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Huntington Drive-In gets a fresh start

Landmark purchased out of bankruptcy

BY STEVE PENHOLLOW

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

When the Goodrich Quality Theatre chain declared bankruptcy in February, it wasn't just Huntington residents who were upset.

Goodrich's Huntington Twin Drive-In drew patrons from miles around.

This bankruptcy happened before a pandemic decimated the movie exhibition business. Yet during that same pandemic, someone did something risky: They purchased the Goodrich Quality Theatre chain.

The buyers were Mason Asset Management, Namdar Realty Group, and V.I.P. Cinemas of Great Neck, N.Y.

Asked why this consortium of companies thought it was a good idea to make this investment during these perilous times, Goodrich Quality Theaters' Vice President of Administration and Finances Matt McSparin had this to say: "That's a great question. It's one of the best questions that could be asked. We ask ourselves that daily. What's been going on in the world has been very daunting."

THE PRICE WAS RIGHT

One reason it made sense is that they were presented with a "favorable purchase opportunity," McSparin said.

Which is to say, they bought the chain out of bankruptcy at a fire sale price.

"The value equation was there for us," McSparin said.

Elliot Nassim of Mason Asset Management said they made the investment because they not only believe in the viability of movie theaters in the Netflix age, they believe in their viability in the COVID-19 age.

"We believe in the future of brick and mortar," Nassim said, "and we felt that the GQT theater chain would make a natural fit for our portfolio."

The \$12 million deal includes seven theaters in Indiana, 12 in Michigan, two in Missouri, and one in Illinois.

The good news for local cineastes is that the Huntington Twin Drive-In has already reopened, and the Huntington 7 multiplex will soon reopen.

A LITTLE GOOD NEWS

One of the few positive things to come out of this pandemic is the resurgence of the drive-in theater.

These dinosaurs of the movie exhibition



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business gained new relevance in the era of social distancing. The pandemic forced the studios to delay their summer blockbusters and the major exhibition chains responded by saying they would stay closed until they had major new films to show.

But drive-ins have thrived by showing a mixture of Hollywood classics, independent horror films, and recorded and simulcast concerts. And some, like the 13-24 Drive-In down the road in Wabash, have transformed themselves into live music venues by hosting what few national acts have remained on the road.

Any national concerts that become available for broadcast or rebroadcast throughout the remainder of the season may very well end up on screens at the Huntington Twin Drive-In, McSparin said.

"We will continue to look at those products as they're released," he said.

Some of the less gargantuan chains have begun reopening their multiplexes with social distancing strictures and other safeguards in place.

Owosso, Mich.'s Neighborhood Cinema Group, aka NCG Cinemas, reopened its Auburn multiplex in early August.

McSparin said he is working to get the Huntington 7 multiplex open.

"I think we're taking our time with that," he said. "We wanted to focus on getting the drive-in open."

WAITING FOR SOME NEW MOVIES

Of course, movies theaters can't exist on classic films forever. They need new product to show.

But pandemic uncertainty has led to movie scheduling uncertainty.

Director Christopher Nolan wanted his much-anticipated science fiction film *Tenet* to be the first movie to open in multiplexes in the United States this summer.

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But he and Warner Brothers studio eventually decided to open overseas first on August 26.

Tenet will open "in select cities" in the U.S. on Sept. 3, but no one seems to know what cities those are or how the theaters in those cities will be chosen.

The lack of first-run product is a "hot button issue right now" in the exhibition business, McSparin said.

"There's actually a campaign by theater operators to enlist the help of moviegoers to yell out loud, 'We need movies,'" McSparin said. "Hollywood's position is, 'We really don't want to release films into a distressed market.'"

McSparin said he understands the tough position Hollywood is in. But the longer that theaters are denied first-run movies, the fewer places there will be in the future for Hollywood to earn money.

The CMX theater chain in Florida filed for bankruptcy in April and AMC Theatres has been on the verge of declaring bankruptcy, according to many analysts.

Theater owners are pinning some hope on *Unhinged*, a Russell Crowe movie scheduled to open on August 21, he said.

Despite these dire portends, McSparin said he and his associates at the new Goodrich Quality Theatres are hopeful.

"We remain optimistic and excited," he said. "We opened a theater in Peoria and people were excited about being back. It was so cool to see them coming in."

"If we could at least keep (Hollywood) giving us some product, that could be a real catalyst," McSparin said.

Happy to rock in top-notch tribute band for arena rock

Live show sets Hairball apart from also-rans

BY STEVE PENHOLLOW

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Mike “Happy” Schneider’s nickname came from not seeming all that happy.

“It’s a ‘jumbo shrimp’ sort of thing,” the guitarist for the band Hairball said in a phone interview with *Whatzup*. “It came from being more of a perfectionist.”

Schneider’s tendency to pore over every detail during sound check and insist on adjustments has, at times, been rewarded with sarcasm from band’s technical crew.

“It’s always like, ‘Yeah, yeah. Whatever, *Happy*,” Schneider said, quoting one the scoffers.

The irony here that the Schneider is rarely happier than when he’s being persnickety.

“Inside, I really was happy because I was doing the work I loved,” he said. “I was just being intense about it.”

INTENSE COVER BAND

If being intense about a cover band named Hairball sounds like overkill to you, you don’t know Hairball.

Hairball, scheduled to appear at the 13-24 Drive-In on Aug. 20, is unlike any cover band you’ve ever seen, unless you’ve already seen Hairball.

It pays tribute to hard rock and heavy metal of the 1970s and ’80s. It has three lead singers (sometimes four) who take turns at the mic dressed as the legendary (or merely notorious) frontmen from that musical epoch.

They not only dress like who they’re trying to sound like, they sound like who they’re dressed like: Gene Simmons, David Lee Roth, Dee Snider, Freddie Mercury, Axl Rose, Ozzy Osborne, and Brian Johnson (among others).

Hairball started as a parody band filled with purposefully muffled lyrics and other shenanigans.

Schneider wanted no part of it, but his buddies in the band convinced him to get involved temporarily. Ultimately, Hairball became something else altogether.

“Slowly what happened is that it went from being a complete spoof to a re-creation that was more accurate,” Schneider said.

Interestingly, the band’s popularity grew in



Mike “Happy” Schneider of Hairball

PHOTO BY ERIC SHERMAN

proportion to the earnestness of its rationale.

“Fans started taking to it because a lot of these groups we are portraying are groups you just can’t see anymore,” Schneider said.

HIGH PRODUCTION VALUES

One thing that separates Hairball from other tribute acts is production values. The band employs pyrotechnics and video screens of the sort that its forebears fancied.

When Schneider joined Hairball, he had been pursuing his own career interests and saw the band as a brief, lucrative respite from continuing to pursue his own career interests.

Eventually, he decided to stop looking down on it.

“I decided to lose the attitude about it,” he said. “I was like, ‘Why am I talking myself out of this right now? Why not just go with it and enjoy it?’ And it slowly evolved into the coolest

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ter,” he said.

More than a dozen years ago, Hairball helped raise money for a young cancer sufferer named Elena Desserich.

When Schneider started grappling with his own cancer, he thought about how frightened young cancer sufferers like Desserich must be.

“It forced me into a positive mental outlook,” he said. “Because I was being watched and I knew what I wanted to represent to other people, especially kids.

“Elena did end up dying, which was really hard on me,” Schneider said. “I can’t even imagine how hard it was on her parents. I try to live in such a way that I am paying tribute to people who have to fight for every day. I want anybody who has any challenges to see me fighting, too.”

MADNESS IN THE MINDSET

Schneider said there is madness in his mindset these days, albeit a healthy, life-affirming madness.

“I was never afraid of the big, tough guy,” he said. “It was always that little crazy guy who scared me. It’s the power of denial. Denial is the strongest force in the universe. Somebody who would run into that brick wall because he honestly believes he can bust through it.

“That’s the attitude I like to take when I go on stage,” Schneider said. “I harness the power of denial. I believe I can fly and that all things are possible.”

Hairball is one of the few bands still touring during the summer of COVID-19. It has managed to stay on the road by performing at atypical venues, like drive-in theaters.

Strange days, indeed. But Schneider said he doesn’t let himself get too philosophical, prognosticative, or political these days.

“I wouldn’t be surprised if we get hit by a meteor,” he said. “Or Yellowstone erupts and turns into a volcano. It’s ‘one day at a time’ for me. I have a short game plan.

“I’m not worried about the touchdown right now,” Schneider said. “I’m just going for the first down.”

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GIBSON AT TEDS

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Regeneration X — Variety at Duesy's Sports Bar and Grille, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 483-5681

The Resonators in Concert — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at The James Cultural Plaza, Auburn, 8:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 481-0770

Todd Harrold Collective — Variety at KOA Campgrounds, Bluffton, 6 p.m. no cover, (260) 824-0127

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

Monday Blues Jam Sessions with G Money — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

Alicia Pyle Quartet (APQ) & Friends — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Hubie Ashcraft and Missy Burgess — Variety at Mad Anthony Lakeview Ale House, Angola, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 833-2537

Party Boat Band — Trop Rock at Indian Trails Park, Fort Wayne, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 432-0970

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

Q & The Coldfusion — Summer Nights at the Embassy at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 5-9 p.m. \$5, (260) 424-5665

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

Austin Marsh — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Fort Wayne Music Festival: Cowboy — Variety at Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, 7-11 p.m. \$10-\$20, (260) 422-7625

Hairball — Arena rock at 13-24 Drive-In, Wabash, 8 p.m. \$75-\$199 per car for up to six guests, (260) 563-5745

Jeff McDonald — Variety/oldies at What's Up Pub & Grub, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 489-3488

Joe Justice — Variety at Park Place Senior Living, Fort Wayne, 2-3 p.m. no cover, (260) 480-2500

June Star — Variety at The Ruin, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 399-6336

MoRockinz — Variety at Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 724-2604

Todd Harrold Collective — Variety, part of Lunch on the Square at Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 420-3266

Valerie Ingle — Variety at Auburn City Steakhouse, Auburn, 6-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7337

FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

Aaron Lewis w/Ira Dean — Country at 13-24 Drive-In, Wabash, 8 p.m. \$175-\$320 per car for up to six guests, (260) 563-5745

Autumn Academy, OLC, Adience — Rock/pop at 1601 Harrison St., Fort Wayne, 11 p.m.-3 a.m. \$5-\$10, 50% off w/proof of Fort Wayne Music Festival ticket purchase, (260) 273-2573

Chris Worth & Company — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Fort Wayne Music Festival — Variety at Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, 4 p.m.-midnight \$22.50-\$45, (260) 422-7625

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

James Baker Duo — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Joe Justice — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Motor Folkers — Variety at Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, IN, 8:30-11:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 760-1421

