

WEATHER AT THE FOREFRONT

If you've spent any amount of time in the Flint Hills, you know that the weather is more than just a mere background element in the story—more often than not, it is the story. Three hundred and sixty-five days a year, the weather in this part of the world plays a critical role in both the health of the ecosystem and those who inhabit it. Everchanging, ever unpredictable, the weather in the Flint Hills can range from serene to severe, nourishing to neglectful and awe-inspiring to frightening all in one day.

It's for these reasons and more that we've made "Weather in the Flint Hills" the theme this year.

To carry out our theme, we're planning a full schedule of interesting weather-inspired talks and activities leading up to a sunset performance by the Kansas City Symphony and followed by stargazing, storytelling and song.

And, to make this year's theme more relevant, the event will take place at Irma's Pasture near Bazaar, Kansas — the same location of our 2019 Signature Event that was cancelled due to damage caused by a microburst. We are extremely grateful to the Joe Stout and Mike Stout families for hosting us again at this beautiful piece of land. We can't wait to finally share these rolling green hills with you.

"Storm, Night" by Kristin Goering



FROM THE BOARD CHAIR

Last year, my family and I were thrilled to host the Symphony in the Flint Hills Signature Event near Council Grove. The weather and the landscape were perfect as we gathered to appreciate nature, music, family, and friends. If you attended, thank you. If you could not attend last year, we hope to see you this year at Irma's Pasture on June 11 in Chase County.

Returning this year is BNSF Railway as Major Presenting Sponsor. We thank them for their unwavering support. The loyalty of our sponsors, patrons, volunteers, ticketholders, and the Evergy Green Team make this magnificent day possible for all prairie enthusiasts to enjoy.

Special thanks are extended to the Joe Stout and Mike Stout families, the 2022 landowners. The Stout families have deep roots in the Flint Hills and in the Bazaar township of Chase County. I admire their dedication to the land and the local community.

On behalf of all of us at Symphony in the Flint Hills, I invite you to join us on June 11, 2022, at our 17th annual Signature Event. A truly magical day is promised.

Julie Hower, Board Chair
Symphony in the Flint Hills



John, Ally, Hailey and Julie Hower

2022

PRAIRIE ART EXHIBIT AND AUCTION

Don't miss your chance to take home some amazing Flint Hills inspired art during the Prairie Art Exhibit and Auction. Bidding will take place online at kcauctioncompany.com Saturday, April 30 through Tuesday, June 14. The auction benefits the artists and is a fundraiser for Symphony in the Flint Hills.

The art will be on display at the Symphony in the Flint Hills Gallery, 331 Broadway, Cottonwood Falls, Kansas. Please join us for the opening on April 30 from 1 – 3 p.m. when we announce the 2022 winning entry and enjoy conversations with many of the artists. The art juror, Dr. Charity-Mika Woodard, serves on the board of the Kansas Art Education Association and is the Kansas 2021 Outstanding Higher Education Art Educator.



Steven Moser, "Prairie Storm Chargers"
Winner of the 2021 Prairie Art Exhibit

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BNSF Railway is once again honored to partner with Symphony in the Flint Hills in 2022. As Major Presenting Sponsor we look forward to sharing stories and experiences that center around weather in the Flint Hills. Like a mighty Kansas storm or a blue-sky day, BNSF is an enduring part of the Kansas Flint Hills and its economy. Our heritage is strong, and our commitment is true as we move towards the future together.

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Donors are essential to the sustained success of Symphony in the Flint Hills and our mission to *heighten appreciation and knowledge of the Flint Hills tallgrass prairie*. To the listed corporations, organizations, and individuals thank you for your generous support. If you would like to make a tax-deductible contribution, fill out the enclosed envelope and return by April 1 to be recognized in this year's Commemorative program.

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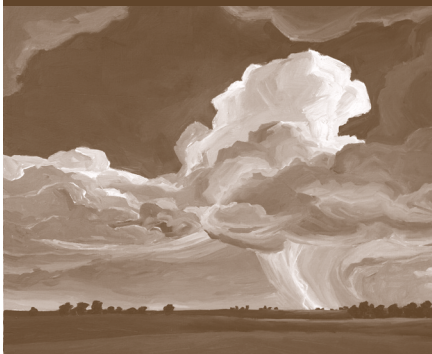
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2022 Event Information

Chase County - Irma's Pasture
Bazaar, Kansas

Saturday, June 11, 2022

Gates open at 1:00 p.m.

Rain Date: Sunday, June 12, 2022

The remote location of the site requires a substantial amount of walking on rocky, uneven dirt pathways. Please plan accordingly.

Ticket Information

Buy tickets online or by phone starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 5.

Adults: \$95 plus taxes and fees

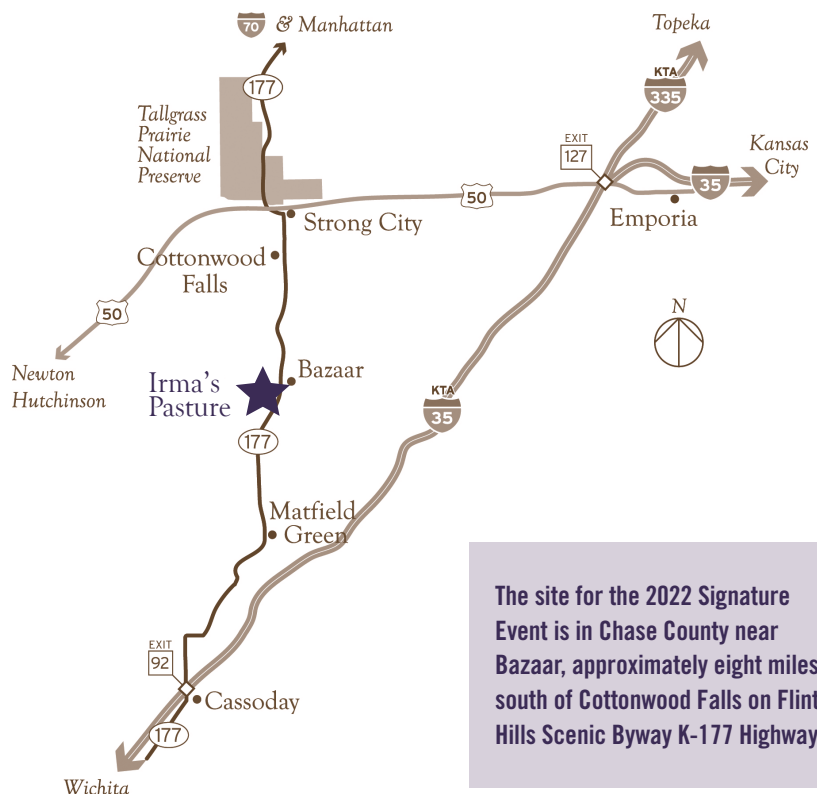
Children (12 and under): \$50 plus taxes and fees

No Refunds. No Exchanges.

If a cancellation occurs due to weather, GA tickets will be eligible for a refund.

Online: SymphonyintheFlintHills.org

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The site for the 2022 Signature Event is in Chase County near Bazaar, approximately eight miles south of Cottonwood Falls on Flint Hills Scenic Byway K-177 Highway.