

More than a Dozen to Perform at Jeff Fest Arts and Music Festival's SUMMER ARTS STAGE

CHICAGO, Ill., July 22, 2014 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – Chicago's Northwest neighborhood, Jefferson Park, plays host to its ever-popular three-day [Jeff Fest Arts & Music Festival](#) Friday, July 25 through Sunday, July 27, 2014. The festival boasts two stages for entertainment, The Main Stage and The Summer Arts Stage offering something wonderful for everyone to see, hear and enjoy.

New for this year's festival is a promotion calling all those with the name "Jeff" or have "Jeff" in their name to get into the festival free with a companion on Friday, July 25th-only by presenting proper identification. The festival also is enticing fest-goers with a special [Groupon](#) offer.

"We have something going on at the festival at all times for people to experience," said Cyd Smillie, Festival Steering Committee member and Arts Alive Chicago Founder and President. "We have so many opportunities for families and friends to enjoy all types of artists all weekend long and we encourage them to participate."

Back by popular demand is John Yosts' Drum Circle where everyone gets a chance to play an instrument and be a part of the rhythmic beat with Saturday and Sunday performances. Those interested can decorate their own drum to play and take home.

On Sunday, July 27 from 3-4 p.m., Aerial Dance Chicago will unveil a new spinning hoop piece with aerial fabric and trapeze artists. Following the performance, there will be an opportunity for audience members to experience aerial dance and acrobatic dance hands-on. Open to all ages.

C3 PhotoART Fest II will present 50 juried art show works of art. Fest-goers are invited to vote on their "People's Choice" and award the artists at the show.

Musicians like Ryan Wilkins, Yoko & the Oh No's, Zydeco Voodoo and more will create quite a buzz with their soulful music and grooves.

The festival's Summer Arts Stage includes:

* Friday, July 25, 2014 – 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Field Daze | Aunteaks | Yoko & The Oh No's

* Saturday, July 26, 2014 – Noon to 11 p.m.
Ryan Wilkins | Zydeco Voodoo | The Revelettes | John Yost Drum Circle | Tommy Tuesday | Little Egypt | Manz Media Show | More than a dozen Fringe Fest company performers

* Sunday, July 27, 2014 – Noon to 10 p.m.

Mary Macaroni | El Musical Que Planton | John Yost Drum Circle | Kathy Greenholdt & Paul Coady | Jose Cornier Trio

Jeff Fest Main Stage headliner bands include:

Friday, July 25: [Shape-Shifter](#) a Chicagoland band covering 80s, 90s and Classic Rock.

Saturday, July 26: [The Bad Examples](#), an indie alternative pop-rock group formed by songwriter, acoustic guitarist, and vocalist Ralph Covert.

Sunday, July 27: [Brushville](#) one of the hottest rockin' country bands, winner of the 2012 Battle for the Saddle and known to have shared the stage with the biggest names in country music.

How do I get to Jefferson Park?

Jefferson Memorial Park is located at 4822 N. Long Avenue, just west of Milwaukee Avenue. Fest-goers are encouraged to take public transportation, as the Jefferson Park Metra and CTA Blue Line transportation hub is just a block from the festival grounds. Plenty of bike racks also will be available.

Jeff Fest is presented by 45th Ward Alderman Arena, Jefferson Park Chamber of Commerce in partnership with the Jefferson Park Advisory Council and the Chicago Park District along with media partner 93.1 WXRT Chicago.



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The event is chaired by Jefferson Park Chamber of Commerce Board members who volunteer their time for this community event. Proceeds from the festival support local student scholarships and Jefferson Park business-focused events. To date, 25 scholarships have been awarded to local students. Four student scholarships will be presented on Saturday, July 26 at 4 p.m.

Road closures: Linder Avenue will be blocked off between Higgins and Lawrence

Avenue for the three-day festivities.

The fee for admission is \$7 per person, or \$5 before 5 o'clock. Children ages 12 and under are Free. Outside food, coolers and liquor are not permitted. Festival hours are Friday, July 25 from 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday, July 26 from Noon to 11 p.m., and Sunday, July 27 from Noon to 10 p.m. Lawn chairs welcome.

For more information, go to <http://jefffest.org/>.

Be sure you are the first to hear of announcements and plans for Jeff Fest and follow [@JeffFestChicago](https://twitter.com/JeffFestChicago) on Twitter and Jeff Fest Arts and Music Festival on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Jeff-Fest-Arts-Music-Festival/96599731822>.

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