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Port of Olympia Hosts August 8 Music in the Park Concert at Port Plaza

The Port of Olympia is proud to host the **Michael Powers Group** at Port Plaza on Budd Inlet Friday, August 8, at 7:00 p.m.

The free performance is part of the Music in the Park Summer Concert series brought to the community by the Olympia Downtown Association (ODA) and a number of community sponsors. This is the only concert of the season to be held at Port Plaza.

“Port Plaza is an ideal outdoor community performance venue, and we are excited to sponsor this event,” said Port Commission President Bill McGregor. “We invite everyone to bring their families and friends, take in the spectacular waterfront views and enjoy a great show.”

The Michael Powers Group, a blues/reggae/alternative band, has a sound that is rooted in the Jazz tradition, keeps pace stylistically with Pop and R&B, and is inspired by Blues. The Group’s powerful performances regularly command standing ovations.

“We are very pleased the Port is a partner for this special performance,” said Connie Lorenz, ODA Executive Director. “People who attend the concert at Port Plaza will have a great time.”

For further information, contact the Olympia Downtown Association at 360-357-8948 or go to www.downtownolympia.com.

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About the Port of Olympia

The southernmost deepwater port on Puget Sound, the Port of Olympia is Thurston County’s partner in economic opportunity. The Port owns and operates a diversified international shipping terminal, an established niche facility that handles a range of breakbulk and project cargoes. The Port also owns and operates a strategically located regional airport, a vibrant 656-slip recreational marina and boat haulout/repair facility, and a thriving real estate division. A community port, it generates an estimated 2,600 jobs in Thurston County and indirectly over 5,000 jobs in Washington State.