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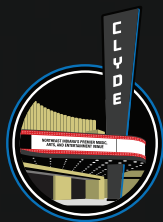


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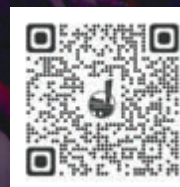
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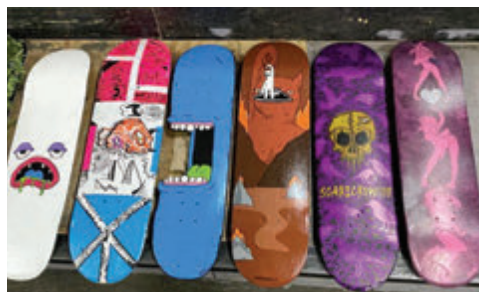
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Drop in to be part of Art in Skatepark

Decorated decks to raise funds at Slam City auction

BY ANTHONY GADSON

WHATZUP ASSOCIATE EDITOR

If you simply can't wait for the annual Art in the Park downtown on July 9, Slam City Skatepark is here to help.

On Saturday, July 2, from 5-8 p.m., the skate park at 1412 S. Anthony Blvd. will host its largest fundraiser, the fifth annual Art in the Skatepark with music, food, and skateboard art being auctioned off.

"All funds raised go directly back into the park, to help in paying for new projects, new builds, and even some scholarship types for kids that want to skate, but can't afford membership passes," organizer Amber Cox said. "We would rather front that bill for kids interested in doing healthy, safe physical activities in our park, than to see them out getting into trouble on the streets."

ALL ARE WELCOME

Throughout the year, skateboarders bring broken boards to the skate park, in turn receiving \$5 or \$10 off admission to the park. Once collected, decks are distributed to artists, who create art on the decks, which are then sold at the fundraiser.

"On the low end, they can go

ART IN THE SKATEPARK

5-8 p.m. Saturday, July 2
Slam City SkatePark
1412 S. Anthony Blvd.,
Fort Wayne
Free • (260) 238-0398

for \$25, but we've had upwards of \$700," Skatepark owner Rich Hoppe said. "A lot of the tattoo artists have a big following, and they'll post the boards on their pages, then a group will fight over it. It's a fun event."

And when he says "fight," he doesn't mean literal.

"This event brings together a huge community of artists, complimenting each other's works and becoming inspired by the work itself to create more of their own," Cox said. "It's a very 'hype each other up' atmosphere."

The inclusiveness of the event can be seen in the artwork itself, which included 73 decks last year, with 60-65 submitted two weeks before this year's show, and more to come.

"You might see a pro-Trump board right next to a huge Pride one," Hoppe said.

ARTISTS OF ALL SKILL LEVELS

To prepare for the show, Hoppe says the park is closed a week. Once it's ready, things might look a little different, but the vibe remains.

"Kids running around, skaters doing tricks, and mini competitions



COURTESY PHOTOS

Dan Keefe of Cardinal Tattoo is seen at last year's Art in the Skatepark, a fundraiser held annually at Slam City Skatepark.

in the background of the parking lot," Cox said. "And there's mini ramps, groups of people catching up, especially after the shutdown. It's a total laid-back blast."

DJ Dap One will supply music, while burgers and hot dogs are on the grill, with vegetarian options available.

And, of course, once the doors open, the bidding begins on works from the likes of Tim Baron, Kay All Day, and Will Bresley, as well as the artists from Cardinal Tattoo.

"We generally reach out to known artists, tattoo artists, and basically

anyone that is willing to donate their time and artistic abilities to our fundraisers," Cox said.

That includes some younger artists.

"We have even had some children do boards for us in the past years, which is adorable and they always get bid on, which boosts confidence levels in these little artists," Cox said.

PLACE FOR YOUTH TO GROW

In the end, the fundraiser is about those kids.

"Summer is our slowest time of the year, because kids are going outside, which is what we want: We don't really want kids coming inside to skate in a 90-degree building," Hoppe said.

