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23RD ANNUAL

# Solstice

PARADE &  
FESTIVAL

SATURDAY  
JUNE 18  
DOWNTOWN  
FREMONT  
PARADE BEGINS  
AT NOON \* FOLLOW US  
TO GAS WORKS PARK  
FOR FOOD, BEER GARDEN &  
LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
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**SOL** 2011



The Sun visits Fremont, created by Weny Queilin, worn by Richard Boerth—Rob Faik photography.

## Hello Solstice Parade Fans! We need your help!

Those lovely floats you see in the parade every summer are looking for a new home.

Each season, the floats come out of storage, and are decorated for the Solstice Parade. Floats are offered free to anyone wishing to decorate them for the parade. For the rest of the year, these floats must be stored in a secure & sheltered place.

For many years, the floats lived under the Fremont Bridge on land owned by the City of Seattle. That was great. Close to the parade route, it had plenty of additional space for storing equipment used by other community arts groups. A few years ago, the City had to do a seismic retrofit, and afterward, had new plans for the space: using it for parking.

The floats had to move. Fortunately, the City offered new space under the Ballard Bridge. That location wasn't quite as good, but it has worked for several years.

*Call for public help! Continues page 3*



Janelle Campoverde shines—Raul Campoverde photography.

Janelle Campoverde & dancers —Solstice fantasia style.

## Featured Artists — GiraSol Janelle Campoverde, Jeff Busch & Mark Harris:

A lover of Brazilian musical traditions, Janelle Campoverde, joined the parade in 1994, playing percussion in what was then called Samba Seattle. The following year, she brought dancers in traditional Carnival *fantasia* (costumes) to the parade. After many parades, and leading many samba groups, Janelle's group of dancers (now practicing year round) and music director Jeff Busch formed *Girasol* (sunflower), a fitting name for one of the Solstice parade's most beautiful and exciting ensembles.

The heartbeat and inspiration for the dancers, Jeff Busch has been leading the band and playing for the class since 1996, when he returned to the NW after playing with Olodum in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil. GiraSol dancers and musicians begin to practice for the parade in early March. While the process of choosing a theme for the group each year varies, "it is always an intuitive process; feeling what is going on in our community, what

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# SOLSTARS

## Artist Ensembles of the Solstice Parade

Additional ensembles & participant to be expected— order subject to change.

### Gaden Shartse Monks

Chant a blessing for the parade.

### Front Line

Stilts & banner babes.

### The Harlequin Hipsters

Preview their show *Passion, or Death!*  
Online info: [passionordeath.com](http://passionordeath.com)

### Titanium Sporkestra

Band isn't just for nerds anymore- it's sexy, fun, & incredibly talented.

### All City Hoopers!

twirling our way on to joy & fitness.

### Believers of the Goddess Festival

Come out & howl at the moon!

### \*Nuclear Summer

Living with a Nuclear Future.  
Lead by Brian Kooser.

### Madame Witch & the Magic Roots

Evil witch tries to make a root soup.

### What Would Jason Do?

Doo & doo doo.

### Sea worm

swims & swivels above the crowd.

### Mossyback & the Clam-dancers

bi-valves gettin' down.

