

Festival Park Schedule

Wednesday, May 27

- **Indoor Performance Schedule**
 - **Music Theater:** Cirque Mechanics TILT! — 10am, 12pm
 - **Concert Hall:** TheaterworksUSA Click, Clack, Moo —10:30am
- **Outdoor Performance Schedule**
 - **Flint Hills World Music Stage**
 - Host: Purple Zen Queen
 - 11:00-11:25am: Women's Drum Center
 - 11:40-12:05pm: ETC Broadway Showcase
 - 12:20-12:45pm: Siam's Congo Roots
 - **Rice Park Activities**
 - Hijinks Stiltwalkers
 - Magician Markus Clegg
 - ArtStart Poetry Bus
 - Women's Drum Center/Drum Circle
 - Vietnamese Crafts/Story - Phuoc Tran
 - Siam's Congo Roots/Instrument Petting Zoo
 - StorySpace created by St. Paul Parks

Thursday, May 28

- **Indoor Performance Schedule**
 - Music Theater: Cirque Mechanics TILT! — 10am, 12pm
 - Concert Hall: TheaterworksUSA Click, Clack, Moo —10:30am
- **Outdoor Performance Schedule**
 - **Flint Hills World Music Stage**
 - Host: DJ Purple Zen Queen
 - 11:00-11:25am: Enso Daiko/Taiko Arts Midwest
 - 11:25am: Tu Bi Tu Lion Dancers
 - 11:40-12:05pm: Los Alegres Bailadores
 - 12:20-12:50pm: Two Tap Trio
 - 12:50-1:00pm: DJ Dance Party
 - **Rice Park Activities**
 - Hijinks Stiltwalkers
 - Magician Markus Clegg
 - ArtStart Poetry Bus
 - Women's Drum Center/Drum Circle
 - Vietnamese Crafts/Story - Phuoc Tran
 - Siam's Congo Roots/Instrument Petting Zoo
 - StorySpace created by St. Paul Parks
 - Schubert Club Music Museum

Festival Park Schedule

Friday, May 29

- **Indoor Performance Schedule**

- **Music Theater:** Cirque Mechanics TILT! — 10am, 12pm
- **Concert Hall:** TheaterworksUSA Click, Clack, Moo —10:30am
- **Drake Room:** Baby Opera—10:15am, 11:30am

- **Outdoor Performance Schedule**

- **Flint Hills World Music Stage**

- Host: DJ Huh? What?
- 11:00-11:25am: CHOPS Drumline
- 11:40-12:05pm: Larry Yazzie & Native Pride Dancers
- 12:05pm: Tu Bi Tu Lion Dances
- 12:20-12:45pm: ETC Broadway Showcase
- 12:45-1:00pm: DJ Dance Party

- **Rice Park Activities**

- Hijinks Stiltwalkers
- Magician Markus Clegg
- ArtStart Poetry Bus
- Women's Drum Center/Drum Circle
- Vietnamese Crafts/Story - Phuoc Tran
- Siam's Congo Roots/Instrument Petting Zoo
- Joy Mobile
- StorySpace created by St. Paul Parks

Rice Park Activities

Festival Activity Tents

ArtStart-The Poetry Bus

Belly up to the typewriter, and work with a Poetry Bus poet to co-create a poem just for you! Then work with an ArtStart artist to embellish a snazzy frame for it with fun and colorful doodads.

Ballet Co. Laboratory-Make pipe cleaner crowns, point shoe game

Create a colorful crown made from twisted pipe cleaners.

Play the Pointe Shoe game!

Pull a shoe from a peg board filled with assorted shoes. On each shoe is a ballet step, participants guess or learn the step from dancers running the game.

COMPAS-Creativity Unbound!

Each day of the festival, COMPAS Teaching Artists and Performers will celebrate creativity with a new chance to explore many art forms. From Circus Arts to Indian Impermanent Art to button making, join us for fun and art-making for all ages!

Joy Collaborative- Joy Mobile (Friday only)

We are a mobile sensory experience supporting individuals through healing spaces

MN BIPOC Kidlit Creators- Comics

Attendees can do a “finish the comic” or can create a comic book with a Minnesota author or illustrator. We will also give away signed books.

Minnesota Zoo- Refill the Rivers

Our “Refill the Rivers” activity provides a communal art-making experience that fosters learning about our Minnesota native turtle and mussels and their riverine habitat by introducing participants to major features of these ecosystems and to the appearance and names of these species, and encouraging them to think about what these species need from their habitat in order to live safe and healthy lives.

Saint Paul Winter Carnival- The Legend of the 140 Year Old Saint Paul Winter Carnival

We will have multiple activities including a spinning wheel for prizes, interactive games like large jenga, checkers, and bags, temporary tattoos with the Winter Carnival logo, coloring sheets.

Storyteller Trần Thị Minh Phước - Vietnamese Storytelling and Crafts

Explore Vietnamese Culture Through Folktales & Legends. Participants will craft their own paper carp symbolizing courage, perseverance, success, and prosperity. Craft activities of all ages.