But while those kids are outside, income at the park suffers, which leads to the need of fundraisers like Art in the Skatepark.

"Our park provides a family environment that helps instill a sense of belonging and camaraderie amongst the kids in our Fort Wayne community," Cox said. "It really makes us all emotional seeing it all come into fruition at the end, knowing the end result is helping the youth have a place to go that is good for their souls. It's by far the favorite event of the year by a lot of artists."



Unique decks crafted by local artists will be auctioned off to raise money for the South Anthony skate park.



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Friday, July 1

Bible Baptist Church, Huntington
Dusk
Central Noble schools, Albion
Dusk
Crestview Middle School, Huntington
Dusk

Saturday, July 2

Archbold-Wilson Park, Ossian
Dusk
Big Long Lake, Kendallville
Dusk
Blue Lake Association, Churubusco
10 p.m.
Chapman Lake, Warsaw
10 p.m.
Lake Wawasee, Syracuse
10:15 p.m.
Pathway Community Church
1010 Carroll Road, Fort Wayne
Dusk
Winona Lake
10 p.m.

Sunday, July 3

Garrett Heritage Days
10 p.m.
Morsches Park, Columbia City
Dusk

Monday, July 4

Downtown Fort Wayne
10 p.m.
Bluffton High School
10 p.m.
Field of Dreams, Wabash
Dusk
Markle Fish & Game Park
(260 S. Clark St.)
Dusk
Monroeville Mall Annex
9:30 p.m.
Riverside Park, Decatur
Dusk
Downtown Roanoke
Dusk
Syracuse Lake, Syracuse
10:15 p.m.
Van Wert High School
10 p.m.

Chalk art taking over Main Street

Chalk Walk returning for 22nd year during Three Rivers Festival

BY OLIVIA HENNESSEY
WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

It is time once again for Fort Wayne's most artistic amateurs to turn a portion of Main Street into their canvass.

As part of the Three Rivers Festival, the annual Chalk Walk returns July 9-10 along Main Street at the Arts Campus.

Chalk Walk is a chalk art contest that celebrates the innovation and creativity of the community. Participants purchase a square, 8-foot-by-8-foot for \$15 or 4-foot-by-4-foot for \$10, then use provided themes to reproduce existing artworks, reimagine them, or create something new.

Each year, dozens of artists purchase squares to design in hopes of winning a prize, or simply just for the fun of it.

This year, squares are all sold out.

OVER 20 YEARS IN THE MAKING

Based upon an Italian tradition "i madonnari," which means "street painters" and dates to the 16th century, the first Chalk Walk was held in 2000, and has grown to be an event that is essential to Fort Wayne's summer artistic culture.

For the first few years, the squares took up the parking lots of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art and the Performing Arts Center, but that could only last for so long.

"After some years, we outgrew that space and moved to Main Street, closing the street from Lafayette to Barr," said Kaitlin Binkley, director of visual communications at the museum. "Now we have four rows of 40 8-by-8-foot squares and four rows of 40 4-by-4-foot squares."

The event has seen other changes since its conception, with notable setbacks due to COVID-19.

Because Chalk Walk is affiliated with Three Rivers Festival, if the Headwaters event is forced to cancel, that puts the Walk in a tough position. Instead of canceling entirely in 2020, organizers decided to pivot to an at-home version of the competition.

"We invited people to draw on their own home sidewalks and driveways, then take a picture and submit it to a specially built website for the community to vote on People's Choice," Binkley said.

This ended up being a hit, as younger participants weren't as affected by the July heat and could go at their own pace. Not only that, but it was much more COVID safe.

The at-home Chalk Walk worked so well that a digital option was offered again in 2021, in conjunction with an in-person option.



COURTESY PHOTOS

This square by Bridget O'Brien won "Best Use of Street Blemish" in 2021, using sidewalk cracks and a manhole cover in the design.

CHALK WALK

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday,
July 9-10
Fort Wayne Museum of Art
311 E. Main St., Fort Wayne
Free • (260) 422-6467

TALENTED LOCALS

This year, Chalk Walk will be fully back to its pre-COVID standards, with full capacity expected. Based on the attendance of previous events, this could mean quite a crowd will gather on Main Street.

