

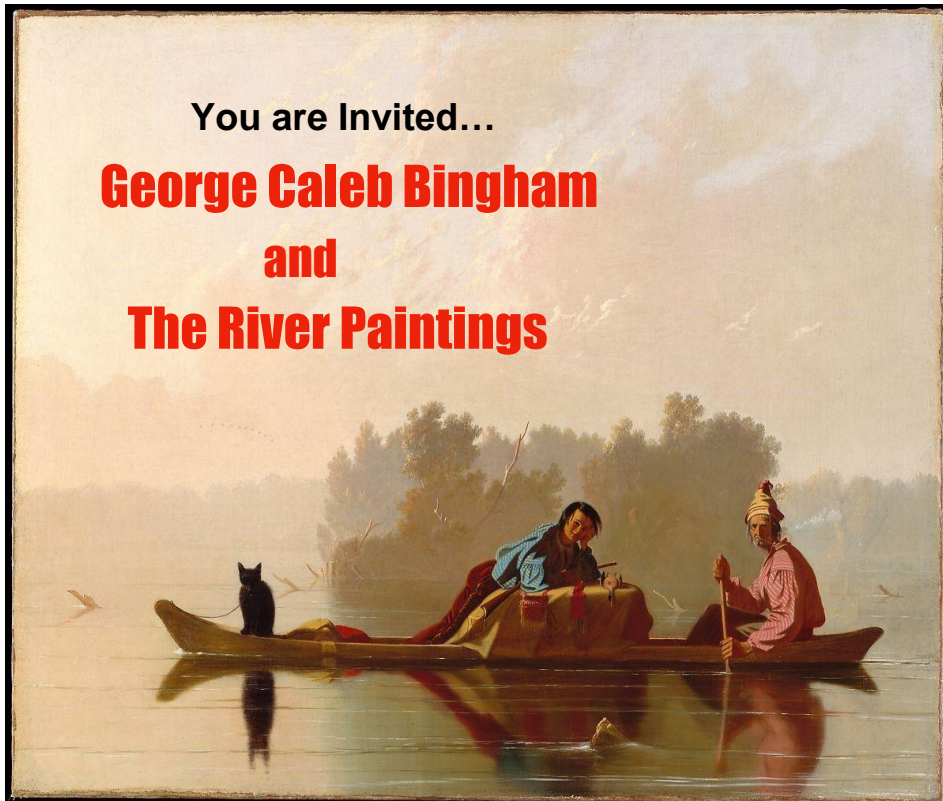


# Grafton Riverbeat

## July Events, News & Things to do

You are Invited...

### **George Caleb Bingham and The River Paintings**



Fur Traders Descending the Missouri, 1845, Metropolitan Museum, New York

In the mid-nineteenth century, Missouri artist George Caleb Bingham (1811-1879) earned a national reputation for paintings that defined the American frontier for curious eastern audiences. His images focusing on life along the Missouri and Mississippi Rivers underscored the unique economic significance of these great waterways in America's western expansion. Today, several of Bingham's River scenes rank among American art's most cherished masterpieces. Dee's program tells the story behind the creation and importance of these paintings both as iconic artworks and as unique historical records.

**If you're interested in regional history, don't miss this special event at the Grafton Visitor Center.**

### **A Slide-illustrated Program on "The River Paintings"**

**by Art Historian Dee Kilgo, Ph.D.**

**Friday, July 22 7:00 - 8:00 pm - Free Admission**

Refreshments following program

Seating limited (come early, stay late)

**Hosted by Grafton Tourism/Marketing Committee**

Meeting Room, Grafton Visitor Center, 950 East Main St., Grafton, IL

# Happenings along the River

## Things to Do

**GRAFTON  
FIREWORKS  
July 2, 9:15**

**Grafton Sky Tour:** Monday-Sunday 11:30 am-7pm

**Grafton Zip Line:** Open 7 days a week. 14 West Main St. Call 786-9477 for information.

**Grafton Visitor Center & Museum:** George Caleb Bingham River Paintings Friday July 22 7-8pm. Regular Hours: Thursday-Sunday 10am-4pm and Monday Holidays.

**Grafton Harbor Boat Cruises:** Starting in April. For complete list & reservations go to [www.graftonharbor.com](http://www.graftonharbor.com) or call 618-786-7678. Reservations recommended for Specialty Cruises.

**Raging Rivers Waterpark:** Open 10am-5pm Monday-Thursday, 10am-6pm Friday, Saturday & Sunday.

**Riverside Flea Market at the Loading Dock:** April-October 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month from 9am to 5pm.

