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# Peddler's Village announces call for entries for two summer Bucks Fever events: Art & Sculpture Exhibition and Talent Show

## Top cash prize for Art & Sculpture Exhibition is \$1,000 and grand prize for Talent Show is \$3,000; entry deadlines are May 29

Lahaska, PA — A new partnership between <u>Peddler's Village</u>, a countryside shopping, dining, lodging, and family entertainment destination in Bucks County, PA, and the <u>Central Bucks</u> <u>Chamber of Commerce</u>, which for nearly forty years produced a series of arts-oriented events known as <u>Bucks Fever</u>, has culminated in two major summer events to be held at Peddler's Village that will showcase the artistic and performance talents of participants well beyond the local region. <u>Online entries</u> are now being accepted for the Bucks Fever Art & Sculpture Exhibition (June 15-June 30) and the Bucks Fever Talent Show (June 22). The top cash prize for Art & Sculpture Exhibition is \$1,000 and the deadline for entry is May 29; the grand cash prize for Talent Show is \$3,000 and the deadline for entry is May 29. Both competitions have modest entry fees that are waived if participants are members of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce. For details and to enter, visit <u>PeddlersVillage.com</u> or call 215-794-4051.

"This is an excellent opportunity to highlight the exceptional talent throughout the Philadelphia and mid-Atlantic region," said Bob McGowan, CEO of Peddler's Village. "We are honored to be able to build on the legacy established by the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce and to vastly expand the events to include new artists and audiences—as well as significantly increased cash prizes."

"Events at Peddler's Village such as these also support our mission to be a destination for entertainment as well as for shopping, dining, and lodging," continued McGowan. "These types of partnerships, such as the one we have with the Chamber, have worked exceptionally well in producing major new events for our visitors to enjoy."

**Bucks Fever Art & Sculpture Exhibition:** Artists are <u>invited to submit</u> information and photos of one, two, or three pieces of any media for consideration in the juried exhibition, which will be open to the public from June 15 through June 30, 2024. The exhibition will be held in the Visitor and Event Center at Peddler's Village, with free admission for all. Entries are due by May 29,

2024; there is an entry fee of \$35 for each submission by participants who are not members of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce (members submit at no cost). Exhibition participants will be selected and notified on or about May 13, 2024. Winners will be selected and announced on June 14, 2024. Prizes are as follows: First place \$1,000, second place \$5000, third place \$350, and honorable mention \$100.

**Bucks Fever Talent Show:** Performers are <u>invited to submit</u> information and videos representing their talent in music, singing, dancing, comedy, spoken word, or variety acts for consideration in the juried competition and public Talent Show that will take place in the event tent at Peddler's Village during the weekend of June 22. Competition entries are due by May 29, 2024. Selected participants from each category will be notified on or about June 1, 2024. General prizes will be awarded in the amount of \$350, and one grand prize winner will be awarded \$3,000.

Tickets will be required and available soon for the show on Saturday, June 22 that will feature the finalists.

In addition to the Art & Sculpture Exhibition and the Talent Show, the Bucks Fever series of events at Peddler's Village this year will include the Brown Bag-It with the Arts series, which will feature free outdoor musical performances on Fridays at noon from May 17 through September 13, 2024.

Bucks Fever sponsors include Parx Casino as Diamond Sponsor, Penn Color, Inc. as Gold Sponsor, and Fred Beans Family of Dealerships as Silver Sponsor. Bronze Sponsors include NJM Insurance, My Benefits Advisor, and C&N Bank. For more information on festival sponsorship, please contact Theresa Fera, CEO of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce, at <u>Theresa@centralbuckschamber.com</u>. Proceeds benefit the CBCC and the regional arts and culture community.

Other spring and summer events at Peddler's Village include:

- Best of the Nest (April 13 May 19)
- Dueling Pianos and Desserts (April 26 and May 24)
- Comedy in the Village (April 26)
- Cupcake Decorating Display (April 29 May 12)
- Strawberry Festival on May 4 and 5
- BBQ Bash on July 4, 5, 6, and 7
- Peach Festival on August 3 and 4

For more information about Peddler's Village or any of the events listed above, visit <u>PeddlersVillage.com</u> or call 215-794-4051.

### About Peddler's Village

Peddler's Village is a 42-acre shopping, dining, lodging and family entertainment destination in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, that features graceful 18<sup>th</sup>-century-style buildings, lush gardens, and winding brick walkways. The site, which was created by Earl and Sheila Jamison in 1962, is one of Pennsylvania's premier attractions, drawing more than two million visitors each year. Its historical storybook setting includes 60-plus distinctive retail shops, eight restaurants, the 66room Golden Plough Inn, and the Giggleberry Fair indoor family fun center. Peddler's Village hosts numerous year-round festivals and seasonal events for the public, and is a popular site for weddings, corporate events, reunions, picnics, birthdays, and holiday parties.

Peddler's Village is located in the heart of Bucks County in Lahaska, Pennsylvania, just 40 miles north of Philadelphia and 80 miles southwest of New York City. For more information, visit <u>PeddlersVillage.com</u> or call 215-794-4000.

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