"In the past, Chalk Walk has attracted over 40,000 people to the event," Binkley said.

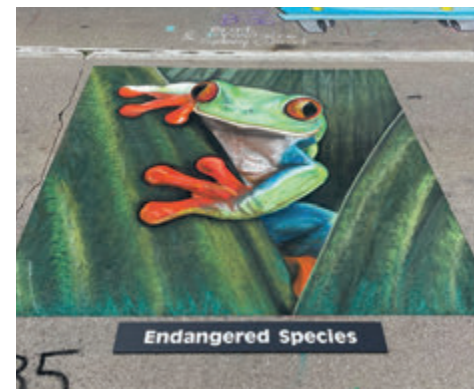
Looking at photographs of Chalk Walk winners, one might expect that at least some of the participants are professionals. This is not the case, however.

"Participants are amateurs and local Chalk Walk lovers," Binkley said. "We have reports of families chalking a square every year since the event's start in 2000. Repeated participation definitely means increased knowledge and tricks learned, but we do not have many, if any, professional chalk artists taking place year after year."

CATEGORIES GALORE

Every year, there are themes for participants to follow. Some categories change each year, while some remain the same, like People's Choice, and Best Square by Artist Under 12, with themes for this year being 7 Wonders of the World, Ode to Indiana, and Under the Sea.

Best Use of Street/Sidewalk Blemish is a recurring category that requires great creativity, asking artists to incorporate pavement cracks and blemishes into their art. Trompe



David and Angie Federspiel won the award for Endangered Species in 2021.

Poeil, meaning "fool the eye," is another annual category, requiring use of 3D drawing techniques to distort your perceptions. In one case, this technique was used to make balloons appear as though they were floating straight up.

Previous themes have included Endangered Species, Space Travel, and What's on Your Bucket List.

For each category, a winner is selected by local, anonymous judges. Except for People's Choice, of course, which is voted on by visitors of the walk.

Winners receive placards and a small cash prize, with announcement of their win and a celebration Sunday, barring bad weather.

"For several years, we would also choose a square to be replicated on the next year's event t-shirt," Binkley said.

With a wide variety of talented participants, including children, participating in this exciting test of creativity, one can only wonder what sorts of squares will be designed at this year's Chalk Walk.



COURTESY PHOTOS

Local musical acts, clockwise from upper left, Los Galaxy, Fatima Washington, Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra, and Cougar Hunter will serve as opening acts for national artists at this year's Three Rivers Festival.



Local artists get in on national act

Musicians get opening slots at Three Rivers Fest

BY ANTHONY GADSON
WHATZUP ASSOCIATE EDITOR

There are quite a few national acts taking the stage during the upcoming Three Rivers Festival, but no one is more excited than their opening acts.

Fatima Washington, Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra, Los Galaxy, and Cougar Hunter will all get to share the Headwaters Park stage with national talent. Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra, as well as Los Galaxy, will open for CeeLo Green on July 9, Washington will open for Ginuwine on July 14, and Cougar Hunter takes the stage prior to Quiet Riot on July 15.

Also opening for national acts will be Pete Dio & The Old Dirty on July 8 for Hillbilly Casino, and U.R.B. and Unlikely Alibi on July 16 for Here Come the Mummies. The Illegals will join Cougar Hunter in opening for Quiet Riot.

"For me, as a longtime hip-hop fan, I've been listening to CeeLo since he was on Outkast's first album, and then obviously I loved the Dungeon Family (Goodie Mob) record when they came out with 'Cell Therapy' (on the 1995 album *Soul Food*)," Aaron King of the Funk Orchestra said in an email response. "It is a blessing for our city to be able to bring in CeeLo. All credit goes to Justin (Shurley) and the festival board. I think there is an argument to be made that CeeLo is the biggest artist to ever perform at the Three Rivers Festival!"

