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SUMMER AT SAM RETURNS TO OLYMPIC SCULPTURE PARK JULY 13-AUGUST 31, 2017

Activities and performances every Thursday and Saturday with highlights including Dog Night, Bike Night, and Sculptured Dance





SEATTLE, WA - The Seattle Art Museum presents the eighth season of Summer at SAM, held at the Olympic Sculpture Park July 13-August 31, 2017. Free activities and performances combining visual art, music, and community will take place every Thursday and Saturday. 2017 marks the 10th anniversary of SAM's Olympic Sculpture Park, which transformed a vacant urban brownfield into a beautiful public green space and world-class art park.

This year's Summer at SAM program is inspired by this milestone, as well as SAM's special exhibitions: *Yayoi Kusama: Infinity Mirrors* at the Seattle Art Museum, and *Spencer Finch: The Western Mystery* and *Christopher Paul Jordan: Latent Home Zero* at the Olympic Sculpture Park.

Highlights of this year's Thursday evenings include the Kickoff produced in partnership with Black & Tan Hall on July 13, Dog Night on August 3, Bike Night on August 24, and Sculptured Dance created in partnership with the Pacific Northwest Ballet on August 31. Saturdays feature 8 Limbs Yoga Centers and Zumba® sessions. Families are particularly encouraged to attend Family Field Day on July 29.

Summer at SAM is free, open to the public, and all-ages. For the most up-to-date information, head to <u>visitsam.org/summer</u>. Full schedule is below.

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Programming at the Olympic Sculpture Park is generously supported by Maggie Walker, and Martha Wyckoff and Jerry Tone.

SUMMER AT SAM - SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JULY 13, 6-8 pm: KICKOFF

Produced in partnership with Black & Tan Hall.

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

Black & Tan Hall, Seattle's new co-op performing arts and restaurant venue, curates a set of performances throughout the night.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Spectacular Spectacles with Tariqa Waters

Create elaborate spectacles to alter your reality. Design your new, colorful shades for the summer!

My Favorite Things Tour: 7 pm

My Favorite Things tours bring some of the most opinionated, brilliant and fascinating artists, cultural producers and community figures into the park to discuss their favorite works of art.

Food Trucks: 5:45-7:45 pm

Taste will also be serving wine and dinner fare.

KIDS CORNER IN PACCAR PAVILION: 6-8 pm

Families can enjoy the Kids Corner and drop-in art making at the SAM Creates station. Spend time drawing at the kids-sized easels and capture the sculptures, plant life, and beautiful views of the Olympic Mountains and Puget Sound. Relax in a beanbag chair, read a new book, do a puzzle, or create your own masterpiece. Kids of all ages are welcome!

SATURDAY, JULY 15, 9 am-3 pm

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

Beat the crowds and join us for a free outdoor yoga flow class with instructors from <u>8 Limbs Yoga Centers</u>. Bring your own mat, water, and any needed supplies. Rain or shine!

Yoga: 10:30-11:30 am: Hatha (all levels)

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SAM Creates: 11 am-1 pm

Interactive Open Studio with Lion's Main Art Collective.

Zumba: 2-3 pm

Fusing Latin rhythms with easy-to-follow moves, free Zumba® Latin dance-fitness lessons are a great way to spend the afternoon. Tennis shoes and water bottle recommended. Rain or shine! Instructors:

Public Tour: 1 pm

Site, Sculpture, Shoreline: Discover the Olympic Sculpture Park.

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 6-8 pm: MEMBERS APPRECIATION NIGHT

All are welcome as SAM expresses special appreciation for our Members with discounts and perks. Make sure to bring your SAM member card and stop by the PACCAR Pavilion for giveaways. Not a member yet? Sign up on Members Night and receive a \$10 discount.

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm Art of Jazz with Tumbao

Join us for Art of Jazz with Tumbao. Come listen to some of the best local jazz, plus sign up to win prizes from KNKX. Sponsored by KNKX 88.5 and Earshot Jazz.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Chromatography Buttons with Sandra Farmer

Consider the moving colors of *Spencer Finch: The Western Mystery* and design a button using chromatography. Experiment with different colors and watch as shades accumulate, layer, and change.

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SATURDAY, JULY 22, 9 am-3 pm

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

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Yoga: 10:30-11:30 am: Hatha (all levels)

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SAM Creates: 11 am-1 pm

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Zumba: 2-3 pm

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Public Tour: 1 pm

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THURSDAY, JULY 27, 6-8 pm

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

The Black Tones

Influenced by the old souls of blues and rock 'n' roll, **The Black Tones** will get you up and moving with music that's sure to deliver a mix of blues, punk, and black power.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Infinity Accessories with Tariqa Waters

Accessorize your outfit with mirrors and reflective additions, inspired by *Yayoi Kusama: Infinity Mirrors*.

My Favorite Things Tour: 7 pm

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Food Trucks 5:45-7:45 pm

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KIDS CORNER IN PACCAR PAVILION: 6-8 pm

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SATURDAY, JULY 29, 11 am-3 pm: FAMILY FIELD DAY

Bring the whole family for all-ages art making, performances, family friendly yoga, and community partner activities to get everyone thinking creatively about our environment and how we can help it.

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

Beat the crowds and join us for a free outdoor yoga flow class with instructors from <u>8 Limbs Yoga Centers</u>. Bring your own mat, water, and any needed supplies. Rain or shine!

Community Partner Activities: 11 am-3 pm

SAM Creates: 11 am-3 pm

Public Tour: 1 pm

Site, Sculpture, Shoreline: Discover the Olympic Sculpture Park.

