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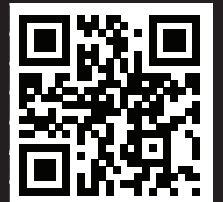
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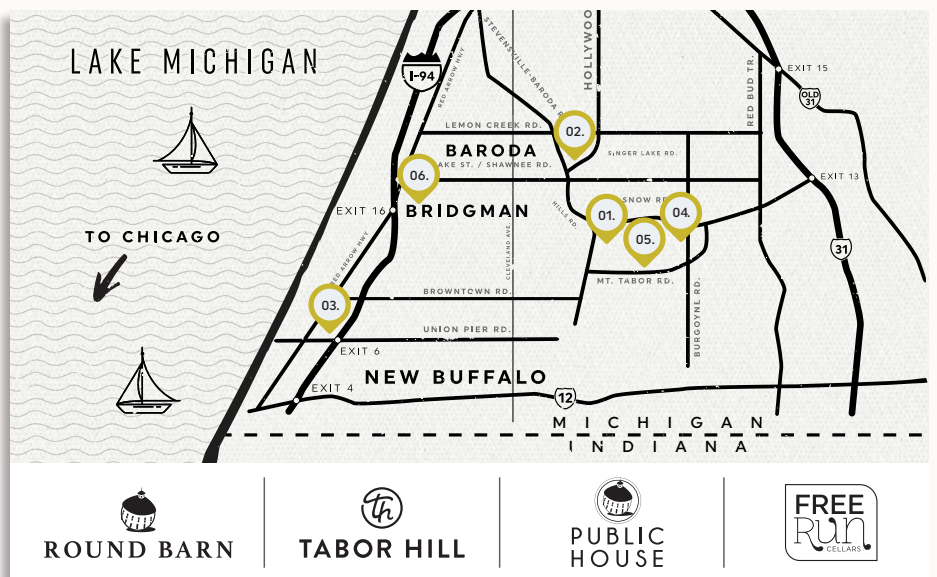
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Many of our golf courses are world-renowned and the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship is played right here every other year.

Southwest Michigan is also home to some of the best restaurants in Michigan, offering unique dishes and savory fare. From fine dining to fantastic little dives, you'll find it all.

With Curious Kids Museum, Discovery Zone, Silver Beach Carousel and the Whirlpool Compass Fountain, your kids and grandkids will have a ball.

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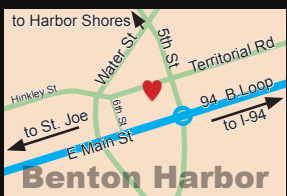
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Returning to Southwest Michigan for the first time since 2018, the 2022 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship at Harbor Shores is a world-class event that showcases the best in professional senior golf as well as our local communities. Harbor Shores, the only Jack Nicklaus Signature Course on Lake Michigan, is hosting this major Championship for the fifth time. The event also serves as a stimulator of economic development, community building, and tourism. Join us May 25-29, 2022, to experience all-around family fun!

The PGA of America takes great pride in hosting the world's best at the Championship; the team works tirelessly to produce an exemplary event that showcases all that Southwest Michigan has to offer.



The 2022 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship features:

- **KitchenAid Cooking Demonstrations:** During the Championship, KitchenAid welcomes golf fans and foodies alike to interact with the brand in the KitchenAid Fairway Club. This large venue located near the main entrance is a place for fans to learn culinary techniques from the experts, ask questions, and be inspired to challenge themselves in the kitchen. Watch live cooking demonstrations by celebrity and local chefs in the KitchenAid Fairway Club, often with autograph and photo opportunities available. Demonstrations are held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, check the daily events schedule at the Fairway Club for start times.
- **Makers Trail 19th Hole:** Returning in 2022 by popular demand is the Makers Trail 19th Hole located near the 17th green. Sponsored by the Southwest Michigan Tourist Council, the Makers Trail 19th Hole features local craft breweries, cideries, wineries, and distilleries. This upgraded covered pavilion offers comfortable seating, views of play, TVs to keep an eye on the action, and a relaxed atmosphere to enjoy specially crafted beverages. New to this venue is a dedicated local food truck, Evelyn Mae's BBQ, and a beer garden to gather with your friends.
- **YMCA Kids Zone & S.T.E.M. Zone at Jean Klock Park:** This area is a place for kids to enjoy age-appropriate activities such as inflatable hitting bays with Michigan PGA Professional's instruction, bounce houses, crafts with YMCA professional staff, and much more. New this year is the addition of the S.T.E.M. Zone which will feature interactive experiments and activities under the direction of the Curious Kids Museum and local high school robotics teams. Kid's Day is Saturday, May 28th with special events planned throughout the day! All juniors, 17 and under, will be admitted into the Championship for free with an accompanying ticketed adult (limited to four minors per one ticketed adult).

For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.SrPGA.com.



TICKET INFO FOR THE KITCHENAID SENIOR PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

Ticket Options:

Any Day Grounds Flex Ticket – \$30

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Thursday - \$75

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Saturday - \$75

Sunday - \$75

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Community Impact

The PGA of America's partnership with Whirlpool Corp. has brought the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship to Benton Harbor every other year since 2012. This event is broadcast in 130 countries and gives Benton Harbor an opportunity to change the narrative on the town - showing that the community, which sits along the beautiful shores of Lake Michigan, has much to offer.

