

WaterFire Sharon World Fire Event Schedule

Downtown Sharon September 14, 2013 11:00 a.m. – Midnight

11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. World Fire Expo (downtown Sharon)

The *World Fire Expo* takes you on a journey of the countries of the world. Visit one of our many food vendors representing countries from Eastern Europe, the Mediterranean, Down Under and the Middle East along with China, Japan, Germany, Italy, Mexico, France and of course the good old U.S.A. Explore one of the many artist booths, try a cupcake decorated just for you, get your face painted, play some games dedicated to the world's most popular sport, Soccer, or take home a photo from the photo booth. Watch 13 chalk art murals that represent different cultures being created until 1:00 p.m. and then contribute to the Penn Avenue community chalk mural before the lighting ceremony.

Make sure to get your WaterFire Sharon merchandise at one of our two booths and while you are there pick up an event specific map and schedule of the day's events. You can also get your event specific map and schedule of the day's events at one of our 8 event ambassador locations at the main entrances to town. You can find them by looking for 15' blue flags that say "Information."

Noon - 6:00 p.m. World Fire Passport Project (downtown Sharon)

Children and adults alike will have fun getting their passport stamped and learning about different cultures at each of our 13 passport stations. Greeted by representatives from each culture dressed in traditional clothing, kids can participate in a fun, interactive art project where they decorate symbols from each ethnic category and attach them to their "world globe."

11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Make & Take Pottery Station and Raku Firing (behind Huntington Bank on Shenango)

Try your hand at a make and take project at the pottery decorating and glazing station. Purchase your favorite piece, glaze and decorate it and then watch it fired in the Raku kiln. See Raku firing demonstrations in the evening which becomes quite a spectacle in the dark. Raku is a type of firing process inspired by traditional Japanese Raku firing and involves removing the pottery from the hot kiln and placing it into containers with combustible materials which produces interesting patterns and vibrant colors. Make a piece or just watch - either way it is a must see!

11:00 a.m. - Midnight Ceramic Invitational (James E. Winner Jr. Arts & Culture Center)

Browse several floors of diverse pottery and ceramics exhibited by 24 of the region's most prestigious artists in the ceramics world – all specifically invited in order to present a show of the Masters. The show features functional pottery, ceramic sculpture and ceramic installations from some of the best ceramic artists and educators in the country all assembled in one place.

Visit Daffin's Candies and Wendell August Forge in the lobby who have unique WaterFire Sharon merchandise. On your way out watch the Wendell August forgers at work or have your kids try their hand at an interactive forging experience!

11:00 a.m. - Midnight Memorial Earthworks Illuminated Art Installation (behind Huntington Bank on Shenango)

Designed by Columbus based artist and sculptor, Walter L. Herrmann, this Earthworks art installation was built by regional high school students. Designed as a reflective space built entirely out of natural materials, this installation is a place where you can pay tribute to loved ones no longer with us. At the center of the project are stone Memorial Cairns which will be set ablaze in an extension of the WaterFire Sharon lighting ceremony and tended throughout the evening. Contribute to the installation by purchasing a luminary, inscribing a personal message and placing your light within the project which will burn until Midnight and symbolize the illumination of love and hope.

12:30 p.m. - Midnight PNC WaterFire Ballroom (municipal parking lot - corner of Connelly & Railroad)

Bring a chair and spend some time tapping your toes to the diverse range of music throughout the day or just stop in to take a twirl on the dance floor in between enjoying all of the other WaterFire Sharon activities!

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. – Joel Ansett: Joel Ansett is a singer/songwriter from Spokane, WA who currently resides in Pittsburgh, PA. Featuring a fresh twist on folk music, fans of Death Cab for Cutie, City and Colour, The Fray and Mumford & Sons will love this original music!

2:00 – 3:00 p.m. – A Taste of Love: Get your groove on with A Taste of Love as they sing soulful hits by groups including The Whispers, The Delfonics, The O’Jays and The Temptations. This smooth group will get all ages jiving to Motown hits!

3:30 – 4:30 p.m. – Pipe Dreams: Pipe Dreams is a band whose music selection is a tribute to the reason Rock & Roll exists today. Rising above the multitude of Blues and Classic Rock bands that populate the local scene, Pipe Dreams has become a crowd favorite. Attracting an audience ranging from those in their 20’s looking to discover the past to those who were raised in the “Summer of Love”.

5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – Amplifiers: An experimental/ambient 4-piece rock band from Pittsburgh, the Amplifiers play original music from their album titled Everything Obsolete.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. – 2nd Avenue Project: If you haven’t heard this local band from Greenville, PA, you are in for a treat! Having played with numerous Grammy award winning artists, this Las Vegas style show band will definitely get you hopping’ with their funk, soul, rock and jazz sounds!

