



INCLUSION FESTIVAL



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WHAT IS “IF”

HELD DURING DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH, THE INCLUSION FESTIVAL PLACES ACCESSIBILITY, EQUITY, AND BELONGING AT THE FOREFRONT OF A JOYFUL COMMUNITY GATHERING. THIS FREE, FAMILY-FRIENDLY CELEBRATION HONORS DISABILITY PRIDE, DIVERSE ABILITIES, AND THE LIVED EXPERIENCES OF DISABLED PEOPLE ACROSS OUR COMMUNITY. HOSTED BY WHATCOM CENTER FOR EARLY LEARNING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LOCAL AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, THE FESTIVAL IS INTENTIONALLY DESIGNED SO PEOPLE OF ALL ABILITIES CAN PARTICIPATE FULLY AND COMFORTABLY. THROUGH INCLUSIVE ACTIVITIES, PLAY, LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES, AND MEANINGFUL CONNECTION, THE INCLUSION FESTIVAL INVITES RESIDENTS AND VISITORS ALIKE TO COME AS THEY ARE, TO CONNECT, EXPLORE, AND CELEBRATE A COMMUNITY WHERE EVERYONE BELONGS.

WHEN & WHERE

SUNDAY, JULY 26TH 2026

9 AM - 6 PM ZUANICH POINT PARK, BELLINGHAM

SCHEDULE

9:00AM WALK-N-ROLL-ATHON WITH CASCADE CONNECTIONS CHECK-IN OPENS

10:00AM WALK-N-ROLL-ATHON BEGINS (ACCESSIBLE ROUTES)

10:00AM – 1:00PM TEAM PRIDE STATION & POSTER CREATION

FESTIVAL OPEN: 11:00AM – 6:00PM

CRAFT VENDOR BOOTHS

INTERACTIVE ART & SENSORY SPACES

· FOOD TRUCKS

· RESOURCE FAIR: NONPROFIT & SERVICE BOOTHS

· ALL-AGES INCLUSIVE GAME ZONE

· CORNHOLE WITH UPPER LEFT CORNHOLE

· SILENT DISCO WITH DANA CARR OF MAX HIGBEE

· FOAM PARTY WITH NW FOAM FACTORY

· LEGO & DUPLO BUILDING WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

· QUIET ZONE

LIVE MUSIC!

LIVE MUSIC FROM

SPACEBAND

MARLA HOOGH

OUT OF THE ASHES

GET INVOLVED

THE INCLUSION FESTIVAL THRIVES ON THE ENERGY AND SUPPORT OF VENDORS,
EVENT PARTNERS, SPONSORS, AND VOLUNTEERS.

LOCAL BUSINESSES, WHETHER FOOD, CRAFT, CORPORATE, OR DISABILITY-LED, CAN APPLY TO JOIN AS
VENDORS AND SHOWCASE THEIR SERVICES OR OFFERINGS IN THE ACCESSIBLE FISHERMAN'S
PAVILION; SPACES ARE LIMITED, SO EARLY APPLICATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED.

NONPROFITS READY TO BRING INTERACTIVE, INCLUSIVE PROGRAMMING TO THE COMMUNITY CAN
APPLY AS EVENT PARTNERS, RECEIVING A COMPLIMENTARY BOOTH SPACE IN EXCHANGE FOR
HOSTING A HANDS-ON ACTIVITY.

GET INVOLVED

ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS PASSIONATE ABOUT ADVANCING EQUITY AND CONNECTION ARE ALSO INVITED TO SPONSOR THE FESTIVAL, SUPPORT THAT ENSURES THE EVENT REMAINS FREE, ACCESSIBLE, AND BRIMMING WITH ART, MUSIC, AND JOYFUL CELEBRATION.

FINALLY, VOLUNTEERS ARE WELCOME TO LEND A HAND ON EVENT DAY, SUPPORTING ACCESSIBILITY INITIATIVES, GUIDING PARTICIPANTS, OR STAFFING BOOTHS, TO HELP EVERY GUEST PARTICIPATE FULLY AND COMFORTABLY. TO APPLY OR LEARN MORE, VISIT THE “GET INVOLVED” SECTION AT

[WCEL.NET/INCLUSIONFESTIVAL](https://wcel.net/inclusionfestival).