GENUINE THRILL

Washington also grew up on the music of her opening act, who gained national fame for his single "Pony" in 1996.

"That's the music of my middle school, high school, and early college days," she said. "I'm super, super geeked. I'm really grateful for the performance."

Washington says she took part in talent

shows through middle school and high school, and even released an album, *A Part of Me*, in 2011, but her singing days extend beyond those days.

"If you asked my family, they'd say I've been singing since I was little: They can't get me to be quiet!," she joked.

After being a part of the festival the past six years, Washington is looking forward to putting her talents on full display.

"I've been singing around the city for a long time, and it's nice of them to have the confidence in me to give me my own set, and see how it goes," she said. "I want to be able to grow."

And when she takes the stage with R&B and "a splash of everything else," Washington will be looking to tap into those school dance days.

"I'm sure a lot of the people in the crowd will be breaking out the old dance moves; they just might want to be careful!," she said.

GALACTIC SOUND

Ahead of CeeLo Green, a couple of local acts will take the stage. However, whereas Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra has been "funking together" eight years, Los Galaxy is a work in progress, forming a little more than a year ago.

"We've just been trying to find our sound," guitarist David Vaides said.

While finding that sound, which they call funk fusion, Los Galaxy, who is comprised of keyboardist Daniel Vaides, drummer Zane Stackhouse, bassist Jon Gehle, and saxophonists Takoda Collins and Ashton Morris, have been making some noise in the city, winning of the inaugural Center Stage talent show at The Clyde Theatre and also performing at this year's Middle Waves Music Festival.

However, it was while playing a normal gig around town that helped them get booked for the Three Rivers Festival when entertainment committee chair Rick Kinney saw them

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"We were just playing at the right place, at the right time," Vaides said.

BRINGING THE FUNK

The Funk Orchestra of King, Tony Didier, Lisa McDavid, Evan Stuerzenberger, Jason Westerman, Alex Kastner, Patrick Matthews, Miguel Burney, Chandler Cashdollar, Micquail Kizer, and Dan Fisher has been in the right place a lot of the time over their eight years, attracting crowds in the process.

"Most of our shows are sold out locally," King said. "We are fortunate to have a base of local professionals that show us love and



come to our shows. We cater to an audience of successful professionals that enjoy our unique blend of funk, hip-hop, R&B, and jazz! We have opened up for several national artists, but nobody bigger than CeeLo!"

Like Washington, King says the artist his band is opening for brings back fond memories.

"CeeLo is from the era where we would go to Glenbrook Mall, and buy the single, then we go back three weeks later and purchase the entire album," he said of the artist that found solo success and was also half the dynamic group Gnarlz Barkley with Danger Mouse. "Those singles taught me how to rap. They would have the hit track on there, then the next track would be the instrumental for the hit track that we would rap to as kids driving around in our cars."

BECOMING HUNTED

When it comes to the most raucous local opening act, Cougar Hunter takes the cake.

The tongue-in-cheek group comprised of stage personas Muff McKravan, Diamond Drake, leTigre, Rusty Hummer, and Rico Fuego claim they were cryogenically frozen in the '80s, and thawed in 2010. They aren't so much of a '80s hair band tribute act, as they are a group playing the songs they wrote, but were "stolen" by the likes of Mötley Crüe, Poison, and Def Leppard.

"It's always good to play a show with someone on the same level as us," bassist McKravan said in character.

Having played at The Clyde Theatre and Ruoff Music Center, Cougar Hunter feels comfortable in front of larger crowds, which is what they expect at Headwaters Park.

"We're going to be bringing the energy for this show," McKravan said.

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Allen County War Memorial Coliseum has announced “Trinity of Terror Tour Part II,” featuring **Black Veil Brides**, **Ice Nine Kills**, **Motionless in White**, and special guest **Crown the Empire** will visit the venue Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

After a widely celebrated sold-out run this year, three of the biggest names in modern hard rock have decided to give it another go. Lucky for us, it is coming to the Summit City.

