

# WaterFire Sharon - *Up and Around* Event Schedule

**Downtown Sharon October 12, 2013 – 1:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.**

**1:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.                      *Up and Around* (downtown Sharon)**

The final WaterFire of the season challenges you to view the extraordinary in unexpected places – both up, down and around. Visit one of our many food vendors, enjoy the music provided on our performance stages, share in the laughter and awe of our street performers, visit our many art and craft vendors that represent the best of our region, and engage our artists throughout the city as they create their art right in front of you. Lastly, enjoy the beauty of WaterFire and all of its’ splendor as it touches all of your senses – from the visual of the 55 burning bonfires that dance and reflect off of the Shenango River, the sounds of an eclectic mix of music from all over the world, the scent of burning cedar and pine wood that add an appealing fragrance to the night air, to the touching of a friend’s or loved one’s hand or the touching of a heart with a shared memory or remembrance – that is the experience that is WaterFire.

**1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.                      *En Plein Air* (downtown Sharon)**

*En Plein Air* is a French expression which means “in the open air” and is used to describe the act of painting outdoors. Artists have long painted outdoors, but in the mid 19<sup>th</sup> century working in natural light became particularly important to the Barbizon School and impressionism. The popularity of outdoor painting has endured throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century and into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Stroll the streets of downtown Sharon and the banks of the Shenango River during the day, and experience *En Plein Air* in person, as artists from our region paint, sketch, mold, and surprise and share their amazing talents. All of the art created will be donated for auction at a later date, with proceeds benefitting art and cultural programs in our region.

**1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.                      *Children’s Art and Activities Tent*  
(Primary Health Network Parking Lot on Chestnut)**

Explore the Solar System at the *Children’s Art and Activities Tent*. Learn about space from a member of NASA and staff from the Youngstown Planetarium. Design your own solar system with glo-paint on a black t-shirt and be sure to visit all of the planets at stations throughout the tent. Our storyteller will spin a yarn that will captivate both young and old. Staff from the OH WOW Children’s Center for Science and Technology will lead HANS-ON interactive exhibits designed to increase awareness in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). It’s not all science and math though – our friends from Laurel Technical Institute will be on hand to help you “rock” your image, and our friends from St. John’s will have gourd painting and edible fire. What is edible fire? – you’ll have to stop by and find out for yourself! Children ages 12 and under will get to take part in the “Find the Artist” hunt. Our artists located throughout the city streets will hold pieces of a puzzle – find the artist, get a piece of the puzzle. Complete the puzzle, and return to the Children’s Art and Activities Tent for a special prize. This will be a great way for the children and their parents and guardians to interact with the artists, learn about their style of art, and have great fun! Sorry parents and guardians – this is for the kids – but you’re welcome to tag along.

**1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.                      *Yarn Bomb (downtown Sharon)***

Bottle Tree Creative Arts House is behind the most colorful form of street art to hit the streets of downtown Sharon. Knitters and crocheters have been clicking and clacking away to create 12 inch squares that will be turned into beauty in unexpected places. The tree that looks like someone knitted a sweater for it, has been *yarn bombed* – a harmless term for a beautiful creation! After WaterFire, all of the squares made will be lovingly redesigned into blankets that will be donated to warm chilly laps of residents of our local personal care and nursing homes.

**1:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.                      *Community Artworks Regional Art Exhibit*  
**(James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center)****

The mission of Community Artworks is to raise awareness of the value of regional art through involvement of adult area artists by creating artistic works that will benefit our community. Browse several floors of the James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center and view the best of the best from our region. A juried selection of paintings (any media), drawings, mixed media, sculpture, photography, textiles, jewelry, ceramics, stained glass and hand pulled prints will be on display in a relaxing and welcoming gallery setting.

**1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.                      *Traditions Tree and Friendship Garden*  
**(Columbia Theater Park – East State Street)****

Folk artist Carol Ann Novosel is a master artisan in the creation of “Pysanky” – Ukrainian Decorated Eggs. Utilizing the Batik method, eggshells are decorated using melted beeswax and dyes. Each color and symbol has meaning and eggs can be ‘read’, like a greeting card. For example the color red represents fire and symbolizes energy; blue is for water and sky, symbolic of health and long life. Visitors to this installation can see the more than 3,000 handcrafted folk art eggs that have been created during this season’s WaterFire, and are on beautiful display on our *Traditions Tree*. Sponsor an egg or try your hand at decorating one yourself to add to our display!

