

Inaugural Columbus Summer Wine Festival Coming to Columbus Commons Event looking to become premier celebration of Ohio Wines

Columbus, Ohio—April 17, 2018— MGNOW, the Columbus based event firm behind many of the areas award-winning festivals, and CD102.5, the region's largest independent radio station, are pleased to announce the inaugural Columbus Summer Wine Festival, taking place on Saturday, August 25 at the Columbus Commons. The event, designed to showcase Ohio wines, will benefit the children's' charity CD102.5 for the Kids.

The day-long celebration will also feature artisan exhibits, food trucks, specialty food items, and live musical entertainment. The event promises to provide a little bit of something for everyone in a location that is festival friendly.

"CD102.5 for the Kids is happy to be partnering with Mike [Gallicchio] and MGNow. Not only will the event assist in supporting a fantastic cause right here in central Ohio, but it will help support the Ohio wine industry by providing a new opportunity to feature the state's grape industry," stated Randy Malloy, chief executive officer of WWCD 102.5.

The Columbus Commons was chosen as the site for the inaugural event due to its location and ease of access for guests. "Having hosted a variety of events all over the city, we [Randy Malloy and Mike Gallicchio] felt The Columbus Commons is the best site for the festival. It offers plenty of parking, a large green space, an amphitheater for entertainment, and it's within walking distance to several residential areas as well as hotels," said Mike Gallicchio, president of MGNow.

Winery, vendor, and sponsor applications are now being accepted for the event. By the time the festival rolls out in August, over fifteen wineries, food trucks and 20 specialty artisans/vendors are expected. Attendance is projected at 6,000 guests.

Tickets for the event go on sale June 1st. Admission starts at \$25 and will include samplings, entertainment, and access to the festival grounds. Festival hours are Noon-10 PM. Guests must be 21 and over to participate in the samplings.

For more information about the event or to become a participating winery, vendor, or sponsor, please contact Mike Gallicchio at MGNow by email at mike@mikegallicchionow.com.

About CD102.5 for the Kids

CD102.5 for the Kids was designed as an avenue for WWCD 102.5 to be better utilize the power of the airwaves. Proceeds raised go to accredited organizations that provide support and assistance to children and families in the central Ohio area.

CD102.5 is locally owned and operated with a strong philanthropic philosophy of giving back to the community with the help of listeners, staff, and clients.

Social Media Handles: Website: cd102.5.com Twitter: @cd1025 Facebook: @cd102.5 Instagram: @cd1025FM

About Mike Gallicchio and MGNow!

MGNow! located in Columbus, Ohio, is one of the area's premier event firms. Led by event veteran, Mike Gallichio, the firm is responsible for some of the most notable events in the area including: The Columbus Food Truck Festival, The Ohio Bacon Festival, Park Street Festival and a host of other community based festivals.

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