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at Byler Lane Winery, Auburn, 5-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 920-4377

Todd Harrold Collective — Variety at O'Sullivan's Italian Irish Pub, Fort Wayne, 10 p.m. no cover, (260) 422-5896

The Y's Guys — Rock at Mitchell's Sports Bar & Neighborhood Grill, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. cover, (260) 387-5063

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

Blood of Heroes, Coffin Witch, Cremated Souls, Kill Thy Neighbor — Metal at The Ruin, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. \$8, (260) 399-6336

Blood of Heroes w/Coffin Witch and Cremated Souls — Metal at The Ruin, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. \$7 (21and over), (260) 399-6336

Bulldogs — Variety/oldies at Garrett's End of Summer Bash, Garrett, 4-7 p.m. no cover, (260) 348-3645

Chris Worth & Company — Variety at Duesy's Sports Bar and Grille, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 483-5681

Eric Sowers Band — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Fort Wayne Music Festival: The Y's Guys, DJ Double K — Variety at Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, 7 p.m.-midnight \$5-\$15, (260) 422-7625

Helicon's Peak — Variety at Corner Pocket Pub, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. no cover, (260) 492-7665

James Baker Trio — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Jon Durnell — Rock/pop at Mitchell's Sports Bar & Neighborhood Grill, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. cover, (260) 387-5063

The Kickbacks — Variety at Mad Anthony Lakeview Ale House, Angola, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 833-2537

Max Pryce, Dan Brown — Comedy at Holiday Inn Purdue, Fort Wayne, 7:15-8:45 p.m. \$20, (260) 426-6339

The Meat Flowers — Rock at Fancy & Staple, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 422-2710

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

Renegade — Country at Hamilton House, Hamilton, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. no cover, (260) 488-3344

SideBand — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

The Sweetwater All Stars — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Todd Harrold Collective — Variety at American Legion Post 148, Fort Wayne, 6 p.m. no cover, (260) 423-4751

U.R.B. — Funk at West Central Quarantine Concerts, Fort Wayne, 6-8 p.m. donation requested, (425) 306-6360

The Y's Guys, Kenny Redd — '80s Variety at Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m.-midnight \$10-\$25, (260) 422-7625

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Austin French w/JJ Weeks — Contemporary Christian at 13-24 Drive-In, Wabash, 4 p.m. \$80-\$250 per car for up to six guests, (260) 563-5745

MONDAY, AUGUST 24

Monday Blues Jam Sessions with G Money — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Tierra Gibson — Variety at Sweetwater, Fort Wayne, noon-1 p.m. free, (800) 222-4700

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

Motor Folkers — Variety at Black Canyon, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 203-5900

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26

Alicia Pyle Quartet (APQ) & Friends — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Joe Justice — Variety at Ashton Creek Rehab, Fort Wayne, 2-3 p.m. no cover, (260) 373-2111

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

West Central Quartet — Summer Nights at the Embassy at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 5-9 p.m. \$5, (260) 424-5665

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27

Carolyn Martin — Variety at Auburn City Steakhouse, Auburn, 6-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7337

Derek Jones — Variety at Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 724-2604



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Mad Anthony Tap Room

Music/Rock • 114 N. Main St., Auburn • (260) 927-0500

EXPECT: The eclectic madness of the original combined with hand-crafted Mad Anthony ales and lagers. Expanded menu, including one of the best pizzas in America and a large vegetarian menu. **GETTING THERE:** Take I-69 to State Road 8 (Auburn exit); downtown, just north of courthouse. **HOURS:** 11 a.m.-11 a.m. Mon.-Thurs.; 11 a.m.-midnight Fri.-Sat.; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sun. **ALCOHOL:** Full Service. **PMT:** MC, Visa, Disc

Mitchell's Sports & Neighborhood Grill

Sports & Music • 6179 W. Jefferson Blvd., Fort Wayne • (260) 387-5063

EXPECT: Family-friendly atmosphere, great food, all sports packages on over 70 TVs, craft beers, and more. Great food from wings and pizza to gourmet sandwiches and entrees. Bloody Mary bar Sundays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. **GETTING THERE:** On the corner of Getz Road and West Jefferson Boulevard, southwest Fort Wayne. **HOURS:** 4 p.m.-close Monday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-close Friday-Saturday. **ALCOHOL:** Full Service. **PMT:** MC, Visa, Disc, Amex

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EXPECT: 1st Tavern to pour beer after Prohibition; located in a fun and friendly neighborhood; home of the XKE Cranials & most dangerous jukebox. Daily drink specials include \$2 Tall Boy PBR everyday, get grilled everyday with \$2 Fireball add-on special. Golden Tee. Free WIFI. Fort Wayne's Sammy Hagar bar & Cabo Wabo Tequila. River Bend Pizza. **GETTING THERE:** Corner of State and Crescent. **HOURS:** 4 p.m.-3 a.m. Mon., 1 p.m.-3 a.m. Tues.-Fri., noon-3 a.m. Sat., noon-2 a.m. Sun. **ALCOHOL:** Full Service. **PMT:** Cash only; ATM on site

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Joe Justice — Variety, part of Lunch on the Square at Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 420-3266

Motor Folkers — Variety at Adams Lake Pub, Wolcottville, 7:30-10:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 854-3463

Ross Kinsey — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28

Chris Worth — Variety at Dreamers Hookah Lounge, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. cover, (260) 424-0442

Dumpys Cuzzins — Classic rock at Martin's Tavern, Garrett, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. no cover, (260) 357-4290

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

James Baker Duo — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Jon Shoulders — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Motor Folkers — Variety at American Legion Post 215, Lagrange, IN, 7-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 463-4172

Night to Remember — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Pink Droyd — Pink Floyd tribute at 13-24 Drive-In, Wabash, 9 p.m. \$95 per car for up to six guests, (260) 563-5745

Tara Renee — Country at Flashback Live, Fort Wayne, 8:30-11:30 p.m. cover, (260) 422-5292

Todd Harrold Collective — Variety at Oakwood Resort, Syracuse, 8 p.m. no cover, (574) 457-7100

Ty Causey — Variety at Duesy's Sports Bar and Grille, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 483-5681

The Why Store — Rock at Mitchell's Sports Bar & Neighborhood Grill, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. cover, (260) 387-5063

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

Adam Strack — Variety at Mad Anthony Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 426-2537

Alyssa Enright — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

BC Fuzzz — Variety at Mad Anthony Lakeview Ale House, Angola, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 833-2537

Big Caddy Daddy — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Chris Worth & Company — Variety at American Legion Post 296, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 456-2988

Death at Dawn, Bhopal Assault, Filth Spewer, Controvert — Variety at Carl's Tavern, New Haven, 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. \$7, (260) 749-9133

Decade Divide — '70s, '80s, and '90s rock at Mitchell's Sports Bar & Neighborhood Grill, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m.-1 a.m. cover, (260) 387-5063

Dumpys Cuzzins — Classic rock at Martin's Tavern, Garrett, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. no cover, (260) 357-4290

Picks

GREAT THINGS TO DO IN FORT WAYNE AND BEYOND

Austin French

with JJ Weeks

4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23

13-24 Drive-In, 890 N. State Road 13, Wabash
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Contemporary Christian singer-songwriter Austin French is teaming up with singer-songwriter JJ Weeks to bring the "Wake Up Sleeper Tour" to the 13-24 Drive-In in Wabash on Aug. 23.

The Dove Award-nominated French was introduced to the public by competing on NBC's *The Voice* and the first season of ABC's *Rising Star*, finishing as the runner-up in that competition but impressing enough viewers that he was able to turn his sudden notoriety into a record deal.

Culminating in the release of his 2018 debut album *Wide Open*, French peaked at No. 9 on the Billboard Heatseekers album chart.

The Macon, Ga., based Weeks has had quite a bit of success as well, charting several songs on the Billboard Christian Singles chart since his debut album in 2013.

Named after French's current hit single, "Wake Up Sleeper," the tour's first stop is at the Wabash Drive-In, which has become one of the best places to see live music this summer.

In a press release announcing the tour, French touted the need for live performances to continue despite trying times. He said he hopes to bring joy, hope, and good news to people who desperately need it.



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"In a season where it feels hope is scarce and truth is hard to find," he said, "I pray these nights are more than just music, but a moment for revival to start in our communities."

Tickets for the show range from \$80-\$250, depending on row, and are sold on a per-vehicle basis that allows for admission of up to six guests. — *Chris Hupe*

Mason Dixon Line — Summer Nights at the Embassy at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 5-9 p.m. \$5, (260) 424-5665

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Corey Cox — Variety at Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 724-2604

Will Certain — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

James Baker Duo — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Jon Durnell — Variety at Mad Anthony Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 426-2537

Motor Folkers — Variety at Brewskies Bar & Grill, Angola, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 833-9676

Patrick Daley — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

The Wallens — Blues/variety at Charley Creek Inn: The Courtyard, Wabash, 5:30-8:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 563-0111

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Bulldogs — Variety/oldies at Fish Lake Family Resort, Fremont, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 495-3081

Charlie Wiener, Dee Chaffee — Comedy at @2104/Fort Wayne Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, 7:15-8:45 p.m. \$20-\$25, (260) 426-6339

Fat Pockets Band — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Helicon's Peak — Variety at Eagles Post 248, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 478-2482

Holbrook Brothers Band — Variety at Hamilton House, Hamilton, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. no cover, (260) 488-3344

James Baker Trio — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Mason Dixon Line — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

Randy Spencer — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Sunglasses at Night — Variety at Mad Anthony Lakeview Ale House, Angola, 9 p.m.-midnight no cover, (260) 833-2537

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Bulldogs — Variety/oldies at Ligonier Marshmallow Festival, Ligonier, 8-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 348-3645

Flute, Oboe, & Cello Trio — Fort Wayne Philharmonic at The James Cultural Plaza, Auburn, 7:30-8:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7500

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Monday Blues Jam Sessions with G Money — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Fort Wayne Area Community Band — Variety at Foellinger Outdoor Theatre, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. Free, (260) 493-3318

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Alicia Pyle Quartet (APQ) & Friends — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Melisa's Latin Beat — Summer Nights at the Embassy at Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, 5-9 p.m. \$5, (260) 424-5665

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Bob Zany & Costaki Economopoulos — Comedy at Eagles Theatre, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$15, (260) 563-1102

Bulldogs — Variety/oldies at Roann Covered Bridge Festival, Roann, 7:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (765) 833-5633

Chris Worth — Variety at Auburn City Steakhouse, Auburn, 6-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7337

Damon Mitchell — Variety at Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 724-2604

Missy Burgess — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at Brewskies Bar & Grill, Angola, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 833-9676