It creates jobs and brings tourists to the area, showcasing Southwest Michigan. The PGA of America creates approximately 600 temporary jobs during each Championship event, resulting in more than \$500,000 in payroll wages, and has donated nearly \$1-million to local youth organizations in Michigan's Great Southwest over the past decade.

Every year that the Championship has been played at Harbor Shores, the actual economic impact to the community tops an estimated \$8-million, and the worldwide showcase of the community on NBC and Golf Channel is valued at the equivalent of another \$8-million in global exposure.



BEACHES



Beautiful, majestic Lake Michigan is a major draw to this area, with visitors enjoying splashing and swimming in its waters, boating, fishing, surfing, windsurfing or parasailing. The power Lake Michigan displays in storms is something to behold; and in winter, as ice piles up along the shoreline and drapes the lighthouses in glistening ice, the Lake presents yet another kind of breathtaking beauty, making a perfect photographic opportunity. But the lazy days of summer and early autumn entice most visitors to the shores of Lake Michigan. The sandy beaches are perfect for enjoying the sun, picnicking, or building sand castles. Breezy days are ideal for flying kites on the beach, a delightful sight as they soar high against the backdrop of a clear blue sky. Many beaches have volleyball nets in place, making it easy to organize or pick up a game of beach volleyball. And everyone agrees that sunsets along the shores of Lake Michigan are truly breathtaking, a photographer's dream.

When enjoying the beaches of Southwest Michigan, we want you to keep in mind that alcohol is prohibited on all Berrien County beaches.

New Buffalo Public Beach offers visitors a refreshment stand, a small play area for children, restrooms, a dune stairway, overlook and boardwalk, beach chair and game rentals, bicycle parking, and eight boat launch ramps. The dune can be used for sledding in winter. No pets, fires or glass containers are allowed. Lifeguards are on duty during the summer months.

Weko Beach features a modern beach house with concession stand, grills, camping, changing areas, restrooms, a cold outdoor shower, a boat launch directly into Lake Michigan and volleyball nets. There is also a beautiful boardwalk, two dune overlooks and the playing of "Taps" at dusk on summer evenings, as well as free summer concerts.

Lincoln Township Beach and Nature Center is a small, quiet beach of sand and stone mix. It features an attractive boardwalk and easy access to the beach. Restrooms and a picnic area are available.

Lions Park in St. Joseph offers three sheltered pavilions, parking, sidewalks, a playground, grills and restrooms; however, no lifeguards are on duty and swimming is discouraged. This beach offers a superb view of St. Joseph's piers and lighthouses.

Silver Beach is a popular beach that provides a 600-space parking lot off Broad Street, men's and women's bathhouses, park office, visitors' center, pavilion, south pier, bike racks, playground equipment, volleyball nets and a 1,600-foot beach for swimmers. A lifeguard is on duty during the summer. Grills are available.

Tiscornia Beach is a family-oriented park located on sixteen acres along the shoreline of Lake Michigan at the northwest corner of the St. Joseph. Amenities include the North Pier Lighthouse and walkway that is a popular spot for fishing and watching sunsets, restroom facilities, sandy beach and a pavilion that will accommodate about forty for picnics. Non-residents may purchase a seasonal parking permit from the City Clerk's Office at City Hall.

Jean Klock Park features a paved lot, boardwalk, volleyball courts, observation tower, pavilion, bathhouse, concession area, playground and picnic shelter.

Rocky Gap Park has three acres and 1,100 feet of lake frontage. It's a great beach for finding sea glass. There are no lifeguards or restrooms.

Hagar Township Beach has a paved parking lot, picnic tables, a shady walkway to the beach, slides, and portable toilet facilities. Picnic tables and grills are available. Dogs are allowed and a bag dispenser is provided.

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Curious Kids' Museum Discovery Zone
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Love Creek has a Nature Center Building (check website for times open) and the Trillium Room, an inviting space for your next event, meeting or gathering.



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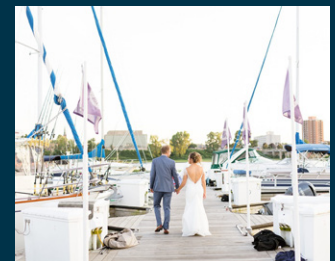
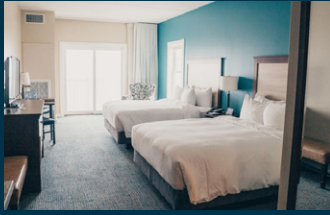
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Apples								X	X	X	X	X
Asian pears								X	X	X	X	X
Asparagus				X	X	X	X					
Beans						X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Beets							X	X	X	X		
Blackberries						X	X	X				
Blueberries							X	X	X			
Broccoli				X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Cabbage				X	X	X			X	X	X	X
Cantaloupes							X	X	X	X	X	
Cherries							X	X	X			
Chestnuts										X	X	X
Christmas Trees											X	X
Cucumbers							X	X	X	X		
Eggplant							X	X	X	X	X	
Greens				X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Fruit/Veg	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	December
Herbs				X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nectarines							X	X	X			
Peaches						X	X	X	X	X	X	
Peas					X	X						
Peppers							X	X	X	X	X	
Plums										X	X	X
Potatoes					X	X	X	X	X			
Pumpkins										X	X	X
Raspberries							X	X	X	X	X	
Rhubarb				X	X	X	X					
Squash					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Strawberries					X		X					
Sweet Corn								X	X	X		
Sweet Potatoes										X	X	X
Tomatoes								X	X	X		
Watermelons								X	X	X	X	X

U-PICK MICHIGAN

Market-goers will enjoy fresh finds at the weekly St. Joe Farmer's Market. Vendors will offer a variety of products including homemade goods, locally grown produce, potted and cut flowers, meats and cheeses, coffee and more! This event is held Saturdays in the scenic Lake Bluff Park, overlooking Lake Michigan.

