks through these musical creations, resonating as wordless tributes to these nebulous yet fundamental concepts.

## Avowal

*Saturday 10pm @ Green Man*

Genre-Defying Metal

In a digital age that encourages and rewards more of the same, Avowal vows to be different. Channeling influence from early punk, thrash, death, and dark/black metal, brash intensity is prioritized in Elyse's songwriting style. Lyrical themes around powerful goddesses, witchcraft, and divination are fused with observations of modern times and personal experiences. Avowal is a frank acknowledgment, an affirmation of the truth of what you believe. Out of step, defiance.

As of the fall of 2023, Avowal is Elyse Hirsch (vocals/guitar), Logan Kruzel (lead guitar), Sean Deth (bass), and Christian Krucker "Kracker" (drums)

## Special Presentations

### Ohio Canid Center

*Friday 3pm @ Pavilion*

The Ohio Canids Center is returning this year!

Rachel Robertson, director of the Ohio Canids Center in Licking County Ohio will be doing a presentation at Summer Solstice. This all ages event includes an ambassador animal (fox, wolf, coyote) and a slide show. A table will be set up with belts, bones, and pawprint castings for people to handle and learn from.

### Listening to Your Animal's Heart: Intuitive Animal Connection

*Friday 4:30pm @ Village Green*

Workshop presenter, Misty Nicole, is an Animal Communicator, Equine Massage Therapist, Karuna Reiki Master and has been trained in many holistic and spiritual practices. Misty has been communicating with animals and nature for as long as she can remember. She connects people and their pets in a deeper way. This brings harmony and health to your relationship with your pet and in your life. **Bring a photo of your pet!**

### BARC (Behavior Analysis Reform for Companions)

*Saturday 11am @ Pavilion*

Presenters Melanie Yoder and Nikki Balderson.

Have an even better relationship with a canine companion! BARC ( Behavior Analysis Reform for Companions) is a non profit organization that provides support to pet owners and Athens County Shelter Dogs. By using positive reinforcement, the focus is on improving pet learning and behaviors. The ultimate goal is an enhanced quality of life for you, your family and your pet.

YAP (Yoder Applied Practice) is a non-traditional dog training approach. This science of learning and behavior is applied to different scopes, services and breeds. Mental enrichment is also encouraged for positive behavior and a lifetime of enjoyment with our canine Companions.

# Workshops

## Aimee Temple

Certification in several healing modalities, 4 and counting in Theta Healing. I do sound healing, energy work, psychic reading and trauma release.

### Sacred Rage Release

*Friday 10am @ Pirates Cove (All Ages)*

Go through a series of ways to deal with anxiety, PTSD, and trauma.

## Brian Henke

TBA

### Brian Henke at Kids Village

*Friday 10am @ Kids Village*

TBA

## Carver Jenesis

Carver (they/them) has practiced traditional Appalachian folkways and Norse Seiðr for several years. They are currently completing their BA in Anthropology, focusing on ethnographic research within pagan and occult communities. Carver is delighted to return to Wisteria's Summer Solstice Festival.

### Sacred Faces

*Friday 4pm @ Heart Hearth (All Ages)*

Step into a space of creativity, ritual, and self-discovery in this immersive mask making workshop. This experience invites participants to craft a personal mask that reflects inner archetypes, ancestral echoes, and the unseen energies that shape our lives.

Through guided meditation, intention-setting, and hands-on artistry, we will explore the symbolic language of color, texture, and form. Each mask becomes more than an object — it is a vessel for transformation, protection, and expression. No prior artistic experience is needed; the focus is on process, intuition, and meaning rather than perfection.

## Queer Healing Circle

*Friday 10am @ Spirit Circle (All Ages)*

Queer, Trans, Nonbinary, Two-Spirit and all who identify betwixt and between be welcome! Let us gather and peel back the veil of time together to call our Queer Ancestors as we weave a

story of community, resilience, and healing. In this space, we will call the holy dead to be witness as we heal and strengthen ourselves through community. We will perform a ceremonial letting go ritual, as we welcome the turning of our lives beneath the evening sky. And we will welcome each other into a community that is welcoming and strong.