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

James Baker Duo — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Jon Durnell — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Casual Friday — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Cold Call — Variety at Hamilton House, Hamilton, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. no cover, (260) 488-3344

James Baker Trio — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Matt Record — '70s & '80s at Charley Creek Inn, Wabash, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 563-0111

The Mo Show — Variety at Mad Anthony Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 426-2537

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Monday Blues Jam Sessions with G Money — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety at Black Canyon, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 203-5900

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Alicia Pyle Quartet (APQ) & Friends — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

For King & Country — Contemporary Christian at Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, 7:30 p.m. \$20-\$200, (260) 482-9502

Island Vibe — Variety at Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 724-2604

One Car Garage — Variety at Auburn City Steakhouse, Auburn, 6-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7337

Swick & Jones — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Crowder — Contemporary Christian at Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, 8:30 p.m. \$45-\$70, (574) 267-8041

Dumpys Cuzzins — Classic rock at Martin's Tavern, Garrett, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. no cover, (260) 357-4290

Friday Night Vibes — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Helicon's Peak — Variety at Rex's Rendezvous, Warsaw, 9:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. no cover, (574) 267-5066

James Baker Duo — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

Joe Justice — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Motor Folkers — Variety at Oakwood Resort, Syracuse, IN, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (574) 457-7100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Casual Friday — Variety at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Chelsea Erickson — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Dumpys Cuzzins — Classic rock at Martin's Tavern, Garrett, 10 p.m.-2 a.m. no cover, (260) 357-4290

James Baker Trio — Jazz at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, Fort Wayne, 6:30-9:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 444-5898

John Ford — Variety at Mad Anthony Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 426-2537

Mason Dixon Line — Country rock at Mitchell's Sports Bar & Neighborhood Grill, Fort Wayne, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. cover, (260) 387-5063

Matt Stell w/Chris Bandi and Ray Fulcher — Country at The Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, 8 p.m. \$15-\$18, (260) 747-0989

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

Steve Michaels — Acoustic variety at Charley Creek Inn, Wabash, 8-11 p.m. no cover, (260) 563-0111

Wallen Road — Variety at Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 637-2980

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Monday Blues Jam Sessions with G Money — Blues at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-10 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Alicia Pyle Quartet (APQ) & Friends — Jazz at The Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, 7-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 407-8530

Paul New Stewart & Charles Rhen — Variety at The Venice Restaurant, Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 482-1618

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Basketcase — Variety at Auburn City Steakhouse, Auburn, 6-8 p.m. no cover, (260) 333-7337

Hubie & Travis — Variety at teds Beer Hall (and Wine Bar), Fort Wayne, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (888) 260-0351

Motor Folkers — Variety at Adams Lake Pub, Wolcottville, 7:30-10:30 p.m. no cover, (260) 854-3463

Ryan Green & Stratton Way — Variety at Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, 6-9 p.m. no cover, (260) 724-2604

Ryan Stevenson — Variety at Eagles Theatre, Wabash, 7:30 p.m. \$20, (260) 563-1102

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SUMMER NIGHTS

Q & The Coldfusion.....Aug. 19
West Central QuartetAug. 26
Mason Dixon LineSept. 2
Salsa Dancing featuring
Melisa's Latin BeatSept. 9

2020 FREE FILM SERIES

SuffragetteAug. 16
9 to 5.....Aug. 23
Mary Poppins.....Aug. 30

COMING EVENTS

Bill O'Reilly Oct. 16

WaitressJan. 11-12

Wild Kratts Live Jan. 20

Baby Shark LiveFeb. 2

TobyMac..... May 3

Beautiful May 10



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GNR circles more dates for its tour of America

Guns N' Roses announced recently that their “Not In This Lifetime” Tour would continue in 2021. Dates for the North America part of the tour had been slated for July and August of this year but were postponed with dates now only taking place in July and August 2021 as of press time.

The newly announced leg of the tour is much shorter than the previously announced 2020 leg and includes only 13 dates as “venue availability issues” forced the cancellation of six of the shows.



Road Notes

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The new trek kicks off July 10, 2021, in Milwaukee and heads to Lucas Oil stadium in Indianapolis on July 18, Wrigley Field in Chicago on July 21, and Comerica Park in Detroit on July 24.

The “Not In This Lifetime” tour began four years ago and has become the third-highest grossing tour of all time, according to Billboard. Will the tour ever end? Probably “Not In This Lifetime” I’m guessing. Or at least as long as fans are willing to fill up stadiums to see them.

OUT OF VOGUE FOR NOW

The Vogue in Indianapolis, one of the region’s best small venues, announced that despite overwhelming support from the community, the venue would be closing its doors for public events until further notice.

In the face of the financial impact the pandemic is having on this and many similar venues across the country, the owners found it necessary to simply close in order to help stop the spread of the virus and avoid the safety concerns associated with large gatherings. They do hope to reopen at some time in the near future.

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On the Road

NATIONAL TOURS WITHIN DRIVING DISTANCE

Confirm with the venue about any event you plan to attend.

38 Special	Sept. 26	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
38 Special	Feb. 18 '21	Honeywell Center	Wabash
5 Seconds of Summer	June 6 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
5 Seconds of Summer	June 16 '21	White River State Park	Indianapolis
5 Seconds of Summer	June 18 '21	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Aaron Lewis w/Ira Dean	Aug. 21	13-24 Drive-In	Wabash
Aaron Lewis	Sept. 19	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI
The Airborne Toxic Event	Mar. 11 '21	Vic Theatre	Chicago
Alabama	Oct. 15	Bankers Life Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Alabama	Oct. 23	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Alabama	Oct. 24	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Alan Jackson	Aug. 28	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Alan Jackson	July 10 '21	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Alicia Keys	Aug. 17 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Alicia Keys	Aug. 18 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Align	Sept. 10	Schubas Tavern	Chicago
Amy Grant	Sept. 18 '21	Wagon Wheel Theatre	Warsaw
Amyl and the Sniffers	Oct. 23	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Andrea Bocelli	Dec. 6	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Anthem Lights	Apr. 16 '21	Wagon Wheel Theatre	Warsaw
Anthony Gomes	Nov. 6	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Atlanta Rhythm Section	June 4 '21	T. Furth Center, Trine University	Angola
Austin French w/JJ Weeks	Aug. 23	13-24 Drive-In	Wabash
The Australian Pink Floyd Show	Aug. 29 '21	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Backstreet Boys	July 22 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Backstreet Boys	July 27 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Backstreet Boys	July 30 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Backstreet Boys	July 31 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Bad Bad Hats	Aug. 23	Schubas Tavern	Chicago
Banda MS	Sept. 25-26	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Barenaked Ladies w/Gin Blossoms,			
Toad the Wet Sprocket	June 28 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Barenaked Ladies	July 3 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Barenaked Ladies	July 4 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Big Bad Voodoo Daddy	May 8 '21	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Billy Joel	June 26 '21	Notre Dame Stadium	South Bend
Billy Joel	July 9 '21	Comerica Park	Detroit
Billy Strings	Dec. 29	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Billy Strings	Dec. 30	The Fillmore	Detroit
Black Crowes	July 29 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Black Crowes	Aug. 1 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Black Crowes	Aug. 3 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Black Crowes	Aug. 4 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Black Crowes	Aug. 7 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Black Stone Cherry w/Saint Asonia, Coldville, Calloused, Saints Among Us	Oct. 3	Eclectic Room	Angola
Blackberry Smoke, The Allman Betts Band	July 29 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Blackberry Smoke w/The Allman Betts Band	July 17 '21	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Blackberry Smoke w/The Allman Betts Band	July 31 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Blackhawk	Sept. 11	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Bob Zany & Costaki Economopoulos	Sept. 10	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Boney James	Oct. 7 '21	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Brian Culbertson	Apr. 7 '21	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Brubeck Brothers Quartet	Nov. 1	The Palladium	Carmel
Bruce Hornsby & The Noisemakers	June 16 '21	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Buddy Guy	Oct. 22	Kalamazoo State Theatre	Kalamazoo
Building 429	July 9 '21	T. Furth Center, Trine University	Angola
Built to Spill	Aug. 8 '21	Bell's Eccentric Cafe	Kalamazoo
Carol Burnett	Sept. 20	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Casting Crowns	Sept. 29	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Chicago	Nov. 15	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Chicago	July 23 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Chicago	Aug. 1 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Chicago and Rick Springfield	July 25 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Chris Stapleton	July 17 '21	Wrigley Field	Chicago
Chris Stapleton	Aug. 5 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Circa Survive	Jan. 14 '21	House of Blues	Cleveland
Circa Survive	Jan. 16 '21	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Circa Survive w/Gouge Away	Feb. 7 '21	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Clint Black	Oct. 15	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Crowder	Sept. 18	Wagon Wheel Theatre	Warsaw
Dance Gavin Dance	Apr. 8 '21	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Dance Gavin Dance	Apr. 10 '21	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Daughtry	May 15 '21	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Dave Matthews Band	June 15 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Dave Matthews Band	June 16 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Dave Matthews Band	June 18-19 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Dave Matthews Band	June 22 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Dave Matthews Band	June 29 '21	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Dave Matthews Band	July 2-3 '21	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
David Foster w/Katharine McPhee	Jan. 19 '21	Fox Theatre	Detroit
David Foster	Jan. 21 '21	The Palladium	Carmel
David Gray	July 17 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
David Gray	July 19 '21	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
David Phelps	Oct. 8	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
David Sedaris	Dec. 3	The Palladium	Carmel
Dead Can Dance	Apr. 27 '21	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Dead Can Dance	Apr. 28 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Deftones	Aug. 15 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Deftones	Aug. 17 '21	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Dennis DeYoung	Apr. 16 '21	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Deon Cole	Sept. 5	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Dermot Kennedy	July 31 '21	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Disturbed w/Staind, Bad Wolves	July 12 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Disturbed w/Staind, Bad Wolves	July 13 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Disturbed w/Staind, Bad Wolves	July 18 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Disturbed w/Staind, Bad Wolves	Aug. 8 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Disturbed w/Staind, Bad Wolves	Aug. 14 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Dokken w/Lynch Mob	Oct. 18	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Duke Tumaote and the Power Trio	Apr. 22 '21	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
The Fab Four	Aug. 29 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Five Finger Death Punch	Nov. 5	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Five Finger Death Punch	Nov. 8	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Five Finger Death Punch	Nov. 9	Heritage Bank Arena	Cincinnati
Foo Fighters	Oct. 3	Rocket Mortgage Fieldhouse	Cleveland
Foo Fighters	Oct. 5	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Foo Fighters	Oct. 7	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Foo Fighters	Oct. 13	Heritage Bank Arena	Cincinnati
For King & Country	Sept. 17	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Fozzy	Oct. 26	Apollo Theater	Belvidere, IL
Fozzy w/Through Fire, Royal Bliss, Zero Theorem, Black Satellite	Nov. 12	The Eclectic Room	Angola
Frank Marino & Mahogany Rush	Oct. 22	The Vogue	Indianapolis
Gabriel Iglesias	Oct. 18	United Center	Chicago
Gaither Vocal Band	Oct. 7	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Gaither Vocal Band	Nov. 7	The Palladium	Carmel
Gary Allan	Sept. 19	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Gladys Knight	Nov. 12	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Gladys Knight	Nov. 13	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI
Gladys Knight	Aug. 21 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
The Glenn Miller Orchestra	Feb. 4 '21	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 6 '21	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 8 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 11 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Gordon Lightfoot	Oct. 2	Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
Grand Funk Railroad	Oct. 9	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Green Day w/Fall Out Boy, Weezer, the Interrupters	Aug. 10 '21	Comerica Park	Detroit
Greer	Dec. 14	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Gregory Porter	Oct. 20	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Gregory Porter w/Ledisi	Feb. 17 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Gretchen Wilson	Oct. 3	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Guns N' Roses	July 18 '21	Lucas Oil Stadium	Indianapolis
Guns N' Roses	July 21 '21	Wrigley Field	Chicago
Guns N' Roses	July 24 '21	Comerica Park	Detroit
Halsey	June 23 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH

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PIVEN IN INDIANA

Actor and comedian **Jeremy Piven**, probably best known for his role as Ari Gold in the HBO series *Entourage*, has been scheduled to appear at the Hobart Art Theatre in Hobart, near Gary, on Oct. 8.

Piven will also appear at the Chicago Improv Comedy Club on Oct. 9 and 10.

Piven has won three Emmy Awards for Best Supporting Actor and has been nominated several times. He has also appeared in the movies *Old School*, *Runaway Jury*, *Serendipity*, and *Cars*. Apparently his standup act isn't half bad either. Tickets range from \$25-\$200.

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LOCAL ACTS ON TOUR

Bulldogs

Sept. 11 Matthews Covered Bridge Festival, Fairmount
Sept. 25 Ducktail Run, Gas City
Oct. 31 Eagles 1771, Alexandria

Hubie Ashcraft Band

Aug. 21 Wren Days, Wren, OH
Sept. 6 Park Carnival, Ottoville, OH
Sept. 18-19 T&J's Smokehouse, Put-in-Bay, OH
Oct. 2 Country Heritage Winery, Nashville, IN
Oct. 3 Country Heritage Winery, Plainfield
Nov. 7 Rulli's Bella Luna, Middlebury
Nov. 13-14 Cowboy Up, Mendon, MI
Nov. 21 The Distillery, Toledo

Joe Justice

Aug. 15 Round Barn Winery, Baroda, MI
Aug. 28 Sycamore Lake Wine Co., Columbus Grove, OH

Jordan Lawson

Aug. 14 Golfo di Napoli Dairy, Warren

Mountain Dewe Boys

Aug. 22 American Legion Post 211, Portland

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Halsey	June 25 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Halsey	June 26 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Hot Mulligan	Dec. 5	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Iliza Shlesinger	Nov. 21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Isaacs	Oct. 1	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
James Taylor w/Jackson Browne	June 9 '21	United Center	Chicago
James Taylor	June 11 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
James Taylor w/Jackson Browne	June 12 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
James Taylor w/Jackson Browne	June 14 '21	Nutter Center	Dayton
Jamey Johnson	Sept. 3	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Jamey Johnson	June 26 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Jeanne Robertson	Oct. 9	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Jeff Dunham	Nov. 19	Nutter Center	Dayton
Jeff Foxworthy	June 5 '21	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Jeremy Piven	Oct. 8	Hobart Art Theatre	Hobart
Jeremy Piven	Oct. 9-10	Chicago Improv Comedy Club	Shamburg, IL
Jim Breuer	Nov. 27	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Jimmy Buffett	July 10 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Jimmy Buffett	July 13 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Jimmy Fortune	Sept. 11	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Jo Koy	Oct. 3	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Jo Koy	Nov. 12-13	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Joe Russo's Almost Dead	Aug. 19 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
John Cusack	Dec. 5	Masonic Cathedral Theatre	Detroit
John McCutcheon	Oct. 16	Old Town School	Chicago
John Potter	Nov. 10	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Johnny Mathis	Dec. 12	Rosemont Theatre	Rosemont, IL
JoJo Siwa	July 16 '21	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
JoJo Siwa	July 17 '21	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
JoJo Siwa	July 18 '21	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Jonny Lang	Nov. 13	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Josh Turner	June 4 '21	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Justin Bieber	June 22-23 '21	United Center	Chicago
Justin Bieber	June 25 '21	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Justin Bieber	June 28 '21	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Justin Bieber	June 29 '21	Schottenstein Center	Columbus, OH
Kaleo	June 23 '21	The Fillmore	Detroit
Kaleo w/Matt Maeson, Belle MT	June 19 '21	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Kansas	Sept. 26	Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
Kaytranada	May 8 '21	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Kenny "Babyface" Edmonds	Sept. 18	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Kenny Chesney	Aug. 14 '21	Ford Field	Detroit
Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band	June 12 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
The Killers	Oct. 9	Rocket Mortgage Fieldhouse	Cleveland
Kindo	Aug. 18	Schubas Tavern	Chicago
King Krule	Dec. 2	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
KISS w/David Lee Roth	Sept. 11	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
KISS w/David Lee Roth	Sept. 12	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
KISS w/David Lee Roth	Sept. 14	Nutter Center	Dayton
Kool & The Gang w/The Sweetwater All Stars	Sept. 3 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Ladies Night Out Comedy Tour	Feb. 5 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Lady Gaga	Aug. 27 '21	Wrigley Field	Chicago
Lauren Daigle w/Johnnyswim	Mar. 11 '21	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Lauren Daigle w/Johnnyswim	Mar. 12 '21	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Lauren Sanderson	Apr. 13, 2021	Subterranean	Chicago
Lauren Sanderson	Apr. 18, 2021	Deluxe	Indianapolis
Lauren Sanderson	Apr. 20, 2021	The Shelter	Detroit
Lauren Sanderson	Apr. 21, 2021	Newport Music Hall	Columbus, OH
Lauren Sanderson	Apr. 23, 2021	The Stache	Grand Rapids
Lauren Sanderson	Apr. 24, 2021	House of Blues	Cleveland
Lauryn Hill	Sept. 9	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Lee Brice	Aug. 29	13-24 Drive-In	Wabash
Leonid & Friends w/The Sweetwater All Stars	Nov. 20	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Lindsey Stirling	Aug. 10 '21	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Lindsey Stirling	Aug. 12 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Lindsey Stirling	Aug. 14 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Little Big Town	Oct. 1	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Little Big Town	Oct. 22-23	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Little River Band	Sept. 4	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI

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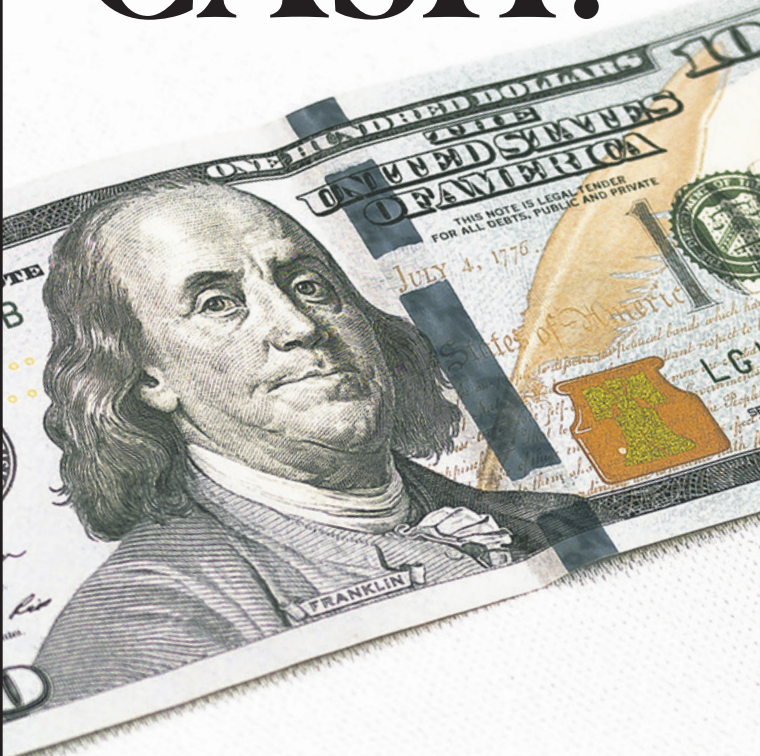
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Little River Band	Oct. 17	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Little River Band	Aug. 13 '21	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
The Lone Bellow	Oct. 30	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Los Lobos w/The Summit	Mar. 27 '21	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Lost Dog Street Band	Dec. 15	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Louis Tomlinson	Apr. 15 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Louis Tomlinson	Apr. 17 '21	The Fillmore	Detroit
Luke Bryan	June 10 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Maren Morris	June 18 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Maren Morris	June 19 '21	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Maren Morris	July 10 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Maroon 5	Aug. 21 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Maroon 5	Aug. 23 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Marshmello	Sept. 9	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Martina McBride	Aug. 28	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Matchbox Twenty	Aug. 24 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Matt Stell w/Chris Bandi and Ray Fulcher	Sept. 19	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Megadeth and Lamb of God	July 9 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Megadeth and Lamb of God	July 27 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Megadeth and Lamb of God	July 28 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Megadeth and Lamb of God	Aug. 6 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Melissa Etheridge	Sept. 25	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI
MercyMe w/Mac Powell, Micah Tyler	Apr. 8 '21	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Michael Buble	Feb. 23 '21	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Michael Buble	Mar. 20 '21	Heritage Bank Arena	Cincinnati
Michael W. Smith	Oct. 9	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Mike Birbiglia	May 21 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Milky Chance	Nov. 5	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Million Dollar Quartet	Oct. 22 '21	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Ministry w/KMFDM, Front Line Assembly	Apr. 9 '21	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Ministry w/KMFDM, Front Line Assembly	Apr. 10 '21	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Ministry w/KMFDM	Apr. 12 '21	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Molly Hatchet	Oct. 15	Eclectic Room	Angola
Motley Crue, Def Leppard, Poison, Joan Jett	July 10 '21	Comerica Park	Detroit
Motley Crue, Def Leppard, Poison, Joan Jett	Aug. 29 '21	Wrigley Field	Chicago
The Musical Box	Nov. 6	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
NateWantsToBattle	Apr. 18 '21	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Newsboys United w/Mandisa	Aug. 25	Northview Church	Carmel
Newsboys United w/Mandisa	Aug. 28	Mt. Zion	Clarkston, MI
Newsboys United w/Adam Agee	Oct. 29	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Newsboys w/Mandisa	Aug. 29	Fair Haven Church	Hudsonville, MI
Nicole Atkins	Aug. 13 '21	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Night Ranger	Oct. 31	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Nikki Glaser	Nov. 28	Vic Theatre	Chicago
Nombe	Mar. 27 '21	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Oak Ridge Boys	Oct. 2	Wagon Wheel Theatre	Warsaw
Olafur Arnalds	Oct. 30	Rubloff Auditorium	Chicago
Omarion, Bow Wow, Ashanti, Pretty Ricky, Ying Yang Twins, Sammie, Soulja Boy	Apr. 9 '21	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Papadosio	Sept. 11-12	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Parkway Drive w/Hatebreed, Knocked Loose, Fit For a King	Sept. 1	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Pat Hazell	Mar. 16 '21	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Phil Vassar	Mar. 4 '21	Wagon Wheel Theatre	Warsaw
Phish	Aug. 6-7 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Poco	June 25 '21	T. Furth Center, Trine University	Angola
Pokey LaFarge	Mar. 12 '21	Beachland Ballroom	Cleveland
Polaris	June 24 '21	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Postmodern Jukebox	Sept. 18	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Primus	July 15 '21	Express Live	Columbus, OH
Primus	July 16 '21	Jacobs Pavilion	Cleveland
Primus	July 17 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Primus	July 19 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Primus	July 20 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Primus	July 21 '21	White River State Park	Indianapolis
Pure Prairie League w/The Why Store	Sept. 18 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Rage Against the Machine	July 12-13 '21	United Center	Chicago
Rage Against the Machine	July 26-27 '21	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Reba McEntire	Aug. 7 '21	Huntington Center	Toledo