The tour will see the three bands alternating closing sets each night, but no matter who your favorite band is, or where they fall within the evening, you are going to get a great set. Mark my words!

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Jefferson Pointe brings back concert series

The Jefferson Pointe Friday Nites Live concert series is underway.

Folks packed themselves around the fountain last weekend for the kickoff that featured outstanding weather and live music by **The New Millennium Jazz Orchestra**. The series will continue every Friday throughout the summer from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Up next is **Dan Heath & The Iconics** on July 1, **The Bulldogs** on July 8, **Roger Marshall** on July 15, **Todd Harrold Band** on July 22, **Country Heart** on July 29, **Cherry Bomb** on Aug. 5, **Party Boat** on Aug. 12, **Good Night Gracie** on Aug. 19, and **OK Boomer** on Aug. 26.

Grab a lawn chair and head to the Pointe!

Hop River hosting bluegrass night

In celebration of the Fourth of July weekend, Hop River Brewing will host “Red, White, and Bluegrass” on Sunday, July 3, from 5-7:30 p.m.

Performing will be **The Matchsellers**, an old-timey, folk, and country duo that have brought their infectious harmonies and high-spirited songs to fans both nationally and internationally, performing almost 200 shows a year. The band is comprised of Warsaw native **Andrew Morris** on guitar/vocals and **Julie Bates** of Kansas City, Missouri, on fiddle/vocals.



**Out and
About**
NICK BRAUN



COURTESY PHOTO

Motionless in White will be joined by **Black Veil Brides** and **Ice Nine Kills**, with special guests **Crown the Empire**, at Memorial Coliseum on Tuesday, Sept. 6.

In addition, there will be a special performance by **Sean Hoffman** and **Ellen Coplin** of **Debutants**.

I Prevail bringing metal tour to The Clyde

Detroit’s self-made, self-minded metal act **I Prevail** are hitting the road this fall on their “True Power Tour,” which features **Pierce the Veil**, **Fit for a King**, and **Yours Truly**.

The tour kicks off Sept. 9 in Asbury Park, New Jersey, and finds its way to town Friday, Oct. 7, for a performance at The Clyde.

The Grammy-nominated powerhouse will release a new album, **True Power**, on Aug. 19 via Fearless Records.

Tickets for I Prevail are on sale now at clydetheatre.com, by calling (800) 514-3849, The Clyde box office, all Wooden Nickel Records locations, Neat Neat Neat Records, and Sweetwater Sound.

Ex-SNL funny man Chris Kattan set for Piere’s

Did you happen to catch the recent announcement from Piere’s that they are bringing **Chris Kattan** to town? That’s right, the man from **Night at the Roxbury**, **Corky Ramono**, and one of the longest serving cast members on **Saturday Night Live**.

Kattan will perform his stand-up act Sunday, Aug. 21, at 7 p.m in Stan’s Room.

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Celebrate downtown mural at block party

A block party will be held downtown to commemorate a new public art piece Friday, July 1, from 5-7 p.m.

The mural, which has been installed in the alleyway behind Fort Wayne's Famous Coney Island, honors Warrior Breed Motorcycle Club's contributions to Fort Wayne.

The dedication event is free and will offer music from Debutants, miniature ice cream cones, and food available for purchase.

The ceremony will feature speakers from Warrior Breed, representatives from the 122nd fighter wing, the artist who crafted the mural, and more. A professional photographer will be available to snap family photos.

The block party is sponsored by Dash-In and Art This Way. Art This Way has installed more than 20 projects in Fort Wayne with more to come.

Riverfront development continues to flow

The second phase of Riverfront Public Space will extend public space from Promenade Park along the St. Marys River west to Ewing Street and east to Clinton Street.

The expanded public space will feature an extension of the elevated Tree Canopy Trail, boat docks for private watercraft, an accessible bouldering mound, hammock grove, walking trails, and landscaping.

