



8/25/22

Dear Neighbor,

The third San Rafael PorchFest is happening in our neighborhood on **Sunday, September 18, 2022 from 12 - 5 p.m.** PorchFest is a free afternoon of music organized for all ages by the Gerstle Park Neighborhood Association (GPNA) with an event permit issued by the City of San Rafael. Attendees will be coming to enjoy dozens of musical acts playing on porches throughout the neighborhood. It will encompass a six-block area west of D St., from San Rafael Ave. down to Ross St. and west to Clark St. A diverse set of 50+ artists are set to play, including 50's – '90's cover/dance bands, a cappella groups, bagpipes, bluegrass, blues, classic country, country rock, Dad punk, folk, Hawaiian, indie rock, Latin, youth bands & more!

What You Need to Know

Street Closures

These streets (all west of D St.) will be closed to traffic from 11:00am-6:00pm on 9/18:

- Bayview St. (from D St. to Clark St.)
- San Rafael Ave. (from D St. to Clark St.)
- Marin St. (from San Rafael Ave. to Ross St.)
- Clorinda Ave. (from Marin St. to Clark St.)

Open Streets for Thru Traffic: Ross St. & Clark St.

Ross St. and Clark St. (and all streets west of Clark) will remain open to access streets west of the park and streets in the hills. D Street (and all streets east of D St.) will remain open, however please expect delays. *Please note that residents, vehicles with handicap permits & emergency vehicle access will be allowed thru the traffic barricades.*

No Parking on One Side of Ross Street

In an effort to keep traffic moving and pedestrians safe, we have arranged for permits to post "No Parking" signs on the North side of Ross St., between Marin St. And D St. Signs will be posted by the city three days in advance of PorchFest.

Free Event Parking & Vivalon Shuttles

To ease the burden of traffic and parking in the neighborhood, participants are encouraged to bike or walk. Additionally, Vivalon (formerly Whistlestop) will be running (2) handicap accessible shuttles between the City of San Rafael's parking lot on C St. @ 3rd St. and the D St. @ Bayview entrance of the Porch Zone, from 11am to 6pm. Both parking and the Vivalon Shuttle will be FREE. Free parking will also be available during the event at several nearby parking lots, including 711 D Street between 1st and 2nd Streets. Self-park bike stations will be available throughout the event.

Donors & Volunteers ROCK!

PorchFest is a free event dependent on generous donations and volunteers like you. **Donate** via Venmo at @gerstlepark (please tell us who you are so we can thank you!) or visit SanRafaelPorchfest.com for other ways to donate. **Volunteers** get a t-shirt and get to join the PorchFest team for a pre-celebration get-together. Signup by 9/5 at sanrafaelporchfest.com

Porch Locations & Bands

As we get closer to September 18th, check our event website (sanrafaelporchfest.com) for the official 2022 map with Porch locations and band assignments. Porch locations and bands were strategically chosen and assigned to avoid "sound bleed". We are no longer accepting requests for porches or bands for this year's event.

Food Trucks

We promised more food this year, and boy are we honoring that! There will be great selections of food and beverages for purchase. Find them in front of Gerstle Park and in front of Short School. NO ALCOHOL will be sold at PorchFest.

Support San Rafael PorchFest – Buy a T-Shirt or Hat

Go to sanrafaelporchfest.com to see the 2022 t-shirts (designed by Beau Hanson) and hats (designed by Tommy Breeze). OPTIONS: Order online in advance or purchase at the event.

Kick-off the Event with the Macintosh Pipe Band!

Back by popular demand! The afternoon will kick off with the sounds of bag pipes, who will march thru the neighborhood. Meet us at 11:45 a.m. in front of Gerstle Park if you'd like to join us and walk with the band through the streets of the neighborhood!

Thank You / Contact Us

San Rafael PorchFest could not have been an outstanding success for two years without your assistance. PorchFest is one of many events managed by GPNA and we thank you, our neighbors, for your support. Contact us at sanrafaelporchfest@gmail.com or call (415)716-0130



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