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Reba McEntire	Aug. 13 '21	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Reba McEntire	Aug. 14 '21	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
REO Speedwagon	Oct. 30	Kalamazoo State Theatre	Kalamazoo
Restless Heart and Shenandoah	Oct. 30	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
The Revivalists	Oct. 24	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Ricky Gervais	Feb. 8-9 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Ricky Skaggs & Kentucky Thunder	Sept. 12	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Rita Moreno	Oct. 3	The Palladium	Carmel
Rod Stewart w/Cheap Trick	July 15 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Rod Stewart w/Cheap Trick	July 21 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Rod Stewart w/Cheap Trick	July 23 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Rod Stewart w/Cheap Trick	July 28 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Ron Keel Band	Aug. 22	Home Run Memorial Park	Kenton, OH
Ron White	Jan. 23 '21	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Ronnie Milsap	Oct. 10	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Russ	May 22 '21	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Russ	June 3 '21	Mich. Lottery Amphitheatre	Sterling Heights
Ryan Niemiller	Feb. 25 '21	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Ryan Stevenson	Sept. 24	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Samantha Fish	Aug. 25	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Samantha Fish w/Southern Avenue	Aug. 27 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Santana w/Earth, Wind & Fire	July 3 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Santana w/Earth, Wind & Fire	July 5 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Santana w/Earth, Wind & Fire	July 9 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Santana w/Earth, Wind & Fire	July 10 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Sarah Brightman	Oct. 15	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Scotty McCreery	Sept. 5	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Sleaford Mods	Oct. 7	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Snow Patrol	Oct. 17	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Steely Dan w/Steve Winwood	June 23 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Steely Dan w/Steve Winwood	June 25 '21	Hollywood Casino Amphitheatre	Tinley Park, IL
Steely Dan w/Steve Winwood	June 26 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Straight No Chaser	Mar. 26 '21	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Styx	Mar. 13 '21	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI
Styx	July 22 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Tech N9ne	Oct. 16	The Fillmore	Detroit
Ted Nugent	Aug. 14 '21	DTE Energy Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Terry Fator	Oct. 17	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
The Teskey Brothers	Oct. 11	Vic Theatre	Chicago
The Texas Tenors	Sept. 16	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
They Might Be Giants	May 31 '21	Vic Theatre	Chicago
Thomas Rhett	June 17 '21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Thomas Rhett	June 18 '21	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Thomas Rhett	June 19 '21	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Three Dog Night	Oct. 23	Blue Gate Theatre	Shipshewana
Tigran Hamasyan	Sept. 7	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
TobyMac w/Cochren & Co.	May 3 '21	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Todd Rundgren	Jan. 30-31 '21	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Tower of Power w/Sweetwater All Stars	June 9 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Trace Mountains w/Jess Thrower	Oct. 13	Brass Rail	Fort Wayne
Travis Tritt	Oct. 2	Blue Gate P.A.C.	Shipshewana
Travis Tritt	Mar. 18 '21	Hobart Arena	Troy, OH
Trevor Hall	Sept. 9	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Trevor Noah	Nov. 22	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
The Turtles w/Chuck Negron, The Association, Mark Lindsay, The Vogues, The Cowsills	Aug. 15 '21	MGM Northfield Park	Northfield, OH
Walk Off the Earth	Feb. 17 '21	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Ward Davis	Nov. 19	Beachland Ballroom	Cleveland
Warrant w/Eric Martin of Mr. Big and P.J. Farley of Trixter	July 31 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Weathers	Feb. 28 '21	Schubas Tavern	Chicago
The Weeknd w/Sabrina Claudio, Don Toliver	June 21 '21	United Center	Chicago
The Weeknd w/Sabrina Claudio, Don Toliver	June 24 '21	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Weezer, Green Day, Fall Out Boy, The Interrupters	Aug. 15 '21	Wrigley Field	Chicago
Whiskey Myers w/Bones Owens	July 30 '21	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Widespread Panic	Apr. 1-3 '21	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Willie Nelson	Apr. 23 '21	Four Winds Casino	New Buffalo, MI
Yardbirds	Oct. 2	Token Lounge	Westland, MI
Zach Williams w/We the Kingdom and Cain	Oct. 4	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne

Smaller festival still aims to use music to bring city together

Fort Wayne Music Festival fills Headwaters with sound

BY CHRIS HUPE
WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

For the last five years, the Fort Wayne Music Festival's goal has been to bring the community together through music.

This year's event has an even bigger purpose: bringing the community together for some much needed live music at the end of a summer that was virtually devoid of any live performances of any kind.

The 2020 festival was originally scheduled to take place on the festival's traditional May weekend but was postponed for obvious pandemic reasons.

Instead, The Fort Wayne Music Festival will take place Aug. 20-22 at Headwaters Park with reduced capacity but a full lineup of entertainment.

TRIBUTE TO KID ROCK

Broken up into three distinct events that bring a variety of music to the heart of the city, the festival kicks off with Cowboy: A Kid Rock Tribute on Thursday night.

Based out of Roanoke, Va., Cowboy are recognized by many critics as one of the best touring Kid Rock tribute bands in the country. They perform all the Kid Rock anthems people want to hear with the energy, passion, musical ability, and showmanship any fan would expect from a Kid Rock concert.

Their attention to detail is uncanny and with over 100 years of professional music experience in the band, their live performance is almost as satisfying as seeing the Detroit rocker himself. Tickets range from \$10-\$25.

FORT WAYNE FAVORITES

Rock on the River, the focus event of the festival, continues the momentum by bringing several Fort Wayne favorites back to town for a night of rock music that likely won't be matched again this year.

Headlining the night are the masked musicians of Mushroomhead. Currently supporting their new album, *A Wonderful Life*, released in June, Mushroomhead are likely chomping at the bit to show off some of their new songs in one of their favorite cities.

With a performance that is both sonically and visually stimulating, Mushroomhead always send audiences home drained of energy and with smiles on their faces.

Also on the bill are Saliva, Adelita's Way, and Saving Abel, all of which have visited the Summit City on several occasions throughout the years.

Indianapolis-based American Bombshell, Connecticut rockers Dead By Wednesday, and local bands Blood

FORT WAYNE MUSIC FESTIVAL THURSDAY

Cowboy: A Kid Rock Tribute
7-11 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20
\$10-\$20
FRIDAY
Rock on the River
4 p.m.-midnight Friday, Aug. 21
\$22.50-\$45
SATURDAY
'80s Night
7 p.m.-midnight Saturday, Aug. 22
\$5-\$15

Headwaters Park
333 S. Clinton St., Fort Wayne
(260) 422-7625

From A Stone and Mud Creek are slated to open the show.

Tickets are \$22.50 in advance with \$45 advance VIP tickets available.

Tickets will be more expensive at the gate on the day of the show, but it would be unwise to wait until then as, at press time, there were fewer than a hundred still available and they will likely sell out before the day of the show.

BACK TO THE '80S

Saturday, Aug. 22, brings the festival to a close with an '80s Night featuring DJ RC & Kenny Redd along with The Ys Guys performing all of your favorite '80s hits.

According to Jake Slater, executive director of Electric Promotions, the promoter of the Fort Wayne Music Festival, The Ys Guys performed at last year's festival and had the audience dancing and partying all night long. The band has since become a highly sought after party band locally and are making a name for themselves regionally as well. Limited VIP tickets will be available for \$15 in advance.

WORKING ON CROWD SAFETY

In a recent interview with *Whatzup*, Slater said that he and his crew pick bands for the festival based upon what they think audiences want to hear. Though that philosophy sounds like common sense, there is a lot that goes into forming a lineup like this.

"We do a lot of research, [including] looking at what bands have been in the market recently, what bands haven't been in the area in a while, what bands have been well received in the past," he said. "We try to look at what people are interested in seeing and attempt to put together a lineup we feel the market would appreciate."

Of course, putting on shows of this magnitude in today's environment is a challenge, but Slater confirmed that every precaution necessary will be taken in order to guarantee his event is a healthy one.

"We're going to make sure we're keeping everybody safe and following CDC guidelines and the board of health protocol that will be in effect at that time," he said.

Facemasks will be required to enter and capacity will be reduced significantly because of Gov. Holcombe's orders that dictate gatherings be limited.

"Last year we had about 3,000 people at Rock on the River," Slater said. "But this year maximum capacity is going to be about 250."

It's smaller than what most are used to, but the lineup is still massive in entertainment value.

ALBUM OF THE WEEK



STEVE LOWE
LOVE IS

This 2020 release is Howe's 17th solo record, comprising ten songs: five with current Yes singer, Jon Davison, singing harmonies and playing bass guitar, and five instrumental tracks rotating through the running order. Many years in the making, Love Is offers a consistently strong and polished listening experience, forging the very best from the writing and playing throughout. Love Is is available on CD for just \$11.99 this week.

