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## JULY 2024 NEWSLETTER

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Say Goodbye to SCL Rate Increases: Go Solar!



As you've likely already learned, Seattle City Light (SCL) announced its rate hikes this week and are estimating that customers will see a **5.4% cost increase** in each of the next two years, with an expected 5% bump in the years that follow.

These numbers are considerably higher than the original 3% increase SCL had forecast. According to a [recent article](#) in the Seattle Times, these increases are due to greater demand, extreme weather events, and volatile pricing in the open energy market.

Energy efficiency continues to be top of mind for many of us in our region and these growing costs underline the fact that **there's never been a better time to consider going solar**, or adding battery backup to your existing system.

Imagine getting rid of your electricity bill without changing any of your consumption. You can do that with solar. You can also eliminate the need to rely on the grid for power when outages occur, by adding battery storage to your home.

[EXPLORE YOUR SOLAR & BATTERY OPTIONS HERE](#)

## Solar Champions Across the State Unite: NO 2117



Artisan Electric recently joined the [NO on 2117 Coalition](#), a grassroots organization filled with Washington businesses, organizations, Tribal nations, labor unions, environmental leaders, statewide firefighters, faith groups, and more. **This non-partisan effort is working together to defeat Initiative 2117.**

If enacted, **I-2117 will eliminate many of the protections in place for our region's environment.** It will cut millions and millions of dollars from our state's transportation budget and destroy programs that lower energy costs for many. It will wipe out support for Native communities, farmers, and ranchers. It will completely gut our state's Climate Commitment Act (CCA) and negatively impact already disadvantaged communities.

Don't just take our word on it. Crosscut has a good overview [here](#). You can find out more about NO 2117 by [visiting their website](#). We hope you'll join us in learning more and supporting the campaign in any way you can.

PLEDGE TO VOTE NO 2117 TODAY

## Five Facts About Artisan



1. **Artisan Electric is Western Washington's largest union electrical contractor specializing in solar**, a fact we are very proud of. Our hall, Local 46, has already provided many Artisan customers with generous rebates on EV chargers, new solar installations, and upgrades to existing systems that fall within their extensive territory. Our electricians are the most highly skilled and trained workers in the industry.
2. To date, we have installed over **16 megawatts of solar power**, which translates to over **1,800 residential and commercial solar arrays** throughout Washington.
3. Artisan Electric is **20% female-owned**, and women hold key positions within our company. We believe in equal rights for all.
4. Artisan employees are paid a **fair and living wage**, enabling them to live and work in an increasingly expensive part of the country. We believe in equal pay and diversity hiring.
5. With 104 reviews and counting, we have a **4.8 Star rating on Google**. See for yourself [here](#).

## It's Festival Time in Our Home Town



**VASHON ISLAND  
STRAWBERRY  
FESTIVAL  
\* 2024**

**MUSIC - VENDORS - FOOD - KID ZONE**

**July 19-21  
Ober Park**  
Presented by:  
Vashon Chamber of Commerce

Scan for the latest  
Strawberry Festival  
event details.

**Friday**  
Main Stage & Beverage Garden 3 p.m. - 11 p.m.

**Saturday**  
Festival & Vendors 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Parade 10:45 a.m.  
Kid Zone 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at Vashon Village  
Main Stage & Beverage Garden 11:45 a.m. - 11 p.m.  
Portage Fill Big Band (@Sporty's) 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

**Sunday**  
Festival & Vendors 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Classic Cars 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Kid Zone 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Vashon Village  
Reptile Man 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. at Main Stage  
Main Stage & Beverage Garden 11 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

123 Andres • Bowie/Rex & His Boogie Army  
GlitterFox • John Langford • Kabuki Academy  
Loose Change • One More Mile  
Sinner and the Saints • Reptile Man  
Stevie and Blue Flames • The Djelijah Band  
The Pazific • Wild Rumors  
CHIKIRI & The School of TAIKO Drumming

**Main Stage  
& Beverage Garden**

Artisan Electric's offices and warehouse are located in the heart of Seattle's Georgetown neighborhood, and our team members live all over this beautiful neck of the woods we all call home -- from **North Bend to Puyallup, Shoreline to Leavenworth**, Artisan employees represent many wonderful places across the mighty Northwest.

We provide solar and electrical service throughout all of Washington state, and the Artisan customer community stretches far and wide. **Vashon Island**, however, **will always be our home town** and we are thankful for the many residents that have chosen our services.

Artisan president Jason Williams founded the company on island in 2007. Both he and vice president Evan Leonard are longtime Vashon residents and, when they aren't busy with solar and electric work, you'll find them on their family farms. A number of our teammates also call Vashon home -- a few are even born and raised true locals!

We love our Vashon roots and are happy to be proud sponsors of this year's Strawberry Festival, which is **Vashon's biggest community event of the year**. It's a pleasure to help provide electrical infrastructure for the three-day event, which runs today through Sunday.

There is a ton of great entertainment on tap, a wonderful parade through town, activities for the kids, a slew of vendors, a beloved street dance, and plenty to eat and drink. The passenger-only water taxi will be making special runs from downtown Seattle on Saturday, and Washington State Ferries have promised a third boat to help ease ferry traffic.

Find out more information and see the full line-up [here](#). We'll see you there!

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since 2007*

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