

Summer BBQ and Concert

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Advancement/ Foundation at the Evergreen State College 2700 Evergreen Pkwy NW Olympia, WA 98505

Overview

Evergreen's Summer BBQ & Concert is a tremendous evening of delicious BBQ and live music. Guests are treated to a BBQ dinner by one of Olympia's favorite BBQ joints with fun activities like a photo booth and bocce ball. The evening will feature a live music performance. This event will cultivate and steward relationships with those who have given \$500+ to the college. Additionally, donors are invited to bring guests who may be interested in being philanthropically involved with the college. George Bridges will speak at this event and encourage donations for student scholarships.

Scope

Approximately 200 people Saturday July 22nd 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Audience

Donors/ potential donors/ President Bridges

Goals

Audience

- 1. To have an unforgettable experience. Our guests come to this event expecting to have a great time supporting a great cause and feel appreciated.
- 2. Feel positive and passionate about what TESC is doing and how well we are doing it
- 3. Feel inspired by the efforts of TESC and continue to be/ become emotionally invested.
- 4. Leave feeling excited for the continued success and future advancement of the college

Team

- 1. Cultivate and steward relationships with donors
- 2. Raise money for scholarships
- 3. Create an experience that inspires continued donations to scholarships and student success
- 4. Capture our audience's attention and interest, and maintain from the moment the first emma is sent till follow ups about the event and response emails are sent.

Budget

Food & Beverage: South Bay Dickerson's BBQ or Aramark

Entertainment: Bocce ball courts, photobooth

Audio/Visual: Lighting And audio technician

Live Music performance

Branding materials: Invitations, Emma, Thank You Notes, Signage (Entrance, bathrooms,

seating area)

Decor: seating/blankets, table decorations

Venue

Red Square

Key Personnel

TESC Foundation

George Bridges

Communications Plan

ONGOING- Regular follow-ups sent via email

ONGOING- Event Promotion

24th- Meet with Marketing/Communications to establish execution plan

Emma emailed invitations

Mailed invitations

Add in Spring Evergreen Magazine

June 20th- Event signage printed

Vendors/Event/Support/Decor

Catering- Aramark or South Bay Dickerson's BBQ

Alcoholic beverages- Mercer/COR Cellars wine, Three Magnets Brewing Co.

Photography – Shauna Bittle (TESC)

AV-TESC

Entertainment

Photo Booth and bocci ball available throughout event

Live musical performance (Options: Oly Mountain boys, Brandi Carlile, Paul Simon)

Program

5:00-6:30 Guests mingle and help themselves to BBQ food options, bocce ball, and photobooth.

6:30-6:50 President Bridges addresses audience thanking them for their continued contributions. Features a 5 minute slideshow showcasing students work and program achievements. Finishes with a toast to the donors and provides information for how to donate that evening. Enthusiastically introduces the live music act of the night.

6:50-8:00 Band plays

8:00-8:10 Brief intermission to prompt donors to donate using cards they fill out at table with their information and reminds guests there is still flowing taps and wine as well as their last chance to take a photo in the photobooth. *Cheers*

8:10-9:00 Band continues to play

9:00 Bridges gives closing remarks and thanks donors once again for their support

Event Staff

Advancement team

President Bridges

Food vender staff/ Grill masters

Beer and wine tenders

Timeline

January

7th- Venue Secured

7th- Secure food vender and music act

10th- Contract for food venders drafted

12th- Acquire alcohol and food licence

16th- Contact beer and wine alumni sponsors (COR Cellars, Mercer, Three Magnets Brewing Co.)

16th- Contact Evergreen AV team about sound. lighting, and stage for musical performance

20th- Identify significant donors through the help of the Advancement team and Banner

23rd- Ad for Evergreen calendar drafted

24th- Meet with Marketing/Communications to establish execution plan

25th- Emma drafted

28th-Build and finalize a master timeline

February

7th-Get videography proposal for slideshow

15th- Emma finalized and sent out

18th-Invitation artwork drafted

20th- Aesthetic FINALIZED

March

25th- Invitation artwork finalized and stuffed into envelopes

April

1st -Invitations to 300 donors dropped in mail

5th- Thank you post cards go to print

7th- Program drafted

8th- Program edited

June

Ongoing weekly meetings with event team

Draft Script

Find a medic that can be on site through the entirety of the event

Menu tasting and finalize

Beer & Wine tasting and finalize (Wine: A red, a rose, and a white, Beer: two types of beers)

Programs sent to print

July

Ongoing weekly meetings with event team

Finalize script

Event briefing with advancement team

22nd- EVENT DAY!!

August

25th- SWOT Analysis

23rd- Event Wrapped