

# STARWOOD ON STAGE

## TUESDAY

Eve: Kenny Klein & Odd’s Bodkin

## WEDNESDAY

Eve: JiMiller Band  
Sikiru Adepoju & Heart Beat

## THURSDAY

Lunch: Josh Sherman - BioRhythmia  
Eve: Halloween in July Bardic Stage  
– M.C. Victoria Ganger  
Witch Disco  
Late: Rumble in the Jungle

## FRIDAY

Lunch: Awen and Revel  
Eve: Alex Bevan  
Raquy and the Cavemen  
Late: Pyrosonic Island Show - *Pyrotopia*

## SATURDAY

Lunch: Kids Concert  
Eve: The Rainforest Band –  
Merl Saunders Tribute  
Late: The Bonfire

# MIDNIGHT CEREMONIES

Wed.: Ar nDraiocht Fein – Blessing Rite  
Thurs: Ronn Walks With Fire & Raven  
– The Midnight of Your Soul  
Fri: Jason Mankey  
– Dionysus Ritual

## AND IN THE BACK FIELD..

In addition to their contribution of community based puppetry which is more dazzling every year, Waking Dream will also sponsor the Waking Dream Interactive Multimedia Dome, a high tech interactive performance environment.

## PUFFERDOME MIDNIGHTS

Rising from the Earth like Gaia’s glowing nipple, the Pufferdome is our unique late night club and performance space.

Wed.: Comic Book Film Festival  
Thurs.: Josh Sherman – BioRhythmia  
Fri: Kari C. Tauring & Drew Miller  
– Volva Songs

## AND DON’T MISS...

Rumble in the Jungle Dance  
– Party at Tranquility Base  
Kid’s Fire w/ music & stories  
Kids’ Giant Puppet Parade  
The Faerie Woods Tea Party

**Unpreventable Presenter/Performer  
changes CAN happen.  
For speaker and presenter updates,  
surf on by rosencomet.com**

*WinterStar* **27**  
Atwood Lake Lodge  
February 2010

Check rosencomet.com for details

A.C.E. will be videotaping some selected presentations for our archives. These tapings will include only the presentation, not the attendees. This does not relax our long-standing policy banning any photography without the knowledge and consent of those photographed.

# MERCHANT INFO

To help out in this poor economy, we are WAIVING the Merchant’s fee for the standard space this year. Our merchant spaces are up to 20’ x 20’ this year, including parking! Additional spaces are \$50 each. Spaces are not guaranteed; first come first served, at Brushwood’s discretion.

All merchants must be paid attendees of the Starwood Festival and display their Starwood Merchant License plainly at all times.

Most vendors set up along main field center roads; this is not required. No indoor space is available. Though parking is free, please park onsite ONLY if you camp in or MUST store merchandise inside. Get onsite parking pass at gate; vehicle may not be moved until event ends. Food vendors are not being accepted.

Brushwood offers limited electricity at a per day fee; contact them directly. Brushwood requires all merchants to affix a fire extinguisher to the front of their booth accessible to anyone in case of an emergency.

A.C.E., LLC and Brushwood require that all merchants have a New York State Sales Tax number. For online permitting, licensing, and State of New York Tax info, check “Merchant’s Info” on the Starwood 28 website. Brushwood requires merchants to carry liability insurance.

# WORK DONATION

We ask that all attendees donate a minimum of 2 work hours to help the festival run smoothly, and promote a sense of community. It’s vital to an event of this scope.

# STARWOOD RADIO

Bring your radio! Located at 88.3FM Starwood Radio broadcasts daily from 9am to 9pm during Starwood. Our primary mission is to provide information, news, announcements, workshop schedule updates, and weather EVERY FIFTEEN MINUTES during your Starwood day. In between those breaks you’ll hear the broadest and most eclectic mix of music and mayhem on any radio waves you care to sail. Our radio pirates spin music from the 1400s thru tomorrow including your favorite pagan cuts, along with comedy, live interviews/sets with musical guests, bits from our roaming pirate reporters and spontaneous wackiness. Yarrrr matey, welcome aboard...