This includes an open storytelling for the purpose of healing component, as such due to the nature and content that may arise, parental/guardian discretion is advised.

## Charlene Suggs

As a community organizer and grassroots activist for over 25 years, Charlene Suggs has devoted much of her life manifesting transformative ways for people to share land, life and vision. She is the founding president of Wisteria Community and has served in many capacities for over 30 years. Though semi-retired, Charlene continues long-range planning as well as documenting history and enjoying physical labor.

### 30 Years of Wisteria History and Stories

*Saturday 1pm @ Pavilion (All Ages)*

Come listen to stories about Wisteria. In 30 years, we have gone from a visionary seed to a thriving land-based community, nature preserve and event campground. This magical place is a converging vision and effort created by thousands of people over the decades -- miracles abound. Told from the perspective of the founding President who helps nurture this vine and builds the trellis it grows upon.

## Cody Kratzmeier

Cody "the Feral Wizard" has spent much of his life outdoors in the company of plants and wild life. Working over 20 years as a freelance organic gardener, specializing in native landscaping. Cody possesses ample knowledge of plants, gardening and foraging. His experiences include: Biochemistry Lab Assistant at New College of Florida, Assistant at American Native Plants Nursery, WWOOFer at Vero Beach Organic Farm & Gainesville Botanist Homestead, Apprenticing in landscape architecture and native plant landscaping. Currently Cody collaborates with Dirt Mother growing and foraging herbs in Baltimore County.

### In the Mood: An Exploration of Botanical Aphrodisiacs

*Saturday 4pm @ Village Green, with Dirt Mother (Adult 18+ Only)*

Across the globe, many ancient cultures have held herbal aphrodisiacs as sacred. We will explore some of these traditions and ceremonies with a modern synergized practical approach to enhancing libido, supporting hormone balance, calming the nervous system and nourishing the heart to get you in the mood. Focusing on some favored herbs and recipes to include: Damiana, Horny Goat weed, Cacao, Maca, Saw Palmetto and more!

## Dirt Mother

Denise “Dirt Mother” Cumor is a Hedge Witch, Educator & Former Facilitator of The Red Tent, who defies the patriarchal paradigm by following her own intuitive path, through creative expression and her commitment to support empowerment of women and men in the healing arts, sexuality and Divine Feminine worship. Experiences that have strengthened her commitment: Clerk at the feminist/lesbian 31st St Book Store in Baltimore, working as a Dancer for 4 years on Baltimore's infamous 'Block;' teaching OB-GYN protocol & techniques to medical students with Johns Hopkins; Event Coordinator & Sex Educator for the Spiral Dance Women's Center, vending, facilitating & educating in the Red Tent for 10 years in the mid-Atlantic Pagan community, Coordinator for The Scarlet Den at THE Beltane & The Inner Sanctum at Blue Ridge Beltane. More recently, growing and foraging herbs and mushrooms and developing medicinal Dirt Mother products with her partner, Cody, “The Feral Wizard.” She has been making music and writing poetry for over 20 years.. Creating medicine, music and sacred space has been her joy and salvation.

## Divine Feminine Gnosis & Our Prophetic Wombs

*Friday 7pm @ Village Green (Adult 18+ Only)*

In the modern new age and the reclamation of pagan spirituality, one of the most powerful aspects of this re-emergence is the Goddess and the worship of the Divine Feminine. The archetype of the Goddess can be a very powerful awakening, connecting us with lost knowledge. As women, we are gifted with strong intuitions and prophetic sensibilities. We bleed and shed with the moon and hold creation of life within our wombs. The womb is our inner sacred temple, the house of strong magic, power and energy. But what does it mean for a woman to embody divine feminine? What are the tools and practices of this tradition? What have we lost to ancient history? What have we learned through our reclamation and our collective sharing? This workshop is dedicated to exploring the reclamation, practices, the tools and the natural prophetic gifts of being a woman, honoring and strengthening our collective wisdom as Priestesses of the Divine Feminine.

