

**News Release** 

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## VISIT VACAVILLE ANNOUNCES ARTIST SEARCH FOR ARTS FEST 2023

Annual celebration of the arts to include a wide range of artistic mediums

**Vacaville, Calif. July, 2023** — The search is on for artists and vendors to participate in Visit Vacaville's Arts Fest at the Vacaville Performing Arts Theatre (VPAT). New this year, all community stage performances will take place in one location at VPAT on September 23, while other beloved festival events will be spread across the city over the course of a week.

Calls for artists include dancers, musical performers, sketch artists, cartoonists, painters, ceramicists, muralists, filmmakers, and other forms of creative expression. Vendors who offer arts-related merchandise for sale are also encouraged to take part.

"Our goal is to celebrate the arts in a broad and inclusive way in 2023," said Melyssa Reeves, Visit Vacaville President & CEO. "Our city is full of so much diverse talent, we want to highlight all of its rich, vibrant art and culture."

The event is free for the public to attend. Individuals and groups are eligible to perform on stage at VPAT. Stage performances will begin at 10 am and be given a 10-minute act slot, with a thirty-minute setup window between each artist. Additional performances and demonstrations will take place in the VPAT courtyard. Visit Vacaville will assign time slots and provide further details once artists' applications are approved.

Vendors will also be set up in the courtyard, along with a large paint-by-numbers mural for members of the public to help paint, and other interactive programs. A vendor fee of \$50 will be assessed to reserve a spot to sell goods during the event.

A preliminary lineup of additional events for the weeklong celebration, which runs from September 13 to 25, includes:

- Sep 13-17: Ag and Art Film Festival. Journey Downtown More Info
- Sept 15: Vacaville Jazz Festival Journey Downtown, Fuso and Makse 6-9pm
- Sept 15-25: Visit Vacaville Arts Week
- Sept 16: Downtown Vacaville Art, Wine & Brew Stroll 5-8pm
- Sept 16: Vacaville Jazz Festival at Nut Tree Plaza 9am-7pm
- Sept 16: Vacaville Jazz Festival at Journey Downtown and Makse 6-9pm
- Sept 17: Air Force Band of the Golden West and VJS Allstars at Journey Downtown 6-8pm
- Sept 18: Town Square Music begins (every Thursday until October)
- Sept 23: Visit Vacaville Arts Fest at VPAT
- Sept 24: Vaca Jazz Society's Fundraising Variety Show Concert at VPAT 3-5pm

To register as an artist, please visit the Arts Week Performer Sign-up.

To participate as a vendor, register through the Vendor Sign-up.

For questions, contact Delaney@VisitVacaville.com.

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