
44TH ANNUAL

POQUOSON SEAFOOD *Festival*



*Celebrate
the Bounty
of the
Chesapeake
Bay!*

*Salute to
the Working
Watermen of
the Chesapeake
Bay*

October 16, 17, & 18, 2026

POQUOSON MUNICIPAL PARK

Hours: Friday 4pm-9pm

Saturday 10am-9pm

Sunday 11am-5pm

POQUOSONSEAFOODFESTIVAL.COM

Food • Fun • Entertainment • Arts & Craft Show • & More!

PRESENTED BY THE CITY OF POQUOSON



ENJOY A VARIETY OF SAVORY DISHES IN THE FESTIVAL DOCKSIDE FOOD COURT.
ALL ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. TABLE AND CHAIR SEATING IS AVAILABLE.
FOOD ITEMS INCLUDE SEAFOOD SOUPS, FRIED, BROILED, AND STEAMED VARIETIES OF SHRIMP, CRAB CAKES, FLOUNDER, SCALLOPS AND MORE. SHRIMP & OYSTER PO' BOY SANDWICHES, CORN ON THE COB, AND FRIED CLAM STRIPS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE. FOR THE LAND LOVERS, ENJOY BBQ, CHICKEN, GOURMET BURGERS, DESSERTS, AND EVEN A KID'S COMBO FOR THE YOUNGER CROWD.

2026 FOOD VENDOR LISTING



Fresh & Local



Sweet Foods



Festival Favorites

CAPT. HARRELL & SON'S SEAFOOD KITCHEN

GRAHAM & ROLLINS SEAFOOD & HAMPTON SEAFOOD MARKET

DEEP FRIED & MR. POTATO

BEACH BARBEQUE

LEISURE TIME CONCESSIONS

SATE'

BURGER MANIA

REAL CAJUN COOKIN'

MASON'S FAMOUS LOBSTER ROLLS

MACBRAND FOODS

STRAWBERRY STREET EVENT CONCESSIONS

POQUOSON KIWANIS

POQUOSON LIONS CLUB

SNACK ATTACK

MADDY MAY'S LEMONADE AND GRAZING

AMERICAN LEGION, HOLLOWAY-MOORE POST 273

BEAN'S ICE CREAM

POQUOSON EXCHANGE CLUB

WE ARE NUTS

WILD BILL'S OLDE FASHION SODA



Good Food, Good Times.



Made to Savor



See You There!!

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ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

**BLUEWATER BUILDING COMPANY & AARON K.
HOLMES REALTOR MUNICIPAL STAGE**

4:00PM POQUOSON HIGH SCHOOL BAND
4:30PM THE POQUOSON ISLANDERETTES

6-9PM TIDEWATER DRIVE BAND
ENJOY A NIGHT OF DANCE FLOOR FUN WITH THIS BLEND
OF RHYTHM & BLUES, 60'S SOUL, 70'S FUNK, COUNTRY,
CLASSIC ROCK & CURRENT TOP 40 DANCE PARTY!



*SUBJECT TO CHANGE



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

**BLUEWATER BUILDING COMPANY & AARON K.
HOLMES REALTOR MUNICIPAL STAGE**

10:00AM RAINBOW PUPPETS SHOW
11:30AM POQUOSON DANCE ACADEMY PERFORMANCE
1:00PM THE REQUEST STATION BAND
4:30PM LINE DANCING WITH CINDY NORGE
COME BOOT, SCOOT, N' BOOGIE!

6-9PM THE NASHVILLE NIGHTS BAND
THE ULTIMATE 90'S COUNTRY EXPERIENCE! COME ENJOY THE NATION'S
PREMIER TRIBUTE TO 90'S COUNTRY.
FROM THE FIRST FIDDLE RIFF TO THE LAST BOOT-STOMPIN' ENCORE,
THIS BAND BRINGS THE ICONIC SOUNDS OF GARTH BROOKS, ALAN
JACKSON, BROOKS & DUNN, AND MORE TO LIFE IN A HIGH-ENERGY
CONCERT. THIS ISN'T JUST A SHOW — IT'S A FULL-BLOWN 90'S COUNTRY
PARTY.



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

**BLUEWATER BUILDING COMPANY & AARON K.
HOLMES REALTOR MUNICIPAL STAGE**

11:30AM RAINBOW PUPPETS SHOW
12:15PM PHS EVOLUTION SHOW CHOIR

**2PM HAMPTON ROAD'S FAVORITE & TOTALLY
AWESOME 80'S BAND
THE DELOREANS**



FEATURING 2 STAGES*

ALL CONCERTS FREE

CHAIRS & BLANKETS WELCOME

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

DOCKSIDE FOOD COURT STAGE

4:00-6:30 PM THE MUSIC OF MIKE REED
7:00-9:00PM THE SECOND WIND BAND

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

DOCKSIDE FOOD COURT STAGE

10:30AM ISAAC & WINSTON DUO
12:00PM MUSIC BY HUNTER OWENS
1:30PM BRU HOUNDZ
3:30PM POQUOSON ART LEAGUE
ARTS & CRAFTS AWARDS
4:30PM DAVE CRUMPLER & THE
VA SHELLPHISH COALITION
6:30PM THE BILL MILES BAND

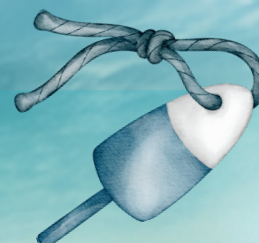
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11:00AM THRU W/ THERAPY BAND
2:00PM TROY BRESLOW ACOUSTIC



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POQUOSON SEAFOOD Festival

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY, COASTAL
HERITAGE & GOOD TIMES!

CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT AREAS*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

JACK'S JUNGLE REPTILE AND SCIENCE EXHIBIT,
GIANT BUILDING BLOCKS, COLE SHOWS AMUSEMENTS,
AND THE BLUEWATER BUILDING COMPANY & AARON K.
HOLMES CHILDREN'S PLAYHOUSE VILLAGE

CHILDREN'S STAGE

6:00 & 7:30 PM VERTICAL KIDS PUPPET AND MAGIC SHOW

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

10:00AM-1:00PM ON MUNICIPAL FIELD ENJOY THE PETTING ZOO

VISIT THE GIANT BUILDING BLOCKS, COLE SHOWS AMUSEMENTS,
ACTIVITIES WITH PHS DRAMA CLUB &
THE BLUEWATER BUILDING COMPANY & AARON K. HOLMES
CHILDREN'S PLAYHOUSE VILLAGE. THE **SAM RUST SEAFOOD**
WORKING WATERMEN'S HERITAGE AREA WILL BE OPEN.

10:00AM RAINBOW PUPPETS AT THE BLUEWATER BUILDING
COMPANY & AARON K. HOLMES REALTOR MUNICIPAL STAGE

CHILDREN'S STAGE

10:30AM THE FUN OF LOLLI BUBBLES

1:00PM THE "MAD SCIENCE" SCIENCE SHOW

2:00PM THE MAGIC OF JOHN KINGRY

3:00PM MAD SCIENCE RETURNS

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CHILDREN'S STAGE

12:30AM THE MERMAN ILLUSION SHOW

1:30PM THE MAGIC OF JOHN KINGRY

2:30PM FUN WITH MERMAN



FESTIVAL EXHIBITORS*

POQUOSON CERT
PHS DRAMA CLUB
POQUOSON POLICE DEPARTMENT
DAILY PRESS/VIRGINIA MEDIA
VIRGINIA LOTTERY
POQUOSON REPUBLICAN PARTY
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AARD
ASK HRGREEN- CITY OF POQUOSON
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ESSENTIAL OILS WITH IRENE
THE FLAG LADY
RAM JACK
LAB CURVE COMPANY
HUNGER SHOP
NOTHING BUNDT CAKES
OCEAN THREADS
KAMZKRAFTS
MEGALADON, SHARK TEETH
SANDY'S CREATIONS
HISTORIC TRIANGLE/POQUOSON DEMOCRATS
PHS STEM CLUB
POQ ATHLETIC ASSOC/POQ WRESTLING
VPI/VIRGINIA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION MASTER GARDENERS
VIRGINIA SEAFOOD AGRICULTURAL
RESEARCH & EXTENSION CENTER
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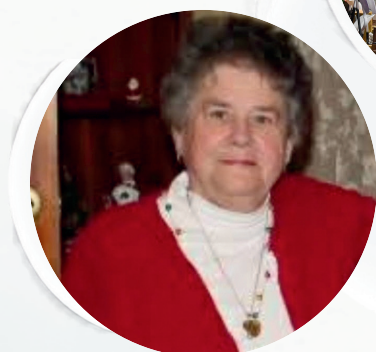
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AS OF 9/30/26

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2026 JURIED ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW
FEATURING 150 ARTISANS AND CRAFTERS!



2026 OFFICIAL FESTIVAL DESIGN GET YOUR FESTIVAL WEAR & OFFICIAL PRINT!

The 2026 design features **"Memories of Him,"** a heartfelt painting by Alice Nell Firth inspired by cherished memories of her late husband, Nelson Firth. This painting captures the familiar items of a waterman's long day on the Chesapeake Bay—a crab basket, a buoy, and the well-known "Bubba boots." Together, these objects bring treasured memories not only for Alice Nell, but also for many families in Poquoson.

Alice Nell and Nelson spent many memorable years on the water and sharing their work at the Poquoson Seafood Festival, where she has exhibited since 1984. An award-winning artist, Alice Nell has received both Best in Show and the Mayor's Purchase Award. She has also served as chair of the festival's Arts and Crafts section for the Poquoson Art League and currently serves as President of the Poquoson Art League.

A Poquoson native, Alice Nell began her artistic journey in watercolor. After taking several painting classes, she developed a preference for acrylics, which she often applies to unique surfaces such as bushel-basket lids and furniture.

Through **"Memories of Him,"** Alice Nell offers a deeply personal tribute that also honors the enduring spirit of Poquoson's waterfront community. This design shows the familiar tools of a waterman's life into lasting symbols of love, tradition, and shared heritage—an especially meaningful reflection of the community celebrated by the 2026 Poquoson Seafood Festival.



ORIGINAL AND HANDMADE WORKS ARE FEATURED ALONG THE LIGHTED, WOODED TRAILS THROUGHOUT THE EVENT.



THE POQUOSON ART LEAGUE WORKS DILIGENTLY TO PRODUCE THE JURIED ART SHOW FEATURING REGIONAL AND LOCAL ARTISTS.



THE AREA FEATURES A VARIETY OF WARES FROM HANDMADE JEWELRY, SOAPS, PAINTINGS, SCULPTURES, PHOTOGRAPHY, AND MUCH MORE.



ENJOY SHOPPING FOR GIFTS, UNIQUE TREASURES, COASTAL DECOR, DECOYS, AND CRAFTS. THE ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW HAS SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE.

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THE FAMILY OF MRS. ELEANOR PATRICK
CLAYTOR ROLLINS FUNERAL HOME
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