

2023-2024 Calendar Idea Submissions

Submit your event ideas for ACGR's calendar on this form. Come to our Planning Meeting, Monday, SEPT 19 prepared to discuss your idea(s). If you'd like to see past calendar ideas, see the Slack channel "2023-24-Calendar-Planning."

ONE IDEA PER FORM

* Idea submission deadline: SEPT 12 *Planning Meeting date: Monday, SEPT 19.

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Sal Danna

Idea Title ***ONE IDEA PER FORM*** *

Summer Concert Series

Idea Description in a Brief Blurb *

Join us at Wilde Memorial Park for a weekly summer concert series during July and August. Since Glen Rock parks don't have a band shell, we could use a portable stage provided by Bergen County Dept. of Parks (see attached "Showmobile" request form).

Although the bands that usually play at these events are North Jersey-based tribute bands, we might be able to include some local bands to keep costs reasonable. Bands with large followings (who would bring those followers to GR) cost \$3,000 per two hours. They include:

- Some Guys and A Broad (probably the least expensive)
 - Best Of the Eagles - Eagle Tribute
 - Frontier - Journey Tribute
 - B Street Band - Bruce Tribute
 - Beginnings - Chicago Tribute
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Pitch your idea. Why should this be an ACGR event? How does it relate to the arts and our mission? What is unique about it? Our mission: <https://www.artscouncilgr.org/about.html> *

A summer concert series event would bring more people into town so they could frequent Glen Rock's downtown businesses.

There are many activities for minors but few for adults. Based on the crowds I see at these local concerts in Elmwood Park, Hawthorne, Hackensack, Rutherford, Ridgewood and Washington Twp, many senior adults attend. Seniors pay enough taxes that go to the schools and athletics, and it is time that they get something back.

Although not unique to the rest of the towns, a concert series like this would be unique to Glen Rock.

Please do your best to identify your idea's defining category. Most ideas will likely combine multiple artistic elements, but it's helpful to try to categorize ideas to ensure our offerings are diverse. For example, 1 Hallow's Eve has visual art, music, theater, costume design, and it falls under "theater." Regarding "fine" art vs. "crafty" or "makers" art - this is so subjective, please do your best to identify if the way your idea will be executed would be considered by fine artists as fine art, or if it would be categorized as maker/crafty or even assembled art. If you can't place your idea in a single category, please explain in "other" and help us improve the form for next time with other necessary categories and feedback. *

- Creative Placemaking: Using art to reimagine and reinvent public spaces and strengthen the connection between people and the places they share. Creative Placemaking is an umbrella term, but is directly tied to Sustainable Jersey's Creative Team certification. Our window painting and interactive butterfly mural in the alcove are examples of Creative Placemaking, and if we were SJ "Creative Team" certified, we could apply for grants. For a deeper dive, review these Slack channels: #creative-placemaking, #creative-team-sustainable-jersey and SJ's CT's goals: <https://rb.gy/64brar>
- Fine Art: I.e., drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, glassmaking, collage, origami...
- Crafter or Makers Art (only if the makers don't consider it fine art): I.e., chalk drawing, tie dye, knitting, rock painting, collage
- Dance
- Music
- Theater
- Film
- Literary Arts: I.e., Poetry Month, Honoring a poet laureate
- Other Performing Arts: I.e. spoken word, magic, acrobatics, puppeteering, anything auditioned on America's Got Talent!..
- Other:

Preferred season(s) *

Note: The next few questions address the specific timing of when you envision your idea taking place.

Winter

Spring

Summer

Fall

Other:

If applicable, please describe if your idea is tied to a specific holiday or time of year, or if you foresee it as something else such as April 1, Poetry Month, Quarterly, Pre-Holiday shopping period....

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Do you foresee this becoming an annual event? *

*OR, you're submitting a past Arts Council event, like the film festival for example, would you like it to continue to be added to the calendar annually?

Yes

No

Maybe

Other:

What year do you envision launching your event for the first time?

- 2022
- 2023
- 2024

Where would this event be held? List possible locations. *

The best location would be at Wilde Memorial Park, at the far left side, in the back, looking at it from Maple Ave.

- There is a driveway for band setup, electricity, and bathrooms.
- There is ample parking in the commuter lot in the evening.
- The stage area should be on the elevated part that is on the black top, not on the grass.
- The portable stage can be set up there without compromising the field.

Other areas:

- GRHS field
- Faber Field, although parking could be an issue, and would require port-a-potties.

Include links to images (photos, video) to help illustrate the idea. (Write n/a if not applicable.) *

• Showmobile portable stage - request form: artsCouncilgr.org/uploads/1/2/6/5/126592959/showmobile-application-for_summer_concerts.pdf

• Portable Stage: artsCouncilgr.org/uploads/1/2/6/5/126592959/published/stage-for-summer-concerts.jpg

Sample of a bandshell: artsCouncilgr.org/uploads/1/2/6/5/126592959/published/elmwood-park-bandshell.jpg

July 24 discussion on Glen Rockers about this idea - (some potential subcommittee members in there!)
artsCouncilgr.org/uploads/1/2/6/5/126592959/sal_danna-july_24_fb_discussion.pdf

Are you willing and able to chair this event? If not, name the person(s) you'd recommend or have in mind to chair under "other." *

Yes

No

Maybe

Other: I would be willing to hire the bands and help out with the entire project.

List any qualifications (skills/expertise) you foresee needing when building your committee. Will you need actors, marketers, musicians, curators, graphic designers, costume designers, builders, or board members to facilitate logistics and operations, or other committee members with other skills? *

Glen Rock Volunteer Ambulance Corps would have to be on standby
GR Police presence for crossing and safety
Fee for Showmobile portable stage

Is there a partnership opportunity? We currently partner with Thomas Edison Film Festival on our short films event, and we're in the process of partnering with Porch Light Studios on our upcoming 1 Enchanted Hallows Eve event. Under "Other," please list the organization/person(s) you're hoping to partner with, and any thoughts on why this is a good idea. *Partnerships preferred. Partnership pitches carry more weight when voting. *

Yes

No

Other: John Fabrazzo, Glen Rock director of parks and rec

Thoughts, comments, feedback?

Elmwood Park did their 2022 concert series on Tuesdays, Hawthorne on Sundays.

Many towns provide "free" concerts

How much would we have to charge for tickets per concert?

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Hal Knapp, John Hahn would be good on a subcommittee, based on their FB comments

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