Farmers Markets have grown in popularity as the demand for fresh, locally sourced produce and goods has increased. "Take the time to chat with vendors who will share recipes, planting recommendations and cooking tips." said Amy Zapal, executive director, St. Joe Today.

The St. Joe Farmers Market will be held in the scenic Lake Bluff Park on Saturdays, May 28 through October 8 from 9:00a-2:00p. Extended market

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The Makers Trail mobile app will guide your journey and offer discounts. Makers Trail maps are also available at the front desk of most local hotels.

Visit www.makerstrail.org for an up to date list of local makers.

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RETURN OF MAKERS TRAIL FESTIVAL

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Try new and go-to-favorites from local Southwest Michigan craft beer, wine, cider and spirit makers.

The lineup is stacked with beach music: Pablo's Great Revenge, The Tribute Band, Red Deluxe Band and Top Secret.

But it doesn't stop there. Guests can try local favorite food trucks which will be dishing out fresh, summer flavors that taste great with their drinks. There will also be water, soda and juices for designated drivers, younger festival goers and people who want to party but opt out of drinking.

Those interested in attending should buy tickets in advance. Advanced tickets are \$10 each for ages 10 and up. Tickets purchased at the gate are \$20 each. Children under 10 years old get in free.

The event is cash-only, so guests should bring cash to buy drink tasting tickets and food. There will be free parking a couple miles from Weko Beach with free shuttles, running throughout the event. Rain or shine –there will be plenty of room for everyone under the big tents. Guests may bring their own camping chairs, too. Pets, coolers, drinks, smoking and outside food aren't allowed.

For more information, visit makerstrailfestival.org. For current news and updates, please "Like" the Makers Trail Facebook page and check "Interested" or "Going" on the Makers Trail Festival event.

JUNE 11



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MAY 14

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The Grand Floral Parade features over 120 units including bands, floats, clowns, costumed characters, antique cars and tractors, unicycle teams, equestrian units and the famed Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Motorcycle Drill Team.

You are invited to visit Southwestern Michigan to observe the beautiful bounty and participate in the day's activities. Come join Miss and Mr. Blossomtime and their Courts of Honor, and the lovely community Queens as they preside over the Grand Floral Parade.



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Tickets will go on sale in early April for the all-day festival, there will be an additional charge for drink tickets on site. Food will be available for cash purchase. Zapal said local lodgings are geared up to host Compass and music guests. Ticket and overnight stay information are available at stjoetoday.com/compassmusicfest or the Welcome Center at 301 State St. in downtown St. Joseph.



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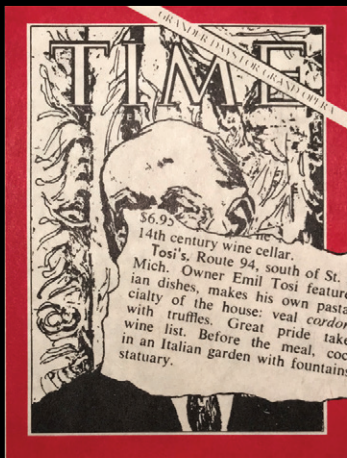
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AUGUST 5-7



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This free event brings in regional, national, and international artists who create chalk masterpieces downtown on Broad St., between Lake Blvd. and State St. Attendees can also vote for their favorite artist renderings in the People's Choice vote. Tickets will be sold at the People's Choice Tent on Broad St. for one dollar each throughout Saturday and Sunday. One dollar equals one vote towards the favored artist; the artist with the most tickets by the end of the weekend wins the People's Choice Award.

Additional weekend activities include a farmers market, Antiques on the Bluff, a Sunday concert, Movie in the Park and much more. This weekend celebrates our beautiful city, said Amy Zapal, executive director, St. Joe Today. Not only can you see awesome chalk art around town, folks can shop at beautiful boutiques and stores, walk to Whirlpool Compass Fountain and downtown beaches, jam to live music or catch a movie outdoors by Lake Michigan.

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The musical line up is impressive! Four top notch performers round out this year's concert. They include Tim Cunningham, Carmen Stokes, The Andrew Fisher Quartet and Meagan McNeal.

For decades the words "smooth, sultry, cool & funky" have been used to describe Tim's high energy and emotional stage show that connects with people of all ages, races and genres of music.

Tim's opened for jazz greats Dave Koz, Norman Brown, Brian Culbertson and George Benson, and has been paired with Earth, Wind & Fire, Cameo, Boyz II Men, Patti Labelle, Frankie Beverly, Jeffrey Osborne, and the late Luther Vandross.

Carmen Stokes, an Indiana girl arriving on the Chicago scene in the 90s with her debut, *Sexy Feelin'* album, established herself as an in-demand player in the Chicago area, building on the soulful jazz style of idols like Ramsey Lewis and Joe Sample.

