

MIDSUMMER FANTASY RENAISSANCE FAIRE

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welcome to anleigh

call of the vanguard

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based on characters created by Anthony Miron and Daniel Miron
Directed by: Keith Fiermonte

Is away on Business, a frazzled mayor is left to take care of the shire of anleigh's midsummer festival. But there are mysterious forces at play, as a young fighter is drawn to the shire to fulfill a calling.

But she didn't come alone ...

Rae Marley	. Mayor Killarn	Cassandra Brown Magus Dawthen
		Aurelie Briodagh Galina
Michael Tracy	Lt. Fulthan	Colette Jolie Gardner
Dillanger Steele Otterson	Gladdrian	Jim MironBua
Vanessa Briodagh	Warden Taragus	Shane McCarthyFmr Head Warden Caine

The Scenes are Marked in / Blue on our Schedule!

special thanks

In a year that has seen some monumental highs and I would like to thank everyone at this year's fair for the hard work. This year we are Welcoming some of our new managers and saying goodbye to long time friends.

With every year the fair grows and changes and this year is no exception, We have a cast of colorful lively individuals from our cast, to every volunteer on that field.

You all make this event what it is.

You help us inspire imagination, and I cannot thank you enough for the privilege of working with you for another year.

GM Jim General Manager & Bua the Mercenary Thank you to all the stores who put up Posters to promote our event. You can find the full list at www.mfrenfaire.com/thanks Go find those businesses and please- SUPPORT THEM!

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The City of New Haven • The City of Naugatuck

Naugatuck Chamber of Commerce

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fantastic stage shows

Daniel GreenWolf



ALL NEW MAGIC! COMEDY! POSSIBLE HOT DOOMITY DEATH! As seen on AMC Network's "Dispatches from Elsewhere" and at Renaissance Faires for over two decades! See Irish themed Magic and Stories, Strange & Witty Comedy, and Death-Defying Feats of Fiery Doomity Goodness! Fun for all ages!

Strangelove Sideshow Spectacular

Steel your hearts and behold the Damsel of Danger, Krystal Younglove the Indestructible Lady. Presenting classic sideshow performances to strike to your very core. Animal traps, piles of glass, beds of nails, light bulbs. Family-Friendly (For Slightly Odd Families)

The Sasanach



Sasanach presents The Fiddler and the Fairy: Music and stories from the Emerald Isle. Sasanach (who occasionally answers to "Keith", as well as "hey you!" and "does anyone want the rest of these potatoes?") is an Englishman who fell in love with the people, places, and traditions of Ireland (and the clothing of Scotland).

At our faire he brings us a sample of music and stories that were given to humans by the people of the fae.

The Foxy Bard



The Foxy Bard is a musician and public performer who specializes in Irish, Scottish and English folk songs ranging from the 16th to the early 20th centuries. He is also available for parties.

The Harlot Queens



The Harlot Queens are a comedic musical act hailing from New England. These self-styled "Queens" may look innocent, but their songs are not! Join them as they sing about their failed attempts at love, seafaring, and various criminal enterprises. You will be in for a "royal treat!"

The Pleiades Dance Show



A Fantabulous Belly Dancing troupe with a Story to tell. Their movement will entrance you and their personalities with enchant you. Don't miss them!

Not In The Face Productions



The epic fight crew of the Midsummer Fantasy Renaissance Faire. For over a decade, they have been exciting audiences with their story-driven melees and brilliant battles. See them swing steel as part of the scripted show throughout the day!

Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire



Taliesin Phoenix is a bard, seanchaí, bearer of the seven colors: Storyteller. He has collected the great myths and epic poems from across the lands and through all of time brings them here to reveal the lessons, laughs and lyrics that guide the wise in every age. Join him to light the flame and see the StoryPhoenix rise from the ashes again.

The Improv Comedy Fire Show Spectacular!



See our variety performers, and maybe a few special guests, take the stage for two words that should never be combined- Improvisation and Fire!

See the absurdity live Every Saturday Night!

The Voices



Listen to the beautiful melodies of our Shire's Soulful Sirens as they share classic folk songs, lively pub tunes and obscure classics.

The Voices have been a staple of the Midsummer Fantasy Renaissance Faire since our first year. See for yourself why they're a faire favorite!

Rabenwald Metalsmything



Watch the Expert Craftspeople of Rabenwald Metalsmything working the ancient trade of flame and metal. Experience live demonstrations throughout the day, and even purchase their creations!

