





(Drone Photo/Andrew Kosarko, Courtesy of Jow Films LLC)

Rockets explode over Bradley Point in a shower of red, white and blue sparks at the Savin Rock Fireworks Spectacular on July 5, 2023. This year's pyrotechnic show is set for 9:15 p.m. July 3 and will feature live music from 7-9 p.m. in front of Savin Rock.



(Photos/Michael P. Walsh)

Scenes above and left: The Savin Rock Festival, traditionally held in historic Old Grove Park, showcases rides by Marenna Amusements, along with musical groups, a craft fair and mouthwatering foods in honor of the bygone Savin Rock Park. This year's festival is scheduled from 5-10 p.m. July 26 and 9 a.m.-10 p.m. July 27. Marenna will offer wristbands for unlimited rides for \$25 and a sheet of 25 tickets for \$20.





Warm greetings to my fellow Westies!

As your mayor, I'm thrilled to announce the many wonderful events we've planned just for you this spring and summer in West Haven, Connecticut's capital of fun 'n the sun.

If you like live music, you're in the right city. West Haven has not one but two concert series: the West Haven Summer Concert Series as well as a new Acoustic Sunday Morning Concert Series in pop-up locations across the city, including along our 3 ½-mile shoreline.

Speaking of the longest stretch of publicly accessible beaches in Connecticut, that's why our new West Haven tagline is "Miles of Shore and So Much More."

So much more, from our July 3 fireworks and our Savin Rock Festival to our Juneteenth celebration and our Greater New Haven Italian American Heritage Festival. These family-friendly celebrations are inspired by our diverse traditions and values, demonstrating the best of the American spirit and Westie pride.

So much more, like discovering rare shorebirds at the Sandy Point Beach & Bird Sanctuary or exploring the American war experience at the West Haven Veterans Museum & Learning Center. So much more like checking out our historical and cultural attractions, picking out homegrown fruits and vegetables at the Tony Inzero Farmers Market, or checking out our picturesque parks and walking trails.

With so much to see and do, West Haven is a vibrant city that's on the move!

I'm proud to be a Westie. We are a community of resilience, a people who roll up their sleeves and work hard, and a city of unlimited possibilities. We are West Haven. Let's build a better West Haven together!



Dorinda Borer

Mayor, City of West Haven



(Photo/Michael P. Walsh)

The West Haven High School Band performs in the city's Memorial Day parade up Campbell Avenue on May 29, 2023. This year's parade will step off at 10:30 a.m. May 27.

#### Summerfest Events

## **Cycling Safety Day**Saturday, May 25

Event 1—11:30 a.m., WHPD Shore Patrol Substation on the Boardwalk Event 2—1:30 p.m., Brent Watt Park, 24 Tile St., Allingtown

## **Veterans Walk of Honor** Saturday, May 25—5 p.m.

Dedication of Phase 16 Bradley Point Park

#### Memorial Day Parade Monday, May 27—10:30 a.m.

Campbell Avenue

#### Summer Health & Wellness Fair

Saturday, June 1—10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Old Grove Park, Palace Street Presented by:

Milford Regional Chamber of Commerce, West Haven Health Department & GoHealth Urgent Care



## City of West Haven Celebrates Juneteenth

Saturday, June 8—11 a.m.-3 p.m.

(Rain Date: Saturday, June 29—11 a.m.-3 p.m.)

Brent Watt Park, 24 Tile St., Allingtown

## *3rd Annual Make Music Day* Friday, June 21—3-7 p.m.

Old Grove Park, Palace Street Presented by ArtsWestCT

## Family Fun Movie Night Fridays—6-10 p.m.

 July 12
 Aug. 9

 July 19
 Aug. 16

 July 26
 Aug. 23

Aug. 2

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Look for Child Passenger Safety Seat certified inspections and installations provided by the COWHFD-Allingtown during summer events.



#### Stay up to date with Park-Rec

West Haven Park-Rec has it all, from walking groups and sports programs to park rentals and swimming lessons, and yoga on the beach and tennis too!

For details, visit Park-Rec's website:

https://westhavenct.myrec.com/info/ default.aspx



(Photo/Gary Donovan)

Visit our huge Adirondack chair on the boardwalk for a cool selfie!



(Photo/Michael P. Walsh)

People line the Veterans Walk of Honor in Bradley Point Park to search for bricks purchased in honor of loved ones, both living and deceased, during the city's Phase 15 dedication of the brick Walk of Honor on May 27, 2023. About 3,000 bricks with personalized messages have been installed to date, including 46 for this year's Phase 16, which West Haven Veterans Council members and city officials will dedicate at 5 p.m. May 25.

