

2018 Schedule of Events

Celebration: A Festival of the Arts

Friday, April 20

The day's events/performances are subject to change.

A snapshot of the day's activities with more events being added daily.

10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Exhibitions

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Intended viewing for mature audiences.

- Tarble Arts Center, eGallery

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- Tarble Arts Center, Brainard Gallery

11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Geo Science Club

EIU's Geo Science Club will be providing information about and sales of the treasures of the Earth.

- South 7th Street

11:00 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Celebrate Herpetology: Studying Amphibians & Reptiles

Students from the Biology department offering the opportunity to meet these animals up close. None of the species on display are venomous.

- Street South 7th Street, east side of Life Science Building (in the event of inclement weather this exhibit will be located in the Doudna Fine Arts Center concourse)

11:30 a.m.

Food Booths Open

- South side of DFAC on Hayes Street

11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

EIU Jazz Lab Band

Three days of art, music and food kicks off with one of EIU's talented ensembles performing classic jazz tunes.

- Outdoor Stage

1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

EIU Percussion Ensemble

Featuring an eclectic mix of Afro-Cuban, Samba, Bata and Rumba rhythms.

- Outdoor Stage

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Ex-Bombers

The Ex-Bombers are a femme fatale with a film noir beat who mix sultry rhythms with narcotic melodies. This duo weaves together dark and catchy songs in the vein of early Velvet Underground/Sonic Youth with the style of Soft Cell/Girls Against Boys.

- Outdoor Stage

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

SPRK

SPRK is a one-man band project by singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Conner Buenting who specializes in ambient electronic pop and reimagining popular songs from the present and past.

- Outdoor Stage

5:00 – 6:15 p.m.

Tequila Mockingbyrd

Charleston based group featuring four die-hard music lovers performing covers of classic 50s, 60s and 70s favorites. Band members include Jeff Derrickson, Diana Ingram, Tim Mills, and Dano Reible.

- Outdoor Stage

7:30 p.m.

Rev. Peyton's Big Damn Band

A three-piece high energy alt-country blues band from Bean Blossom, Indiana. Please know this is a standing-room-only-show.

- Black Box

7:30 p.m.

Brighton Beach Memoirs

EIU's production of Neil Simon's semi-autobiographical coming-of-age comedy that focuses on Eugene Jerome, a Polish-Jewish American teenager who experiences puberty, sexual awakening, and a search for identity as he tries to deal with his family, including his older brother, his parents, his aunt and her two daughters all living under one roof during the 1930s. Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French, Inc.

Intended for adult audiences

- The Theatre

Saturday, April 21

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10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Celebration Art Fair

Featuring a variety of artisans selling their unique array of one-of-a-kind artwork.

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

- South 7th Street

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Dance: The Littlest Dancer

Featuring pre-ballet and creative movement students from the DanceLife Center.

- DFAC Recital Hall

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

EIU Construction Club

Selling hand-crafted bird houses. The students are affiliated with EIU's Construction Management in the Applied Engineering and Technology Department. The advisor of the organization is Dr. John Cabage.

- South 7th Street

10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Jeremy T. McConnaha

Hailing from the barren plains of central Illinois this singer-songwriter has found a place to pursue his creative endeavors. After many years of performing with numerous nationally known acts as a drummer, Jeremy decided to step out from behind the drums and in front of the microphone. He recently released an EP that was recorded and produced in Nashville by Mike March of The Avett Brothers.

- Outdoor Stage

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sand Painting Demonstration

Artists Shannon Brinkmeyer-Johnson and Jessica Mertz will present a performance-art sand painting.

Reminiscent of long established cultural traditions around the world, including religious and healing ceremonies, sand painting is the application of colored sand, powdered mineral or crystalline pigment to create a temporary visual experience.

Sponsored by the Coles County Arts Council.

- Doudna Concourse

11:00 a.m.

Food Booths open

- South side of DFAC on Hayes Street

11:00 a.m. – 12 Noon

Michael Jacobs

Award-winning singer/songwriter Michael Jacobs creates a compelling musical mixture of roots rock and folk that we guarantee you'll love!

