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Volunteers Needed for Piccolo Spoleto Finale Recycling Effort

Last year, 280 pounds of recyclables were collected at the finale

[Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) (formerly Solid Waste and Recycling Department) and the [City of Charleston's Green Committee](#) have joined together in an effort to recycle as much as possible during the [Piccolo Spoleto Finale](#). The event will take place Saturday, June 6, in [Hampton Park](#) (30 Mary Murray Blvd., downtown Charleston) from 4 to 9 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help manage the recycling effort by encouraging attendees to recycle bottles and cans and making sure that recyclable materials are separated and put into the correct bins.

"This is an important effort," says Dan Dickison, who helped to coordinate the inaugural recycling initiative at the Piccolo Spoleto Finale last year and is also coordinating this year's effort. "We'd like for this event to become a fully sustainable undertaking and ultimately serve as a model for other events in this region. Because such a broad spectrum of people from the community attends the finale, it also presents a great opportunity to educate the public about the importance of recycling, as well as the details about what can and can't be recycled in Charleston County."

According to Dickison, the recycling initiative at the 2008 finale went well. The effort kept 280 pounds of recyclable materials from going to the Bees Ferry Landfill. Dickison said he is hoping that that 2009 effort will be easier because recycling at events in Charleston is becoming more and more common.

[Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) will provide the recycling bins for the finale. There will be 10 to 15 stations around the finale site at Hampton Park, and each station will have one trash can and one recycling bin placed together. Piccolo Spoleto Finale attendees will be encouraged to use the recycling bins for their empty plastic bottles (only #1 and #2 plastic), aluminum cans and glass bottles.

To volunteer or for questions about the Piccolo Spoleto recycling initiative, contact Dan Dickison by e-mail at dwgd82@juno.com or by phone at (843) 607-0365.

SIDEBAR: Piccolo Spoleto

- Produced and directed by the City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs since 1979, Piccolo Spoleto is the official outreach program of Spoleto Festival USA.
- Piccolo's mission is to provide access to the Spoleto Festival USA experience for everyone, regardless of their economic, social or physical circumstances and to provide the opportunity for excellent local and regional artists, writers and performers to be showcased in the Piccolo Spoleto Festival venues.
- 2009 Piccolo Spoleto Title Sponsors are Publix and Publix Super Market Charities.
- Tickets may be purchased by calling the Piccolo Spoleto ticket hotline at (888) 374-2656, or online at www.TicketMaster.com.
- Tickets may also be purchased at the Piccolo Spoleto box office, located in the Gaillard Municipal Auditorium at 77 Calhoun Street, with no service charges, or at area Publix Super Markets.
- For a ticket brochure and information on Piccolo Spoleto, call the City of Charleston Office of Cultural Affairs at (843) 724-7305 or visit www.PiccoloSpoleto.com.