



2024 FRENCH HERITAGE FESTIVAL PROGRAM

Saturday June 8, 2024

Numbers and symbols at left indicate map location.

9am – 5pm WELCOME CENTER: Get the Festival program & map, Ask about NPS Tours of the JB Valle and Green Tree Tavern sites.

9:30 am GUIBOURD-VALLE GARDEN, Merchant St. and 4th St.
Stories, Tea and Cake with the Queen prior to Opening Ceremony

10:30 am FESTIVAL OPENING CEREMONIES at the back steps of Catholic Church; immediately followed by a Grand Promenade!

10:30 am-6:30 pm at LION'S CLUB PARK

Festival Foods and Live Music

- Cajun Fish Plate with Fries /Slaw, hot dogs, popcorn, soda and water
- Beer and Wine Pavilion, Games, Vendors, covered seating, 50/50
- Live Music Schedule:

Dennis Stroughmatt & The Creole Stomp ~ 11:30 to 1:30

Bluesette with Adele Martin ~ 1:30 to 3:00

Dennis Stroughmatt and L'Esprit Creole ~ 3:30 to 6:30

10am - 4pm FELIX VALLE STATE HISTORIC SITE

- OPEN HOUSE, Pen & Ink and Wax Seal demonstrations, gift shop.
- SPECIAL PROGRAM at 3PM: “A Conversation with Alice Ford and John James Audubon” presented by Bill Naeger and Carolyn Bach.

11am – 4pm MUSIC & DEMONSTRATIONS at the GUIBOURD-VALLE SITE

Watch lace being created as you listen to Belinda Link on the mountain dulcimer, marvel at the beauty as marbled paper is created, take a stroll in the shaded gardens beneath the century old Linden tree.

- Paper Marbling by guest artisan Valerie Ament of St Charles
- Lacemaking by guest artisan Diane Warfield, Dulcimer by Belinda Link
- 1:00pm – 1:30pm Photos with the Queen: Pose with royalty to support preservation!

DOCENT LED TOURS available of the beautifully furnished Guibourd-Valle house, including access to view the authentic Norman Trusses and iconic vertical logs in the attic.

11am – 9pm ARTISAN FAIRE in “Little Bohemia” - The Shops of N Main, and Main Street Park

- Food truck: The Copper Cactus – Mocktails, Cocktails, Macarons and Snacks

- Free Face Painting, Giant Dominoes and games courtesy of Felix Valle SHS staff 10am -4pm
- Guitar and Vocals by Ben Peters 11am -3 pm
- Jenny B's with Kitchen & Garden Demos, French Colonial Seed Planting, Vintage Farm and Flea
- Masquerade on Main's fully immersive selfies & videos with a vast array of costumes and props
- All shops and galleries in Little Bohemia will have sidewalk specials
- Music, Art, Love Gallery to host "Ollie Naeger and Friends" 6pm -8pm
- LITTLE BOHEMIA STREET FESTIVAL /BLOCK PARTY 6pm to 9pm
- Enjoy live music, juggling, mime antics, cajun food, free caricatures, dancing and more!
- Pat's Pastries will cater and sell Gumbo and Cornbread from 6pm until sold out!
- Shops on North Main will be open late – walk around and Shop Small

11am – 4pm FOLKWAYS & TRADITIONS TENT at Main St and Merchant St

Explore Traditional Skills and Interpretation such as rope making, wool spinning, rag doll making, make-and-take fabric and potpourri sachets, fur trapping, frontier ways, vendors and children's games.

11am - 3pm Ste. Genevieve Art Center & Museum open

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- Valerie Battle Kienzle with her latest book, Ste. Genevieve Missouri: A Walk Through History
- Orator, Attorney and Bard Carl Kinsky will recite selections from his original Sonnets
- Fun With French Words: meet Queen Laura or one of her helpers, try out some French Phrases
- "Read to Me" experience for little friends. French themed children's books like Madeline, Disney's Aristocats and Ruby Red Shoes. Sign up for Drawing for gift bag of books!

11am – 6pm Capers and Clowning Around: Enjoy Interpretive Mime Emerald Kelley
Caricaturist Jodi K from 11 – 2pm and Silhouettes by Deana from 3 to 6pm

11am - 4pm CENTRE FOR FRENCH COLONIAL LIFE

TOURS, re-enactors, Milice camp, skill demonstrations, Hands-On History activities.

11am – 4pm STE. GENEVIEVE MUSEUM LEARNING CENTER

Local history, artifacts, Missouri Dinosaur, Gift Shop.

Special exhibit: John James Audubon in Ste. Genevieve

5pm -6pm GUIBOURD-VALLE HISTORIC SITE

LA VIEILLE DANSE – Demonstration of 19th century social dancing performed by Dance Discovery.

Audience participation is welcomed and encouraged!

EVENING ACTIVITES - Street Festival in "Little Bohemia" North Main Art & Entertainment District 6-9pm

THROUGHOUT THE DAY

~ **Shop Small Contest: Follow the Fleur de Lis Trail** Collect at least 9 signatures at local shops and be entered for our prize drawing for gift baskets & t-shirts. Pick up an entry form at Lion's Club Park, return it by 6pm for the prize drawing!

~ Special menu items at local restaurants: Anvil, Audubon's, Old Brick, Pat's Pastries, Rooted, Sara's Ice Cream, Sirros

~ Ride on the Ste. Genevieve Trolley – free rides all around the festival from 10am to 6pm Saturday

~ Ste. Genevieve Welcome Center – information, restrooms and NPS ranger led tours of JB Valle and Green Tree Tavern

~ **In case of rain, our indoor backup locations will include** The Orris at 121 Merchant St; the GENCO Building at 57 N Main St, Music Art Love at 137 N Main St, and Jenny B's at 199 N Main St. Additional locations may be added.

SUNDAY JUNE 9, 2024

7am – 8:30 am AUDUBON'S NATURE WALK at the LEVEE WILDLIFE REFUGE AREA

Meet at Refuge information kiosk at the Levee (GPS: 37.9918275, -90.0422454)

We suggest sturdy shoes, sunscreen, bug spray and binoculars if you wish. Free and open to all.

10am – 4pm French Heritage Region Driving Tour (Missouri and Illinois)

Bus or carpool. Departs from the Guibourd-Valle House.

11am – 3pm Experience "Indios Inspirations and Flute" – at Music, Art, Love Gallery

Hand drawn authentic Native and Meso American inspired design works

ALL DAY

Shopping * Tours of Historic Sites * Wineries * Restaurants * Museums * Art

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The 2024 French Heritage Festival is dedicated to the memory of Patti Naeger who was instrumental in creating the original concept for the Festival, and helped form the children's singing group the Petite Chanteurs, later known as the Ste. Genevieve Chanteurs. Patti was an ambassador for the community and will be greatly missed.

The French Heritage Festival is sponsored by the Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve, with support by the City of Ste. Genevieve. Held annually on the Second Weekend in June.

Additional grant funding for the 2024 festival was provided by the Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation, the Ste. Genevieve Myny Band live music program, the Missouri Humanities Council and the Missouri Horizon's Grant program.

To learn more about the activities and programs of the Foundation for Restoration of Ste. Genevieve please go to www.historicstegen.org