**1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.                      *Wendell August Forge*  
**(James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center)****

Wendell August Forge is America’s oldest and largest forge, producing hand-wrought ornamental metalware and elegant giftware. The heritage art of the Wendell August Forge is preserved by the company’s artisans and craftsmen, who use the original eight step process to produce every heirloom piece in aluminum, bronze, pewter, sterling silver, and other metals. Wendell August forgers will be on hand for demonstrations and your children can try their hand at an interactive forging experience. Be sure to check out the beautiful, handcrafted WaterFire merchandise, created exclusively for WaterFire Sharon.

**1:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.      *Balloon Launch Splatter Painting! (Shenango Avenue)***

Contribute to our mural and have some fun while you are at it! Launching balloons filled with paint is how you will participate in this project. It's fun for kids and adults alike. Be sure to check out the mural from our last *WaterFire* that will be on display. You will be amazed at the end result of all of this paint splattering action!

**1:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.      *Raku Firing (behind Huntington Bank on Shenango)***

Try your hand at a "make and take" project at the pottery decorating and glazing exhibit. 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 a beautiful 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!

**4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.      *Luminary Memorial Garden*  
**(behind Huntington Bank on Shenango)****

Make a modest contribution by purchasing a luminary, inscribing a personal message on it, if you desire, and place the light within the area of our *Luminary Memorial Garden*. Designed as a reflective space, the garden is a place where you can pay tribute to loved ones no longer with us, or share a private reflection for a friend or family member in a very personal and respectful environ. The gathered luminaries will be lit shortly after the *WaterFire* torch procession, or you can light your own luminary after the torch procession.

**1:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.      *Aglow – Fine Artist Paul Chojnowski*  
**(James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center)****

*Aglow Art Exhibit* is not to be missed. Paul Chojnowski, an esteemed fine artist, makes use of nontraditional media and tools in his art making. His current work, images burned into paper and wood, is an extension of that predisposition; these burned drawings evolved as a result of his conscious effort to embrace art historical traditions while rejecting the traditional processes. Many of Chojnowski's works will be on display in the James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center (WACC). You will also have the opportunity to see this talented artist make his art live, as he performs on East State Street in front of the WACC.

**1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.      *Birds of Prey Exhibition*  
**(East State Street – building west of Circle K Pottery)****

Birds of prey have long been revered for their speed, strength and accuracy. Local falconers will showcase their beautiful birds and talk about the hobby and sport of falconry. See these magnificent birds up close. These family appropriate presentations will take place between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Seating and standing room only will be limited for each presentation based on the falconers' discretion.

**2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.                      *Cirque du Papier (downtown Sharon)***

Strolling Origami entertainer and artist, Michael Roy, brings his talents to the streets of downtown Sharon. He creates exquisitely handcrafted folding art right before the eyes of astonished and delighted viewers. Michael Roy's *Cirque du Papier* is the entertainment and art of the discriminating. An elegant entertainer keeping crowds captivated, executing eloquent utterances and quoting quips while kinetically conjuring a colorful carnival caravan of crazy cool crisp, creatively complex, cleverly constructed, exclusively crease-crafted, exquisite quality creature caricature keepsakes close-up! Whew – this should be fun!

**7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.                      *WaterFire Sharon Lighting and Torch Procession*  
**(Shenango River between Connelly Boulevard and  
Silver Street Bridges)****

*WaterFire's* success depends immensely on the financial support and the volunteerism of our community. We have amassed a list of over 600 active volunteers, many who have contributed their time and talents for the multitude of duties required throughout the year. The select volunteers who contributed the most time to *WaterFire* were asked to stand with many of our financial and in-kind donors for our last torch procession of the season. As you look into the faces of our torch bearers, you will recognize some and may not know others. That is how *WaterFire* began in our community. Strangers with a common goal become a part of the special team that creates the magic of *WaterFire*. The enchanting *WaterFire* music will begin just before dusk and the captivating torch procession and lighting ceremony will begin at 7:00 p.m. Live performances, including the beautiful operatic vocals of Angela Grace will fill our stage, and fire performers and dancers will perform on and around our river throughout the evening. Lastly, we will be **presenting . . . . Koinobori!** – Sharon's own "flying carp" (**Koinobori** in Japanese). Watch for our carp's debut on the Shenango River around 7:40 p.m. If you miss them, don't worry! They will also make appearances several other times throughout the evening!

