



WATER LANTERN FESTIVAL

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EVENT INFO

WHEN

Saturday, September 7, 2024

WHERE

Mill Pond Park
123 Garfield St
Newington, CT 06111

PARKING

See details on next page

WHAT TO BRING

Event ticket (Printed or digital)
Cash for food trucks and vendors
Blanket/warm clothes

Camping Chair
Camera
Bug Spray

WHAT TO EXPECT

This event combines the magic of friends, family, great food, and a beautiful array of twinkling lanterns on the waterfront. There is something to do for everyone at this beautiful event. You can enjoy various local food trucks, relax while listening to music, check out the local vendors, decorate lanterns, or even play a game of corn hole with your friends.

Water Lantern Festival is an incredible experience where thousands of family, friends, and strangers celebrate life together. Water Lantern Festival brings together individuals from all ages, backgrounds, and walks of life to join in one emotional and memorable night.

As the sun begins to set in the evening sky, the Water Lantern Festival begins to shine as the lanterns are launched onto the water. Watch your unique lantern drift on the water as it joins other lanterns carrying hope, love, happiness, healing, and connection. Reflect on your life, share your dreams, and feel the peace of all those around you as you enjoy the reflection of the lanterns upon the water.



VENUE MAP



PARKING

Limited parking can be found at Mill Pond Park. There will be parking available at 605 Willard Ave, Newington, CT 06111. A shuttle will be transporting you to and from the event.



LANTERN LAUNCH

PLEASE NOTE

Please understand that each event is unique and we do our best to ensure a beautiful experience. However, the lantern launch is subject to the weather conditions which may have an impact on the lanterns and their movement upon the water.

SCHEDULE

4:30 PM - 7:00 PM

You can arrive anytime between 4:30 - 7:00 PM. Please arrive before 7:00 PM.

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Food Trucks, Entertainment, Lantern Decorating.

7:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Lantern Stories, Meditation, Launch Instructions.

7:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Lantern Launch Window

8:30 PM

Event Ends

DECORATE YOUR LANTERN

1

Decorate your lantern with messages of hope, love, dreams, goals, remembrance, or whatever your heart desires.

2

Push the four rods into each corner on the base of the lantern and slide the paper sleeve over the rods.

3

Place the LED candle in the center of the lantern, but don't turn it on until it's time to launch your lantern. We utilize reusable LED candles to ensure that your lantern remains lit throughout the event. This also ensures that our team is able to find and collect the lanterns following the event.

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Listen for announcements with instructions on launching your lantern on the water during the launch window.

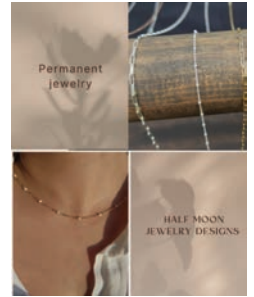
At the appropriate time, our team will provide instructions to begin the lantern launch. The launch window will last approximately one hour, so please don't rush to the water as there will be ample time to launch your lantern.

FOOD & VENDORS

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JEFF PRZECH

Jeff Przech (pronounced “Presh”) is an artist and songwriter originally from Hartford, Connecticut. While he draws inspiration and influence from numerous artists and genres, Przech writes and sings Country music. “There are very few things I love more than singing country songs,” he says. His deep, resonant baritone elicits frequent comparisons to Chris Stapleton, Aaron Lewis, Darius Rucker, Gregg Allman, and even Waylon Jennings, one of Przech’s musical heroes. His most recent release, *Helena: The Country Sounds*, gives a nod to his affinity for the classic country music of the mid-1970s with songs featuring mostly acoustic guitars and accented by pedal steel.



PETER BENSON

Music has been the heartbeat of my life since childhood. From the moment I first touched the keys of my grandfather’s grand piano, I knew I was destined for the stage. Over the years, I’ve honed my skills on guitar, pouring my heart and soul into songwriting. There’s nothing quite like the feeling of connecting with an audience, when all the stresses of the world fade away and it’s just me and the music. My sound is a blend of the country and southern rock I grew up on - an authentic reflection of my roots and passions. My goal is simple: to share the joy of music and give my listeners a moment of escape. So come along for the ride.



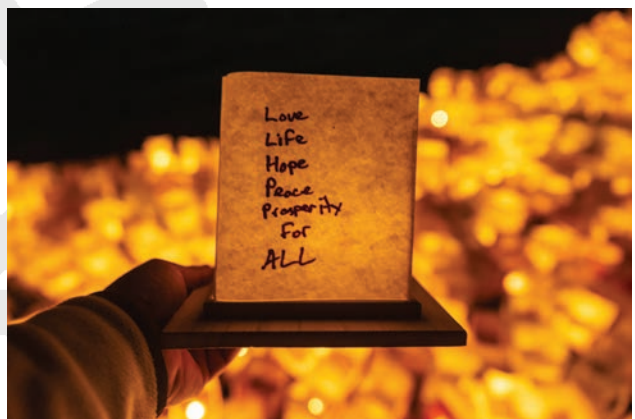
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DONATE

Water Lantern Festival is proud to support Water.org which helps supply clean water to people all over the world.

SUSTAINABILITY

Water Lantern Festival cares deeply about our environment and our water resources. Following the event our team will retrieve each lantern and clean-up any trash that may have previously been in or around the water. In addition, each of our lanterns are made from wood and rice paper, making them as environmentally friendly as possible. After the event, please help clean up any trash and leave no trace.



RELEASE WAIVER

By participating in the Water Lantern Festival presented by One World, you agree to the release waiver which can be viewed at <http://www.waterlanternfestival.com/release-waiver.php>. We are not responsible for lost or stolen items. Children should not be left unattended at anytime during the event.

EVENT UPDATES

Be sure to follow the Water Lantern Festival event page on Facebook as this will be the main tool for communication and last minute event updates if necessary.

**We're excited to share the Water Lantern Festival experience with you!
Please remember to be safe, be happy, be kind, and be friendly.**