



SEASHELL STAGE SCHEDULE

Hampton Beach 'Shells' Out the Fun!

WEEKLY FIREWORKS DISPLAYS

This summer, Hampton Beach is the place to be every Wednesday night at 9:30 p.m. when American Thunder Fireworks presents their spectacular fireworks displays on June 29, July 6, 13, 20 and 27; and August 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31.

HOLIDAY FIREWORKS DISPLAYS

Special holiday shoots will be presented at Hampton Beach for Sunday, July 3

(a very special shoot!); Labor Day Weekend, Saturday and Sunday, September 3-4; and the 16th Annual Hampton Beach Seafood Festival Grand Finale at 8 p.m. on Saturday, September 10.

FIFTH ANNUAL SAND SCULPTING COMPETITION

Come watch 12 Master Sand Sculptors compete for more than \$10,000 in prize money on the sands of Hampton Beach. This annual crowd pleaser takes place from Saturday, June 18 through Thursday, June 30.

For more about the event and scenes from last year's competition, visit www.hamptonbeach.org/sandsculpture.

57TH MISS HAMPTON BEACH PAGEANT

Contestants vie for the crown in this annual favorite, held outdoors on the Seashell Stage and taking place this year on Sunday, July 31.

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

Coming August 15-19, this event promises five fun-filled days for kids, featuring live performances, clowns, a miniature golf tournament, a

children's costume parade, and much, much more. See more at www.hamptonbeach.org.

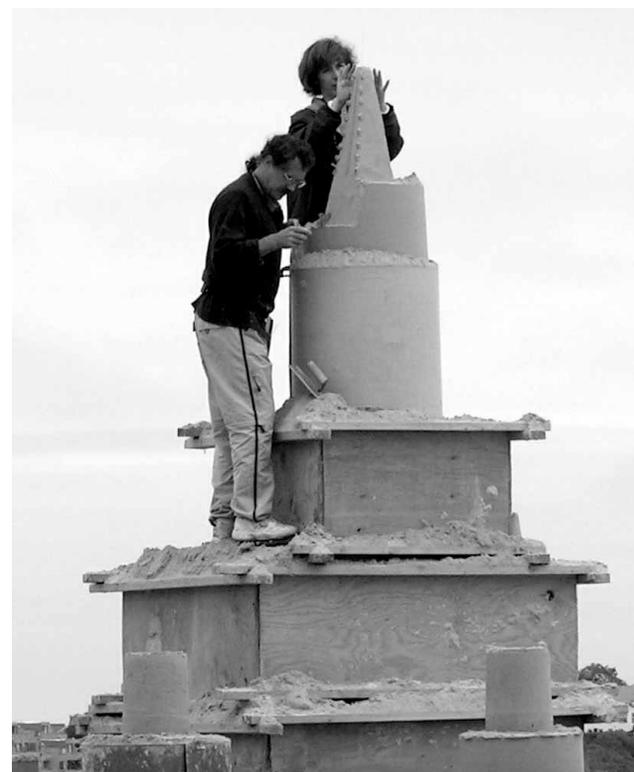
HAMPTON BEACH IDOL COMPETITION

Watch talented entertainers compete for cash prizes in what should prove to be an exciting event. Come check it out the weekend of August 27-28.

16TH ANNUAL SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Come sample the area's world-famous seafood at New England's largest seaside festival, taking place in the heart of Hampton Beach Friday through Sunday, September 9-11. More than 50 of the Seacoast's top restaurants will be serving an abundance of mouthwatering seafood delicacies. Choose from favorites like fried clams, grilled shrimp or lobster (boiled, fried or in a roll), or try some non-seafood items such as BBQ ribs, the ever-popular "Bloomin' Onion," red-white-and-blue shortcake, and fried Oreo cookies. Whatever you desire, there is something tempting and delicious for the entire family to enjoy.

During the Seafood Festival, Ocean Boulevard (Route 1A) is closed to traffic and becomes a pedestrian mall stretching from the Marine Memorial to "H" Street. Festival hours are 4-9 p.m. on September 9; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on September



TOP OF THE HEAP — A pair of sand sculptors work on the tallest tower of the demo sand sculpture at Hampton Beach on Saturday morning. To see how they progressed, please turn to Page 7A and 17A.

— Beach News Photo by John Hirtle

10; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on September 11.

Gala festivities include:

- More than 60 arts and crafts dealers and hundreds of sidewalk sale bargains;
- Continuous entertainment on two stages, featuring 15 bands and orchestras performing a variety of music from blues, jazz, the "oldies but goodies," and even a little rock 'n roll;
- Children's entertainment center, featuring the region's most notable celebrities in children's entertainment, including magicians, jugglers, clowns, musicians and storytellers;
- Continuous culinary chef demonstrations pre-

sented by Pat Whitley and showcasing the region's most famous chefs;

- An amazing display of fireworks on Saturday night, September 10;
- A thrilling "don't miss" skydiving demonstration provided by Skydive New England on Sunday, September 11.

For more information about the 16th annual Seafood Festival and Sidewalk Sale Days, visit www.hamptonbeach-seafoodfestival.com.

Be sure to pick up the *Beach News* for all the latest summertime happenings at Hampton Beach and elsewhere along the Seacoast!

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