7:30 – 8:00 p.m. – Salsa Dancing Lessons: Don’t feel confident with your Latin dance moves? Take a salsa lesson at 7:30 with our outstanding dance instructors who will also give Latin dance performances throughout the evening!

8:00 p.m. – Midnight Azucar: Our Headliner and Pittsburgh’s premiere Latin dance band will heat things up with their beats featuring Salsa, Merengue, Cumbia, Reggaeton, Cha Cha, Bachata, Rhumba, Bolero, and more. This is definitely a don’t miss!

11:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Community Interactive Art Projects (State Street)

Hopes & Dreams Tiles: Sculpt a commemorative tile with your hopes and dreams that will be included in a series of public art installation projects in downtown Sharon. Make one or several and then come back in 2014 and to find your tile as part of our Sharon ArtScapes project! This booth closes at 7:00 p.m.

Traditions Tree & Friendship Garden: Visit our tree in Columbia Theater Park decorated with over 2,000 handcrafted folk art eggs - truly a sight to behold! Sponsor an egg or try your hand at decorating one yourself to add to our display!

Paint Splatter Mural: Contribute to our mural and have some fun while you are at it! Launching balloons is how you will participate in this project! Fund for kids and adults alike!

1:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. World Fire Stage (State Street Bridge)

Experience the sights and sounds of many cultures on our World Stage located down the center of the State Street Bridge.

1:15 – 1:45 p.m.	Bagpiper Ross Williams & Company
2:00 – 2:30 p.m.	Pittsburgh Taiko
2:45 – 3:15 p.m.	Belly Dancer Jamin
3:30 – 4:14 p.m.	Orchestra Braca – Tamburitza Style Croatian/Serbian Band
4:30 – 5:00 p.m.	Bagpiper – Ross Williams & Company
5:00 – 5:30 p.m.	Burke School of Irish Dance
5:30 – 6:00 p.m.	Belly Dancer Jamin
6:00 – 6:30 p.m.	Pittsburgh Taiko
6:45 – 7:30 p.m.	Zaps Ethnic Band “bringing the past to life”

2:00 p.m. - Midnight World Fire Wineries at the Ceramic Invitational (James E. Winner Jr. Arts & Culture Center)

Visit one of the World Fire wineries (Nova Cellars Winery, Fractured Grape Wine Cellars, Webb Winery, Wilhem Winery) on the third floor in the Theatre on 3 and relax with a great line-up of entertainment.

2:00 – 4:00 p.m.	Acoustic Duo
4:15 – 6:15 p.m.	Butch Nichols & Company
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.	Joel Ansett
8:45 – 11:00 p.m.	The River Saints

Delight your taste buds with culinary treats by Chef Theo Gumbs, a native of the US Virgin Islands, and one of the Caribbean’s most accomplished chefs. Combining regional flavors with world cuisine, he has been featured on national broadcast stations such as Canada’s CTV, CBS Fox 5 Washington, DC and New York’s CW11 Morning Show. Chef Theo has also been a featured chef for many years at the “Taste of the Caribbean” in Montreal, Canada as well as the “St. Croix Food & Wine Experience” named one of the Ten Best International Food and Wine Festivals by Forbes Travel for the past three years.

5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Ice Sculpture Demonstrations (State Street & Chestnut Street)

Make your way to Russia to watch ice sculptures being hand crafted!

WaterFire Sharon World Fire Lighting & Torch Processional

7:30 p.m. - Midnight

WaterFire Sharon Lighting (Shenango River between Connelly & Silver Street bridges)

Each WaterFire Sharon event is centered on a unique theme and World Fire celebrates the distinct differences of the cultures blended into the American melting pot. Enjoy fifty five sparkling bonfires on the Shenango River, the aroma of cedar and pine in the air, flickering firelight and silhouettes of firetenders passing by the flames accompanied by enchanting music throughout the evening until Midnight.

7:30 p.m.

National Anthem sung by Angela Grace (State Street Bridge)

A native of Sharon, Angela has returned home after living and working in New York and Europe as a singer and vocal coach. She continues to perform for National and International charitable, Presidential, Congressional, political, social and religious events. Her training and expertise in Classical, Opera, Oratorio and Music Theatre is on a World Class level. She has also expanded her mastery of Gospel and Christian Contemporary music. As a survivor of NYC 911, Angela considers it an honor to sing the National Anthem to open World Fire.

7:40 p.m.

