

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



Cherry Sprout Produce, 722 N. Sumner St., will supply the canvas and paint for the community Art in the Park celebration, on Saturday, Aug. 20, at the park space next door to the market.

Art in the Park

At this year's Art in the Park, Cherry Sprout Produce, your friendly neighborhood market, will supply the canvas and paint to neighbors, family, and friends interested in some creative expression outdoors, among the backdrop of music.

The event takes place Saturday August 20, from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the park adjacent to Cherry Sprout Produce on 722 N. Sumner St.

Music will include Michael Hurley, Nervous and the Kid, Cardboard Songsters, the Duke of

Hominy, Stefan Jecusco, Lord Master and more.

The goal of Art in the Park is to have as much fun as possible and raise funds and awareness for North by North East Community Health Center, a sliding scale clinic for people who do not have health insurance.

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Franklin to Sing at MLK Statue Dedication

King was her mentor and friend

(AP) — When a young Aretha Franklin accompanied the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. to churches in the early days of the civil rights movement, he usually made a special request for her to sing one song in particular: "Take My Hand, Precious Lord."

On Sunday, Aug. 28, when a memorial in his honor is dedicated on the National Mall in Washington, Franklin will again sing the song for her mentor and friend.

"I'm really looking forward to this moment. It's going to be another great, great moment in American history, and in African-American history," Franklin said in a phone interview Tuesday.

"It means as well, after so many years of traveling with him in the early '60s at the advent of the civil rights movement, that again, many years later, I would perform in his honor and in tribute to him, and I'm really looking forward to that moment and singing one of his favorite songs, his most



Aretha Franklin

requested song by me," she said.

Franklin, 69, was one of the early supporters of the campaign to honor the civil rights hero with a statue in the nation's capital. She even headlined an all-star concert at Radio City Music Hall in New York City in 2007 to raise funds for the memorial, which has been years in the making.

"I just think that it is a nod to how

far we have come, and what a tremendous spot for him to be him, between the Lincoln Memorial and the Jefferson Memorial on the mall. We've come a long way," she said. "I think it's tremendous."

President Barack Obama, Stevie Wonder, Maya Angelou and many more are expected to participate in the dedication ceremony.

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