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WaterFire Providence Announces a Partial Lighting on Saturday, September 2, 2023

Supported by the Providence Tourism Council

Providence, RI WaterFire Providence announces a partial lighting on Saturday, September 2 supported by the Providence Tourism Council. The lighting will be located from Waterplace Park to Steeple Street. The lighting will begin at 7:17 p.m. and the fires will burn until 11:00 p.m.

"The Providence Tourism Council welcomes everyone to our City as we present the upcoming lighting event with WaterFire. This event continues to serve as the creative catalyst, not only attracting visitors but also reigniting our artistic community with the beauty, energy, and hopeful spirit it brings to our incredible city," says Alexis Gorriaran, Chair and Commissioner of the Providence Tourism Council.

There will be WaterFire Merchandise & Ambassador stations on both sides of the basin in Waterplace Park, stop by to support WaterFire with a donation or a purchase of locally designed apparel, glassware, books, and gifts. Make a quick and easy donation with the DipJar and receive a Ribbon of Light.

Enjoy local food from festival favorites like <u>Pam's Grill on the Go</u>, and <u>Matilda Empanadas</u> on Finance Way.

Catch three fire-spinning performances beginning at 7:30 p.m. and continuing at 8:45 p.m. and 9:45 p.m. and 10:15 p.m. by <u>Cirque de Light</u> and <u>Spogga</u>.

"WaterFire offers companies a unique and one-of-a-kind engagement opportunity anywhere by creating unforgettable customer experiences that very often exceed sponsors' marketing objectives," says Ed Cabral, Director of sponsorships and corporate relations. Contact ed@waterfire.org for more information regarding opportunities in 2023 and 2024.

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WaterFire Providence thanks our generous supporters for helping to make this season possible. Details of the season schedule will be posted on the WaterFire Providence website at https://waterfire.org/schedule. Additional events may be added to the schedule as funding becomes available

WaterFire Providence 2023 Season Supporters

State of Rhode Island, Governor Daniel J. McKee; Rhode Island Commerce; The City of Providence, Mayor Brett P. Smiley; The Providence City Council; The Rhode Island General Assembly; Dunkin'; Providence Tourism Council; Rhode Island State Council of the Arts; Providence Warwick Convention & Visitors Bureau; PVDFest & FirstWorks; The 28th North American Catalysis Society Meeting; Rhode Island Energy; Bank Newport; Gloria Gemma Breast Cancer Resource Foundation; Brown University; Cox Business; Check the Stigma Hockey Classic to benefit Horizon Healthcare Partners; Amica Insurance; Rhode Island School of Design; Fidelity Investments; Textron Charitable Trust; Bank of America; United Way of Rhode Island; Rhode Island Department of Education; XQ Institute; Cox Media; Rhode Island Monthly; WPRI 12 & FOX Providence & The Rhode Show; Cumulus Media; iHeart Media, Inc.; The Providence Journal; IGT; JP Morgan Chase & Co; Gooseneck VIneyards; United Site Services Northeast; Stanley Tree Service Inc.; AJT Supplies; Fire Works Catering; McLaughlin & Moran, Inc; Dan's Management Company, a Dunkin' Franchisee; Let's Roam.

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About WaterFire Providence

WaterFire Providence® is an independent, 501(c)3 non-profit arts organization whose mission is to inspire Providence and its visitors by revitalizing the urban experience, fostering community engagement, and creatively transforming the city by presenting WaterFire for all to enjoy. Each year nearly 1 million people come to downtown Providence to experience WaterFire contributing over \$149,000,000 to the local economy, generating over \$9,000,000 of direct tax revenue for the State of Rhode Island and supporting 1,294 jobs for community residents and strengthening Providence's Creative Capital and Rhode Island's State for the Arts brands. For information about WaterFire Providence and the WaterFire Arts Center visit https://waterfire.org/.