### Big King & the Food Chain

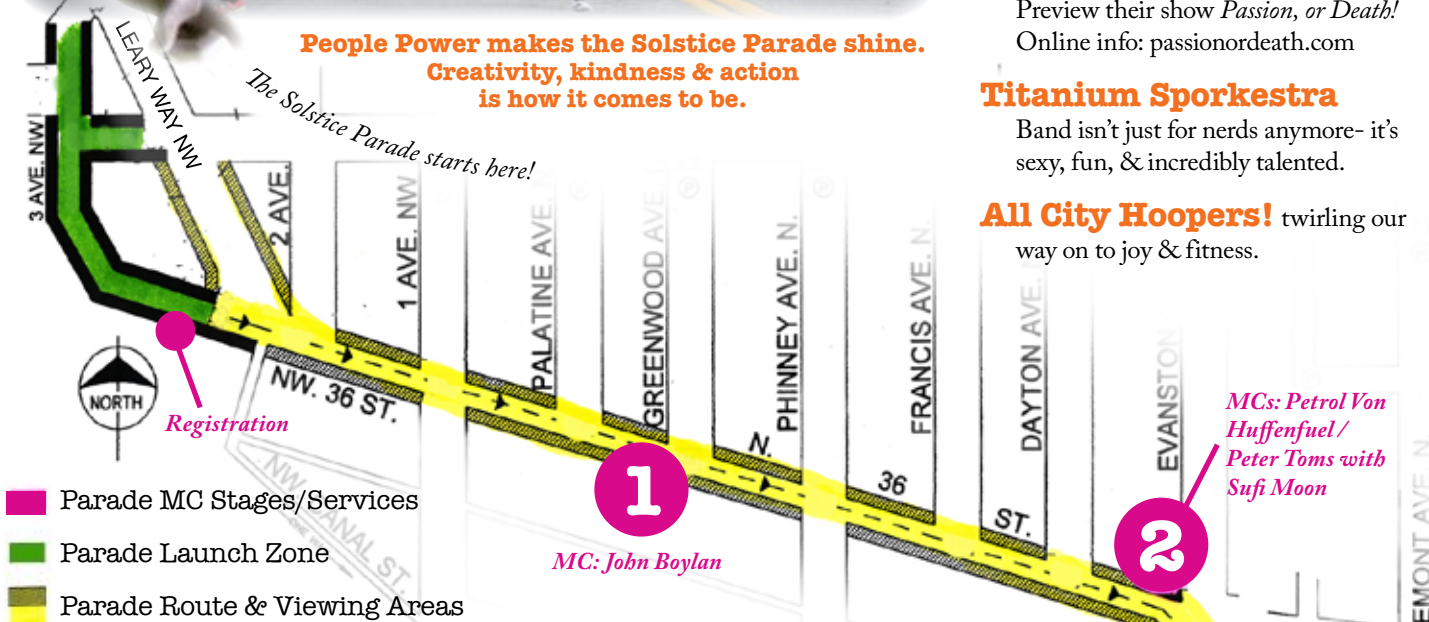
the natural order of life - bigger creatures eating smaller creatures.

### \*Green Hat

Give generously!  
This is how we pay for the parade.



People Power makes the Solstice Parade shine.  
Creativity, kindness & action is how it comes to be.



### Parade-Play Rules

- Have fun, just ...
- No:**
- printed words or logos
  - live animals (service animals OK)
  - motorized vehicles (aid vehicles OK)
  - real weapons or fire
  - photographers in street (Solstice press-pass OK)



Snack & Dash - refueling station for paraders, lead by Shelly Lyons & crew!



Mark Harris happily wields paintbrushes and hammers with a flair!

When he is not cutting plywood, or engineering a spinning pinwheel for a "moulin rouge (2010)" float, Mark works as a free-lance journalist, appearing in the Sunday Times, and several international magazines. "Watching the Solstice Parade is a great thing, but, it's like 10 times more fun to be in the parade!" Watch for GiraSol, the last ensemble to roll by in this year's parade. Fall in behind, and shake some booty to their infectious Brazilian rhythms.

Written by Leslie Zenz

### Solstice Parade Staff

- Leslie Zenz - Parade director
  - Mylinda Sneed - Communications manager
  - David Marine - Workshop manager
  - Toni Mukulka - Studio coordinator
  - Ricky Gene Powell - Gasworks Park director
  - Shawn Murphy - Security director
  - Jerry Smith - Fundraising
  - Sonia Telesco - Print designer
- Many thanks to all the volunteers who make this happen.

