



SURPRISINGLY WEIRD

JUNE 2019 TOURISM MATTERS

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Nina and Pinta to dock in Winona June 27-30

The “Pinta” and the “Nina,” replicas of Columbus’ ships, will open to the public for viewing and tours on Thursday, June 27, through Sunday, June 30, in Winona. The ships will be docked at Levee Park, 65 East Front Street.

Both ships travel together as a “sailing museum” for the purpose

of educating the public and school children on the “caravel,” a Portuguese ship used by Columbus and many early explorers to discover the world.

While in port, the general public is invited to visit the ships for a walk-aboard, self-guided tour. Admission is \$8.50

for adults, \$7.50 for seniors and \$6.50 for students five to 16 years old. Children ages four and under are free. The ships are open every day from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. No reservations are necessary. Visit www.thenina.com for more.

WINONArts free summer programming

Summer means WINONArts 2019! Get ready to salsa dance, celebrate the Fourth of July, and float away to summer sounds. WINONArts free special events in 2019 include two Sunday Floating Concerts: the first on June 2 with Chris Koza, and the second on October 6 featuring Load Mouth Brass, both from 4-5 p.m. with free boats, (first come, first served), launching from Lake Lodge Recreation Center

starting at 3:30 p.m.

Live @the Levee will also return with two events on Thursday, July 4, from 4-9 p.m., featuring People Brothers Band, Barbaro, Karate Chop Silence and others, and a special Latin Live @ the Levee on Sunday, September 15, from 4-8 p.m., featuring Latin dancing on the Plaza with River City Ballroom Dance instructors Stan and Mollie Britel and the 17-piece La Crosse Jazz

Orchestra, (other bands to be announced).

Outdoor Movies (Under The Stars) will return in Lake Park across from partner Lakeview Drive Inn, with last year’s sequel to “Mary Poppins” on Saturday, July 27, at dusk. For more information, visit WINONArts on Facebook and like the page, or call 507-457-8258. WINONArts programs are all free and



open to the public thanks to generous funding from Winona Park and Rec, WNB Financial, Merchants Bank, and Coca-Cola Bottling of Winona.

Signs of summer at MMAM: Mississippi Sippin’ and Family Fest



The return of warmer weather means a boom of growth in the gardens at the Minnesota Marine Art Museum (MMAM). There are many ways to enjoy the eight acres of native trees, shrubs and perennials done in the American prairie style along the banks of the Mississippi River. Enjoy a glass of wine or beer with freshly prepared food on the Riverwalk from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., every Tuesday this summer, beginning on June 4, during Mississippi Sippin’.

MMAM’s Second Saturday program offers \$1 admission and programming such as tours, art-making and live music based around a central theme. The theme for the June 11 event is “gardens.” The annual family fest, held from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., on June 29, is a free event aimed at families with young children. Garden events at family fest include sidewalk chalk, bubbles and fishing on the banks of the river. For more information on any of these events, go to www.mmam.org.

72nd Annual Steamboat Days celebration June 12-16

Winona’s cherished summer festival Steamboat Days kicks off its 72nd year with events centered around downtown Winona on June 12-16. Family-friendly activities this year include the Kid Power Pedal Pull, Kids’ Fishing Contest, Kiddie Parade and Concert, Crafts for Kids, Gold Star Amusements’ Carnival, and Kid Fit during the Car Show.

Make sure to stop by the stable tent in downtown for daily viewings of the Budweiser Clydesdales throughout the fest, and as well as a featured slot in the Steamboat Days Grande Parade.

This year the beverage garden will be set on the patio in Levee Park with a stunning view of the Mississippi River. The garden will open at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, June 12, and

band features include TravAce and the Generators, Hair Metal Radio, Johnny Holm, Diesel Drive and the Rutabaga Brothers.

The “Show Your Ride” Car Show is on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in downtown Winona on Third Street. The Grande Parade is on Sunday with pre-parade activities that include a street performance of the award-winning Blue Stars at Sinclair Park at 11 a.m. The parade starts at 12:01 p.m., moving west on Broadway starting at St. Charles Street and ending at Center Street. Steamboat Days will close on Sunday evening, June 16, at 10 p.m., with fireworks over the Mississippi River at Levee Park.

Buttons are for sale in advance for \$5 at many area retailers, grocery and

convenience stores, and are \$10 during Steamboat Days. Ride wristbands

may be purchased in advance for \$20 at Hy-Vee and Midtown Foods. Wristbands are \$25 during Steamboat Days. For the complete list of events, times and locations, visit www.winonas-steamboatdays.com and on Facebook.

*Winona Steamboat Days Button design by WSHS Junior Kaelah Simmons.