WaterFire music begins

For a complete list of music played during WaterFire Sharon visit www.waterfiresharonpa.org after the event.

7:55 p.m.

Torch Processional (State Street Bridge)

The Community Foundation lights the first flames of World Fire. Bearing World Fire torches are representatives of Foundation funds that were integral in not only the realization of WaterFire Sharon, but also in the betterment of our region. Paying to tribute as torch bearers to those individuals who worked to make the community a better place and also made WaterFire Sharon a reality are the family members of James E. Winner Jr. and William Basoline Jr. Dressed in clothing of their heritage, World Fire torch bearers are also represented by individuals in the community who come together to celebrate the individual embers that have made the American Melting Pot.

8:05 p.m.

Lighting of Baskets on River & Procession to Earthworks Memorial

8:15 p.m.

Lighting of the Earthworks Memorial Illuminated Art Installation (corner of Penn & Shenango – Behind Huntington Bank)

This art installation was built by Columbus based artist and Sharon native, Walter Herrmann as well as regional high school students as a reflective space built entirely out of natural materials. This installation is lit by our memorial torch bearers and serves as a place where anyone can add their “light to the night.” In celebration or memory of a loved one, a dedication or special note can be written on a luminary and placed in the installation. This artwork acts as a complement to the bonfires on the river.

Throughout the evening there are featured live performances on the State Street Bridge including the beautiful vocals of Angela Grace and fire performances by Ohio Burn Unit. Take some time to explore the many vendors and activities throughout the city and then revisit the serene embers of WaterFire Sharon later in the evening.

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Late Night Dining & Entertainment

The Flames of WaterFire – Shenango River between Connelly and Silver Street Bridges

Beginning at approximately 7:45 p.m. with the lighting ceremony - a beautiful fusion of fire, water, music and performance art - the flames of WaterFire Sharon burn continuously until Midnight. Throughout the evening there are featured live performances on the State Street Bridge including the beautiful vocals of Angela Grace and dazzling fire spinning acts. Take some time to explore the many vendors and activities throughout the city and then revisit the serene embers of WaterFire later in the evening.

Eastern Europe – State Street at Columbia Theater Park

Grab a bite from one of the Eastern European food booths and enjoy entertainment by Zaps from 8:30 p.m.– 10:00 p.m. Pierogi, Halushky, Kielbasa – feel right at home with this comfort food and good old hand-clapping music.

France, Germany & Italy – Vine Avenue

Travel down Vine Avenue through France, Germany and Italy. Kick back at one of the outdoor tables as you sample the food offerings. This is a perfect place to grab a late night dessert - gelato, sweet & spicy crepes, Belgian chocolate or coffee and a Cannoli! If you want something more substantial, you will find German sausage sandwiches, Italian meatballs and steak, Cavatelli, pizza, pepperoni rolls and more. Strolling musicians will make appearances to serenade you from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

European Fusion – State Street at James E. Winner Jr. Arts & Culture Center

Browse three floors of ceramic art presented by some of the country's most prestigious artists and educators. Try a glass of wine from one of four wineries and delight your taste buds with the fusion flavors created by gourmet Chef Theo Gumbs. Enjoy a range of musical entertainment from 2:00p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

PNC WaterFire Ballroom – Municipal Parking Lot Corner of Connelly & Railroad

Take a Salsa dancing lesson at 7:30 p.m. so that you are ready to heat up the dance floor with the sounds of Latin band Azucar from 8:00 p.m. – Midnight. Sample food from the Middle East or get some sizzle steaks Down Under. There is plenty of food from the good old U.S.A. at this location too - including ice cream and apple dumplings!

Illuminated Memorial Art Installation – Parking Lot behind Huntington Bank

Spend some time reflecting at the Illuminated Memorial Art Installation as the sounds of World Music can be heard from the WaterFire lighting on the river. Add to the installation by contributing a luminary to the project. Watch as pottery is fired Raku style throughout the evening. While you are there, get some food from the Mediterranean and Oriental vendors and dine at one of the picnic tables along the river. Want some familiar American cuisine? There is plenty of that right around the corner including wings from Quaker Steak & Lube.

Oktoberfest at the Apollo Maennerchor – Dock Street

Try a little polka, a little bier, and little wurst and lots of cheer at Oktoberfest held at the Apollo Maennerchor just a short walk down Dock Street. Authentic German food and beer will be served from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. while the Peter Karsti Orchestra keeps you clapping!

In addition to the WaterFire lighting on the Shenango River and the vending areas listed above, there are many other food vendors and activities throughout the city.

We encourage you to enjoy all that WaterFire Sharon has to offer!