# NEXT GENERATION

We’ve planned a full schedule of fun for our young people, including Co-Op Child Care (ages 18 mo.- 6 yrs), Kid Village (7-12 yrs), and Young Adults (13-17 yrs), with classes, rituals, a Giant Puppet Parade (bring costumes or supplies if you like), and a Kid’s Bonfire with storytelling, drumming, dancing and more! Those with talents in these areas, please contact:

Child Care  
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Kid Village  
A.J. Gooch: nialofbork@hotmail.com  
Young Adults  
Bonnie Rovics: zenmassage@gmail.com

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# STARWOOD XXIX REGISTRATION

Please use a separate form for each person registering. Copy this form if necessary.  
Make checks or money orders payable to A.C.E., LLC (U.S. Funds ONLY) - Please Print Legibly  
DO NOT mail registration forms after **July 6, 2009**. After that date you must pay at the door.  
You may also register online at: [www.rosencomet.com](http://www.rosencomet.com)

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone: Day ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ (Date of birth, if minor\*) \_\_\_\_\_

## PRICES

A.C.E. Annual Membership (New members check here _____)	\$65 _____
Members	postmarked on or by July 6, 2009 _____ \$155 _____
	At the door (Cash or Money Order only) _____ \$195 _____
Non-Members	postmarked on or by July 6, 2009 _____ \$195 _____
	At the door (Cash or Money Order only) _____ \$235 _____
Child (6-17)	Minors must be accompanied by parent or legal guardian _____ \$75 _____
No Merchant Fee this year! Fill in below and your name will be listed in the program for no charge.	
Merchant (Business) Name: _____	
Ad or coupon space in the Starwood Tour Guide (approx. 50-page catalog with a print run of 2,000)	
Ad Sizes:	Quarter Page (3.75"x2.5") or Business Card (3.5"x2"): _____ \$70 _____
	Half (3.75"x5"): _____ \$100 _____
	Full (5"x8"): _____ \$160 _____

## SPECIAL WORKSHOPS/SEMINAR FEES

Drum Making & Repair Workshops:  
Contact Alex & Joy Wedmedyk by July 1st at 330-273-6260 for workshop & materials fees.  
TOTAL ENCLOSED for Starwood XXIX \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
You may now pay with either VISA or MasterCard. Please fill out the following information or charge by phone by calling the numbers below. Specify which card (circle logo)

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# ABOUT THE SITE

Brushwood Folklore Center, our festival site, is 180 acres of majestic woodlands and rolling meadows, with a large pond that has a center island. In addition to the beautiful pool pavilion with its spacious hot tub and hot showers, “Downtown Brushwood” includes merchants galore, a 16 hour food court, a mini hardware store, and other structures. More hot showers and flush toilets at the Bath House add to our comfort. Recycling is difficult way out in the country, so please PACK GREEN as much as possible.

This is a semi-developed camping facility (no RV hook-ups). Sorry, NO DOGS allowed at Starwood; NO FIREWORKS, either. Bring safe lighting sources and grills or campstoves if you plan to cook. Although the water is quite drinkable, please bring drinking water to ease strain on the resources. There are many wooded areas for shady camping, but the windy field requires sturdy camping equipment. July nights in New York State are often cold! Bring warm clothing and extra blankets (seriously). Days are glorious, and Brushwood is a clothing-optional site EXCEPT in areas directly visible from the road or where signs indicate.

Admissions will be closed each night between 12 AM and 9 AM. Plan to arrive outside these hours. There will be no exceptions. Brushwood has asked us to inform you that attendees arriving or remaining on the premises outside of the Starwood contracted hours of 9:00 AM Tuesday through 3:00 PM Sunday, will be charged the prevailing Brushwood camping rate.