Want a reason to get out and explore downtown Winona? Join participating businesses, friends and family for Third Thursday Night Out! Every month from 4-8 p.m., various downtown businesses and shops are offering activities, specials, samples and more for community members and visitors to enjoy. Sip on a glass of wine at Blooming Grounds and take in some live music or grab a pint at Island City Brewing Company or (Ed’s) No Name Bar. Then, peruse the variety of wares at Chapter 2 Books, Urban Shoetique, Hearts Desire, Green Thumb Artistry, Yarnology, Jovy Rockey Jewelry Studio + Gallery, and Sole Sport, all in walking distance and offering special monthly savings, activities and more. Save the date for the next Third Thursday Night Out — June 20 from 4-8 p.m. Check out the Facebook page and month event listings for more information at www.facebook.com/thirdthursdayswinona.

WCHS’s Art of Fine Furniture to open June 15

The seventh annual Art of Fine Furniture exhibition is sure to delight once again.

chose and worked with the many various types. In addition to the furniture, fine art prints by local artist and craftsman Zak Fellman will be on exhibit. Fellman’s work highlights the beauty of tree rings made from woodcuts. Learn more at www.theartoffinefurniture.com. This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council from the arts and cultural heritage fund and is sponsored by WNB Financial. Visit winonahistory.org or call 507-454-2723 for more.



Showcasing the historic talents of fine furniture making, the pieces in each annual exhibit are handcrafted by regional artists and craftsmen and are testaments to age-old woodworking skills with artistry of design. The exhibit will open at the Winona County History Center on Saturday, June 15, with a reception from 1-3 p.m. Meet the artists and enjoy a first look at the Art of Fine Furniture 2019. Explore the exhibition with the makers, enjoy refreshments and good company at the opening party for this favorite annual exhibit. This year, the exhibit explores a closer look at the medium of wood and how the artists

GRSF celebrates 16th season

The Great River Shakespeare Festival (GRSF) is ramping up for its 16th season. Plays this year are “Macbeth,” “Cymbeline,” “The Servant of Two Masters,” “No Child...” and “White Rabbit Red Rabbit.” Additionally, the intern/apprentice company will present “Love’s Labour’s Lost.” Pay-What-You-WILL previews were introduced in 2018, and will be available again this season. This past fall, the festival moved to its new administrative office at 121 East Third Street, which is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. This year, the festival is again working with Visit Winona which will graciously be hosting the GRSF ticketing office at the Winona Visitor Center, 924 Huff Street, beginning on June 1. Visit grsf.org/box-office for more

information.

New this year, GRSF will present some select performances of “The Servant of Two Masters” at breweries and restaurants throughout the region. Ticket prices include a meal! Visit grsf.org/servant to book your ticket to this unique event. There will also be limited presentations of “White Rabbit Red Rabbit” — an international theatrical sensation that is shrouded in mystery. Once an actor performs it once, he or she can never perform it again — and they won’t see the script until the night of the performance. Information about these shows, special events, and summer youth classes can all be found at grsf.org.



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Mon-Sat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sun 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lakeview Drive Inn Cruise Nights
Wednesdays 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
May 29-August 28

Winona Municipal Band Free Summer Concerts

Historic Bandshell at East Lake Winona
Wednesdays 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
June 12-August 14

Trinona & Trinona Kid’s Triathlon brings hundreds to Winona



On June 8 and 9, Trinona and Trinona Kid’s Tri will be celebrating 11 years of incredible beauty, community involvement, and local support in Winona.

Trinona Kid’s Tri, presented by Dahl Toyota on Saturday, June 8, is hosted by Saint Mary’s University. Children ages five to 13 will swim in the Saint Mary’s University pool, bike around the beautiful closed campus and finish with a run around the track.

On Sunday, June 9, Trinona, presented by Fastenal, will host triathletes from all over the U.S. to compete in one of the premier multisport events in the Midwest. Home to Battle for the Bluff, Trinona offers courses for beginner and elite racers alike.

If racing’s not your cup of tea, come out to cheer on the athletes or sign up to be a volunteer. Bring the entire family for a weekend of fun, low-key athletic competition, along with a great post-race party, food, and entertainment.

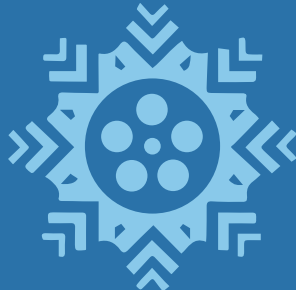
Sign up to volunteer at www.livewellwinona.org/directory/listing/trinona. Trinona and Trinona Kid’s Registration can be found at www.trinona.com.



PASS DESIGN CONTEST

Ends JUNE 15. Cash prizes awarded.

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