The Andrew Fisher Quartet showcases their unique takes on well-known songs and catalogs, and are currently performing their original music with the release of their *Extended Player* in 2019.

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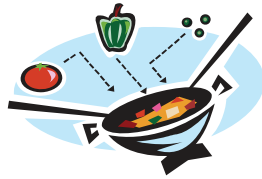


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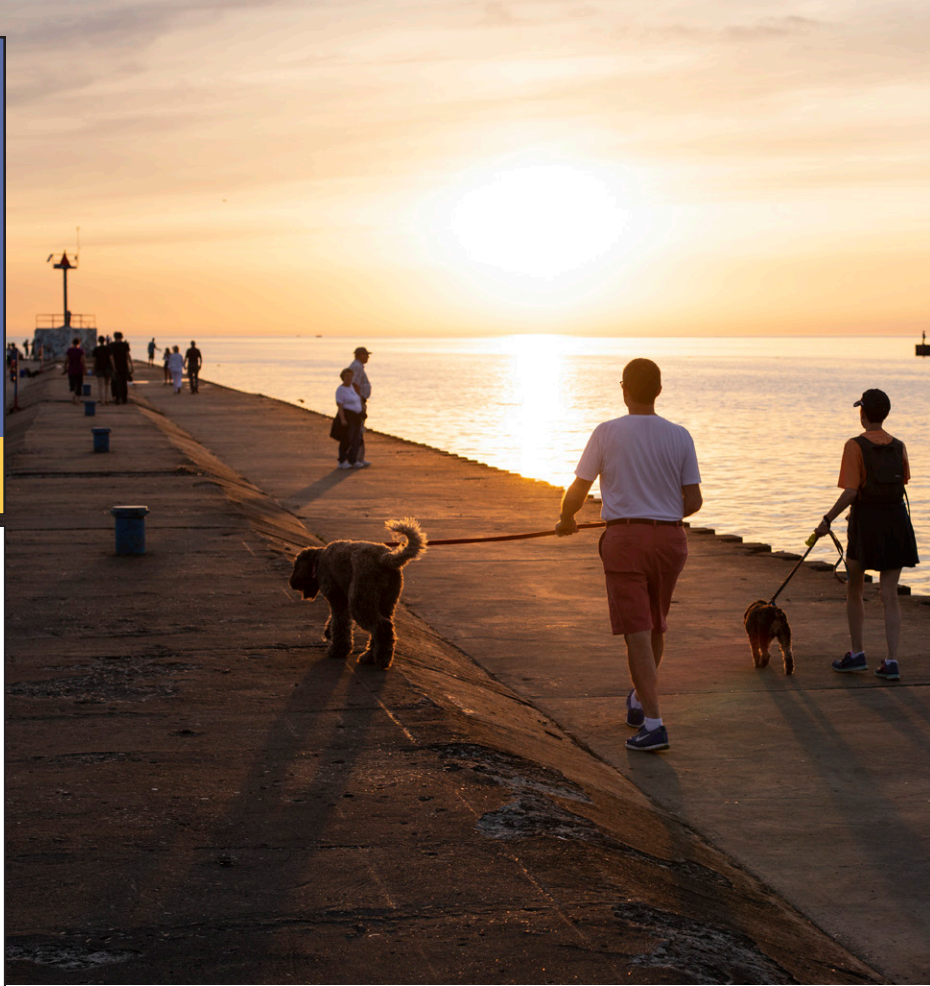
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The Heritage Center also organizes public tours of the historic St. Joseph North Pier Lighthouses May 24 through September 8, 2019. Following the major restoration completed in 2016, St. Joseph now has the only lighthouses located on a Lake Michigan pier which are regularly open to the public. The North Pier range lighthouses, along with their preserved

"catwalks" or elevated walkways, are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The most comprehensive way to experience the lighthouse is to attend an hour-long guided walking tour of the North Pier, culminating in an optional climb up to the lantern room inside the Inner Lighthouse.

All tours and open hours are weather, wave and wind dependent. You must sign a liability release and be at least 48 inches tall to climb the tower. Closed-toed walking shoes are best; no thong-type sandals. Make sure to dress for the weather. A tour may be conducted in light rain. Dresses and skirts are not advised, but sunscreen and sunglasses are.



LOCATION:

Tiscornia Park, 80 Ridgeway Street, St. Joseph, MI
Fri.-Sat., May 24-Sept. 8, departing at 10am
Parking Fee at Tiscornia

Guided tour tickets: Purchase online and register at website, by phone or email at kulrey@theheritagemcc.org or you can walk up the day of the tour (first come, first served). Cost is \$10 per person. Children and young adults under 18 are \$5.
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Within these districts you can purchase alcoholic drinks from participating businesses and consume them in outdoor common areas, which are marked by signage surrounding the district. This means you can window shop, enjoy walking around while waiting for your lunch or dinner reservation, and support local businesses. You can also enjoy the scenery throughout the downtown, spend time in downtown parks and take in the magnificent views of Lake Michigan!



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- Purchases are made at participating businesses and cannot be brought in to other establishments that sell alcohol.
- Finish your alcoholic beverage before you leave because these drinks cannot be removed from the Social District.
- When you finish you must toss the cup into a trash bin as the cup cannot be reused, even at the same establishment.
- Leave your drinks at home as they cannot be brought into the Social District areas.