Our parking area is located at the front of the site. Vehicles must be parked there once unloaded. If your vehicle absolutely must stay on site, special arrangements MUST be made with Brushwood when you check in, and they will charge a \$20 fee. For your privacy and security, you must sign a waiver and receive your Starwood I.D. to wear throughout the event.

# DIRECTIONS

**Directions to Sherman:** Find Sherman, NY on a NY map. It’s on I-86, West of Chataauqua Lake in the southwestern part of the state.

**From NW, SW, W:** Take 90 East past Erie, PA. Then, take 430 East (Exit 32) or I-86 East (Exit 37) to Sherman, NY (~ 17 mi.).

**From SE, E:** Take I-86 West through Jamestown to Sherman.  
**From NE, N:** Take 90 West to Westfield. Use 60 & go South on 394 to Mayville (about 7 mi.). At light, turn right (West) on 430 & take into Sherman.

**Sherman to Brushwood:**  
Sherman’s only one block long (Main St. = 430). Go to West end of Main (Ford dealer on corner) and turn South onto Co. Rd. 15 (Hart Street). Stay on 15 for 3 mi. to first 4-way intersection, which is Bailey Hill Road. Turn right (West) on Bailey Hill & go 1 mile. Brushwood is on the left with a sign. If you get lost you can call Brushwood at (716) 761-6750. For any other purpose call A.C.E. at (216) 932-5421.





The **Starwood Festival** is a six-day camping event with costume parades, jam sessions, merchants, parties, all-night drumming, and over 15 performances of music, dance and theatre. It's a Multiversity featuring over 150 classes, workshops and ceremonies offered by teachers from many fields, disciplines, traditions and cultures, on a clothing-optional campground with tenting and hiking, a pool and a hot-tub, a food court, co-op child care, a kid village, multimedia shows, and a huge **Saturday Night Bonfire!**

We are very pleased to announce this year's program, with some history-making events, the return of some favorite artists and speakers, and some fresh new items. First, in a tribute to our old friend **Merl Saunders** who departed this year, we present the re-launch of **The Rainforest Band!** Featuring Merl's son **Tony Saunders**, guitarist **Michael Hinton**, several veterans of Merl Saunders' many bands, and some special guests, this will be their first-ever appearance anywhere since Starwood 2000! Also, we present the debut of **Sikiru Adepoju & Heart Beat**, featuring the Grammy-award winning artist Mickey Hart calls "the Mozart of the Talking Drum". **Raquy & the Cavemen** will bring their hot Middle-Eastern rhythms to our stage, and Tony, Muruga, Raquy and Sikiru will all offer workshops.

But there's more! **The JiMiller Band**, featuring the lead guitarist of the old Starwood favorite **Oroboros** will be there, along with Great Lakes Bard **Alex Bevan**, and **Kenny Klein**'s Celtic/Gypsy group **Odd's Bodkin**. Giant puppeteers **Waking Dream** will offer an interactive multimedia dome for nightly festivities, and **Pyrosonic** will ignite Brushwood Island with ***Pyrotopia!*** Plus, the Chameleon-based groups **Awen & Revel**, and **Bob Mozik & Ron Slabe**'s latest project **Witch Disco**.

We also have some amazing speakers to tell you about. We welcome biographer and underground comic writer **Harvey Pekar**, star of his own series ***American Splendor***. Fantasy novelist and priestess **Diana L. Paxson** returns, and Egyptian composer **Halim El-Dabh**, and we're psyched to bring you **Dr. Daniel Kriegman**, co-founder of the open-source spirituality project **Yoism**. Plus authors **Tony Mierzwicki**, **Phillip H. Farber**, **Ian Corrigan**, **Elie Sheva**, and the irreverent SubGenius **Reverend Ivan Stang!**

And for kids (of all ages) **Oberon Zell-Ravenheart** will organize a four-day series of elemental workshops leading to a certificate from the **Grey School of Wizardry**. **Sikiru Adepoju** and **Val Serrant** will lead a percussion class for kids, and there will be a **Kids Concert** on Saturday featuring some of our headline performers, followed by the phantasmagorical **Waking Dream Puppet Parade** and our incredible **Bonfire!** This has got to be the most exciting Starwood program ever!