TOP SELLERS

WEEK ENDING AUGUST 9, 2020

TW LW ARTIST/Album

- 1 - **JOE BONAMASSA**
A New Day Now
- 2 - **TAYLOR SWIFT**
Folklore
- 3 - **GLASS ANIMALS**
Dreamland
- 4 - **LUKE BRYAN**
Born Here Live Here Die Here
- 5 2 **FIONA APPLE**
Fetch the Bolt Cutters
- 6 - **LAURA MARLING**
Song for Our Daughter
- 7 - **DEEP PURPLE**
Whoosh!
- 8 4 **PSYCHEDELIC FURS**
Made of Rain
- 9 1 **PAUL McCARTNEY**
Flaming Pie (Remaster)
- 10 3 **ALANIS MORISSETTE**
Such Pretty Forks in the Road

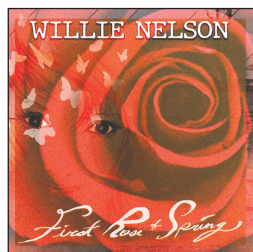
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Willie Nelson

First Rose of Spring



At this point, there's no reason to wonder if there will be ruminations on mortality in Willie Nelson's latest album. The 87-year-old Nelson has been explicitly writing about life's twilight for about a half dozen albums now.

Frankly, he's been writing with an old man's wistful wisdom for most of his career.

Almost every song on *First Rose of Spring* makes some reference to looking back with regret or satisfaction or both.

What's missing is any profound sense of sadness or anger, making it clear that Nelson simply continues to make the kind of music he wants to make.

More often than not, the kind of music he wants to make consists of quietly confessional songs, songs that own up to failures but stubbornly hold on to memories of the good times, too. The album's title track is a straight-forward sad love song, but it looks back at the love affair as a whole after it's over.

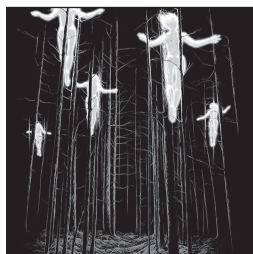
"Our Song" is a love song, too, but it wraps the romance in reminiscing. "In this time that I've been given to fill my life with livin'; I hope I have done the best that I can do," Nelson sings. "Yes, regrets, I've got a few, but, honey, none of them is you."

A pair of covers on the album strike the point home, as well. Johnny Paycheck's "I'm the Only Hell My Momma Ever Raised" retains its original humor. However, the song takes on a different tint coming from 87-year-old Nelson rather than from Paycheck, whose rough and rowdy ways undoubtedly shortened his life.

More poignant is "Yesterday When I Was Young," which delivers a more somber note than Willie's own songs ever do. It's telling that he thinks now is the time to cover a song he says he's loved for decades.

But don't think that means he's getting morose. No, he's just doing what he always does, and he'll keep doing it as long as he can. — *Evan Gillespie*

Deadly
Avenger
Yokai



Here's the newest release from musician/producer Deadly Avenger (aka Damon Baxter) and musician/producer Si Begg.

Baxter and Begg have been creating music for film trailers together, inspired by the work of composers like Mark Korven, Bobby Krlic, Cristobal Tapia De Veer, Trent Reznor, and Atticus Ross, to name a few. Their work can be heard in trailers for *Midsummer*, *Hereditary*, *Parasite*, *IT*, and *Pet Sematary*.

On *Yokai*, Deadly Avenger and Si Begg create

these short, precise moments of dread, pockets of anxiety created with both electronics and acoustic instruments. These are gateways to tiny nightmares, music designed to grab you from the moment the first note stabs your eardrum and doesn't let go till you cave in to these Gothic musical interludes. It's unrelenting and brooding, the soundtrack for those things that go bump in the night.

Each track here is named after a unique yokai, which are a kind of supernatural monster in Japanese folklore. "Jubokko," "Yadokai," "Mara," "Kumo," and "Hososhi" are all accounted for, slithering into our brains by way of electronic stabs, screeching strings, hand percussion, and the care and precise delivery of Baxter and Begg.

There's not a moment here where we can catch our breath. They're pulse-pounding, psyche-grating, and sweat-inducing sonic nightmares.

Yokai is a sampler platter of panic. It's raw, yet elegant. What Deadly Avenger and Si Begg have done is make a score for those strange, bizarre thoughts that cross your mind at 2 a.m. when everyone is sleeping but you.

You think you hear a creak, or maybe a footstep. You wonder if you locked the front door. The thought passes, you turn to your side, and you close your eyes. Sleep nearly falls over you again till you feel the hot breath on your neck.

Welcome to *Yokai*. Enter at your own risk. — *J. Hubner*

The Jayhawks
XOXO



The Jayhawks came of age in the Reagan era, when the image of decline in Americana music was built around the forgotten Heartland, its shuttered factories and struggling farms.

That was almost four decades ago, and the country's problems are different now. But *XOXO*, the Jayhawks' eleventh album, still feels mostly like a product of the late 1980s or early '90s struggling to make sense of 2020.

The new album, however, has a twist. For this project, frontman Gary Louris, who has long been the primary voice of the band, has stepped aside and allowed the other band members to step up to the mic and sing their own songs. The result is an album with more tonal variety than might otherwise be expected.

Thematically, though, there's a steady through line. "This Forgotten Town" dredges up the old image of the land of broken dreams.

But rather than agitate for social change, other songs paint a picture of middle-aged confusion, denial, and impotence. "I stick my head out every once in awhile/Life is full of trouble/What am I to do?" laments the narrator of "Living in a Bubble."

The climate-change dirge "Homecoming" is even more defeatist as it passes responsibility from Gen X to the youngsters: "There's no one else coming to save us/Why are the children always the bravest?"

XOXO has some high points: the dirty-jangly

Backtracks CLASSIC ALBUMS

Scorpions

Lovedrive (1979)



This was the sixth album from the German rockers that closed a great decade by a band that continues to perform and actually released an album back in 2015.

It opens with the grungy "Loving You Sunday Morning," a track that features brothers Rudolf and Michael Schenker trading guitar licks behind the strong vocals from Klaus Meine. And if you like drums, Herman Rarebell is still one of the best.

"Another Piece of Meat" is a great head-banger that sounds like their earlier heavy stuff. And the blueprint for '80s hairband super-ballads can be found in the dreamy "Always Somewhere." I really didn't appreciate their ballads until I was older. This song fits in both where it's located on the album and as one of those tracks that allows you to take them seriously as musicians.

More prodigious guitars and percussion are featured in the chugging instrumental "Coast To Coast," which closes the first side.

Dropping the needle on side two delivers the two-minute grinder "Can't Get Enough," a track that unfortunately ends right as it starts to gain momentum.

Next, "Is There Anybody There?" has a reggae-metal feel about it. Here, you either like Meine's vocals or you don't. But it has worked for this band for more than 50 years. The title track picks up the tempo again; the guitars buzz around for almost five minutes, making this a fan favorite during their live shows.

The last track on the release is super-ballad-meets-hard-metal, "Holiday." Scorpion fans like myself consider this to be a song that exemplifies the bands formula: pretty ballads combined with heavy metal. This song is a hybrid of both and closes the first album of their "trilogy" (including *Animal Magnetism* and *Blackout*).

The band is working on new material and may have something out in 2021. — *Dennis Donahue*

rock of "Dogtown Days" and the retro groove of "Little Victories."

And it has low points, the silly indictment of Trumpism in "Illuminate" especially.

Overall, the album is a hit-or-miss attempt to find an appropriate contemporary voice for music born a generation ago. — *Evan Gillespie*

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Steven Garza is one of the many teens featured in the new documentary *Boys State*.
COURTESY PHOTO

Entertaining documentary earns your vote

Making its debut at the Sundance Film Festival earlier this year, the enthralling and massively entertaining documentary *Boys State* hits streaming this weekend and announces itself as one of the year's best movies.

Chronicling the 2018 edition of the American Legion leadership program that gives the film its name, directors Jesse Moss and Amanda McBaine showcase the hundreds of Texan teenagers who gathered to construct a fictitious representative government from scratch. Over the course of a week, the spirited youngsters divide up into two parties of Nationalists and Federalists and elect officials in positions ranging from party chair to governor.

Though they capture input from many of the participants, Moss and McBaine focus on a handful of teens who seem to show the most promise from the outset. There's Federalist party chair Ben Feinstein, a quick-witted, conservative-minded double amputee who quickly learns the lay of the land and boosts fellow Federalist Eddy Conti to gubernatorial candidacy.

Comparatively, Nationalist Steven Garza is more reserved but no less inspiring as a sincere progressive inspired by the likes of Beto O'Rourke and Bernie Sanders. Other Nationalists who rally behind Garza for governor are the eloquent and charismatic party chair René Otero and square-jawed rabble rouser Robert MacDougal.

What's most fascinating about *Boys State* is how thoroughly it lays out the beauties and shortcomings of the American democratic process within the context of the current political climate. Though it's explained early on that the Nationalists and Federalists needn't adhere to any "guidelines" set by the existing Republican or Democratic parties, it doesn't take long for the two groups to resemble their real-life counterparts. The testosterone-driven electorates are only slightly exaggerated cyphers for the actual crowds of rally-goers who express their approval or dismay in no uncertain terms. The process of watching the candidates feed off of their energy and change their political strategy accordingly is fascinating to behold.

Lest I make the movie sound like something only a polisci major would enjoy, it's crucial to note that *Boys State* is a fun watch even if you favor the personalities over the politics. There is plenty of humor and tension



Reel Views

BRENT LEUTHOLD

BOYS STATE

Rated PG-13 for some strong language and thematic elements

1 hour 49 minutes · Streaming starting Aug. 14 on Apple TV



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Use your phone's camera to scan the QR code above and watch the movie trailer.

as these strangers come together, try to figure each other out, and build something meaningful in such a short amount of time.

"I think he's a fantastic politician," Otero says of rival Feinstein. "But I don't think a 'fantastic politician' is a compliment either," he adds after a beat.

As the film moved breathlessly to the climactic election night, I could not have been more captivated while waiting to hear the results, even knowing that they didn't have any actual consequence on the real-life political landscape.

McBaine and Moss, the latter of whom headed up the terrific 2014 doc *The Overnighters*, weave together all of these public and private moments with both commendable sensitivity and spellbinding momentum. Since 1937, the Boys State program has produced scores of notable alumni from Dick Cheney to Bill Clinton and even film critic Roger Ebert. After seeing this movie, it's difficult to imagine that ambitious figures like Feinstein and Otero won't one day have political influence which matches that of the program's biggest breakouts.