Captain Tactless

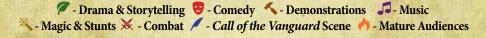


He's Strange, He's Bawdy, He's Tactless... Experience his Ribald song slinging at the Pub (And more family friendly songs outside of the pub) throughout the faire

Thyme Awaye



Listen to the brilliant folk sound of this Piratical Songstress. She has been with us since the beginning and you'll be delighted by her enchanting melodies and shanties that'll get you moving!



fantastic stage shows

catch these amazing acts on select weekends

Shakespeare Approves!



Paolo Garbanzo Juggling



The one-man, audience-interactive, Shakespearean shows! Join Will Shakespeare as he takes you on adventures full of merriment, sword fights, mistaken identities, star-cross'd lovers, romance, shipwrecks, musical numbers, and ... being pursued by a bear! The Shakespearean adventures are a family-friendly, madcap, zany time where everyone gets involved, whether you want to jump onstage as a performer or sit back in the audience & enjoy the fun! Shakespeare Approves!

2nd Weekend Only

Paolo Garbanzo has performed for crowds all over the US and Europe. He's been a member The Flying Karamazov Brothers, earned the Lifetime Achievement Award by the International Juggling Association, and performs his shows in three languages. In 2007 he won the International Jester Competition, making him an official Jester of Muncaster Castle in England, and the first American in history to be an official Jester of an English castle.

2nd Weekend Only

See medieval fighters go head to head in unscripted,

real competitive bouts where you can cheer for your

1st Weekend Only

Minstrel Dave & The Songbird



favorite warriors!

Knights of Gore



Ren Faire performers for over 2 decades. Maria and Dave have joined forces to entertain you.

Maria has been performing at Renaissance Festivals for over 15 years with multiple groups and has been singing for almost 2 1/2 decades in several different choirs. Maria really shines on Vocals but also plays the Recorder & Tinwhistle.

Minstrel Dave has been performing at Renaissance Faires across the USA. Playing guitar, mandolin and singing Dave is so old that when he writes a new song, it's already traditional.

1st & 3rd Weekend Only

Hybris



Back for 2022! This troupe of fire slingers will light up the sky of our final weekend Saturday Night Extravaganza! They take fire dance and performance to a whole new level with unmatched creativity and fun!

3rd Saturday Night Show Only

The Harmless Danger **Juggling Show!**



Harmless the Danger Juggler performs a show that is more fun than you can shake a baby at! Featuring equal parts outrageous silliness and dangerous stunts, it's a funny juggling show with serious consequences.

1st Weekend Only

The Harper & The Minstrel

Don't miss these amazing warriors!



Celtic Harps, Flutes, Recorders, Penny Whistle, Bowed Psaltery, Guitar and beautiful vocal harmonies will transport you to another place and time!

2nd Weekend Only

Phoenix Swords



For over twenty years, this troupe of slightly mad, but well-educated, swords-people have brought knowledge and fun to audiences across the East Coast. Learn about the history of Weaponry and see valiant battles throughout the day!

2nd & 3rd Weekend Only

Vince Conaway



The Beauty of the Hammered Dulcimer

A Masterful musician and composer, and you can find Vince performing historical and original music on Hammered Dulcimer throughout the Americas and Europe. Whether he's performing in English, Spanish, or Italian, he believes that the audience should not be separated from the show but instead be a part of it, and he brings a bit of cultural and historical perspective to every performance.

3rd Weekend Only

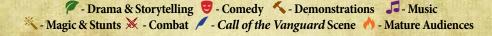
The Bad Ideas Variety Show



Since 2014 Bad Idea Variety Show has been on the road traveling to Renaissance Faires showcasing "Better Entertainment Through Poor Life Choices"

Offering two distinctly different shows. The "Bad Idea Variety Show" is a show case of variety acts based around not so brilliant ideas for playing chubby bunny or to a round of russian roulette.

