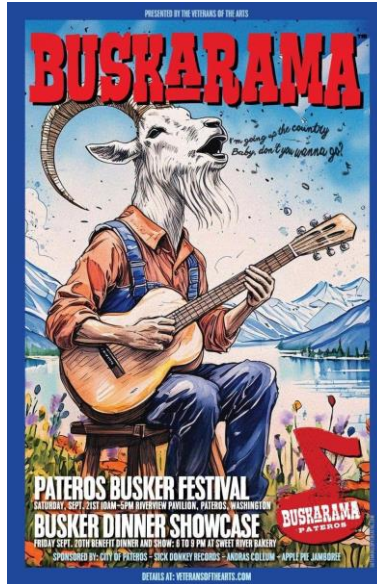


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Sept 20 & 21

BUSKARAMA Pateros



Pateros, WA to host their first BUSKARAMA and declares the first BUSKARAMA DAY

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Sept 20th and 21, BUSKARAMA will visit the city of Pateros as a welcome guest, providing music education to the youth and opportunities for every citizen and visitor alike to participate in one of the most innovative grass roots music festivals from the Northwest to emerge in recent years.

Busking is an ancient practice of public performance that is often greeted with fascination, mutual support, and intrigue. Why does a musician choose to play their original songs and the music of others on the street?

Everyone has a different answer, and part of Veterans of The Arts mission as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit is to help every musician answer that question as we help communities truly embrace and foster their own unique ability to celebrate the Arts.

BUSKARAMA began at Pike Place Market as a way to celebrate the 50th anniversary of both Jim Page and Artis the Spoonman's unique contributions to the arts and culture of Seattle. This influence went global in the 1990s and continues to impact the world today.

We also strove to help bring back a spark to a busker community that is struggling to participate in the Market as we move towards both a cashless society and inflationary forces. The economic reality has pushed more musicians away from self-expression as a means of making a living, or even paying for their next meal.

With Pateros we collaborated with City Hall and local real estate agent Andreas Collum to found an event with the purpose of blending music education in the classroom with participation in community that so many of us hope can thrive on our main streets and our town squares.

Pateros has taken an unprecedented step to embrace busking by declaring Saturday Sept 21, BUSKARAMA DAY. See the official proclamation here:

<https://tinyurl.com/BuskaramaPateros>

On Sept 20th we invite not only the entire community to join BUSKARAMA for a dinner and musical showcase at Sweet River Bakery, with the support of this local business we are proud to announce that any child accompanied by an adult at this event can eat for free.

On September 21st the entire downtown becomes a city of music. A team of licensed Buskers from Pike Place Market, that include Jonny Evergreen and Shanelle Berry are slated to perform beside musicians from Pateros and surrounding communities.

Our creative team has developed both a curated mainstage experience along with designated spots around the city that highlight the town's history and local businesses. Each designated location provides the opportunity for any musician to perform, to be heard, and to be recognized as a part of BUSKARAMA.

For more info and event details visit: <https://veteransofthearts.com/buskarama-%40-pateros>

The City of Pateros' declaration of the first BUSKARAMA DAY.

See link for official document:

PDF on City of Pateros website
<https://tinyurl.com/BuskaramaPateros>

Webpage with link to PDF and poster
<https://pateros.com/community/buskarama.php>

The City of Pateros declares that Saturday Sept 21 is BUSKARAMA DAY.

The City of Pateros is encouraging its citizens and visitors of the community to participate in a day of music.

Busking is a tradition of art and street performance that traces back thousands of years, and continues to be an inspired means of sharing music and ideas.

The goal of BUSKARAMA is to simply encourage people of all ages to perform music outside in many of the locations the event provides, and if so inspired, to tip musicians as a means of directly supporting the arts.

A focus of BUSKARAMA DAY will be to show the children of Pateros and the world that music is something they are free to create today and better themselves and the world with tomorrow.

A community that creates and appreciates music is a community that will prosper in many ways.

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