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Oakland Uncorked to celebrate region's wines, food, craft beers and culture Tickets on sale now for this unique community event at the Oakland County Farmers Market

**WATERFORD, MI – July 24, 2024** – Celebrate Michigan's rich culture and bountiful harvest during Oakland Uncorked, an annual event that showcases the talents of local restaurants, wine distributors, craft beer brewers and artists. This year's event is scheduled from 7-10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 2 at the Oakland County Farmers Market, 2350 Pontiac Lake Road in Waterford.

"The farmers market offers a comfortable and relaxed setting for Oakland Uncorked, providing the perfect background showcasing the fabulous food, beverage and artisan offerings available locally and beyond," Oakland County Farmers Market Manager Brad Wethy, said. "It is an open-air venue with tables and seating options arranged to encourage conversation. We are pleased to host this event with the Waterford Area Chamber of Commerce."

Rustic Leaf Brewing Company will have craft beers for sampling and area restauranteurs, including Buffalo Wild Wings, Fork N' Pint, Greek Jalapeno, Irish Tavern, Red Wood Grill, Square One Eats & Treats and Via Bologna, will serve small plates of their signature dishes. Additional breweries and restaurants may be added closer to the event date.

Local distributors will pour their vineyards' finest wines for tasting, inviting guests to order their favorite wine selections for pick up at a later date.

The evening's music will be performed by Taylor DeRousse, a local Indie rock singer and songwriter. Local artisans will also display and sell their work and a silent auction is planned.

"Partnering with Oakland County Parks and the Oakland County Farmers Market is not only a great experience, but it provides the perfect ambiance for Oakland Uncorked," Nikki Tippett, executive director of the Waterford Area Chamber of Commerce, said. "Watching the market transform in the sunset while enjoying great food, wine and craft beers to the sounds of Taylor DeRousse will be an unforgettable experience the community won't want to miss."

The vineyard sponsor is Michigan United Credit Union. The entertainment sponsor is The Milner Agency Farm Bureau Insurance and the market sponsor is Fabulous Events. The tasting sponsor is Changing Places Moving and the artisan sponsors are 59 Party Rentals and LaundroLab Pontiac.

Cost is \$60/person and attendees must be 21 or older. Reservations are required as space is limited. Non-refundable tickets can be purchased at WaterfordChamber.org or by calling 248-666-8600.

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