



Media Contacts

Bob Curry Hazleton Integration Project 225 East 4th St. Hazleton, PA 18201 (570) 861-8081 bobbycurry@hotmail.com	Jocelyn Sterenchock Hazleton Art League 225 E. Broad St. Hazleton, PA 18201 570-956-7731 Jocelyn.sterenchock@gmail.com	Rick Vaughn Respect 90 Foundation rvaughn@respect90.org
Mary Malone Greater Hazleton Chamber 20 W. Broad St. Hazleton, PA 18201 570-455-1509 MMMalone@hazletonchamber.org	Krista Schneider Downtown Hazleton Alliance for Progress 20 W. Broad St. Hazleton, PA 18201 570-455-1509 kschneider@downtownhazleton.org	Sue Schuster Eleven Eleven Voices Stage 2 570.814.7956 sschuster@stage2.com
Carol Matz St. Gabriel's Church Festival 570-956-0817 Carolmatz3@gmail.com	Mary Veronica Sweeney Power City Arts 617-308-5496 mvswee@gmail.com	Charles McElwee Greater Hazleton Historical Society & Museum 570-856-6010 cfmcelwee@gmail.com

The First Friday AND Saturday in August will be unlike any other. Nine organizations are teaming up to host "Celebrate Hazleton," a two-day series of events that will celebrate the richness and diversity of Hazleton's history, culture, and creativity. All events will take place in Downtown Hazleton, along Broad Street between Laurel and Poplar, and along South Wyoming Street between Broad and Birch. Portions of Broad St. and S. Wyoming St. will be closed at times.

Celebrate Hazleton is a partnership between Joe Maddon's Respect 90 Foundation, the Hazleton Art League, the Hazleton Integration Project, the Downtown Hazleton Alliance for Progress, the Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Hazleton Historical Society, Power City Arts, and Eleven/Eleven Voices, a Washington, D.C.-based group. As the annual St. Gabriel's Church festival will be taking place at the same time a few blocks away, the two events are also being coordinated and cross-promoted.

FRIDAY, August 4th

Farmer's Market

Friday will kick off with the weekly Farmer's Market along the new City Park at the corner of Broad and Laurel. Beginning at 10AM vendors will be selling fresh fruits and veggies, baked goods, as well as plants, honey, and honey-based products. You can also taste test some healthy recipes provided by the Commission on Economic Opportunity (CEO), and pick up some gardening tips from the Luzerne County Master Gardeners. The market lasts until 2:00 PM. For more information contact the Chamber at 570-455-1509.

Car Cruise-In

Beginning at 6:00 PM the Chamber will be hosting its 10th annual Classic Car Cruise-in. This will take place on Broad Street, which will be closed to traffic from Church St. to Pine Street. Cars will be available for viewing by the public until 9:00 PM. During this event, the "Legends" oldies band will be performing in front of Jimmy's Quick Lunch. In addition, DJ Tony Pacelli and DJ Jim Dino will be playing music throughout the evening along Broad Street, and Verrastro's will be hosting free beer tastings next to the Chamber building. For more information call the Chamber at 570-455-1509

The Art of James Moran: Retrospective & Architectural Walking Tour

This walking tour will highlight the architectural history of downtown Hazleton through the interpretation of James Moran's paintings—the subject of a recent article published in the *Atlantic Magazine*. A Hazleton native who passed away in 2016, Moran's paintings and sketches often summarized the historical legacy of Hazleton. The architecturally unique buildings in downtown Hazleton summarize that history in physical form. Learn more about Moran, the story behind Hazleton's architectural development, and ongoing revitalization and preservation projects in downtown Hazleton. Moran's collection will be featured throughout selected sites downtown. Charles McElwee, Greater Hazleton Historical Society Vice President, will lead the tour. Booklets will be distributed. Cost is \$10 per person; children are free. Tickets may be purchased at the beginning of the tour, or online in advance at www.downtownhazleton.org. Proceeds will benefit the Historical Society. The tour will begin at 6:00 PM in front of CAN DO's Renaissance Building (corner of Broad and Church Streets), and will cover about six city blocks. Free parking is available after 5:00 PM in the adjacent lot. Participants should wear comfortable shoes and dress for the weather. For more information contact Charles McElwee at cfmcelwee@gmail.com.