## RHYTHM, MUSIC & MOVEMENT

A terrific selection of instructors awaits you, including some of our best stage performers!	
SIKIRU ADEPOJU – African Percussionist	TONY SAUNDERS – Playin' with Merl & Jerry
RAQUY DANZIGER – Dumbek & Kemenche	SUE BALASCHAK – Hand Drumming
JIM BARLEYCORN BREWSTER – Bardo Brothers	HALIM EL-DABH - Egyptian Composer & Drummer
DENIZENS of the DIDGEDOME – Didgeridoo	ARI MANKEY – Middle Eastern Dance
FELICIA MALACHITE – Belly Dance	ELIZABETH MUISE – Tribal Fusion Bellydance
JOSH SHERMAN – BioRhythmia	SUE BALASCHAK & ALYSSA YEAGER –Drumming
DREW MILLER – Celtic Music	DOUGLAS “VAL” SERRANT – Steel Drum & Djembe

## NEW FRONTIERS

HARVEY PEKAR – <i>American Splendor</i>	PHILIP FARBER – <i>FutureRitual</i>
HEATHER KYLE – Ecology & Bio-Medical Ethics	MICHAEL HINTON – Plants of Power
REV. IVAN STANG – SubGenius Sacred Scribe	PRIESTESS RHIANNON RENEE – Meditation
ALLEN WASHINGTON – Power of Intention	DR. DANIEL KRIEGMAN – Yoism
HARVEY WASSERMAN – Politics & the Environment	

## MAGIC & SPIRIT

OBERON ZELL-RAVENHEART – Church of All Worlds & Grey School of Wizardry	ISAAC BONEWITS – <i>Real Magic</i>
REV. SKIP ELLISON – Ar nDraiocht Fein Archdruid	ELI SHEVA – Am HaAretz
KENNY KLEIN – <i>The Flowering Rod</i>	REV. JESSIE “MEDB” OLSON – Persian Paganism
BERNADETTE MONTANA – Tarot	JONATHAN DICKAU – Making Time for Love
DIANA L. PAXSON – Asatru	IAN CORRIGAN – <i>Sacred Fire, Holy Well</i>
BETH FOX EBERT – Chakras	JASON MANKEY – Gods & Goddesses
LIAFAL – Stone Creed Grove	KARI C. TAURING – Volva Songs
PATRICIA TELESKO – Wicca & Magic	TOM SWISS – Zen Paganism
JOY WEDMEDYK – Santeria	GENE & LINDA ROWAND – Sweat Lodge
KIRK ANDREW EVERIST – Polyamory	
RONN WALKS WITH FIRE & RAVEN – Hawaiian & Micronesian Spirituality	
TONY & JO-ANN BYERS MIERZWICKI – Graeco-Egyptian Magick	

## WELLNESS & HEALING

BILLY WOODS – Qi Gung	CATRICE MORNING BIRD THORNTON – Polyamory
ANDY ALPHONSE – Hatha & Kundalini Yoga	REBECCA CRYSTAL – Healing Circles
PAUL RAVENSCRAFT – Massage	KATE KELLY – Attention Deficit Disorder
ROSA CASTRO – Healing	SUE YARNES – Reiki

## CRAFT & CREATIVITY

DENITA BENYSHEK – Shamanism & Art	A.J. GOOCH – Brewing
PAUL DUNKIRK-GREENBAUM – Fire/Poi Safety	DOUGLAS MICHAEL SCHELL – Juggling
ELSPETH OF HAVEN – Wisdom Stories	AMY CASTNER – Pysanki
TARYN BARNETT – Spinning & Weaving	ALEX WEDMEDYK – Drum Making
WAKING DREAM – Puppetry & Puppet Construction	





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featuring Tony Saunders

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