Food Truck: noon-3pm

Taste will be open from 10:30 am-3:30 pm

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 6-8 pm: DOG NIGHT

Dogs are always welcome at the Olympic Sculpture Park, but tonight it's all about the pets you adore with treats and activities during this special night of puppy love. Pet owners are asked to please clean up after your dogs. Water bowls placed along Z Path will help visiting pets stay hydrated. All dogs must be on a six-foot leash. Only service animals are allowed in the PACCAR Pavilion.

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

IJ

iji is a flexible pop group who creates music that is playful, groovy and occasionally meddling. iji spends much of their time touring DIY spaces and allages venues, most recently with their latest record *Bubble*. Look forward to dreamy, atmospheric vibes and maybe even a poem or two dedicated to dogs.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Pet Tags & Keychains with Janet Fagan

Dress up your favorite pet with a personal, customized tag. Create a keychain or necklace for your pooch or yourself!

Try It On with Romson Regarde Bustillo

Stay cool from the summer sun and decorate a sun hat for you and your pet.

My Favorite Things Tour: 7 pm

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SATURDAY, August 5, 9 am-3 pm

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

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Yoga: 10:30-11:30 am: Hatha (all levels)

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SAM Creates: 11 am-1 pm

Interactive Open Studio with Lion's Main Art Collective.

Zumba: 2-3 pm

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Public Tour: 1 pm

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 6-8 pm

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

Art of Jazz with Happy Orchestra

Join us for Art of Jazz with Happy Orchestra. Come listen to some of the best local jazz, plus sign up to win prizes from KPLU! Sponsored by KPLU 88.5 and Earshot Jazz.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Art-Making with Tariqa Waters

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 9 am-3 pm

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

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Yoga: 10:30-11:30 am: Hatha (all levels)

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 6-8 pm

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

Down North

They've been described as "your favorite band's favorite band" and the bold sounds of the alternative soul/rock & roll group **Down North** will quickly turn them into one of your favorites too. Down North's warm energy and new soul sound is sure to get all you rock & roll fans up and dancing.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Landscape Collage with Carina del Rosario

Look through artist Christopher Paul Jordan's viewfinder along the park path and consider your local landscape. Collage magazines, postcards, and stencils to depict your landscape.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 9 am-3 pm

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

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Yoga: 10:30-11:30 am: Hatha (all levels)

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SAM Creates: 11 am-1 pm

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Public Tour: 1 pm

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 6-8 pm; BIKE NIGHT

Beat the traffic, save the planet, improve your health, explore your community, rock some helmet hair: whatever your reasons, grab your friends and pedal on over for a night that celebrates bicycling

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

Skates! + Wiscon

Skates! opens the night with surf-pop grooves. Their care-free, energetic show is full of melodic-goodness. You will fall in love. Skates! will make you.

Wiscon is the best band for the beach at an end of the world party. Their upbeat joy-wave tunes will carry you into the evening feeling raucous and revved up with synthy garage pop and fuzzy harmonies.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Handle Bar Decor with Janet Fagan

Spruce up your bicycle's look with DIY handle bar decorations. Use recycled inner tubes, pom-poms, and other frills to create your customized look.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 9 am-3 pm

Yoga: 9-10 am: Vinyasa Flow (all levels)

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Yoga: 10:30-11:30 am: Hatha (all levels)

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SAM Creates: 11 am-1 pm

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Zumba: 2-3 pm

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Public Tour: 1 pm

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 6-9 pm: SCULPTURED DANCE

SAM and the Pacific Northwest Ballet team up for a special night of original site-specific dance works with local choreographers and companies.

- Noelani Pantastico + PNB at Alexander Calder's *The Eagle*
- Eva Stone + Au Collective at Richard Serra's Wake
- Price Suddarth + The YC at Tony Smith's Wandering Rocks
- Dani Tirrell + PNB at Roxy Paine's Split

SAM Performs: 6:30-8 pm

Jyun Jyun

Listen to the stylings of **Jyun Jyun**, a multi-instrumentalist musician who creates multi-sensory projects that explore the boundaries between organic instrumentation and modern, electronic production. Expect basslines, head nodding beats, and impactful musicality.

SAM Creates: 6-8 pm

Elements in Motion with Romson Regarde Bustillo

Take inspiration from the roaming dancers and still sculptures. Design a kinetic sculpture and imagine the interactions between the environment, people, and your unique artwork.

Food Trucks 5:45-7:45 pm

Taste will also be serving wine and dinner fare.

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ABOUT SEATTLE ART MUSEUM

As the leading visual art institution in the Pacific Northwest, SAM draws on its global collections, powerful exhibitions, and dynamic programs to provide unique educational resources benefiting the Seattle region, the Pacific Northwest, and beyond. SAM was founded in 1933 with a focus on Asian art. By the late 1980s the museum had outgrown its original home, and in 1991 a new 155,000-square-foot downtown building, designed by Robert Venturi, Scott Brown & Associates, opened to the public. The 1933 building was renovated and reopened as the Asian Art Museum in 1994. SAM's desire to further serve its community was realized in 2007 with the opening of two stunning new facilities: the nine-acre Olympic Sculpture Park (designed by Weiss/Manfredi Architects)—a "museum without walls," free and open to all—and the Allied Works Architecture designed 118,000-square-foot expansion of its main, downtown location, including 232,000 square feet of additional space built for future expansion. The Olympic Sculpture Park and SAM's downtown expansion celebrate their tenth anniversary in 2017.

From a strong foundation of Asian art to noteworthy collections of African and Oceanic art, Northwest Coast Native American art, European and American art, and modern and contemporary art, the strength of SAM's collection of approximately 25,000 objects lies in its diversity of media, cultures and time periods.