Christopher Coppola Film Workshop

Christopher Coppola, film director, producer, president of PlasterCITY Productions Inc., and nephew of Academy award-winning director Francis Ford Coppola (*The Godfather*) will be hosting a free film workshop that is geared towards aspiring young filmmakers (middle and high school students in grades 8-12), where participants will learn how to create their own production. Christopher Coppola has been a champion of and leader in digital media for over a decade. Since 1987, he has directed ten feature films, numerous television shows and developed and produced content for alternative distribution and interactive platforms. Coppola advocates for arts education in public schools and digital media literacy and has been instrumental in developing PAH-fests around the globe where everyday people have the chance to express their stories through film. The workshop will take place from 5:30-7:00 PM within the meeting room above the Pines

Eatery (8 W. Broad St.). This event is being hosted by the Hazleton Integration Project. Anyone interested in registering for the workshop should contact Bob Curry at (570) 861-8081 or bobbycurry@hotmail.com. Registration will be limited.

Hazleton Speaks!

Hazleton Speaks! will celebrate the art of the spoken word through an Open Mic Poetry and Prose event that will be hosted within the Sage Exchange (11 E. Broad St.). Geared towards teens and young adults but open to all ages, this event will take place between 7:00-9:00 PM. For more information contact Revi Ren at rattlethebattle@gmail.com or 347-827-0312.

Pop-Up Ice Cream Parlor

From 5:00-9:00 PM The Shop 2 (105 E. Broad St.) will be hosting a Pop-Up Ice Cream Parlor featuring Leiby's homemade ice cream. Sales will continue all day Saturday from 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. All proceeds will benefit the Peace Love & Chalk Festival. For more information call 570-861-8455.

Faberge Follies Open House

Faberge Follies (339 W. Broad St.) will be hosting an Open House with free dance lessons. From 5:30-6:00 PM children ages 8 and up can partake in a free intro Hip Hop class. From 7:00-7:30 PM adults can enjoy a free Dance Cardio class. Other performances will take place throughout the evening, and the Diva Dancewear Boutique will open with back to school clothing. For more info contact Samantha Schugardt at Samantha.schugardt@gmail.com or 570-861-7033.

St. Gabriel's Annual Parish Festival

Beginning at 5:00 PM, St. Gabriel's Church will be kicking off its annual two-day Parish Festival along S. Wyoming St. between Chapel and Birch. The festival, which will continue until 10:00 PM, and all day Saturday, will feature ethnic foods from around the world as well as a huge selection of carnival type games, many activities for children, and other entertainment. For more information contact Carol Matz at 570-956-0817.

Footloose: The Musical

Footloose: The Musical opens at the PA Theatre of Performing Arts (212 W. Broad St.) on Friday evening at 7:00 PM. This production will also be performed again on Saturday, Aug 6th at 7:00 PM, and Sunday the 7th at 3:00 PM. The schedule will be repeated the following weekend. For tickets, dinner reservations, or more information contact the PTPA at 570-454-5451 or jlbenjamin@ptpashows.org.

Other Entertainment

For live music, stop by the Pines Eatery & Spirits (8 W. Broad St.) where the Lady A Trio will perform from 6:30-9:00 PM. Enjoy the sounds of Motown, R&B & Light Jazz. For more info or to make dinner reservations, call 570-501-0330.

Catch a live action FREE theatrical stunt show from 8:00-9:30 PM and enjoy some fantastic entertainment in a historic landmark, the Sanctuary Stunt Studio (172 N. Wyoming St.), where the "Dominican DareDevil" Marcy Cabrera will officially be crowned the New Sanctuary Champion. For more information call 570-262-0636. "

SATURDAY, August 5th

Peace Love & Chalk 3

Saturday kicks off at 9:00 AM with the third annual Peace Love & Chalk Festival, where dozens of artists from our region will turn the sidewalks of downtown Hazleton into masterpieces of color and self-expression. This year, the field will expand to include a junior division for the first time that will showcase the talents of budding artists from 12 to 17 years old. Adults will use a 36"x50" piece of paper, youth will use 22"x36". Artists have four hours to create their work before judging. Judges are Zak Zavada, Jamie (Pesotine) Barrese, and Dr. Stephan Glicken. Cash prizes will be awarded for First, Second, Third and People's Choice in the Senior Division. Junior prizes include an Apple iPad, gift certificates, and art supplies. All winners will be awarded memberships to the Hazleton Art League. The award ceremony will take place at 2:30 PM. Advance registration is now available online at www.hazletonsartleague.org, or at the Shop 2 (105 E. Broad St.), or by contacting Jocelyn Sterenchock at 570-956-7731 or Jocelyn.sterenchock@gmail.com. This event is hosted by the Hazleton Art League in partnership with Joe Maddon's Respect 90 Foundation.