3rd Weekend Only



visit our awesome vendors!

crafters and artisans

A Few Random Things **Kilted Uprising** Auntie Arwen's Spices and Teas Ave Rivera Studio **Beacon Craft Studio Bert Piedmont Black Kat Designz Bone and Botanicals Burt's Chimney Cakes** Capes & Corsets **Certainly Something** Creations Charmz by Rania Charter Oak Leather Cornerstone Creations **Dirty Steve's** Homemade Soap **Dragon Whistle Stop Dragon Wycks** Dragon's Lair **Dragonfire Meadery Eclipsed Crafts Enchanted Adornments Enchanted Glen/Rosa Luna Enchanted Surprise Fernwood Faeries Fimbulwinter Arts** Fluorescent Finery

Forbidden Forest Art **Foresight** Freak of Nature Fun Time Designs Goblin Worx Leather **Grounded Baking** Heiress Gaming **ID** Chandler **Jessica Lucci** Lady Feyline's **Fantastikal Faces** Lame Horse Creations/ Mother of Dragons Cave of Creatures Lore and Lumber **Mad Dash Players** Magestone Marie's Maille Medieval Memories Mermaid Lagoon Mik's Mix **Mystic Meats Native Wings PETALSbyMAY Phoenix Tail Art Studio Queen of Swords** Rabenwald Metalsmything Ratlum Mountain **Wood Craft** Rencoco

Rhiannon's Hook Rubino Italian Ice Runway Boho **Savell Knives Shady Emporium Smudge Books** Soul Stone Junkie Sustainable Collapse The Art Child The Bling Stop The Crafty Druid The Dragon's Hoard The Mad Crafterz The Mad Mailler The Pixie Caverns The Strangest Places The Undertree The Wandering Witch **Borgo Medioevale** The Wicked Crafty Women Third Age Outfitters **Tintagels** Vagabond Spun Viridescent Cosmetics **Waking Dreams Games** Wayward Leather Wired on a Whim Zunda Illustrations

food vendors

Gluten Free Goodness Lucky Dog Famous Hot Dogs Mel's Magickal Meals The Melting Truck Mischievous Fish

vancier magibleu's conundrum

Vancier Magibleu is one of the most remarkable Magi in all the land, however he had one continuous issue: His Spell Crystal continues to get stolen. Rumored to either destroy 10,000 soldiers or create 10,000 cupcakes, it is understandable why it gets stolen each year.

Can you help him discover the culprit and get his spell crystal back? You'll need a keen eye and a clever wit to solve this mystery as clues to the identity of the culprit are littered about the festival. You must determine who stole the crystal, find Vancier (or his "Apprentices") at his Gazebo, and be rewarded for your efforts.

find the hats

- Merchants around the realm have a sign with the Big Blue Hat on it.
- The merchants will bestow upon the detective a letter.
- Collect all the letters (some letters may repeat themselves) and unscramble them to uncover the culprit.
- Be wary however, these letters may come at a price.
- Remember at any time, Vancier and his "Apprentices" are available to assist at their Gazebo near the Tournament Field.
- Once you have unscrambled the culprit seek out Vancier (or his "Apprentices") at his Gazebo to receive your reward.
- Stay for Final Revels to help him unmask the villain.

vancier magibleu's conundrum

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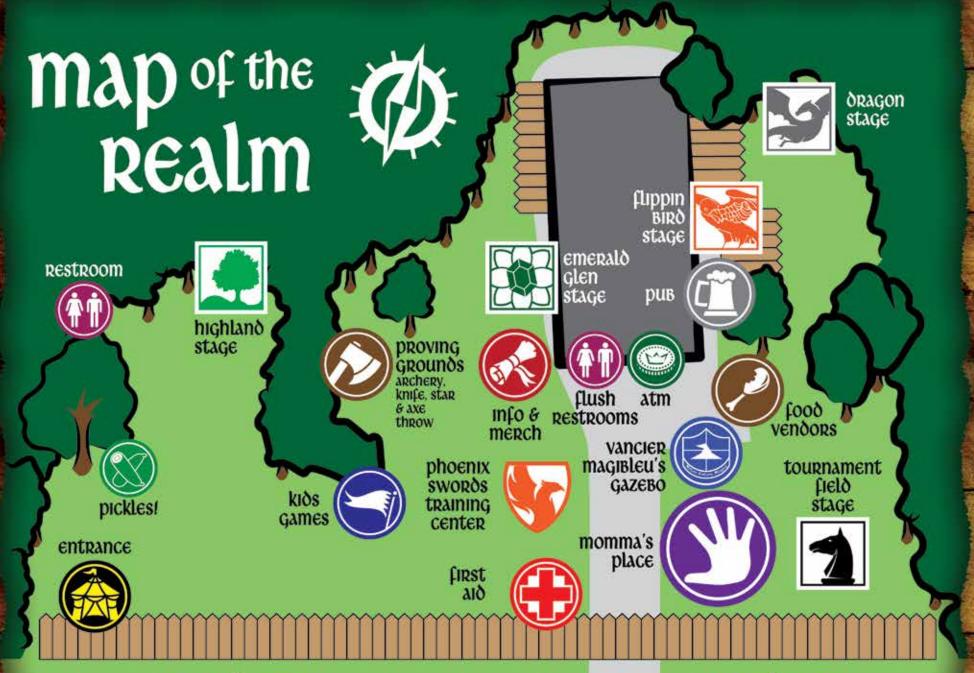
Lillianna has an additional task for those of 13 years or older (Or those of a younger age who think they are up for the harder task).

