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Ocean View Beach Park Hosts New Events this Season!

The Virginia Symphony Orchestra Memorial Day Concert & the 1st Brews on the Bay Craft Beer Festival

Norfolk, Virginia (April 28, 2016) Norfolk Festevents and the City of Norfolk announces The **Virginia Symphony Orchestra** will perform for the first time in Ocean View Beach Park for a free performance Sunday, May 29, 2016 as part of the Memorial Day weekend. Mid -summer, Festevents launches the 1st **"Brews on the Bay"** Craft Beer Festival in conjunction with the Friday, July 22, 2016 **TGOV**. This Friday night thirst quencher is paired perfectly with the popular sounds of **The Deloreans**. Guests may sample a variety of more than 30 craft beers while dancing to the sounds of the 80's or just relaxing by the Bay. Beer sampling tickets will be available for purchase on site. Admission to **Brews on the Bay** is free and open to the public.

"Thanks to suggestions from residents, we added two great events to this season's line-up at Ocean View Beach Park – a concert by the Virginia Symphony and Ocean View's first craft brew festival," said Councilman Thomas "Tommy" Smigiel, "We welcome everyone to come out and enjoy the summer with us at Norfolk's only beach-front community."

The **Big Bands on the Bay** tradition will resume Sunday, June 5 and continue every Sunday, 7 pm – 9 pm through Labor Day Sunday. Guests will enjoy this long running summer tradition of Big Band Music that spans the ages with live performances from local bands for the **Big Bands on the Bay Concert Series**. Take in this sunset celebration while dancing beneath the iconic Ocean View Beach Park Gazebo at Hampton Roads' only outdoor, open air, genuine, big band music and dancing concert series. There is no better way to kick off the summer than enjoying the relaxing sounds of big bands with the cool bay breeze at your back. Concerts are free and open to the public.

The **"Thank Goodness it's Ocean View" Concert Series** is back and better than ever in 2016! With a format of popular local variety dance party bands and beach music bands, the **T.G.O.V. Concert Series** is sure to keep summer nights hot! This high energy concert series kicks off Friday, July 1, 2016 with the **Shore Thing Independence Day Celebration** featuring an explosive fireworks show over the Chesapeake Bay at 9:30pm in addition to live music by **Mark Roberts and The Breeze.** The fun keeps coming with concerts through the season every Friday night on the water from **6pm - 9:30** through August 19. Each evening will feature Children's Activities, food and cold beverages for purchase, as well as live music. All events are free and open to the public.

See below for the full schedule of concert dates and performers. Events are subject to delay and/or cancellation in the event of adverse weather conditions.



Thank Goodness it's Ocean View

July 1 - Shore Thing July 4 th Weekend	July 8	July 15	July 22 "Brews on the Bay"	July 29
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Mark Roberts & the Breeze	The Tidewater Drive Band	PowerPlay	The Deloreans	The Janitors
markrobertsmusic.com	www.twdband.com	powerplaybandva.com	www.thedeloreans.com	www.thejanitors.com
	August 5	August 12	August 19	
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	jandtheband.com	strictlybizznessband.com	www.billdealsband.com	

Big Bands on The Bay (BBOB) kicks off on Sunday, May 29th and continues every Sunday from **7:00-9:00pm** through Labor Day. The events are FREE and Open To The Public.

Big Bands On The Bay



June 5



Virginia Symphony Orchestra VirginiaSymphony.org



The Terry Chesson Orchestra



June 12

Glen Boswick and the Sounds of Swing www.glenboswick.com



June 19

The Khedive Notables Dance Band www.khediveshrine.org





The Top Hats Orchestra www.tophatmusic.com





In the event of inclement weather please visit **festevents.org** to check for event delays or cancellation. All schedules are subject to change.

Admission: FREE and open to the public for all events

Special Notes: Please bring a lawn chair or blanket for seating.

- * Food and drink will be available for purchase at TGOV Beach Music Concert Series.
- * Coolers, food and soft drinks are permitted at both events.
- * No alcohol or glass is permitted.

For more information about Ocean View Beach Park events and others please visit <u>www.festevents.org</u> or by calling 757.441.2345

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