Arts, Crafts by the River

Saturday Market opens with new look

Portland's Saturday Market opens its 37th season this Saturday and Sunday, March 6-7, with a new look under an 8,000-squarefoot open-sided pavilion, a cantilevered deck overlooking the Willamette River and a circular plaza in a beautiful park setting.

"The new Portland Saturday Market site in Waterfront Park and Ankeny Plaza has given us the stability we need to remain an anchor in Old Town. The sense of permanence will allow staff and members time to focus on improving programs and daily operations," said Lisa Gugino, the market's membership program coordinator.

The weekend celebration will include 5 daily give-a-ways of \$25 gift cards and one grand prize gift basket, which includes four

tickets to Portland's Lan Su Chinese Garden, a \$100 gift card, and other fine crafted goodies from the market.

The market's main stage will be serving up traditional Irish music all weekend along with the likes of The Fenbi International Superstars; the Kid's Corner, featuring Janet Julian teaching children and their families how to create musical instruments out of recycled materials and a kid's parade, both days.

Portland Saturday Market is the largest arts and crafts market in continuous operation in the United States. It is held every Saturday and Sunday from March through Christmas Eve at Southwest Ankeny Street and Naito Parkway.

Songstress Fronts Benefit

People of all ages are drawn to Portland's Saturday Market where artists from across the Northwest gather each Saturday and Sunday with live music and a plethora of exotic foods.



Valerie Day

Northwest songstress Valerie Day of the former Grammy-nominated Nu Shooz group headlines an evening of jazz, standards and blues to benefit some amazing kids.

The Saturday, March 6 performance at 7:30 p.m. at The Old Church, 1411 S.W. 11th Ave., will benefit the Shadow Project, a program that helps students with learning challenges in the Portland area succeed in school.

The Shadow Project has partnered with special education teacher s to foster success for more than 5,500 students.

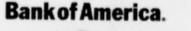
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