**Sunset at The Grafton Winery Vineyards:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. Call 618-786-3001 for more info.

**Pere Marquette State Park:** Goat Yoga Sunday June 17, 9:30 and 11am (advance tickets only). **Dinner with Elvis** Friday, July 22, 6:30pm (reservations required). Hiking, bird watching, scenic overlooks, bike rental and horseback riding. Educational Visitors Center located across from Lodge. Call 618-786-233 for more information on events.



**Shrimp  
Festival July  
23rd & 24th**



The new owners of Grafton Fudge & Ice Cream have quite the sense of humor (couldn't resist sharing this)

<http://www.graftonilchamber.com>

<http://www.enjoygrafton.com>

**Dee's RIVERSIDE**  
Entertainment Retreat

## Dee's Summer Concert Series

July 3, 2022

**Jeannette McNeil Adams, Antwoinette "Pig" Harris, CJay Conrad, Featuring Greg "G-Funk" Lewis and the Avengers**

July 17, 2022

**Flirt with No ID**

July 31, 2022

**Ife Jacobs & Eklektik Soul**

August 14, 2022

**Coleman Hughes Project**

August 28, 2022

**Cheryl Carter and the Groov-Junkeez**

Gates open at 6:00 PM  
with the sounds of DJ 705  
Bands play at 7:00 PM

Ticket: \$20/25 at the door  
[www.deesriversideretreat.com](http://www.deesriversideretreat.com)  
1446 W. Main St. Grafton, IL 62037



## Shopping\*

**Aeries Gift Shop 600 Timber Ridge Dr:** Open Daily 12 - 5pm.

**Cox's Rivertown Mill Art & Gifts 115 W Washington:** Call for hours 812-994-9007.

**Golden Eagle Antiques 300 E Main:** Saturday 10am-4pm, Sunday 1pm-4pm.

**Grafton BP Station 200 E Main:** Open Daily.

**Grafton Fudge Shop 321 E Main:** Open 11am-5pm.

**Grafton Graphix, Darts & Crafts 1406 W Main:** Open 10am-6pm Daily.

**Grafton Harbor Marina Shop 215 W Water St:** Open Daily.

**Grafton Market 1415 W Main:** Open 6am-8pm daily. Call 786-2337 for information.

**Grafton Winery Shop 300 W Main:** Daily from 11am-7pm.

**Hideaway Farms Market 1 East Main:** Open daily from 10am-5pm.

**Harrisons Gifts 224 E Main:** Open weekdays 11am - 4pm, weekends 10am-5pm.

**Knotty By Nature 15 E Main:** Daily from 10am-6pm.

**Lighthouse Nutrition 218 E Main:** Open 10am - 4pm Wednesday-Sunday. Nutrition products, Meal Shakes, coffee, and healthy drinks. Gift shop opening soon in building next door (hours TBD).

**Lightkeepers Coffee, Antiques & Arts 101 E Main St.** Open Saturday and Sunday, coffee counter 8am-12pm, art shop open 8am-4pm.

**Mosby Woodwork 309 Market St:** Call for information on hours 786-2223.

**Fancy Nancy on Main 307 E Main:** Hours vary; Look for the Cardinals and Open flag.

**Pajarito 316 E Main:** Open 11am-5pm Daily.

**Riverbank Gifts 225 E Main:** Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 11am-5pm.

**The Lady LaMarsh 25 E Main:** Weekends 10am-4pm or by chance.

**The Wood Artisan 22 E Main:** Tue-Sat 10am-4pm, Sun 1-4pm.

**Wild n' Crazy 301 E Main:** Open on weekends.



## Christmas in July Craft Show

July 22<sup>nd</sup> through July 24<sup>th</sup>

Cox's Rivertown Mill

115 W. Washington St.

At the back of the Skytour parking lot



\*Although the shops in town try to keep regular hours sometimes the hours may vary due to unforeseen circumstances.

# Music Scene

## **Aerie's Winery & Terrace:**

**July 1** Denver Wade Trent 3-7pm.  
**July 2** Jim on Keys 12-3pm/ Jonathan Baker 3-7pm.  
**July 3** Roaming Home 1-5pm. **July 8** Jim on Keys 3-7pm.  
**July 9** Dan Sproat 12-3pm/John Jarrett Littlefield 3-7pm.  
**July 10** Jim and Carl 1-5pm. **July 15** Dan Sproat 3-7pm.  
**July 16** Jason Michael Cole 12-3pm/ Jonathan Baker 3-7pm.  
**July 17** Graham Pagano 1-5pm. **July 22** Bob Gilda 3-7pm.  
**July 23** Dan Sproat 12-3pm/Curt Copeland Duo 3-7pm.  
**July 24** Mesa Blues 1-5pm. **July 29** Rick Schroeder 3-7pm.  
**July 30** Jim on Keys 12-3pm/Left-Handed Cowboy 3-7pm.  
**July 31** Jonathan Baker 1-5pm.