Rice Park Activities

Siama's Instrument Petting Zoo

Soukous legend, Siama Matuzungidi, is known for his intricate, upbeat guitar, fun, catchy songs, spirited singing and yodeling and traditional African instruments like Balafon, Mbira, Lokole and hand drums. He's also got a mean beatbox, double whistle and hambone. Whenever he performs, he loves to get everyone to sing along.

Check out his Instrument Petting Zoo during the Festival if you wanna jam with Siama!

The Work Museum-Ring Gliders

Experiment with new ways to create a flying paper vehicle that zooms across the festival!

Outdoor Festival Artists

CHOPS Drumline (FRI only)

Chops, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization based in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They offer year-round music performance and educational programs, including steel-drum bands, after-school drumlines, summer music camps, and artistic residencies. They also support Minnesota performing arts through fiscal sponsorship, providing technical expertise to help community-based performing groups reach their full potential. So come on over and join the fun!

DJ Huh?What??

DJ Huh? What? is a very active DJ in the Twin Cities—from the radio, to the club, and all the way to the corporate event scene. He specializes in hosting and creating community events, as well as being one of the go-to DJs for prominent community gatherings and celebrations such as both election night events for the mayor of Saint

Paul. DJ Huh? What? considers himself "The Peoples' DJ!"

DJ Purple Queen Zen

Hi! My name is Charity aka Purple Queen Zen, founder and queen of the hip-hop collective Zen Is In. I am a Minneapolis-raised artist who shares hip hop music that is full of energy, love, positivity and good sound. I also enjoy hosting, emceeing and DJ-ing all types of music from new to old school and many genres.

It's my goal to reach as many beings as possible to unite one another sharing the universal language of sound.

ETC Theater (WED & FRI)

ETC Productions is a collaborative theater company founded by longtime arts educators, Erin Schwab and Emily Villano. Through school partnerships, community education programs, and their annual tour, ETC offers programming serving the Twin Cities Metro and beyond.

Rice Park Activities

Enso Daiko/Taiko Midwest Arts (THURS Only)

Taiko is the Japanese word for drum and refers to the modern style of playing these drums. Wadaiko (in Japan) and kumi daiko (in North America) is movement infused, heart-pounding, dynamic group drumming. Think of it as a high energy performance art that combines music, dance, martial arts, athletics, and culture

Enso Daiko offers loud, energetic performances that combine music, dance, culture, and pure athleticism. The group regularly premieres new work adding their unique voice to the expanding canon and innovation of North American taiko.

Los Alegres Bailadores (THURS Only)

Los Alegres Bailadores is a Mexican folkloric dance group that has delivered colorful and authentic performances throughout the Twin Cities and greater Minnesota for over 30 years.

Native Pride Productions (FRI Only)

Experience the energy and beauty of Native American Arts and Culture featuring Powwow Dance Exhibition, Native American Flute and Songs. Hear the drumbeat and feel the excitement as we dance to celebrate our heritage while we share who we are with you!

Tu Bi Tu Lion Dance (THURS Only)

We are Từ Bi Từ Lions & Dragons. Based in Saint Paul, Minnesota, we are more than just a performance group. We are a community dedicated to bringing lion dance, dragon dance, and Vietnamese cultural arts to life. Every beat of the drum and every movement carries a story of tradition, unity, and pride.

Two Tap Trio (THURS Only)

The Two Tap Trio will touch your heart and get you up dancing! High energy traditional Irish music - jigs, reels, polkas and songs - with a trio of outstanding musicians including Live Ireland's "Best Vocalist of the Year" Norah Rendell, internationally acclaimed guitarist Brian Miller and Mary Vanorny on the fiddle.

Rice Park Activities

Woman's Drum Circle

DrumHeart is the WDC's premiere performance drum ensemble, currently directed by Alexandra Ray and Jo Klein. For over 30 years, drumHeart has delivered powerful drum music for community fundraisers, walks, and runs. They are equally at home at the Orchestra Hall as at the Minnesota State Fair! Their repertoire includes original songs composed for the group, traditional West African music, and Brazilian samba music. Through this variety, drumHeart delivers unique performances that leave audiences energized by world music.

Walkaround Artists

Hijinx Stilts:

Hijinks Stilts (formerly Chicks on Sticks) is an all-women's stilting troupe. Since 1998, Hijinks has performed at festivals and parades all over the Twin Cities.

Magician Marcus Clegg

Markus Clegg has been performing magic professionally all over the United States for over 25 years. Originally from Illinois, Markus began his lifelong love affair with magic at a very young age. After performing his first professional show at age 12, he knew that magic was going to be his career. Markus has performed in cities all across the U.S. and around the world.

During the summer, he can be found at CHS field in Saint Paul, Minnesota entertaining the crowds as his alter ego, "The Shark," for the Saint Paul Saints home games. Markus is also production manager for the Mystery Cafe, a murder mystery dinner theater in Minnesota.