City of Poulsbo



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Title: Poulsbo to Host "Steel Magic Northwest" FREE Concert

A unique musical ensemble is coming to Poulsbo to perform on June 28th at 5:30 PM at the Austin-Kvelistad Pavilion in Muriel Iverson Willams Waterfront Park. The Steel Dragons Steel Orchestra is a 32-piece steel band from the Seattle area and the intermediate ensemble of Steel Magic Northwest, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization founded and directed by steelpan/steelband specialist Gary Gibson. The concert is free and open to the public.

The Steel Dragons, will perform a varied repertoire of pop, samba, salsa, calypso and soca music, including songs from feature films and television, Stevie Wonder, Earth Wind & Fire, and calypso classics. This program provides something special for all ages and is family friendly.

The group is comprised of musicians ranging from 7th to 10th grade in the Edmonds and Kent areas, most of whom have been playing the steelpan since 5th or 6th grade, while climbing the ladder of ranked bands that the organization provides. "You'd have to travel several hours to find another group like ours, with bands large enough to sound full and orchestral," Gibson says. "Those who witness a good 30+ piece steel orchestra don't soon forget it."

Touring the Kitsap and Olympic Peninsulas, Steel Dragons last played in Poulsbo in 2022. https://www.steelmagicnorthwest.org/



For more information call Poulsbo Parks and Recreation at 360-779-9898.