

MACKINAC
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TOURISM

May 27, 2024

Dear Mackinac Island City Council Members:

We are looking forward to the upcoming Lilac Festival Friday, June 7 – Sunday, June 16 and are requesting permission for the following events at Marquette Park

Activities:

- Lilac Festival Queen Coronation and Poster Reveal
- Lilac Walking Tours
- Music in the Park
- Grand Parade Pre-Party in the Park

Lilac Festival Queen Coronation & Poster Reveal: Friday, June 7

The annual Lilac Festival Queen Coronation and Poster will take place in Marquette Park at the Father Marquette statue. Chairs will be set up at the base of the statue, Grand Trio will play leading up to the start of the event, and a microphone and speakers will be used for announcing. Tourism Bureau staff will be present for clean up after the event.

Lilac Walking Tours: Saturday, June 8 – Sunday, June 16

Walking tours will take place throughout the Lilac Festival. Anne Borowicz, lilac docent, will lead free walk and talks at various times during the day. A mobile speaker will be used during the walks.

Concert in the Park: Saturday, June 15

Three Men and a Tenor will be performing a concert from 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm. We are using the stage and sound system from the Mackinac Arts Council and setup will be similar to Music in the Park. Tourism Bureau staff will be in attendance for clean-up after the event.

Grand Parade Pre-Party in the Park: Sunday, June 16

A variety of bands will be performing before the Grand Parade from 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm. There will also be facepainters, tattoo artists, henna artist, and clowns offering free entertainment for families. Tourism Bureau staff will be in attendance for clean-up after the event.

We have approval from Mackinac State Historic Parks for these events. In addition, Mackinac Island Tourism continues to work closely with Mackinac Island Carriage Tours, Gough Livery, the Mackinac Island Police Department, to ensure the safety of horses and people.

Thank you,

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