## **The Bloody Bucket Saloon: Live Music every weekend**

**July 1** Wade Trent 8-11pm. **July 2** Dave Caputo 8-11pm.  
**July 3** Bob Gleason 3-6pm. **July 4** Jim Bergman 2-5pm.  
**July 8** Jake Weber & The Lonesome Drifters 8-11pm.  
**July 9** Matt Taul 8-11pm. **July 10** Jay & Waylon 2-5pm.  
**July 15** Jim Bergman 8-11pm. **July 16** Catfish Willie 8-11pm. **July 17** Wade Trent 2-5pm.  
**July 22** Bob Gleason 8-11pm. **July 23** Jake Weber & the Drifters 8-11pm. **July 24** TBD 2-5pm.  
**July 29** Catfish Willie 8-11pm. **July 30** TBD 8-11pm.  
**July 31** Bob Gleason 2-5pm.

## **Grafton Winery:**

**July 2** Ivas John 3-7pm. **July 3** Overhead Dog 2-6pm.  
**July 9** Rogers & Neinhaus 3-7pm. **July 10** Tragg Band 2-6pm.  
**July 16** Terry Beck 3-7pm. **July 17** NGK Band 2-6pm.  
**July 23** Synergie 3-7pm. **July 24** Rockabilly Revival 2-6pm.  
**July 30** String and Keys 3-7pm. **July 31** Scott & Karl 2-6pm.

**Grafton's Music in The Park Live Music every Thursday night from 7-9pm at The Grove Memorial Park thru August 11, Rain makeup date August 18 & 25.**

## **Grafton Oyster Bar:**

**July 2** Worth the Fight 7pm. **July 3** Exit 52 7pm. **July 9** Backwoods Burden 7pm. **July 16** Outlaw Opry 7pm. **July 23** TBD 7pm. **July 30** Exit 52 7pm.

## **Grafton Pub:**

**July 1** Claudia 7-10pm.  
**July 2** Backwoods Burden 2-6pm/Roaming Home 7-11pm.  
**July 3** PB & J 2-6pm/Gator Head 7-11pm.  
**July 5** Roaming Home 5-9pm.  
**July 8** Backwoods Duece 7-11pm.  
**July 9** Hookie 2-6pm/Vintage Brotherhood 7-11pm.  
**July 10** Rick Schroeder 2-6pm. **July 12** PB & J 5-9pm.  
**July 15** Steve & Jackie 7-11pm.  
**July 16** Worth the Fight 2-6pm/Midwest Ave 7-11pm.  
**July 17** Town Cryers 2-6pm. **July 19** Steve Mellas 5-9pm.  
**July 22** Two the Hard Way 6-10pm.  
**July 23** Backwoods Burden 2-6pm/Exit 52 7-11pm.  
**July 24** Kevin Gruen 2-6pm. **July 26** Backwoods Duece 5-9pm.  
**July 29** PB& J 7-11pm.  
**July 30** Doublewide Duo 2-6pm/After Midnight 7-11pm.  
**July 31** TBD 2-6pm.

## **The Loading Dock:**

**July 1** Dave Caputo 5pm. **July 2** Soulard Blues Band 5pm.  
**July 3** Trilogy 3pm. **July 4** Yacht Rockers 2pm.  
**July 8** Scott & Karl 6pm. **July 9** TBD 5pm.  
**July 10** The Truckers 3pm. **July 15** Soulard Blues Band 5pm.  
**July 16** Tanglefoot 5pm. **July 17** The Owlz 3pm.  
**July 22** Scott & Karl 6pm. **July 23** Soulard Blues Band 5pm.  
**July 24** Trilogy 3pm.  
**July 29** TBD 5pm/ **July 30** Robert Perry Band 5pm.  
**July 31** TBD 3pm.

## **The Hawg Pit: Live Music every Friday, Saturday & Sunday. Call 618-786-7675 for more info.**

**July 1** Steve & Jackie 7pm  
**July 2** Jake Weber & the Lonesome Drifters 2-6/Jeremiah Johnson 7-11pm. **July 3** TBD.  
**July 4** Vintage Brotherhood 2-6pm.  
**July 23** Big Deal Band 2-6pm.  
**July 30** Hat Trick 2-6pm.  
**July 31** Kickstart 2-6pm.