Equal parts riveting and revealing, *Boys State* is a vision of American politics that distills our hopes and fears into one supremely entertaining package.

ALSO NEW TO STREAMING THIS WEEKEND

Available on Netflix is *Project Power*, a New Orleans-set action movie starring Jamie Foxx and Joseph Gordon-Levitt about a pill that gives the taker superhuman abilities for five minutes.

Available on Disney+ is *Magic Camp*, a family comedy starring Adam DeVine and Jeffrey Tambor about a struggling magician who returns as a counselor to the camp he attended as a child.

Available on demand is *Sputnik*, a sci-fi horror film starring Oksana Akinshina and Fyodor Bondarchuk about the lone survivor of a space accident who is unknowingly harvesting an alien creature in his body.

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Dreaming of opening a drive-in theater

All of the movies have been pushed back. Or canceled. Or shelved.

While Christopher Nolan knows that your TV is huge and you have a Bose bar, he doesn't care. His movies are made to be seen on huge screens as part of a crowd, so even his already-storied next film, *Tenet*, is shelved until it can be seen properly.

The movie industry, worried that it can't weather a long-term pandemic work stoppage, is being responsible.

If there's anyone who can't reopen at the moment, it's gotta be the businesses who thrive on cramming people into a room for as many minutes per day as possible. It's gotta be the movie theaters. They just cannot open.

What does this work stoppage mean for the industry? Well, it's possible that about everything in the film and TV production industry will be touched by the COVID-19 pandemic. So what can we expect for the nearish future? Well, a lot more animated movies and shows. Small, intimate productions and stories. More movies shot in small towns. More movies shot overseas. More movies going straight to VOD. More and more drive-in theaters reopening and being built. And, sadly, perhaps a lower quality of product on average.

Of all those changes, the rediscovery of the drive-in theater is not only the most interesting, but surely the most charming. Like most folks my age or younger, I have fond memories of seeing movies at the drive-in, both as a child with family (*ET* for the kids, then *Raiders* for all) and as a teenager with friends and romantic interests (*Bean* for the kids, then *Contact* for all).

Before you say it, I know there are problems with drive-in theaters. There can be bugs and too much noise. The picture probably isn't as crisp or vivid as your TV. Besides, staying home is still the more responsible choice.

I don't know about you, but I'm into the ideas of drive-in theaters reopening, being built, and becoming a



Screen Time

GREG W. LOCKE

general thing again. I miss going out to see a movie about as much as anything right now. And if drive-ins are the only way we're going to get guys like Christopher Nolan to release their work right now, then let's do it.

Let's get the industry going in the direction of drive-ins. Wes Anderson and David Fincher both have new movies I need to see. There's a new Bond film that looks incredible. Mike Mills and Joaquin Phoenix made a film called *C'Mon, C'Mon* that I predict is Joaquin's next Oscar win. And don't even get me started on Chloe Zhao's *Nomadland* or Denis Villeneuve's *Dune* remake.

Imagine that, a night spent at a drive-in with a nerdy cinephile friend watching *Tenet* and *Dune* back-to-back. Maybe you get a few mosquito bites and yeah you didn't get home until really late, but it was a night to remember, right?

One last thought before we wrap this thing up — what if they pair a new movie with an old movie? I've seen it happen before, sure, but what if it becomes the quarantine-era standard? Go see *The French Dispatch* and *The Royal Tenenbaums* on a cool October night with your latest flame. Nachos from the concession stand and a box of Mike & Ikes you bought from the gas station on the way. A Diet Coke and a Watermelon Bai? Sounds like a good night to me.

In short, this is me asking all you dear supporters of ScreenTime to band together, open a drive-in theater, and let me program it.

Here is how I would program my first 10-weekend season: *Pulp Fiction* and *Die Hard with a Vengeance*; *Major League* then *He Got Game*; *The Squid and the Whale* then *Marriage Story*; *Con Air* then *Wild at Heart*; *Silence of the Lambs* then *Henry*; *Dazed and Confused* then *Do the Right Thing*; *Blue Valentine* then *Love Streams*; *Jurassic Park* then *Jaws*; *Terminator 2* then *Taxi Driver*; *The Big Lebowski* then *Pineapple Express*.

Every night has a theme and we sell T-shirts and posters for each double feature. Boom, I fixed COVID-19 with movies.

Hit me up at gregwlocke@gmail.com with your guesses for what my Season One themes were.

Stage & Dance LOCAL CALENDAR

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Always ... Patsy Cline — Based on the true story of Cline's friendship with a fan from Houston, **7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 13-15; 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16 (65+ only show); 7 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Aug. 20-22; 6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$17-\$47, (574) 267-8041

Play On! — A theater group attempts to put on a play despite the interferences of an author who keeps revising the script, doors and cash bar at 6:15 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m., curtain at 8 p.m., **8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Aug. 14-15; 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16; and 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Aug. 21-22**, Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 424-5622

AUDITIONS

Annie — Auditions for the musical *Annie*, **children 3-5:30 p.m., adults 6:30-11 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 16**, Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, (260) 422-8641 ext. 226

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UPCOMING PRODUCTIONS

SEPTEMBER

Buckets N Boards — A high-energy show full of percussion, ridiculous songs, tap dancing, and more, **7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3**, Eagles Theatre, Wabash, \$15, (260) 563-1102

Clue — Join the iconic oddballs as they race to find the murderer in Boddy Manor before the body count stacks up, **7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 10-12; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$12, (574) 267-8041

1776 The Musical — The Founding Fathers must convince the members of the Second Continental Congress to sign the Declaration of Independence, **7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13; 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18; 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20**, Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, Foellinger Outdoor Theatre, Fort Wayne, Season tickets available, call for individual tickets, (260) 427-6000

The Dreadful Journal of Phoebe Weems — Eleven-year-old Phoebe is afraid of almost everything, but perhaps writing and drawing in a journal will help, **7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 18-19; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 20; 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25-26; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27**, all for One Productions, Artslab, Auer Center for Arts & Culture, Fort Wayne, \$11-\$20, (260) 422-4226

CURRENT EXHIBITS

By Women: A Selection from the Permanent Collection — Highlighting diverse women artists whose work encompasses topics ranging from identity and beauty to violence and equality, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, closed Mondays, through Sept. 13**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$20, (260) 422-6467

Here and Now: A Survey on New Contemporary Art — Eleven artists who contribute to the New Contemporary Art movement highlighting an expansion of style since postmodernism, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, closed Mondays, through Aug. 30**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$20, (260) 422-6467

Hidden Truths: New Paintings by Francisco Valverde — Valverde's work utilizes plastic materials to build complexity with the themes of obsession and freedom, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, closed Mondays, through Aug. 30**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$20, (260) 422-6467

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Kristy Jo Beber: Colorful Pottery & Paintings — Stoneware pottery with whimsical surface design and her new series of mixed media paintings, **11 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, through Aug. 31**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 436-0927

Moments: The Plein Air Movement — Nationally acclaimed plein air artists Brienne Brown, John Lasater, and Nancie King Mertz, **10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, through Aug. 30**, Artlink Contemporary Gallery, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-7195

Salvador Dali's Stairway to Heaven — Illustrations originally made for a 1934 edition of *Les Chants de Maldoror* and a 1960 edition of Dante Alighieri's *The Divine Comedy*, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, closed Mondays, through Aug. 16**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$20, (260) 422-6467

Indiana Women's Caucus for Art — Featuring local female artists' work including oil paintings, watercolor, pastels, mixed media, photography, and ceramics, **5-8 p.m. Fridays, 4-7 p.m. Saturdays, 1-4 p.m. Sundays, through Sept. 13**, Garrett Museum of Art, Garrett, free, (260) 704-5400

ART EVENTS

Plein Air — An informal group of artists enjoying the beauty of painting outside, **8 a.m. Wednesdays**, various locations, Fort Wayne, free, www.fortwaynearartists-guild.org/plein-air

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Plein Air Paint In/Paint Out — Watch local artists paint live in and around the museum in collaboration with the Fort Wayne Artists Guild, **5-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 13**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 422-6467

Critter on Canvas — Paint a live critter on canvas (must pre-register and pre-pay ten days in advance), **2-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16**, Fox Island County Park, Fort Wayne, \$30, (260) 449-3180

2020 Covington Art Fair — A two-day community event featuring fine arts, **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 23**, Covington Plaza, Fort Wayne, free, (412) 613-3353

Doink & Dink Art Opening — Addeline Griswold and Jared Andrews team up for a print show with exotic petting zoo, live music, and Bird & Cleaver food truck, **6-9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22**, Fancy & Staple, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 422-2710

Kekiongga Plein Air Event — Plein air artists gather to paint, exhibit, and compete for more than \$7,000 in awards and prizes, **Wednesday-Saturday, Aug. 26-29**, Fort Wayne Arts Campus, free, fortwaynearartistsguild.org

Taste of the Arts Online — Celebrate the arts with streamed music, theater, and dance, **Aug. 29**, Arts United, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-0646

Art This Way Art Crawl — A live band, artist performing live, and gallery show at each various downtown location, **5-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 18**, downtown Fort Wayne, free, (260) 420-3266

CALLS FOR ENTRIES

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COMING EXHIBITS

Posing Beauty in African American Culture — Explores the contested ways in which African and African American beauty have been represented in historical and contemporary contexts through a diverse range of media, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, closed Mondays, Aug. 22-Oct. 18**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$20, (260) 422-6467

American Impressionism: Treasures from the Daywood Collection — Featuring 41 elegant American paintings, originally from the private collection of Arthur Dayton and Ruth Woods Dayton, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, noon-5 p.m. Sundays, closed Mondays, Sept. 19-Dec. 13**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$20, (260) 422-6467



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Day-by-day planning in a time of pandemic

Youtheatre keeps busy with performances

BY MICHELE DeVINNEY

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

For the last few weeks, teachers and parents have debated the wisdom and feasibility of sending children back to school.

But for Fort Wayne Youtheatre, these issues have been already front and center for more than five months.

PLANNING SINCE FEBRUARY

"We met around the end of February, the executive branch of the board, Murphy, Megan, and myself," said Todd Espeland, executive director of Youtheatre, referring also to assistant director Christopher Murphy and marketing director and administrator Megan Ebbeskotte.

"We all began constructing a worst-case scenario, planning what we would do budget-wise if we had to cancel all programming through August. It pained us to make that plan, but I'm glad now that we did because we've been able to pivot from that plan and revise the plan with a lot more ingenuity. We had the plan together by the first week of March, and of course it was the second week of March that everything came down."

Winter classes were wrapping up. But Youtheatre had to move its usual end-of-year performance from Homestead High School to a smaller, parents-only performance at Arts United Center.