**AFTER PARTY**  
Video Viewing  
**Saturday, June 18**  
8pm @ Doric Temple Fremont  
619 N 36th St • Seattle 98103  
bring pot luck finger foods • open to public

**Parade Clean-up**  
Sunday, June 19 • 4pm  
Gasworks Park

**VOLUNTEER & PARTICIPANT APPRECIATION PARTY**  
& Video Viewing  
**Friday, June 24**  
Location to be announced  
watch for it on [fremontartscouncil.org](http://fremontartscouncil.org)  
[facebook](https://www.facebook.com/fremontartscouncil) and [twitter](https://twitter.com/fremontartscouncil)  
bring pot luck dinner dish

Thank you for your support • participation  
community • art & celebration!

### Featured Artists — GiraSol

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is important, feels right and inspiring at the time." For 2011, their theme of "Awakening" is certainly no exception. Janelle explains, "This awakening is our response to catastrophes like the recent Japanese earthquake and tsunami, when life suddenly becomes very real and there is a shift in our perceptions. Reality becomes more vibrant, our sensory experiences have a fullness to them." Janelle returns to the streets of Fremont each year because "this is where people are creating together, not for gain, but [rather] for the joy of just doing it" Mark Harris leads the building of the large, multi-level float for GiraSol. Mark and his wife Karen moved to Seattle in 2008, and shortly after, Karen began dancing with GiraSol. Mark volunteered to help make the float for the group in 2009 with nothing more than a genuine desire to get involved. "[A person] really doesn't need any experience; just pick up a hammer and join in! I've found everyone to be very welcoming and helpful and, really, just a whole lot of fun"

Top: Parade/launch happy dance—Matt Freeman photography. Sky as the Start marshal—M. Rainwater photography. Sun over Gasworks by Carl Smoo—Lerry Wallace. Photographers Pass: design by Hank Graham

GiraSol float 2010—Raul Camponoverde photography.

**\*McKay Grants fund new Fremont Solstice Parade art & performance!**

This year Fremont Arts Council awarded \$4500, to seven artists & artist teams, in Dave's honor.

Your donations to support the Solstice Parade help make this grant possible.

Dave McKay was a celebration artist who brought his thoughtful intention, master costume-design skills, and deep attention to detail and craftsmanship to everything he created. He believed art should be a part of everyone's life.

**Samba OlyWa & VamoLa!:**

Octopus' Garden Samba homage to the unique wildlife in the Pacific Northwest.

**Super Huggers**

Your favorite super-heroes spreading unconditional love. Oh yeah!

**Steam-Punkin' Pipin'**

bicycle powered, air-fueled organ.

**\*HobNobs**

a city-wide herd of creatures made from scavenged materials. Lead by Oleana Perry and Denise Henrikson.

**The Bubble man & the Bubble Kids**

having a wonderbubble time!

**Rainbow City Band**

building community among LGBT, Queer & Allied musicians.

**Solstice Soundsuits from the Center of the Universe!**

Nick Cave inspirations-Fremont Style.

**Fremont Masons**

These are symbols to which we give symbolic meanings.

**Dead Center Of The Universe**

the community's popular icons as Zombies!

**\*Zero Waste Freak Show**

never underestimate the disgusting antics of those nasty bag monsters. Lead by Heather Trim & Jake Harris.

**2nd Wind drumline & honor guard**

adult precision drumline based in Edmonds.

**Rene Ropas eco-fashion**

transforming what we believe to be fashionable.

**Wings on Wheels**

Adams elementary parents & students fly-by!

**Phish!-y**

the best lip synching Phish cover band ever!

**\*Giant Puppets Save the World**

community performance of large works of puppet art. Lead by Sarah Lovett & Toni Mikulka.

**Sheep & Goat**

herding along the route. Baaahhhh!

**The Air Kraken**

because I can.

**\*Ice Queens: Ukon**

**Julha** celebrate Finnish Summer Solstice. Lead by Ann Sloper, Kristie Maxim & Noam Gundle.

**Trojan Horse 2011!!**

A gaggle of revelers, nymphs, warriors, creatures, celebrating their love of life & each other.

**\*Chase of Europa**

Large bull puppet surrounded by a gaggle of Greeks. Lead by Jess Haynie-Lavelle.

**Silverball Mania**

local pinball enthusiasts, who work to keep pinball wizard arts alive.

