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4th Ever TOWNIE STREET PARTY
A kick off to the Ann Arbor Art Fairs

Under the big tents on Ingalls Mall and North University
Monday, July 14, 5 PM to 9:30 PM - FREE

Featuring:

**STEVE RILEY AND THE MAMOU PLAYBOYS, MIFUNE,
& HURON HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND DRUMLINE**

It's the official opening event of the Ann Arbor art fairs, with lots of music, food, and fun! Come kick up your heels and break in your shoes in preparation for the fairs ahead. Some nationally known musicians will be on hand to help us kick off the festivities. **Steve Riley and the Mamou Playboys** have been enthusiastic ambassadors of Cajun music ever since Riley left the band of the great Dewey Balfa to strike out on his own in 1988. Part Cajun, zydeco and swamp pop, the Playboys inspire audiences across the country to lay down their troubles for a while and celebrate to the sounds of their joyous folk fusion. **Mifuné** is an eight-piece Cleveland outfit that delivers an explosive mix of Nigerian afro-beat, electronic texture, heavy groove, and polyrhythmic layers that they call "Afro-Electronique." If that weren't enough, **The Huron High School Marching Band Drumline** will start things off with a bang.

In addition, **Where We Live: The Ecology of Place** is a collaborative community eco-art project that both honors and raises awareness about Washtenaw County's extraordinary ecosystems. In a unique partnership between the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, Washtenaw Land Trust, and local environmental artist Leslie Sobel, satellite images and maps of Washtenaw County will be collaged with photos, drawings and stories about the land contributed by the public. Assembly of the piece will take place at the Townie Street Party, and anyone and everyone are encouraged to help breathe life into this exciting project.

Bring the family, because the Townie Street Party is the place to be for all ages, and everyone is a Townie at the Townie Street Party.

For more information, please go to:

www.artfair.org/townie.php
www.mamouplayboys.com
www.mifunemusic.com

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