**2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.                      *Wineries at the Artworks*  
**(James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center)****

Wine and dine as you view the beautiful artworks on display on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center. Wilhelm Winery, Novosel Winery and Fractured Grape Winery will all be featured. For the non-wine palate, Brutus Brewery will be on hand to provide tastings of their delicious micro-brewed beer. Murcko's will have appetizers and specialty foods available. Enjoy the sounds of master violinist Brendan Considine, as he accompanies accomplished accordionist Betty Bannon, who has been playing accordion for 75 of her 82 years and has played with great music legends such as Pavarotti! Butch Nichols and Company will maneuver their way through the classic standards of Frank Sinatra and the Rat Pack to current day hits. Additional acoustic acts will be performing throughout the day making the *Wineries at the Artworks* a required stop on your *WaterFire* itinerary.

**2:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.            *Oktoberfest at Apollo Maennerchor*  
(Dock Street)**

Visit the historic German Club, Apollo Maennerchor where their Festhalle will be open to the public all day with live music and authentic German food and beverages. Just ½ mile south of downtown Sharon – you'll appreciate the newly renovated, original décor of this circa 1870 hall, and their fine selection of German biers!

## ***WaterFire Music Schedule***

**5:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.            *Greenville Symphony Orchestra at WaterFire*  
(Penn State Shenango Auditorium)**

We are privileged to have the *Greenville Symphony Orchestra* perform an hour long concert leading up to the lighting of *WaterFire*. This concert is free and open to the public, and seats will be available on a first come – first serve basis. Led by Conductor Michael Gelfand, the mission of the Greenville Symphony Orchestra is to create a quality symphonic experience for our region of western Pennsylvania. Their vision is to inspire people of the region to covet their performances of live symphonic music. Come and be inspired by this wonderful orchestra, and set the mood for a beautiful night of *WaterFire*.

**1:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.            *WaterFire Stage (State Street Bridge)***

Enjoy an eclectic mix of music all day long on our *WaterFire Stage*, leading up to the spectacular and moving torch procession and lighting of the braziers. Our slate of professionally trained musicians and performers will share their talents in a relaxing and beautiful atmosphere above the Shenango River.

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.            *Youngstown Fine Arts Brass Quintet* – these classically trained musicians repertoire includes classical compositions that span from the Renaissance through contemporary styles and everything from blues to The Beatles is featured on the lighter side.

2:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.            *The Blue Rays* – a three piece blues and jazz band, laying down an extensive range of material including instrumental and rock and roll.

3:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.            *Edelweiss Quartet* – another classically trained ensemble, this group balances classical favorites and jazzy tunes, with interesting instrumentation and a delightful mix.

4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. *Area Community Theatre of Sharpsville* – performing songs of Andrew Lloyd Webber. From his award-winning favorites, to less known, yet still beautiful songs, this talented group of singers will enchant and entertain.

**1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. *PNC WaterFire Ballroom Outdoor Stage*  
(Municipal Parking Lot – Connelly and Railroad)**

From bluegrass to rock and roll and jazz to blues, there is something for everyone to enjoy at our *PNC WaterFire Ballroom Stage*. Dance to the music or just take a seat and tap your toes and clap your hands. You will be certain to enjoy the talented bands that we have gathered.

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. *Members of Midnight Drive* – one of the newest and most powerful bands of the Northwestern PA area. Starting as a jam session at the Clarion bluegrass festival in March of 2010, the band has already made quite an impact on the local level as well as the national level. The members consist of some of the strongest pickers of the Northeastern part of the country.

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. *James Willaman Situation* – playing the most hip, engaging and well received of the great, high energy rock and roll tunes that are out there right now, blended with songs from the past decades. You can be sure they will craft a set list that appeals to a wide array of ages and tastes.

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *Grant Street Unplugged* – enjoy the acoustic version of one of the areas favorite and well followed bands. Playing music of The Band, Grateful Dead, Rolling Stones as well as original selections, come and join in the fun – they’ll be dancin’ in the streets.

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. *North Side Jazz* – paying homage to great jazz artists with their own interpretations of timeless numbers. *North Side Jazz* plays a lively mix of jazz, swing and Latin favorites.

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. *Wise Guys* – dance to the sounds of Motown and soulful blues as this talented group closes the outside stage at the PNC Ballroom. These guys love playing together – and you will love their sound.

**8:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. *SHOUT! Band featuring “The Legends of Soul”*  
*PNC WaterFire Ballroom Indoor Stage*  
(James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center)**

*SHOUT!* has opened for such acts as The Temptations, Franki Valli, Wilson Picket, The Grass Roots, Christopher Cross and The Marcells. Their objective is to keep the dance floor full, and a night with *SHOUT!* can only result in one thing – FUN FUN FUN! Enjoy this high energy and super talented band on the theatre stage on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the James E. Winner Jr. Arts and Culture Center. This performance is free and open to the public.