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MORE THAN 2,500 ATTEND THE PURCELLVILLE MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL

PURCELLVILLE, Va., May 6, 2022 — More than 2,500 people gathered to enjoy the Purcellville Music and Arts Festival on Saturday, April 30 at the Bush Tabernacle and Fireman’s Field complex. From noon to 7 p.m., festival-goers had the opportunity to enjoy more than 20 live performances on four different stages, view more than 60 works of art from local artists, browse vendor displays, wine and dine on local food and drink, and participate in a variety of activities.

Throughout the day, there were performances by more than 20 local bands, musicians, and dance groups on the art hall stage, community stage, gazebo stage, and main stage. Performers included Sheltered, Juliana MacDowell, King St., Hard Swimmin’ Fish, Chris Timbers, Talton Brothers, The Retrones, Virginia Hipnecks, Ben Demase, Emily Dickson, Penelope Adkins, Caleb Hacker, Willie White, Bryan Baxter, Bach to Rock, Blue Ridge Thunder Cloggers, Celtic Rhythm School of Dance, the Dance Academy of Loudoun, Downe Lands, Misneach Irish Dance Academy, and The Shamrockers. More than 30 local artists were featured in the Art Hall located inside the Bush Tabernacle where people also had a chance to create their own work of art for the Purcellville Arts Council’s clothesline art show. Near the main festival entrance, attendees could watch artist Penny Hauffe create a temporary chalk art mural, and even try their hand drawing with sidewalk chalk.

Festival-goers were able to browse more than 30 vendor displays throughout the grounds and shop at the Western Loudoun Farmers Market which extended its hours to 5 p.m. for the day. Other popular activities included face-painting, glitter tattoos, and t-shirt decorating. Kids also had a chance to win prizes playing carnival games and completing a festival scavenger hunt.

Thank you to the sponsors of the 2022 Purcellville Music and Arts Festival: Carrington Homes (Title Sponsor); CaseCo and Merit Restorations (Main Stage Sponsors); Valley Medical Building and Chapman DeMary Trail (Gazebo Stage Sponsors); Jill Greene – State Farm and Hartley Home Exteriors (Community Stage Sponsors); Jason P. Sengpiehl, Allstate (Art Hall Sponsor); Bank of Clarke County, Longhouse Architects, Loudoun Valley Floors, Strest, Valley Energy (Major Sponsors); Bayside Professional Services, Burgers, Fries, & Chicken, DiRenzo Family Dentistry, Loudoun Valley Roofing, and Purcellville Business Association (Key Sponsors). Thank you for the in-kind support from the Bush Tabernacle, KP3, Loudoun Lumber, and OHM Productions. Many thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with the event, including those from the Purcellville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, the Purcellville Arts Council, and Town Council.

The Purcellville Music and Arts Festival is a free event jointly hosted by the Town of Purcellville, the Purcellville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and the Purcellville Arts Council.

See photos from the event on the festival's Facebook page at:

www.facebook.com/PvilleMusicArts/.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

"Purcellville-your small Town, where history and progress intersect and people prosper," is an award-winning town of approximately 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 50 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the 2021 Virginia Municipal League Innovation Award for Environmental Sustainability and in years past, the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for innovation and green initiatives. The Town most recently received the Tree City USA Award for the 14th consecutive year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and was ranked "Safest City" in Virginia in 2020. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, which has been converted to a multi-use trail from Alexandria, VA to Purcellville, the Town has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, equestrian activities, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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