## 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.

## SWEATLODGE ORIENTATION & CEREMONY

*Orientation - Thu & Sat noon @ Sweatlodge; Sweat time TBD at orientation (Adult 18+ Only)*

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 - if there is sufficient interest.

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.

## Elf

I have been a part of wisteria for many years, often guiding rituals and teaching workshops. That little old lady that talks to the trees. I consider myself a Mystic, a Seer and Shamanic healer

## Connection and joy of spirit animals

*Saturday 2:30pm @ Paw Paw (Teen & Adult)*

Connection to your own spiritual animals brings wisdom, comfort and joy. The process of creating this connection is often simpler than many think. In this workshop we will begin this process and discover the animal spirits that already watch over you.

## Build And Tune a pendulum

*Friday 2:30pm @ Village Green (Teen & Adult) [\$15 Materials Fee]*

The pendulum is well known as a tool for divination, the class will show you how to use one effectively and expand its use beyond just divination.

Part one, create your own a pendulum from offered components.

Part two, tune the pendulum to your personal energy

The two parts of the program do not need to be back to back.

Note attendees can bring their own pendulum and only attend part two

\$15 materials fee only if you are making a pendulum.

## Faith Hersey

Faith Hersey is a flow artist, musician, Chaos magician, Green Witch and community organizer from Pittsburgh, PA. She has taught flow arts to many students of all ages, and hosts Drums and Fire!!!, a weekly drums and flow arts Circle at OWL Hollow. She also hosts Tarot Salons, art nights, and seasonal ceremonies. She loves to make magick and art of all kinds, and especially to combine them.

## Flow Arts for Kids!

*Saturday 10am @ Kids Village (All Ages Welcome)*

Come spin things in circles! I will have kid-sized hoops (and some adult-sized ones) and kid-friendly practice poi for everyone to play with. We'll learn the basics and a few tricks, and then maybe have a hoop contest...?

## Making Magickal Shakers

*Friday 10am @ Pavilion (All Ages Welcome) [\$5 Materials Fee]*

We will make magickal spell shakers! We'll use dried segments of bamboo to craft shakers that empower a magickal purpose whenever they are shaken. I'll have lots of materials such as seeds, crystals, bells, beads string and herbs, but please also bring whatever you'd like to add! A \$5 donation for supplies is appreciated but not required.

## Fool's Journey

Members of Fool's Journey Circus (see under Performances) will be presenting workshops during Summer Solstice!

## Beginner Acro

Saturday 10am @ Village Green

## Flow

Saturday 2:30pm @ Village Green

## Aerial Hammock

Saturday 4:00pm @ Main Stage

## Jamie White

Hi, I'm Jamie! I've been face painting professionally for 13 years, and my passion for learning and all things art keeps my creativity flowing. ✨

Alongside my paintbrush, I also read tarot and have had the joy of joining the Wisteria events at Autumn Fires several times over the years. This Summer Solstice, I'm excited to offer healing art and meaningful symbolism through my craft—creating something beautiful, personal, and special just for you.

I love connecting with new friends and kindred spirits, so come say hello, sit for a spell, and let's make a little magic together! 🍊🌿

## Face Painting: Butterflies

*Friday 4pm @ Kid Village (Older Kids & Teens) [\$5 Materials Fee]*

Who doesn't love becoming a brighter, bolder version of themselves than they were yesterday?



Butterflies have long symbolized powerful transformation and personal growth—the soul's journey from something small and earthbound into something मुक्त, (radiant, and free.) They embody rebirth, hope, and joy, and are often seen as gentle messengers from the spiritual realm... little winks from the divine reminding us that change can be beautiful.

Bring your memories, your intuition, your hopes and dreams, and join me to learn how to paint this breathtaking symbol in a workshop you'll carry with you long after the day is done—feeling just a little better, and a little more beautiful than before.

(This workshop is geared towards adults and older children but we can make adjustments to accommodate “Littles” over the age of 5 as well!)