- Outdoor Stage

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Registration for the Dachshund Dash

\$5 entry fee with all proceeds donated to the Coles County Animal Shelter

- Information Booth

12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Ceramic Wheel Throwing Demo

Professor Shane Lutzk will be throwing a large-scale ceramic base.

- South 7th Street

1:00 p.m.

Dachshund Dash

Celebration's first annual "Running of the Wieners"

Awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places

Sponsored by Fetcher's Pet Supply, Charleston, IL

- Festival Grounds on South 7th Street

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Kid's Art Activities

Hands-on art activities for pre-schoolers to pre-teens.

Sponsored by the Coles County Arts Council.

- South 7th Street

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Celebration Family Day at the Tarble

Visit EIU's amazing arts center where you'll find make-and-take activities and kid-friendly snacks.

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Bon Odori Group

Directed by Yoshie Montgomery, this Japanese folk dance group from Belleville, Illinois will present a dance demonstration and then invite members of the audience to join in.

Sponsored by EIU's International Center for Global Diversity

- Outdoor Stage

3:00 – 4:15 p.m.

Red Ransom

Up-and-coming Nashville based five-member band playing originals and covers. The group has been influenced by Led Zeppelin, Jimi Hendrix, The Beatles and AC/DC.

- Outdoor Stage

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Da capo Trio

The Da capo Trio, comprised of graduate students Ethan Hayward, Teresa Richard, and Courtland Walters, will play a listenable program of trio pieces for flute, clarinet and piano, which alternate soaring lyricism with high energy showpieces.

- DFAC Recital Hall.

4:45 – 6:00 p.m.

The Moon Dogs

Eight-piece band have supplied their blend of roots, rock, and reggae to the Charleston, IL scene for 8 years. From 'The Band' to Bonnie Raitt to Bob Marley with plenty more mixed in to keep the audience fully entertained. The focus is on music from great songwriters who walked the earth in the days of vinyl.

- Outdoor Stage

4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Galleria

A fashion and art show presented by Couture Models' of EIU.

- DFAC Concourse

5:00 p.m.

Rodney Rote Senior Percussion Recital

- Recital Hall

7:00 p.m.

Celebration After Hours

An intimate concert featuring Native American singer-song writer Michael Jacobs. His lyrics reflect a deep passion to do good in the world by exploring a broad range of subjects including peace, justice, suffering, the environment, relationships, and wholeness. Jacobs' music will entertain, encourage, and challenge you.

- DFAC Concourse

7:00 p.m.

Heitman and Colmark Recital

Student degree recital featuring two undergraduate music majors and several selections for trumpet and piano.

- Recital Hall

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Stella and the Starlights

A group made up of EIU jazz majors who are actively studying the American tradition of jazz performance. The music is comprised of songs and compositions within the standard jazz repertoire. Featuring Willie Morris (saxophone), Jackson Frosch (guitar), Eliot Crispin (bass), Craig Buckner (drums), and Levi Armstrong (saxophone)

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A second helping of the Nashville based band playing featuring a great vocalist who can perform a variety of styles.

- Outdoor Stage

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

EIUke Community Workshop and Jam Session

Are you wanting to improve your ukulele playing ability? Who doesn't! EIU students are inviting uke fans of all ages and ability levels to participate in this fun-filled activity. No instrument or experience required. Presented free of charge.

Sponsored by EIU Music Department and the support provided by an EIU Student Impact Grant and the EIU Redden Fund.

- Doudna, Room 1550

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Craig Buckner Recital

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- Black Box

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Ovations Concert

A performance featuring the Eastern Symphony Orchestra and Choral Ensembles with special guests the Charleston High School Advanced Chorus, the Lincoln Trail College Concert Choir (Robinson, IL), the St. Hildegard Von Bingen Schola, and returning EIU Choir Alumni. This concert will include a performance of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's *Requiem*.

- Dvorak Concert Hall