Drink responsibly and enjoy your time in Michigan's Great Southwest!

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help maintaining focus or boosting creativity. Do you want to calm your traveling nerves? You're already well on your way by coming to Southwest Michigan, let us help with the rest. Enhance sightseeing, beach days, nature viewing and more.

Whether you have always wanted to try cannabis or want to experience unique, new products, this is the place to start! We're fostering a new attitude toward cannabis usage in Southwest Michigan – one where you feel comfortable exploring and we celebrate a unique community that grows, collaborates and creates in our region. Be part of it today. Take the Natural Route.

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LOCATION:

200 Broad Street, below the bluff,
St. Joseph, MI

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY JUNE 18 & 19 AT THE SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN REGIONAL AIRPORT

Guest Speakers: Women Airforce Service Pilots Presentation by April Bryan from Kalamazoo Air Zoo; Col Brian Dykstra 'Modern Day War Medical Evacuations'; Kari Witte Operation Enduring Freedom Landstuhl Hosp; Shero's Together In A Field Of Hero's; Ninety Nines, International Organization of Women Pilots, History.

Displays: Women Airforce Service Pilots Display from The Kalamazoo Air Zoo; Michigan Heroes Museum; Gold Star Mothers; Blue Star Mothers; 20th Century Military Museum; Home Front Display; South Bend Mobile Vets Center /Agent Orange; Spirit of America Flag; Honor Flight; USS Edson (DD-946); Silversides Submarine; LST 393; The "Wild THING"; Operation Injured Soldiers; Coast Guard Station St. Joseph;

Women's Military Uniform Display, Jan Sheets.

Reenactors: 2nd Marines & Japanese; 5th Armored Division; Flame Thrower / Weapons Fire Power Demonstrations; M.A.S.H (Mobile Army Surgical Hospital); US War Dogs, Dog Handler, John Meeks.

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Another spot you won't want to miss on your visit to Southwest Michigan is the Benton Harbor Arts District. New Territory Arts Association (NTAA) is dedicated to the revitalization of the Benton Harbor Arts District with a firm belief that "Art Builds Community."

Every four months, the Arts District presents its Art Hop when business members open their doors, inviting the general public to come in to showcase local artists. You'll enjoy checking out the multiple venues along the walkable Arts District streets. Art Hop events are family-friendly and offer the

opportunity to view truly impressive art, as well as speak with local business owners. As you wander in and out of the galleries and shops in the arts district, you'll discover a wealth of creative talent and a passion that's contagious! On Friday evening, NTAA plays host to a friendly evening filled with an entertaining mix of art, music, dance, theater, culinary arts and more.

On the first Monday of every month, local musicians, poets and storytellers are invited to step up to the mic on NTAA's Open Stage at The Livery. The Livery is a local brewery and pizzeria in the

arts district of Benton Harbor. Its professional sound and lighting systems and a history of

bringing some of the best live music to the region make Open Stage one of the best free live performance events in the area.

Artoberfest is a unique combination of local artists, musicians, food and drink that shows the world what makes Benton Harbor great. Even better, this event helps fund experienced professionals who prepare young artists and musicians who are given the chance to publicly perform.

The newest addition to NTAA is The Ghostlight Theatre, presenting live theater productions, including musical productions.

You won't want to miss the excitement of Art Hop, Artoberfest, first Mondays at the Livery or live theater at the new Ghostlight Theater. The New Territory Arts Association webpage will give you dates and times of all events!



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LOCATIONS:

NTAA - 210 Water St, Benton Harbor
The Livery - 190 5th St, Benton Harbor
Artoberfest - Corner of 5th St and
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The Ghostlight Theater - 101 Hinkley
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FOR THE ART LOVER

Southwest Michigan has some terrific sites for those who love art in its many forms. A stroll along the St. Joe River in St. Joseph, as well as along Silver Beach, offers not only beautiful scenery, but a wonderful array of modern sculptures. But there are a few places for art lovers where you'll want to spend time browsing and taking in the diversity and giftedness of both local and nationally-acclaimed artists.



KRASL ART CENTER

Krasl Art Center is a great place to start! It offers high quality, always-changing art exhibitions and installations, as well as year 'round classes, camps and artist guilds in drawing, painting, ceramics, metals, woodworking and more. Their website will provide information regarding special events and programs, as well as art education opportunities, which are offered to residents and tourists alike, from young to old regardless of level of experience.

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The three floors of the building offer much to explore -- four galleries, artist studios, office spaces, a gift shop with items by local artist members, a performance area, library, conference room and more.

The Box Factory is located just four blocks from the corner of Main and Broad Streets in downtown St. Joseph. Ample parking is available both adjacent to the building and directly across Broad Street.

Admission to the galleries is free while donations are appreciated. Nominal fees are charged for special events. To learn about up-to-date happenings at the Box be a friend on Facebook or visit the website at boxfactoryforthearts.org.

"Birds of a feather, flock together" is the title of the colorful mural created by local artist Kimberly Wood that wraps the entrance to the Box Factory for the Arts. It is a visual invitation to enter and explore the gallery exhibits, artist studios, ArtMarket and large performance area – all free and open to the public.

