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A2SF Announces a Return to a Full 21-Day Top of the Park Season in 2027

ANN ARBOR, MI (November 9, 2026) — The Ann Arbor Summer Festival (A2SF) announces that Top of the Park will return for a full, 21-day season spanning four weekends, from June 11 through July 4, 2027.

Six additional nights will provide more music, spectacle, and movies, and welcome an estimated 25,000 more visitors. A2SF builds on its mission to bring people together through the arts, creating opportunities for artistic discovery, community connection, and shared experiences.

“We’ve found ways to reduce costs and operate more efficiently, which means that a full, four-weekend season of Top of the Park now has approximately the same net cost as a shortened three-weekend season,” said Mike Michelon, A2SF Executive Director. “Over the last six years, A2SF has launched new programs, deepened community partnerships, and continued to invest in the artist and audience experience.”

The cost of producing a season has risen significantly, reflecting increased production expenses and A2SF’s continued investments in safety and the resources needed to operate the festival. While the organization has navigated these challenges since 2022 through one-time funding opportunities and adjustments to its operating model, sustaining Top of the Park over the long term will require $150,000 in additional annual philanthropic support from the community above previous funding levels.

“Top of the Park exemplifies what makes our region a special place to live and visit,” said Sarah Miller, President & CEO, Destination Ann Arbor. “A longer season gives residents and visitors alike more opportunities to plan their summers around the A2SF experiences that make Ann Arbor such an exceptional destination.”

In 2027, A2SF will celebrate its 44th season of Top of the Park, which takes place in downtown Ann Arbor on the University of Michigan campus at Washington Street and Ingalls Mall. Activities run Tuesday through Saturday starting at 5:00 p.m. and Sunday starting at 4:00 p.m.

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“A2SF activates the true spirit of creativity and community for me,” said Mark Clague, Executive Director of the University of Michigan Arts Initiative and A2SF Board Member. “The festival creates a joyful, sun-filled space where our campus and the whole region come together through the arts. The return to a 21-day season means more opportunities for students, faculty, staff, families, friends, and neighbors to sing, dance, eat, talk, and listen, to explore new perspectives, to meet new people, and to discover the unexpected.”

A2SF programs are supported by a generous community of individuals, foundations, and businesses.

A2SF champions performing arts, outdoor entertainment, and community spirit. In addition to a multi-week festival each June that attracts a diverse audience of thousands of people and offers over 200 concerts, art exhibitions, kids’ activities, spectacles, and film screenings, A2SF presents compelling experiences throughout the year on the campus of the University of Michigan and throughout Washtenaw County.

The mission of A2SF is to present a world-class celebration of arts and entertainment that enriches the cultural, economic, and social vitality of the region. A2SF was founded as a partnership between the University of Michigan and the City of Ann Arbor and produced its first season in 1984. For more information on all events, please visit A2SF.ORG.

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