Fleatique

Featuring antiques, art, upcycled items, and collectibles, the Downtown Hazleton Alliance for Progress, in cooperation with the Shop 2 and Sage Exchange, is hosting a "Fleatique," which will take place along Broad St. between 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM in conjunction with the Peace Love & Chalk Festival. Vendor registration will be accepted until July 31st. Registration forms are available online at www.downtownhazleton.org, or by contacting Krista Schneider at kschneider@downtownhazleton.org or 570-455-1509.

St. Gabriel's Annual Parish Festival

St. Gabriel's Parish Festival will continue all day Saturday 10:00 AM-10:00 PM. A special Dominican breakfast will be served at 10:00 AM, and will be followed at 12:00 PM with more music, games, and ethnic foods from multiple nationalities. The church will also be raffling off a brand new 2017 Kia Rio. The drawing will take place at 8:00 PM in front of the church. For more information contact Carol Matz at 570-956-0817.

Mural Art Demonstration

Teaching artist and Hazleton muralist, Mary Veronica Sweeney, will host a hands-on workshop to demonstrate and discuss the art of creating murals that can help transform the entire city into a destination for art lovers. Participants will create a "wheat paste" mural, which will be installed downtown. The workshop will take place between 1:30-3:00 PM. Participation is free but pre-registration is required by contacting Sweeney at 617-308-5496 or mvswee@gmail.com.

The Art of James Moran: The Exhibit

If you miss the walking tour on Friday evening stop by the Hazleton Art League (225 E. Broad St.) between 9:00 AM-5:00 PM to view select paintings from the Moran collection. Tour booklets will also be on sale for a self-guided walk. For more information contact Charles McElwee at cfmcelwee@gmail.com.

Conyngham Brewery Pop-Up Pub

In honor of the Celebrate Hazleton event, the Conyngham Brewery has created a special Celebration-style ale, which they will debut on Saturday in a Pop-Up Brew Pub located in the parking lot next to Carmen's Bakery & Deli (37 E. Broad St.). Stop by from 2:00-6:00 PM and be one of the first to try this commemorative ale. For more info contact Lee Ann Palubinsky at lpalubinsky@hotmail.com or (570) 956-8666.

Grupo de Danza Nuevo Mexico

From 3:00-5:00 PM Dance Group New Mexico will perform downtown in traditional dress on S. Wyoming St. between Broad and Mine. This Philadelphia-based organization was created to recreate and teach youth the customs and traditions of Mexican folklore, as well as the great diversity of dances and dances of the Mexican Republic. For more information contact Bob Curry at (570) 861-8081 or bobbycurry@hotmail.com.

Eleven Eleven Voices

ELEVEN ELEVEN VOICES is organizing a flash mob-style chorus that will utilize the voices of up to 500 people all harmonizing a single unity-themed song that will be recorded and streamed live throughout the web so video clips can be shared with friends, family, fans and the world. This event is designed to bring hope, laughter, connection and understanding to the community through the power of music. It is being coordinated by the organization's founder, Sue Schuster, in cooperation with the Hazleton Integration Project. Held in other communities throughout the country, the singing event helps builds relationships, facilitates bonding and drives community interaction.

This event will take place on Wyoming Street, between Broad and Mine, which will be closed to traffic for the occasion. Singers, choral groups, children, and anyone willing to sing are welcome to participate. The two hour event, which will begin at 5:00 PM, will be led by skilled choir directors and a special guest, who will share the lyrics and prepare the group for the final performance that will involve hundreds of voices from many races, ethnicities and backgrounds singing a beautiful rendition of John Denver's "Take Me Home, Country Roads." All are welcome--no singing experience is needed. ELEVEN ELEVEN VOICES is truly a "come one, come all" group with no age, gender or race requirements. *Show up.* It's that simple. For more info contact Bob Curry at (570) 861-8081 or bobbycurry@hotmail.com.

"Sacred Blood" Film Screening

The evening will end with an outdoor movie. Directed by Christopher Coppola, "Sacred Blood" is an imaginative vampire-style love story set in San Francisco. The film will be followed by a discussion and question/answer period led by Coppola. The free screening will begin at dusk in the parking lot of the Markle Building (between Laurel and Wyoming Sts.). Bring a chair and/or blanket. For more info contact Bob Curry at (570) 861-8081 or bobbycurry@hotmail.com.
