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Welcome Summertime Fun this May in SoIN

Jeffersonville, Ind. – (April 21, 2017) Outdoor concerts and movies along the Ohio River, Shakespeare's *Julius Caesa*r, family-friendly comedy, and a scrumptious strawberry festival kicks off a season full of SoIN outdoor fun in Clark and Floyd Counties.

Now through May 28, "Sister Act," Clarksville

When wanna-be diva Deloris witnesses a murder, she is put under protective custody in a convent. A feel-good Broadway musical comedy based on the hit film.

When: Matinee and evening performances Tuesdays through Sundays, through May 28

Where: Derby Dinner Playhouse, 525 Marriott Dr., Clarksville, Ind.

Cost: Adults, \$39-\$47; discounted tickets available for children under 12 for Friday and Sunday evenings

Info: http://DerbyDinner.com/show/sister-act

May 5, First Friday Concert Series, New Albany

Relax and listen to live music at the New Albany-Floyd County Library's First Friday Concert Series. Held in the library's Strassweg auditorium, concert-goers are welcome to bring their own lunch. Performing May 5: Mircea Ionescu on violin and Chris Combs on piano.

When: Noon-1 p.m., Friday, May 5

Where: New Albany-Floyd County Library, 180 W. Spring St., New Albany, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: http://developna.org/calendar.html

May 5, Movies in the Park, Clarksville

May through October, watch newly released family-friendly movies on a big screen every first Friday of the month outdoors at Clarksville's Gateway Park. Lawn chairs and coolers welcome! **Movie on May 5:**

Finding Dory

When: begins at dusk, Friday, May 5

Where: Gateway Park, 500 Little League Blvd., Clarksville, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: http://www.clarksvilleparks.com/movies-in-the-park.html

Now through May 8, "Colours of Dawn: the Unexhibited Works of Dawn Handy," New Albany

"The Colours of Dawn" showcases the unseen paintings, sculptures, and derby hats of self-taught artist, Kimberly Dawn Handy. Celebrating Kentucky Derby season, see "Horsing Around: Equine Drawings and Acrylic by Tanatus Joei" on the second floor.

When: 10 a.m-6 p.m., Wednesday-Friday; noon-4 p.m., Saturdays

Where: Arts Council of Southern Indiana, 820 E. Market St., New Albany, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: http://ArtsCouncilSl.com/current-exhibit/4591483057

May 12-14; 19-21, "The Drowsy Chaperone," Clarksville

This parody of 1920s American musical comedy is sure to make feet tap and bellies laugh. Clarksville Little Theatre is one of America's oldest, continually-producing community theatres.

When: Evening performance Friday-Sunday, May 12-14, Friday & Saturday, May 19 & 20; matinee

Sunday, May 21

Where: Clarksville Little Theatre, 301 E. Montgomery Ave., Clarksville, Ind.

Cost: Adults: \$18; Seniors and teens: \$15; Children: \$10

Info: http://www.clarksvillelittletheatre.org

May 12, Full Moon Hike, Charlestown

Hike along Trail 5 in Charlestown State Park to enjoy a night under the stars and May's full moon. Hikers are encouraged to wear hiking shoes, warm and comfortable clothing, and bring a walking stick and red lens flashlight.

When: 10 p.m., Saturday, May 12

Where: Charlestown State Park, 12500 St. Rd. 62, Charlestown, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: https://www.Facebook.com/charlestownsp; (812) 256-5600

May 12, Chocolate Lovers Stroll, Jeffersonville

Enjoy live music, balloon artists, and sample chocolate at various shops and restaurants in historic downtown Jeffersonville.

When: 6-9 p.m., Friday, May 12

Where: Downtown Jeffersonville merchants, Jeffersonville, Ind.

Cost: Adult: \$8; Child: \$5

Info: https://www.jeffmainstreet.org/event/chocolate-lovers-stroll

May 12 & 19, Shakespeare in the Park, New Albany & Jeffersonville

Kentucky Shakespeare's 4th annual "Shakespeare in the Parks" tour brings its 6-actor, 85-minute outdoor production of *Julius Caesar* to SoIN.

New Albany:

When: 6:30 p.m., Friday, May 12

Where: New Albany Riverfront Amphitheater, 201 E. Water St., New Albany, Ind.;

Cost: Free

Info: http://www.kyshakespeare.com/sitp

Jeffersonville:

When: 7 p.m., Friday, May 19

Where: Big Four Station Park, 227 Pearl St., Jeffersonville, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: http://www.kyshakespeare.com/sitp

May 19, Comedy in the Park, Clarksville

Enjoy laughs with Tim McClendon and Shawn Reynolds at Clarksville Parks' first-ever comedy event.

Concessions will be available; blankets, lawn chairs, and coolers are welcome.

When: 7:30-8:30 p.m., Friday, May 19

Where: Gateway Park, 500 Little League Blvd., Clarksville, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: http://www.clarksvilleparks.com/special-events.html

May 19 & 26, Concerts in the Park Series, Jeffersonville

Live music returns to Jeffersonville's Warder Park every Friday night May through September.