(Photo/Tammy Satterlee)

Latin percussionist Moises Vazquez plays drums with city children in Old Grove Park at Make Music Day on June 21, 2022. This year's Make Music Day is scheduled from 3-7 p.m. June 21.



## Savin Rock Festival

Friday, July 26 5-10 p.m.

Saturday, July 27 9 a.m.-10 p.m.

Old Grove Park, Palace Street

Rides & games by Marenna Amusements

Unlimited rides for \$25 25 tickets for \$20

#### Friday, July 26

Cover Girl—6-7:30 p.m. (Party Band)

Foreigner Journey Experience— 8-10 p.m.

(Foreigner/Journey Tribute)

#### Saturday, July 27

Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast—9 a.m.

Park-Rec Bocce Tournament—11 a.m.

Great Bartender Race—1 p.m.

Kids Activities: Princesses, Tattoos, Balloons, Face Painting—2-4 p.m.

The Rock House School of Music TKM All Star Band—2-3:30 p.m. (Rock)

Faster Things—4-5:30 p.m. (Allman Brothers Tribute)

The Navels—6-7:30 p.m. (Classic Rock)

Nick Fradiani—8-10 p.m. (Connecticut Native & Season 14 Winner of "American Idol")



(Publicity Photo)

Nick Fradiani won "American Idol" in 2015 and is now starring as Neil Diamond in the Broadway production of "A Beautiful Noise: The Neil Diamond Musical." Fradiani will headline Day 2 of the Savin Rock Festival at 8 p.m. July 27 in Old Grove Park.



(Photo/Killian M. Gruber)

**The Tony Inzero Farmers** Market features homegrown fruits and vegetables next to the Oak Street Beach parking lot off Captain Thomas Boulevard. The market is scheduled from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. every Thursday and Saturday from July 6-Oct. 12.

### Beyond Summer the Fun Continues!

Tony Inzero Farmers Market | Greater New Haven Italian **Every Thursday & Sunday** July 6-Oct. 12—10 a.m.-2 p.m. Oak Street Beach Parking Lot

**Apple Festival** 

Friday, Sept. 27—5-9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28—10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 29—noon-5 p.m. West Haven Green

4th Annual Fire, Emergency Management, 911 ERS, Police & Health Expo Saturday, Oct. 5—11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Old Grove Park, Palace Street (Rain Date: Sunday, Oct. 6—11 a.m.-4 p.m.) **Bradley Point Park** 

American Heritage Festival Saturday, Oct. 12—noon-4 p.m.

(Rain Date: Sunday, Oct. 13 noon-4 p.m.) West Haven Green

New Haven Symphony Orchestra Friday, Dec. 13—7 p.m.

West Haven High School Auditorium, 1 Circle St.

For details on all events, visit: www.cityofwesthaven.com



(Photo/NHSO)

The New Haven Symphony Orchestra. The acclaimed symphony will perform a special concert at 7 p.m. Dec. 13 in the West Haven High School auditorium, 1 Circle St.

#### Summer Concert Series

Friday, June 21 **Shaded Soul Band** 

(R&B)

Old Grove Park

Rain Date: June 24

Friday, June 28 **TBD** 

West Haven Green

Rain Date: TBD

**Thursday, July 19** American Honey

(Country Hits) Old Grove Park

Rain Date: July 22

Friday, Aug. 9 All Funk'd Up

> (Funk/R&B) Old Grove Park

Rain Date: Aug. 12

Friday, Aug. 16 Rum Runners

> (Party Rock) Old Grove Park

Rain Date: TBD

**Saturday, Aug. 17** Sweeter Than Wine

(Acoustic Rock) Old Grove Park

Eight to the Bar (Swing/Motown) Old Grove Park

Rain Date: Aug. 19

Sweeter Than Wine is scheduled from 5-6:30 p.m. All other concerts are scheduled from 7-9 p.m.

To check if a concert has been rescheduled because of rain, go to West Haven Park-Rec's website at: https://westhavenct.myrec.com/info/ default.aspx

# Acoustic Sunday Morning Concert Series

June 2 Sweeter Than Wine

Old Grove Park

July 7 John Merola

**Location TBD** 

Aug. 4 **TBD** 

Allingtown Green

Jason Heffernan Sept. 1

Location TBD

Concerts are scheduled from 9:30-11 a.m. No rain dates.