We'll begin by exploring intention and meaning, followed by a short demonstration. Then I'll guide you step-by-step as you create your own stunning butterfly design on yourself or someone special—one you can proudly display on your body and wear all day as a reminder of your transformation.

Come spread your wings and let's make something magical together! 

## Jenny Jean

Jenny was born and bred in the Allegheny Mountains of Pennsylvania, and she is the clinical herbalist, medicine maker, and Appalachian Sophianic medicine woman behind Herbal Appalachia. Stepping into her role as a healer has been the culmination of a personal journey rooted in loss, resilience, and a commitment to alchemize suffering. It began with the painful experience of losing her mother to inflammatory breast cancer. Witnessing her mother's struggles with modern cancer treatments fueled Jenny's quest to explore more natural approaches to illness and ways to prevent it. Through the process, her own family's Appalachian medicine roots were revealed through both the accounts of living family members and ancestral journey work. Jenny's healing practice is a harmonious fusion of scientific rigor and spiritual connection with plants, the land, the ancestors, and the multidimensional nature of the cosmos. Her current herbal practice stands at the intersection of science and spirit, offering a transformative experience focusing on both the physical and spiritual root causes of dis-ease. Her workshops often have a focus on bioregional herbalism, emphasizing the medicinal wealth of the Appalachians, promoting health sovereignty, and empowering individuals to actively participate in their well-being, in both the physical and spiritual realms.

## St Johns Wort: Herald of the Sun

*Saturday 10am @ Green Man (Teen & Adult) [\$25 Materials Fee]*

St John's Wort has long been honored as a sign of the Return of the Sun. In this workshop, we will delve into the ways in which St John's Wort brings the Sun into various aspects of our lives and the ways we can build deeper relationship with both the plant and the Season through its use.

Note - \$25 materials fee may not apply if St John's Wort can be found on-site; check with Jenny.

## Kelly Lawrence

I live in Athens, Ohio. I have been making and teaching art most of my life and I also own a business selling my art. I enjoy sharing my wide variety of artistic skills and look forward to offering fun projects for others at Wisteria.

I am a longtime attendee and lover of Wisteria. I am on the awards committee that runs the main ritual. I will be offering a class that coincides with the ritual.

## Making Sun Masks

*Saturday 4pm @ Pavilion (All Ages)*

We will be making papier mache and cardboard and masks for the main ritual.

## LaVerna Vickers ("Fox")

LaVerna has been a member of an all women's powwow drum for decades. LaVerna wants to bring the traditional Indian drum etiquette and sacred learning to Wisteria.

## Native Drum Sacred Practices

*Saturday 2:30pm @ Kids Village (All Ages Welcome)*

This will be a workshop sharing Native drum practices, etiquette and a sacred song or two.

## Rev. Donna Donovan

Rev Donna Donovan is the founder of Appalachian Pagan Ministry whose focus is on pagan prison ministry. Rev Donna is also a person in long-term recovery, overcoming her meth addiction Jan 8, 1989. As well as being a mother to a daughter who is also in long-term recovery, she lost her son to his battle with opiates 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.

## 12 Steps without the God Part

*Thursday 7pm @ Appalachian Pagan Ministry booth (Adult 18+ Only)*

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 the recently released 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.

## Sober Meeting

*Daily 9am @ Behind First Aid (Adult 18+ Only)*

## Rev. Lynx

Eclectic Animist, Druid of the Nemeton of the Cervidae & Steward of the Labyrinth of the Ways.

## Queer Spirit Shrine Dedication & Procession through the Labyrinth of the Ways

*Friday 7pm @ Labyrinth of the Ways (All Ages)*

Join us at the Labyrinth of the Ways (on the road to Fairy Shrine) for a group meditation walk through the Labyrinth. 2026 marks the 10th anniversary of manifesting of the Labyrinth and we will be making a stop at the Queer Spirit Shrine to make offerings and rededicate it before processing to the center.