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KRASL ART FAIR

Southwest Michigan has some terrific sites for those who love art in its many forms. A stroll along the Planning for the 60th Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff, presented by 1st Source Bank Wealth Advisory Services, has been underway since October when artists were able to apply for the nationally-renowned event. On February 22, five jurors virtually reviewed and juried 426 applicants to determine the final 172 artists invited to the anniversary event. Invitations have been sent, and the acceptance messages began pouring in as plans for the 60th Krasl Art Fair on the Bluff (KAF) continue for July 9 & 10, 2022.

Tickets to the event will go on sale Sunday, May 1. Advanced ticket purchases encouraged.

Daily admission includes General Admission (guests age 11+): \$5; Children age 3 – 10: \$3; Children under 3 receive complimentary admission; ticket required. General admission tickets are good for one day of the event, and same-day re-entry is accepted. Day-of tickets: Walk-up cash only (QR codes will be provided for credit card sales).

Collector Experience packages start at \$130 (\$65 for existing KAC members) and includes an all-weekend pass plus special benefits. Limited availability.

Complimentary ticket information will be available and announced when tickets are on sale.

As the largest fundraiser for Krasl Art Center (KAC), proceeds help make free year-round exhibitions possible.

Returning this year is the Friday night Block Party. The community is invited to socialize with participating artists, enjoy live music, artmaking activities, and a cash bar.

Celebrate the Art Fair's 60th birthday at the return of this popular event! Tickets are Guests ages 11+: \$5 and Children age 3 – 10: \$3. Children under 3 receive complimentary admission; ticket required.

Be the first to know all event details by signing up for email updates at krasl.org/art-fair/tickets.



LOCATION:

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2. Enjoy your favorite treatment at a spa.
3. Eat lunch in your favorite restaurant.
4. Workout at a local gym.
5. See a performance or take a class.
6. Visit local Makers in Berrien County while you sip your favorite wines, craft beers, hard ciders or spirits.
7. Spend the afternoon at one of our galleries.
8. Grab a good book at the Library and treat yourself to a delicious cup of tea or coffee.
9. Drive the beautiful lakeshore and go antiquing.
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The St. Joseph lighthouse was a 40-foot-tall circular stone tower which guided vessels to safety along the southern edge of Lake Michigan's eastern shore for 28 years.

In 1846, a wooden tower was built on the North Pier, which is the site of today's historic and beautiful North Pier Lighthouse. Set in this deep-water port, today's white structure with its distinctive red roof, has guided ships to safe harbor and access to twin cities St. Joseph and Benton Harbor for over 150 years. It was selected to be one of the featured lighthouses in a series of U.S. postage stamps issued in 1995. The current lighthouse consists of two structures: the larger, square-based building housing the inner light and a smaller, circular steel tower containing the outer light. The inner light is a lighthouse with keeper's

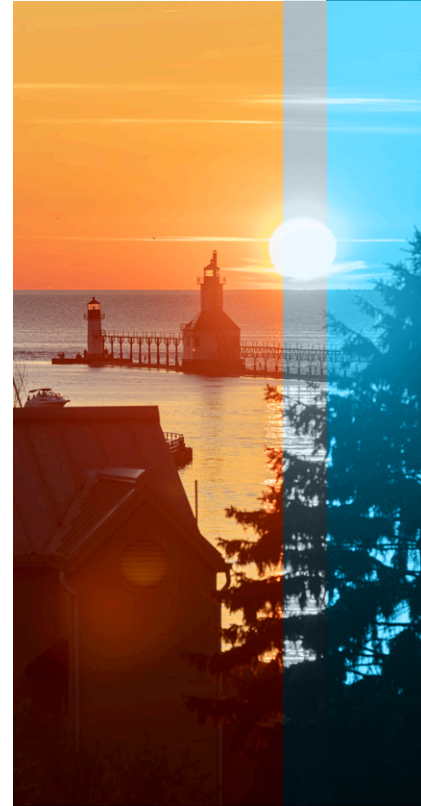
quarters, a facility constructed with the intention of employing a full-time resident keeper to tend the light daily. The outer light is a minor light, such as a tower or pole light, but with interesting daymarks of historical interest.

A catwalk remains as a reminder of winter's harsh conditions, when it served as an elevated walkway through high snow and ice mounds, allowing light keepers' access to keep the oil lights burning.

Lighthouse access is from Tiscornia Park and beach across the St. Joseph River north of town. While Silver Beach and the adjacent

South Pier no longer welcome steamers from Chicago to what was once Silver Beach Amusement Park, they welcome visitors to the sugar-sand beaches adorned with talkative seagulls and graced by unique sculptures rising high against spectacular sunsets.

(See page 39 for information on guided tours.)



