FORT ROSS EVENTS

Plein Air Painting Workshop
Saturday and Sunday, June 15 & 16

A weekend of making art in the inspiring light of our spectacular Sonoma coast at Fort Ross. Join artist-instructors Valeriy Kagounkin and Tamara Magdalina, both Moscow State (Surikov) Academic Art Institute Cum Laude graduates, with extensive painting and teaching experience in Russia and now in Sacramento.

Besides the workshop, everyone is welcome to view the weekend art exhibit or join us for the artists reception on Sunday, at 4 PM.

For more information please contact FRC Programs Manager Hank Birnbaum at hankb@fortross.org and check our Events page.

CELEBRATE POETRY with GARY SNYDER at FORT ROSS
ДЕНЬ ПОЭЗИИ В ФОРТЕ РОСС
Sunday, June 23, 1-4 PM

Join us for a convivial outdoor afternoon benefit poetry reading featuring Pulitzer Prize winning poet and
environmental activist Gary Snyder and Kashaya Pomo poet Martina Morgan. With the Pacific Ocean as the backdrop, we will hear their original works as well as the poems of the first European poets in Russian California, Alexander Rotchev and Adelbert von Chamisso. This is a fundraiser for Fort Ross Conservancy. Enjoy the day knowing you are supporting parks and stewardship along our coast.

Tickets are on sale via Eventbrite. Price is $18. per person, which includes gate entrance to the park. Get your printable [poster](mailto:info@fortross.org) here!

Gary Snyder has donated his day to us & we are grateful for his support. Wine courtesy of Fort Ross Vineyard will be for sale by the glass, and food will be available for sale from Raymond's Bakery.

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**Fort Ross Festival**

**Saturday & Sunday, July 27 & 28**

A unique multi-cultural music festival with the Pacific Ocean as its backdrop: world-class live music, dance, costumed re-enactments, historic crafts, militia cannon firings, marketplace, kids' games and more...

We encourage you to purchase advance tickets online at Eventbrite.

You can see the festival poster [here](https://www.facebook.com/FortRossPresents). More information on the events of the weekend please visit [http://www.fortross.org/festival.htm](http://www.fortross.org/festival.htm) or [https://www.facebook.com/FortRossPresents](https://www.facebook.com/FortRossPresents).

Email with questions to: [info@fortross.org](mailto:info@fortross.org).

Thanks go to Chevron, and Russian companies Transneft and Sovcomflot, for underwriting this event.

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**Volunteer at Fort Ross Festival**

Help us welcome Fort Ross into its 201st year by volunteering at Fort Ross Festival, Fort Ross Conservancy's weekend celebration on July 27th and July 28th. We are looking for volunteers to help us throw a world-class event. Here's what we can offer you:

If you work four (4) hours a day:
* Free Admission to the Festival on the day you work
* Free Parking
* Lunch the day you work
* 15% discount coupon to use in the Visitor Center Gift Shop.

If you work eight (8) hours a day:
* Everything listed above AND
* One year free membership with the Fort Ross Conservancy
* Dinner Saturday night.

Volunteering provides a great way to meet new people, fulfill community service hours, and get outside to enjoy our public lands. We need your help to make this event a success and keep the spotlight on Ross for another year.

There are many ways to volunteer, and you don't have to come in costume. See our volunteer page for a list of the ways you can help out. We need you to sign up whether you're new at this or are one of Fort Ross' dedicated costumed craftspeople. Please join us - go to our website www.fortross.org/festivalvolunteer.htm to sign up.

See you at Fort Ross Festival!

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**Marine Mammal Monitoring at Fort Ross**

**Saturday, June 1, 11 AM**

**Saturday, June 15, 9 AM**

Please join Fort Ross Conservancy's efforts to survey the Harbor Seals along the shores near Fort Ross. Conditions allowing, with our scopes we'll also view the Steller and California Sea Lions off our shore, on the Sea Lion Rocks. Meet at Highway One mile marker 33.52, just north of Fort Ross State Historic Park entrance. Best to call first, to confirm weather conditions.

For more information, please contact: Hank Birnbaum, Fort Ross Conservancy (707) 847-3437 or email: hankb@fortross.org.