Youtheatre replaced its spring break camps with online and social media programming. Also, Fort Wayne Youtheatre collaborated with Fort Wayne Dance Collective for a dance camp complete with ample distancing and masks.

CLASSES AND PERFORMANCES

For Youtheatre, planning for the coming season means making adjustments for classes and for performances, including visits to schools around the area.

Youtheatre established a detailed but evolving protocol for how to make its classes as safe as possible.

"Coming up with these procedures has



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been a slow, deliberate process," said Murphy, who also serves as director of outreach. "We're looking at what theaters across the country are doing, and that's something that artists do anyway so everyone is very generous going back and forth about these plans. Then we started cherry-picking and working with Arts United since we're housed in their facility and getting guidance from them and aligning our plan with theirs. We keep going through things with our faculty too, coming up with ideas for how we can best proceed."

Among the measures adopted, beyond the obvious masks and distancing, are hand sanitizing before and after classes and limiting not only class size but parental interaction in the drop off and pick up of students.

Students are required to bring water bottles from home because no water fountains are available. Students are also encouraged to use their home restrooms before coming to class to limit the need for the public ones.

WAIT-AND-SEE APPROACH

As those plans continue to take shape, Espeland and Murphy have been working on how to proceed with their performance schedule which will kick off with *Stuart Little* on Oct. 9-11.

"We made a very deliberate decision to not print a season brochure," Espeland said. "We didn't want to print 20,000 brochures when we weren't sure what was going to happen. So we decided to make use of social media and our mailing and email address lists so that we're sharing the best and most accurate information that we have."

"We had a roundtable discussion with parents and volunteers and went over some key things that would help parents and students

STUART LITTLE AND SHUDDERSOME: TALES OF POE

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AUDITIONS

4-6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31, and Tuesday, Sept. 1

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PERFORMANCES

Friday, Oct. 9-Sunday, Oct. 11

Times and location to be announced

trust that we were putting safety of our volunteers, kids, and families first and had some control over what the situation was going to be. Those have been guiding us as we make our plans."

"Nimble is the word that I keep using," Murphy added. "If you'd have asked us in February what our season was going to be, it would have been a very different answer. As we look to what shows, we're considering what provides a safer rehearsal and audition process, something that doesn't require any significant choral songs. We're looking at that in the same way we are the class procedures. We have to pivot away from some material that just isn't going to be possible. We have to be more safety conscious while still providing a positive experience for the participants."

LIMITING THE AUDIENCE

Youtheatre typically aims for a higher cast count since performance is part of the learning experience for its students. But this year, numbers will be kept lower. And seating for

the performances of *Stuart Little* will be limited as well.

"We'll have a performance at the ArtsLab where we can safely seat 50 people," Espeland said. "Then our Saturday and Sunday performances will be outdoors, Saturday at the Arts United Center plaza and Sunday at the James Cultural Plaza in Dekalb County."

Meanwhile, new plans are in place for how Youtheatre can continue its outreach into the community.

"We usually have a fall touring show which I'd normally be taking to nursing homes and schools around the area," Murphy said.

"Most of those are limiting visitors now so we're going to do a radio play, and we're partnering with WBOI to record, distribute, and broadcast. We just did a radio play last fall so I was reluctant to go back to the well, but when they approached us about partnering, we knew that was a good way to handle the situation."

Other plans are in place to allow them to remain "nimble" as the situation changes in the coming months.

While the staff of Youtheatre are optimistic, they realize that things may continue to start and stop for months. To that end, they plan a spring semester from March to May instead of their usual winter semester from January to March. If the schedule becomes popular, Youtheatre may continue it beyond COVID.

They are also ready to switch to digital programming if necessary, adapting to whatever circumstances demand to keep their students safe.

"I really want people to know how seriously we're taking this," Murphy said. "All of our decisions are made to keep our community safe and healthy."

CURRENT

Chalk It Up! — Explore the medium of chalk with provided supplies, daily and weekly themes: Sundays, Wellness; Mondays, Literature; Tuesdays, Games; Wednesdays, Conversation; Thursdays, Dance; Fridays, Science; Saturdays, Art; **2-8 p.m. daily, through Oct. 3**, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

Salomon Farmers Market — Baked goods, honey, crafts, food, entertainment, and children's activities, **4-4:30 p.m. Seniors & Higher Risk Individuals, 4:30-7 p.m. General Public, Wednesdays through Sept. 2**, Salomon Farm Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6028

Historic West Main Street Farmer's Market — Outdoor farm market with fresh produce and other goods, **3-7 p.m. Fridays, through October**, West Main Street Corridor, Fort Wayne, free, (260)-515-9700

Johnnie Mae Farm Market — Fresh vegetables grown on-site, **2-6 p.m. Fridays, through early fall**, 2518 Winter St., Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-5958

Full Moon Hikes — A moonlit adventure to experience nature through a new perspective, **8 p.m. Youth, 9:15 p.m. Adult, Fridays**, Lindenwood Nature Preserve, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6028

Ylni Farmers Market — Fresh produce, a wide variety of organic fruits and vegetables, hand-made jewelry and crafts, local artwork, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays through Sept. 26**, corner of Wayne and Barr Street, Fort Wayne, free, www.ylni.org

Present Tense, Future Calm — Showcase Garden designed to help you pause, relax, and reflect, **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 pm Thursday, noon-4 p.m. Sunday, closed Mondays, through Nov. 15**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$3-\$5, (260) 427-6440

Trek the Trails — Family-friendly bike rides typically 8-9 miles long, with average speed 10-12 mph, **6 p.m. Tuesdays, through Sept. 15**, various locations, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 969-0079

Community Farmers Market — Organic products for sale with food trucks and music, **10 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 8 and 22; Sept. 5 and 19; and Oct. 3, 17, and 31**, Health Hut Wellness Center, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 312-2252

Savor Fort Wayne — Enjoy 12 days of menu deals from 28 restaurants and breweries throughout Fort Wayne, **through Sunday, Aug. 16**, prices vary, savorfortwayne.com

MASKerade Ball — Wear your best mask in order to win cash prizes, **9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 14**, Flashback Live, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 422-5292

Cars & Coffee — Join regional car owners with classic, exotic, muscle, and favorite vehicles for free coffee, **9-11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 15**, Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum, Auburn, free, (260) 925-3600

Gun and Knife Show — Guns, knives, archery, military collectibles, army surplus, survival gear and related items to buy, sell, swap, or view, **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$7, (260) 482-9502

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UAW 2209 Veterans Bike Run — A bike ride to benefit local veterans stopping at J. Edward Roush Lake, 469 Cycle Shop, Arena Bar & Grill, and Harley-Davidson of Fort Wayne, **9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15**, UAW Local 2209, Roanoke, free, (260) 672-2209

Duesies & Movies — Enjoy the drive-in experience with *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom* in the Education and Events Plaza, **8-11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 15**, Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum, Auburn, free, (260) 925-1444

Embassy Theatre Film Series: Suffragette — A film about an early 20th century British woman who joins the suffragette movement despite obvious risks, **2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-5665

COMING EVENTS

AUGUST

Marquee Gala — Support the Embassy and meet Broadway's Adam Pascal (*Rent, Aida*), **7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$150, (260) 424-6287

BrewBash 2020 — Enjoy great local food, beer tastings, and entertainment, **6-10 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21**, Combat Ops Entertainment, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 999-4940

Pollinators Paradise Honey Festival — Celebrate local pollinators including bees, butterflies, and birds with activities, crafts, vendor tent, music, and more, **noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 22**, Pollinators Paradise, New Haven, \$7, (260) 446-1942

Embassy Theatre Film Series: 9 to 5 — Three businesswomen find a way to turn the tables on their no-good boss, **2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 23**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-5665

Tapestry Virtual Event — Enriching the lives of women in northeast Indiana with virtual activities and an online auction, **Aug. 24-28**, online, free, (260) 481-6854

Stargazing on the Riverfront — Explore the sky through telescopes and view constellations, **9:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28**, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

Record Store Day Drops — Celebrate the culture of the indie record store and enjoy new title drops, **Regular store hours, Saturday, Aug. 29**, Wooden Nickel Records, Neat Neat Neat Records and Music, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 484-3635

Embassy Theatre Film Series: Mary Poppins — A magical nanny arrives at the Banks' residence to mend the family, **2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-5665

SEPTEMBER

Miami Indian Heritage Days — Learn about Native American history with a guided tour of Chief Richardville House and Miami Harvest with Dani Tippmann, **1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 5**, Chief Richardville House, Fort Wayne, \$5-\$7, (260) 426-2882

Hippie Living Fair — Celebrate your inner hippie with artists, artisans, healthy foods, live music, and more, **3-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12; 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13**, Buck Lake Ranch, Angola, \$12.24-\$64.23, (260) 667-1874

Cars & Coffee — Join regional car owners with classic, exotic, muscle, and favorite vehicles for free coffee, **9-11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 19**, Auburn Cord Duesenberg Automobile Museum, Auburn, free, (260) 925-3600

Bowling for Rhinos — Little Turtle AAZK fundraiser to support African conservation with bowling, silent auction, laser tag, and more, **7-11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 25**, Crazy Pinz, Fort Wayne, \$21.49 and up, (260) 490-2695

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OCTOBER

Fort Wayne Rubber Stamp & Scrapbook Getaway — Check out the latest stamping and scrapping products, see demonstrations, and learn new crafting techniques, **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 2; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$8, (260) 482-9502

Miami Indian Heritage Days — Learn about Native American history with a guided tour of Chief Richardville House and Wiikiaami Cattail Matting at the Longhouse, **1-4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 3**, Chief Richardville House, Fort Wayne, \$5-\$7, (260) 426-2882

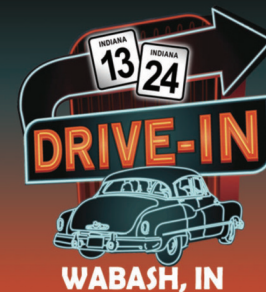
Fort Wayne's Fall Bridal Spectacular — Explore vendors preparing brides for their best wedding day, **noon-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 482-9502

HARTAween Zombie Dash — 10K, 5K, or one-mile route, open to all ages, where zombies and Halloween creatures are lurking to infect you with colored zombie dust, **4-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10**, Yeoman Park, Huntington, \$15-\$50, (260) 355-5103

Brickworld Fort Wayne — 32,000 square feet of LEGO creations and interactive activities and vendors, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 11**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, \$11-\$14, (260) 482-9502

Michiana Wine Festival — More than 100 wine samples, a spring craft market, more than ten local food trucks, and live music for guests 21 and over, **noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$10-\$75, (260) 422-7625

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