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3. Wander the Krasl Art Center's Sculpture Tour.
4. Go window shopping on State Street, St. Joseph.
5. Enjoy breathtaking sunsets every night at Silver Beach.
6. Hike the John & Dede Howard Trail.
7. Visit Tiscornia Park to walk out on the North Pier and view the Lighthouses.
8. Learn about local history at The Heritage Museum & Cultural Center.
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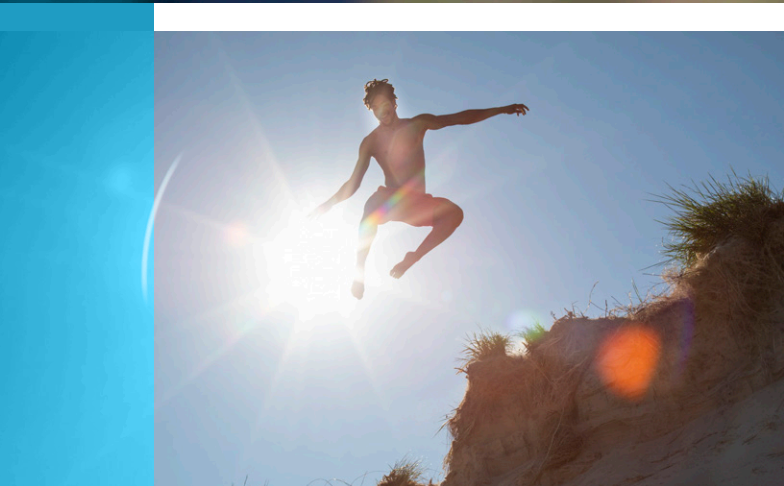
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APRIL 1-30

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APRIL 2

The Erly w/Resurrection Blues Band
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 9

Billy Elton
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 9

The History of Graffiti with Asma Speeks
Krasl Art Center, St. Joseph

APRIL 9

Kenny Wayne Shepherd
Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo

APRIL 10

Mountain Heart
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 13

Against the Grain: Wood and Our Daily Lives
Berrien County Historical Association,
Berrien Springs

APRIL 14

Booze & Blooms-Spring Arrangement with LB Floristry
Tabor Hill Winery & Restaurant, Buchanan

APRIL 21

Open Mic Night w/Jack Cunningham
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 21

Bitter Election: The Fight for the County Seat
Berrien County Historical Association,
Berrien Springs

APRIL 22-MAY 8

Angel Street
Twin City Players, St. Joseph

APRIL 23

Chicago Comedy Tour
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 24

Symphonic Songs-Southwest Michigan Symphony
Orchestra
Howard Performing Arts Center, Berrien Springs

APRIL 26

Damon Brown, Author & Business Coach-Economic Club of
Southwestern Michigan
The Mendel Center at Lake Michigan College, Benton
Harbor

APRIL 28

Art Attack Launch Party
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 29

Steve Poltz and Abe Partridge
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 30

Joe George w/Abbie Thomas Trio
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

APRIL 30

Air Supply
Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo

MAY

MAY 1

2022 Antiques on the Bluff
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

MAY 1

Mark Hummel's Blues Survivors
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

MAY 7

The Claudettes
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

MAY 10

Elizabeth Vargas-Economic Club of Southwestern Michigan
The Mendel Center at Lake Michigan College, Benton
Harbor

MAY 12

Open Mic Night w/Riely O'Conner & Molly B. Moon
The Acorn, Three Oaks

MAY 13

Al Stewart
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

MAY 15

The Linda Ronstadt Experience
The Acorn, Three Oaks

MAY 19-29

Little Women
The GhostLight Theatre, Benton Harbor

May 19

East Settles the West: West Michigan's AAPI Communities
Berrien County Historical Association, Berrien Springs

MAY 20

Matt Schofield
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

MAY 21

2022 Compass Music Fest
St. Joseph Today, Whirlpool Centennial Park, St. Joseph

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY 21

Sypian Family Band & Andrew Fisher
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

MAY 21

Carrot Top
Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo

MAY 27

2022 Memorial Day Parade
St. Joseph Today, Lake Boulevard, St. Joseph

MAY 27

Croonin' at the Courthouse
Berrien County Historical Association
Berrien Springs

MAY 27

David Fehert
Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo

MAY 28

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

MAY 28

Rick Springfield
Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo

JUNE

JUNE 3-26

Disney's The Little Mermaid
Twin City Players, St. Joseph

JUNE 4

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JUNE 4

2022 Lake Bluff Artisan Fair
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JUNE 5

2022 Antiques on the Bluff
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JUNE 9-19

Significant Other
The GhostLight Theatre, Benton Harbor

JUNE 10

Johnny Mathis
Four Winds, New Buffalo

JUNE 11

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JUNE 16

Miles and Miles of Trees: The Early Days of Michigan
Lumber
Berrien County Historical Association, Berrien Springs

JUNE 17-19

2022 Love Local Weekend
St. Joseph Today,
Downtown St. Joseph & Michigan's Great Southwest

JUNE 17

2022 Friday Night Concert
St. Joseph Today, St. Joseph

JUNE 17

Robbie Fulks
The Acorn Theater, Three Oaks

JUNE 18

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JUNE 20-24

Circesteem Kids Camp
The GhostLight Theatre, Benton Harbor

JUNE 20-24

ARS Summer Arts Camp: France
ARS Gallery, Benton Harbor

JUNE 24

Croonin' at the Courthouse: Blue Shoes Jazz
Berrien County Historical Association, Berrien Springs

JUNE 25

The Marshall Tucker Band
Four Winds, New Buffalo

JUNE 25

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JUNE 25-26

Lumberjack Weekend at the Square
Berrien County Historical Association, Berrien Springs

JUNE 27-July 1

B.E.S.T. CAMP
The GhostLight Theatre
Benton Harbor

JULY

JULY 2

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JULY 3

2022 Antiques on the Bluff
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JULY 8

38 Special
Four Winds Casino, New Buffalo

JULY 9

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market
St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY continued