## Firelit Labyrinth Wander

*Friday 8pm @ Labyrinth of the Ways (All Ages)*

Join us at the Labyrinth of the Ways (on the road to Fairy Shrine) for a wander along Her firelit paths. Leading to a tended fire in the center, this is intended as a solitary wander but a guide will be available during the walk. This is the 10 anniversary of the Labyrinth of the Ways and we hope to see you all wandering Her Ways

## Roots

Drum instructor/Teacher

## Beginner/Intermediate Drumming

*Friday 7pm @ Paw Paw (All Ages)*

An intro to drumming and proper technique

## Steve Hudson

### Intro to Blacksmithing

*Friday 1pm @ Forge (Teens & Adults) [\$20 Materials Fee]*

Ask Steve about other forge times

## Tadashi Kato

Tadashi (Tad) Kato is a native of Japan and holds a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology (Ohio University), a MA in Kinesiology/Exercise Science (Tokyo University), a BA in Aesthetics (Tokyo University), a Certified Evans Method Dance Instructor, and a certified Yoga Instructor. Along with his work in various clinical settings, including Southeastern Psychiatric Hospital (Athens, OH), University of North Carolina at Charlotte Counseling Center, State University of New York at Binghamton Counseling Center, he has taught multiple Dance Therapy Workshops at various venues in Ohio, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New York. As a dancer and a choreographer, he studied Japanese Butoh Dance with Yoshito Ohno and various other Butoh masters, Sword Dance with Kensei Namiki, and American Modern Dance with Angela Dennis and Bill Evans. He was a Resident Artist at Center for Remembering and Sharing (Manhattan, 2016), at Cave (Brooklyn, 2016), and at Bronx Academy of Arts and Dance (Bronx, 2012), and was a commissioned choreographer for Lower Manhattan Asian Dance Festival (2012), and at Pittsburgh First Night (2009-2017). His recent dance work included his new line of Performance Art titled 'Playback Dance' in which he interprets audience members' life struggles through his dance with the intention of transmuting them into the dimension of healing. "Dancing with Your Colors Workshop" is one way of integrating his works as a dance artist, a clinical psychologist, and an exercise physiologist.

## Dancing Your Colors

*Thursday 2:30pm @ Main Stage (All Ages)*

Tad Kato cordially invites you to an evening of Dance Therapy workshop designed to assist you in your journey through self-discovery. Tad is a Certified Evans Method Modern Dance Instructor, a Certified Yoga Instructor, a Licensed Clinical Psychologist, holds MA in Exercise Physiology (Tokyo University) and Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology (Ohio University). In this workshop, participants will learn the basic movement vocabularies of Color Eurythmy that were developed by Rudolf Steiner who is known for establishing the Waldorf School System based on his Anthroposophy movement in early 20th century. Color Eurythmy was intended to translate the vibration of colors into dance movements. After exploring and learning the basic movement vocabularies, participants will be invited to a guided imagery through which they will become in touch with the core colors in their unconsciousness. This imagery exercise will be followed by abstract paintings that correspond to the contents of their contemplation. The participants will subsequently be invited to share their movements that correspond to the colors that appear in their self-reflective paintings. The workshop will culminated into a celebratory group improvisational dance by accessing wide range of movement vocabularies that corresponds to color vibrations. Please come in movable clothing with a bottle of water and open-mind.

## Staff / Other / TBA

### Petite Paw Paw

*Friday 5pm @ Paw Paw*

Our beloved tradition of Petite Paw Paw returns to Solstice this year. Kids all ages are welcome to come down and dance at Paw Paw! Feel free to bring shakers, drums, or other rhythm instruments to drum for the kids.

### Intro to Juggling

*Friday 1pm @ Main Stage (All Ages)*

Presenter will be announced during the event.

### Faerie Shrine Lighting

*Friday 9pm @ Faerie Shrine*

Join us at the Faerie Shrine (head towards the pond and keep going) for a candlelit evening. Note that this is a long walk on a gravel road, wear good shoes. Shuttles may be available for those with limited mobility.