- In this quest, Lillianna wants to know where the culprit hid Vancier's Crystal.
- Seek out the citizens of the realm who wear the symbol of the purple hat upon them to find out where the item is not.
- Please work on this at the same time as you search for the Blue hats.
- Once you have narrowed the location down, bring BOTH the location and culprit's name back to the Gazebo in order to see if you have deducted correctly and receive your reward.

highland stage
front gate
tournament field
momma's place

phoenix swords training center

emerald glen stage flippin' bird tavern dragon stage



parking

parking

saturday, June 24th

	highland	emeralò Glen	tournament field	S dragon	flyppin', ByRò
11:00 am	Call of t	he Vanguard Scene 1: Th	ne Shire of Anleigh Ope	ens To Our Worldly Visi	tors
11:15 AM	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird			
12:00 pm	The Harmless Danger Juggling Show!	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Call of the Vanguard Scene 2		Captain © Tactless
12:45 pm	Daniel GreenWolf	The Voices	The Pleiades Dance Show	The Foxy Bard	The Harlot Queens
1:30 pm		Call of the Vanguard Scene 3	Knights of Gore ➤	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird	The Sasanach 🎜
2:15 pm	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular		Captain 😇 Tactless 🎜	The Foxy Bard 🎜
3:00 pm	The Harlot Queens	Daniel GreenWolf	The Pleiades Dance Show	Call of the Vanguard Scene 4	
3:45 pm	The Harmless Danger Juggling Show!	The Sasanach	Knights of Gore ➤		The Voices
4:30 pm	The Foxy Bard 🎜	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird	The Royal Chess Match	Strangelove ¾ Sideshow Spectacular	Captain Tactless
5:15 pm	Call of the Vanguard Scene 5			The Sasanach	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire
6:00 pm	The Harmless Danger Juggling Show!		Knights of Gore	Daniel GreenWolf	The Harlot Queens
7:00 pm			Call of the Vanguard Scene 6		
7:30 pm	Grand Revels at Momma's Place				
8:00 pm	The Harlot Queens At Momma's Place				
8:30 pm	Fire Improv Show of Doom at the Field of Honor				*

archery contest at the proving grounds
Saturdays at 3:45PM

sunday, June 25th

	nighlanð	emerald Glen	tournament field	dragon	flyppin', Byrð
11:00 am	Call of the Vanguard Scene 1: The Shire of Anleigh Opens To Our Worldly Visitors				
11:15 AM	Strangelove ¾ Sideshow Spectacular	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird	Call of the Vanguard Scene 2		
12:00 pm	Daniel GreenWolf	The Voices	The Pleiades Dance Show	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Captain
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2:15 pm	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Daniel GreenWolf	The Pleiades Dance Show	Call of the Vanguard Scene 4	The Foxy Bard 🎜
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4:30 pm	Call of the Vanguard Scene 5	The Sasanach		Daniel GreenWolf	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire
5:15 pm	The Harmless Danger Juggling Show!	The Foxy Bard 🎜	Knights × of Gore	Strangelove ¾ Sideshow Spectacular	The Harlot Queens
5:45 pm			Call of the Vanguard Scene 6		
6:00 pm	Grand Revels at Momma's Place				2

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archery contest at the proving grounds
Sundays at 2:15PM

