

Community News

The St. Johns Bizarre kicks off the street fair season with its 9th annual event on May 9

The vendors, residents, business owners, and all-volunteer staff are excited to announce the 9th annual St. Johns Bizarre! This free event, which Willamette Week has called, "the best street fair of the season", takes place on May 9th, 2015 from 10am to 7pm.

Now in its ninth year, the Bizarre is the perfect kick off event for Portland's vibrant street fair season, with an eclectic lineup of local musical talent, dozens of craft vendors and artists, and a beer garden featuring only locally-brewed libations. And, as always, the Bizarre takes place on the same day as the historic St. Johns Parade, a North Portland favorite for 53 years.

This year, the St. Johns Bizarre organizers build on what the Portland Mercury has called, "Portland's most diverse festival, musically and otherwise." They've assembled another eclectic lineup of bands that will be holding court on the Plaza Stage, located in the shadow of the majestic St. Johns Bridge.

On stage this year:

- Tango Alpha Tango

- Mic Capes
- The Shivas
- Sapient
- Tezeta Band

And just as in years' past, the Bizarre kicks off with some great fun for kids and adults alike with a Western-themed physical comedy performance by Leapin' Louie followed by a Bollywood dance class featuring music and instruction by beloved Portland mainstays, DJ Anjali and The Incredible Kid.

The Bizarre also welcomes over

75 local vendors to take part in this year's juried craft fair, selling an impressive array of handmade art and craft items: from jewelry and clothing to photography and original art. Of course, the Bizarre wouldn't be complete without our beer garden, hosted once again this year by Occidental Brewing Co., who will be bringing out a variety of tantalizing beers. Local bottle shop, Barrique Barrel, will return for a second-year of pouring cider and wine in the beer garden as well.



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