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SATURDAY NIGHT MARKETS RETURN TO MARKET SQUARE OFFERING UNIQUE SHOPPING EXPERIENCES AND FREE DOWNTOWN SOUND PERFORMANCES

- JEWELRY, ART, FASHION, AND HOME GOODS FROM 60+ VENDORS THROUGH THE END OF OCTOBER
- A DIVERSE SHOWCASE OF LOCAL TALENT EACH WEEK PRESENTED BY COMMUNITY PARTNERS
- MORE FREE DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH SOUND PERFORMANCES ANNOUNCED EACH WEEK

Downtown Pittsburgh – Saturday, June 19, the Saturday Night Market returns for a 5-month run in Market Square, featuring the return of the popular Downtown Pittsburgh Sound series of free weekly concerts on the Pittsburgh City Paper Stage. Presented by the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership, the Saturday Night Market offers artisan goods from some of Pittsburgh's most creative independent vendors selling artisan crafts, fashion, art, jewelry, photography, and small batch food.

"The relaunch of our Saturday Night Markets is a wonderful return to normalcy, as we welcome artisan vendors back into Market Square every weekend," said Jeremy Waldrup, President and CEO of the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership. "The Night Markets also offer a fantastic platform for live local music in the heart of our city, and a great complement to the wave of Downtown restaurants roaring back to life."

This season, Night Market music co-presenters include Mr. Smalls, Driving While Black Records, MCG Jazz, Women Who Rock, Moondogs, YMCA Lighthouse, and the Pittsburgh City Paper.

The Night Market's season opening performances include:

- June 19, Mr. Small's AcoustiCafé featuring Najj Andrea and Special Guests
- June 26 Mark Jackovic and The Jazz Influence presented by Manchester Craftsman's Guild
- July 3 Driving While Black Records presents local hip hop artists Jordan Montgomery, Livefromthecity, and JM the Poet

A Creatively Curated Shopping Experience

In addition to high-quality entertainment, the Night Market provides a rotating showcase for more than sixty high-quality, vendors of artisan goods, hand-made crafts, jewelry, fine art, fashion, photography, international items, and small batch foods. Visitors will discover a different mix of vendors, styles, and products each week including goods from returning favorites and emerging new talents.

Live Downtown Sound Throughout the Week!

The weekly Night Market performances serve as a centerpiece to an ever-increasing selection of live music options across Downtown, with regularly scheduled free performances around the neighborhood that include; Happy Hour performances every Tuesday within the outdoor dining district on Penn Avenue at Ninth Street., Market Square lunchtime performances presented by Dollar Bank with Happy Hour shows every Friday, and more lunchtime music at the Market Square Farmers Market every Thursday on the PNC Bank Stage. This summer will also feature music at the new Allegheny Overlook Pop-Up Park on Fort Duquesne Blvd, the Plaza at Pittsburgh Playhouse, at Revel on Forbes

Ave., at the highly anticipated opening of Con Alma, as well as a number of returning festivals, special events and limited performance series.

Stay tuned for further announcements and look for a complete listing of all the Downtown performances, events, and happenings in the PDP's weekly e-newsletter, at DowntownPittsburgh.com. and following along on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram: @DowntownPitt.

About the Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership

Pittsburgh Downtown Partnership (PDP) is a dynamic, nonprofit organization comprised of business and community leaders, property owners, civic organizations, foundations and residents who provide energy, vision and advocacy for Downtown Pittsburgh. Working collaboratively with its partners, the PDP strives to create a positive Downtown experience for residents, workers and visitors alike. The PDP's strategic initiatives include clean and safe services, transportation, and economic development and advocacy. For more information, visit www.DowntownPittsburgh.com, follow us on Twitter at http://witter.com/downtownpitt and "like" us on Facebook.

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