**SGI Buddhist Lotus Blossoms**

Out of the murky waters of the swamp grows the beautiful Lotus flower.

**Animal Troop**

maybe a baton, maybe a bolo, maybe a beachball, mostly parading.

**The Shamaniacs: El Dorado**

The lost city of gold.

**Caveman Discovers Cannabis**

one day a plant grew & the people rejoiced.

**West Coast Kickball League**

we have more fun than you! Yes we do!

**Making Money**

What are you willing to give up to make money!

**Powered by Flower**

**Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence,**

Abbey of Saint Joan Nuns dedicated to the promulgation of universal joy.

**Vegetarian Celebration**

I am Vegetabla, divine mother of the plant-based banquet.

**Freak Flags**

We like to be hanging high. Community made banners aloft.

**\*GiraSol**

expressing our support for the people of Japan. Lead by Janelle Campoverde, Mark Harris & Jeff Busch.

**Sugarplum Elves**

sent by Santa on a mission to spread cheer throughout the year.



**Join Us!**

Fremont Arts Council is a volunteer-driven nonprofit

**We help build stronger communities & sense of place.**

You are encouraged to volunteer, join in membership & come have fun.



Online... [fremontartscouncil.org](http://fremontartscouncil.org)  
Donations are tax-deductible, as allowed.

We host year-round community celebration art events:

**June:** Solstice Parade!

**September:** Luminata Lantern Festival at Green Lake - celebrating Autumnal Equinox.

**October:** Troll-o-Ween at the Fremont Troll & ghoulish procession through Fremont on Halloween.

**May:** May Day pole dance & potluck at Woodland Park.

We also care for the Fremont Troll & other local landmarks.

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**GREEN HAT**

Please donate to the **GREEN HAT**

**\$1** from each parade audience member ... will fund an entire year's operations & community events by the Fremont Arts Council

[fremontartscouncil.org](http://fremontartscouncil.org)



**Save the parade. YOU can help!**

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Now, the City has told us that the floats must move again, for another retrofit. This time, the City has not offered another site, deciding that other uses are more important than the Solstice Parade and community arts storage.

We've found temporary warehouse space generously donated by Touchstone Development Corp., but this is under amonth-to-month lease. We have already lost two of the floats that won't fit in the new space. The floats need a long-term home. Without floats, there can't be a parade.

Do you have a large storage place for our lovely floats, or do you know of one? If so, please contact us: [President@fremontartscouncil.org](mailto:President@fremontartscouncil.org)

Written by John Boylan

**Parade begins at NOON – Follow the Parade into Gasworks Park!!!**

**GAS WORKS SOLSTICE FESTIVAL**  
**Food, Beer Garden & Live Entertainment**

Music:

**Million Dollar Nile**  
**Ben Gilmer & the Sidearms**

**Legendary Tiny Giants**  
**Super Sones**  
**The Diving Bell**  
**Manooghi Hi**

Beer:

**New Belgian**  
**Manny's**  
**Rainier**

Food:

**Kaosamai Thai Restaurant**  
**My Sweet Lord Cafe**  
**Taco Gol**  
**Cowboys**  
**Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream**

Plus: **Lawn games... sack races, tug of war, art & more! 'til 7pm**

Hospitality snacks and water for Parade participants inside the park.



Sugarplum Elves 2010; Green Hat 2010; D. Mathiesen photography. Cover the Troll - Terry Wallace photography



Super Hugger - Matt Freeman photography.



## Thanks you. Thank you!

The Fremont Arts Council thanks everyone who took part in producing this parade. Especially: our committed Board of Directors, the artists and volunteers, the community and our neighbors. Thank you to everyone who saved us a box of gew gaws, or who washed the windows, and those who resisted donating grey paint. Thank you to the volunteers who ran our rummage sale, to everyone who donated and those who bought something. Thank you to the people of Seattle who have been appreciating and supporting our parade since it started 23 years ago. Thank you to the Fremont Chamber for keeping the tradition of the Fremont Fair alive, and for holding the heart of the community.

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