JULY 14-22

Lewiston/Clarkston

The GhostLight Theatre, Benton Harbor

JULY 15-17

2022 Love Local Weekend

St. Joseph Today,

Downtown St. Joseph & Michigan's Great Southwest

JULY 15

2022 Mike Yore Memorial Car Show

St. Joseph Today,

Lake Boulevard, St. Joseph

JULY 15

2022 Friday Night Concert

St. Joseph Today, St. Joseph

JULY 16

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JULY 16

2022 Lake Bluff Artisan Fair

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JULY 23

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

JULY 25-29

Discovering Your Voice

The GhostLight Theatre

Benton Harbor

JULY 30

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

AUGUST

AUGUST 5-7

2022 Chalk the Block

St. Joseph Today, St. Joseph

AUGUST 6

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

AUGUST 7

2022 Antiques on the Bluff

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

AUGUST 13

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

AUGUST 18-28

Violet

The GhostLight Theatre

Benton Harbor

AUGUST 19-21

2022 Love Local Weekend

St. Joseph Today,

Downtown St. Joseph & Michigan's Great Southwest

AUGUST 19

2022 Friday Night Concert

St. Joseph Today, St. Joseph

AUGUST 20

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

AUGUST 20

2022 Lake Bluff Artisan Fair

St. Joseph Today, Lake Bluff Park, St. Joseph

AUGUST 26

"Weird Al" Yankovic

The Mendel Center at Lake Michigan College

Benton Harbor

AUGUST 27

2022 St. Joe Farmers Market

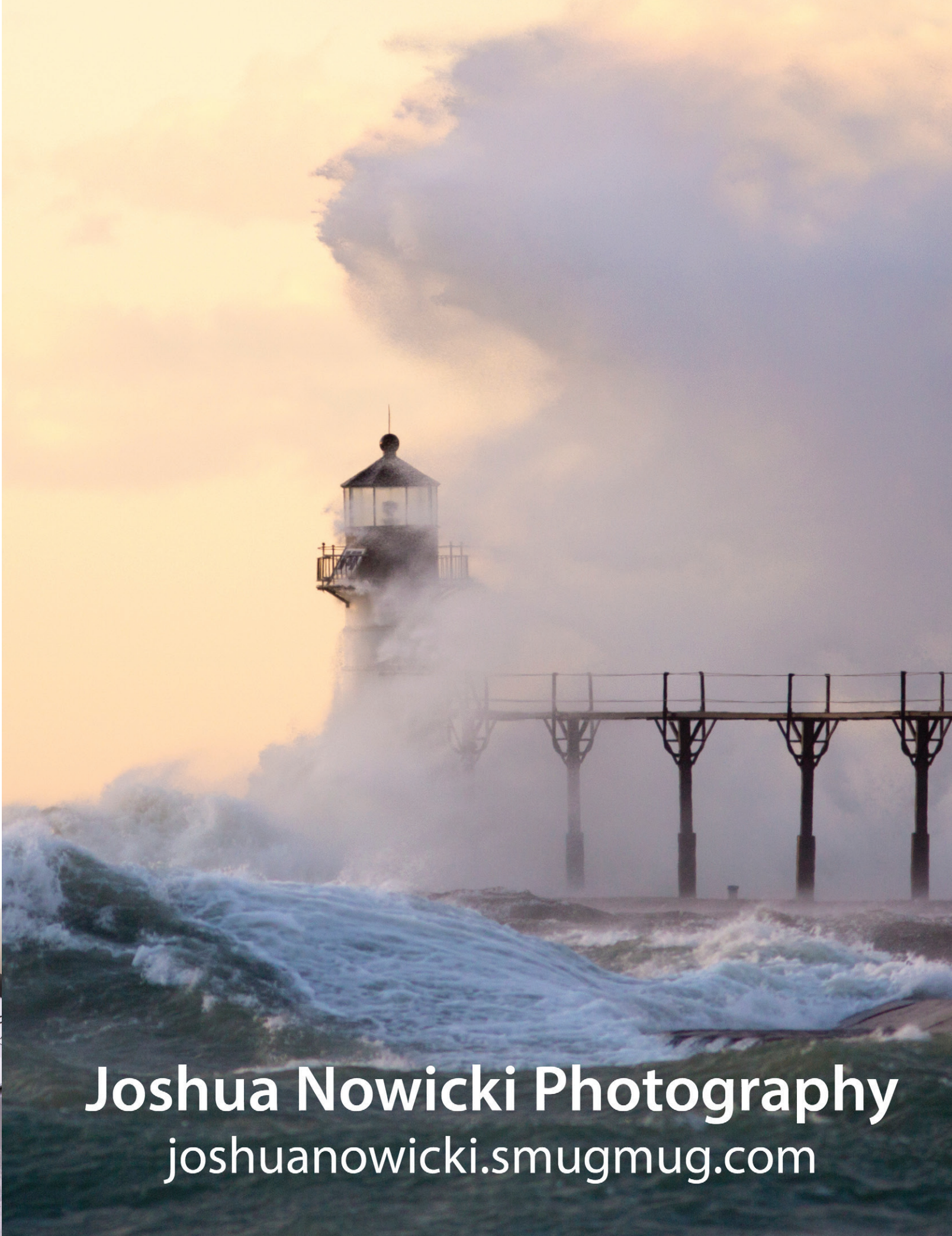
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