Performing May 19: Kosair Dance Band; May 26: Holy Name Band

When: 7 p.m., Friday nights, May 19-September 8

Where: Warder Park, 109 E. Court Ave., Jeffersonville, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: https://www.jeffmainstreet.org/concerts-in-the-park

May 20, "Let's Hang On!" New Albany

Let's Hang On! captures the trademark vocal virtuosity, tight harmonies, and crisp choreography that made The Four Seasons one of the greatest vocal groups of all time.

When: 3 p.m. and 8 p.m., Saturday, May 20

Where: The Ogle Center, 4201 Grant Line Rd., New Albany, Ind.

Cost: \$29 in advance; \$33 at the door; \$10 for students

Info: https://www.ius.edu/oglecenter/events/lets-hang-on.html

May 20, Anniversary Celebration of the Ogle Center, New Albany

Celebrate the Ogle Center's 20th season at this special dinner. Combine the "Let's Hang On!" show for additional fun. Held at Indiana University Southeast's Hoosier Room, University Center South.

When: 5:30 p.m., Saturday, May 20

Where: The Ogle Center, 4201 Grant Line Rd., New Albany, Ind. Cost: \$79 per person for dinner & show; \$50 per person, dinner only Info: https://www.ius.edu/oglecenter/events/celebration-dinner.html

May 25-29, Abbey Road on the River, Jeffersonville

Abbey Road on the River, one of the nation's largest Beatles-inspired music festivals, is coming to Jeffersonville Memorial Day weekend. Bands and artists such as Peter Noone of Herman's Hermits, Grammy winner Peter Asher, American rock band The Grass Roots, Mark Lindsay of Paul Revere and the Raiders, and others will perform. The five-day celebration marks the 50th anniversary of the "Summer of Love" and the release of the Beatles' "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band" album. Photos and video for Abbey Road on the River.

When: Thursday-Monday, May 25-29

Where: downtown Jeffersonville and Big Four Station Park, Jeffersonville, Ind.

Cost: \$25-\$190, order tickets here

Info: http://AROTR.com

May 26, Bicentennial Park Concert Series, New Albany

Every Friday May 26 through July 28, enjoy live bands perform in downtown New Albany's Bicentennial Park. Restaurants, boutiques, and shops located within walking distance. Schedule TBA.

When: 6:30-9:30 p.m., Fridays May-July

Where: Bicentennial Park, 118 E. Spring St., New Albany, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: http://newalbanycityhall.com/events/?view=calendar&month=May-2017

May 27, Starlight Strawberry Festival, Starlight

Experience a sweet SoIN tradition at this annual strawberry festival. Activities include a build-your-own strawberry shortcake bar, homemade chicken dinner, live music, games, craft booths, a soap box derby,

and a "Run for the Berries" 5K run/walk. When: 8 a.m.- 6 p.m., Saturday, May 27

Where: St. John's Catholic Church, 8310 St. John Rd., Floyds Knobs, Ind.

Cost: Free admission

Info: http://starlightstrawberryfestival.com

Beginning June 1, "Rumors," New Albany

Downtown New Albany's new community theater company opens with the hilarious farce, "Rumors."

Based on the 1988 Neil Simon Broadway hit.

When: 7:30 p.m., Thursday-Saturday, June 1-3 & June 8-10; 2 p.m., Sunday, June 4 & 11

Where: TheatreWorks of SoIN, 203 E. Main St., New Albany, Ind.

Cost: Adult: \$16; Senior: \$13

Info: http://theatreworksofsoin.com/season

June 2, RiverStage Summer Concert Series, Jeffersonville

The <u>Louisville Crashers</u> perform as the season opener for Jeffersonville's Summer Concert Series at RiverStage, a floating performance stage anchored along the Ohio River.

When: 7 p.m., Fridays, June 2 through August 25

Where: RiverStage, West Riverside Dr., Jeffersonville, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: https://jeffparks.org/the-river-stage/#cocacola

June 3, RiverStage Twilight Cinema, Jeffersonville

Relax on a blanket or bring a lawn chair to watch family-friendly films on a big screen at Jeffersonville's RiverStage, June through August. Inflatables and games begin at 7 p.m.

When: 8:30 p.m., Saturdays, June 3 through August 26 Where: RiverStage, West Riverside Dr., Jeffersonville, Ind.

Cost: Free

Info: https://jeffparks.org/the-river-stage/#twilightcinema

June 3, Fest of Ale, New Albany

Enjoy local craft brews, wines, and food at this annual festival which benefits the local WHAS-11 Crusade for Children charity.

When: 3-7 p.m., Saturday, June 3

Where: New Albany Riverfront Amphitheater, 201 E. Water St., New Albany, Ind.

Cost: \$40

Info: http://www.kegliquors.com/fest of ale.html

Visitors who want more information about Clark-Floyd counties' events can visit: GoSoIN.com

Clark and Floyd Counties, located on the north bank of the Ohio River, offer an authentic Southern Indiana experience. The Kentuckiana region includes the historic downtowns of Jeffersonville and New Albany, the town of Clarksville's retail corridor, as well as the agricultural communities of Starlight, Sellersburg, Borden, Georgetown, and more. Visit www.GoSolN.com for more information on travel to Clark & Floyd Counties.