saturday, July 1st

	<u> </u>	emerald Glen	tournament field	S dragon	flyppin', Byrð
11:00 am	Call of t	he Vanguard Scene 1: Th	ne Shire of Anleigh Ope	ens To Our Worldly Visi	tors
11:15 AM	Strangelove % Sideshow Spectacular	The Harper & The Minstrel			
12:00 pm	Paolo Garbanzo Ugggling	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Call of the Vanguard Scene 2	Thyme Awaye	Captain 😇 Tactless 🎜
12:45 pm	Daniel GreenWolf	The Voices	The Pleiades Dance Show	The Foxy Bard	The Harlot Queens
1:30 pm	Shakespeare Proves!	Call of the Vanguard Scene 3	Phoenix Swords 💥	The Harper & The Minstrel	The Sasanach
2:15 pm	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular		Captain © Tactless	The Foxy Bard
3:00 pm	The Harlot Queens	Daniel GreenWolf	The Pleiades Dance Show	Call of the Vanguard Scene 4	Thyme Awaye
3:45 pm	Paolo Garbanzo Ugggling	The Sasanach	Phoenix Swords 💥	Shakespeare Shakespeare Approves!	The Voices
4:30 pm	The Foxy Bard	The Harper & The Minstrel	The Royal Chess Match	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular	Captain 😇 Tactless 🎜
5:15 pm	Call of the Vanguard Scene 5			The Sasanach	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire
6:00 pm	Paolo Garbanzo Juggling	Shakespeare Approves!	Phoenix Swords 💥	Daniel GreenWolf	The Harlot Queens
6:45 pm			Call of the Vanguard Scene 6		
7:00 pm	Grand Revels at Momma's Place				
7:30 pm	Shakespeare Approves at Momma's Place				
8:30 pm	Fire Improv Show of Doom at the Tournament Field				d «

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Saturdays at 3:45PM

sunday, July 2nd

	<u> </u>	emerald Glen	tournament field	S dragon	flyppin', Byrð
11:00 am	Call of the Vanguard Scene 1: The Shire of Anleigh Opens To Our Worldly Visitors				
11:15 AM	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular	The Harper & The Minstrel	Call of the Vanguard Scene 2		
12:00 pm	Daniel GreenWolf	The Voices	The Pleiades Dance Show	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Captain Tactless
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5:15 pm	Paolo Garbanzo Uggling	Shakespeare Approves!	Phoenix Swords 💥	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular	The Harlot Queens
5:45 pm			Call of the Vanguard Scene 6		
6:00 pm	Grand Revels at Momma's Place				13

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saturday, July 8th

	<u> </u>	emerald Glen	tournament field	S dragon	flyppin', Byrð
11:00 am	Call of the Vanguard Scene 1: The Shire of Anleigh Opens To Our Worldly Visitors				
11:15 AM	Strangelove Sideshow Spectacular	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird			
12:00 pm	The Foxy Bard 🎜	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Call of the Vanguard Scene 2	Thyme Awaye	Captain 😇 Tactless 🎜
12:45 pm	Daniel GreenWolf	The Voices	The Pleiades Dance Show		The Harlot Queens
1:30 pm		Call of the Vanguard Scene 3	Phoenix Swords 💥	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird	The Sasanach
2:15 pm	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Strangelove % Sideshow Spectacular		Captain	The Foxy Bard
3:00 pm	The Harlot Queens	Daniel GreenWolf	The Pleiades Dance Show	Call of the Vanguard Scene 4	Thyme Awaye
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6:00 pm			Phoenix Swords 💥	Daniel GreenWolf	The Harlot Queens
6:45 pm			Call of the Vanguard Scene 6		
7:00 pm	Grand Revels at Momma's Place				
7:30 pm	The Foxy Bard at Momma's Place				
8:00 pm	HVBRIS at the Tournament Field				
8:30 pm	Fire Improv Show of Doom at the Tournament Field *				

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sunday, July 9th

	<u> </u>	emerald	tournament field	S dragon	flyppin', Byrð
11:00 am	Call of the Vanguard Scene 1: The Shire of Anleigh Opens To Our Worldly Visitors				
11:15 AM	Strangelove Sideshow Spectacular	Minstrel Dave & The Songbird	Call of the Vanguard Scene 2		
12:00 pm	Daniel GreenWolf	The Voices	The Pleiades Dance Show	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Captain
12:45 pm	The Foxy Bard	Call of the Vanguard Scene 3	Phoenix Swords 💥	Thyme Awaye	The Harlot Queens
1:30 pm		Captain 5 Tactless 7		Minstrel Dave & The Songbird	The Sasanach
2:15 pm	Taliesin Phoenix Storyteller Extraordinaire	Daniel GreenWolf	The Pleiades Dance Show	Call of the Vanguard Scene 4	The Foxy Bard 🎜
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5:15 pm	The Sasanach	The Foxy Bard	Phoenix Swords 💥	Strangelove X Sideshow Spectacular	The Harlot Queens
5:45 pm			Call of the Vanguard Scene 6		
6:00 pm	Grand Revels at Momma's Place				17

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