Soon after Promenade Park opened in 2019, Indianapolis-based developer Barrett & Stokely, Inc. broke ground for The Riverfront at Promenade Park, a mixed-use residential/office building across the street from the park. Construction for The Lofts at Headwaters Park, mixed-use apartment building near Headwaters, will begin soon, as will a mixed-use project that would sit on the 2.28-acre site known as "The Wedge" (northwest of Promenade on the north side of the St. Marys River, connected to the park by the historic Wells Street Bridge).

Construction on Phase II Riverfront Public Space is scheduled to begin before the end of this year and be completed by the end of 2024.

Fort Wayne native named GM of The Bradley

Fort Wayne native Brent Pope has been named general manager of The Bradley, Fort Wayne's new boutique hotel near The Landing.

The 124-room hotel debuted in July 2021 as the



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collaborative vision of Portland-based Provenance Hotels and Barbara Bradley Baekgaard, co-founder of Vera Bradley.

Community Foundation welcomes back series

The Community Foundation is hosting its fourth summer salon series, which will be in person and open to the public.

All summer salon sessions will be held at the Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne, 555 E. Wayne St., from noon to 1:30 p.m. The cost per ticket is \$15, which includes lunch.

To purchase tickets and secure your seat, go to cfgfw.org. The July 13 session will be on disability equity, and the Aug. 10 session will be on racial equity.

Unity Mural to be completed this summer

Art This Way, a program of Downtown Fort Wayne, has announced that Ivy Tech Community College art professors Jared Applegate and Erin Salyers have been chosen to design and install a Unity Mural this summer.

The mural will be located on the east and west sides of the railroad underpass at the 600 block of South Harrison Street. It will be approximately 4,000 square feet, covering the four cement pillars on the east side, two on the west side, and the solid retaining wall on the west side of the street, serving as a gateway between The Landing and Promenade Park.

Fort Wayne business owners Tim and Cathy Beere of DeBrand Fine Chocolates have provided funding. This will be Art This Way's third public art installation to be completed in 2022.

Arena's Silent Sky benefits Literacy Alliance

Arena Dinner Theatre, 716 Rockhill St., will present *Silent Sky* by Lauren Gunderson on July 9, 15, and 16, with proceeds benefiting the Literacy Alliance.

Directed by Gloria Minnich, the play tells the story of Henrietta Leavitt and her female colleagues at Harvard Observatory in the early 1900s. The women were charged with "mapping the stars" while their male colleagues largely took credit for their findings and are remembered by history.

Tickets are \$35 and will include a dessert.

Go to fwliteracyalliance.org for information and tickets.

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Amara Gilraine has been posting her music on streaming services the past few months, and she will be at the Vines & Harmony Festival in Fremont on July 23.

Uncovered: Amara Gilraine keeps it original

City singer-songwriter back to writing music following 8-year break

BY ANTHONY GADSON
WHATZUP ASSOCIATE EDITOR

When ALT 102.3 was on the hunt for its Homegrown Spotlight, DJ Zack Skyler knew exactly who fit the bill: Amara Gilraine.

“Amara is such a gifted singer-songwriter, and what really made an impact with me was her unique voice and quality songs,” Skyler said. “Songs like ‘Copperheads’ and ‘Breakaway’ are two of my favorites of hers.”

Gilraine started playing music at 11 and continued to do so for years until getting burned out and taking an extended break, going eight years before a friend asked her to play at a fundraiser in October.

“No one even came up after the show to say, ‘Oh, you did OK,’” Gilraine said. “It was horrific.

“I was just nervous, and just not really into the songs I was playing,” she added.

As much as she disliked the experience, Gilraine’s passion was reignited, and she’s been busy recording the last few months. Since posting her four-song EP *Fiction* on streaming services Oct. 30, she’s released five singles and a five-song EP, *Anywhere But Here*. Her most recent post was the demo single “No Mind to the Rain” on May 3.

Since then, she’s decided to take another small break, but will return for the Vines & Harmony Music Festival on Saturday, July 23, at Briali Winery in Fremont.

“I was playing two to three times a month, but they were longer gigs, and three-plus hour sets can get stressful, because there’s a lot of requests for covers, and that’s just not what I like to do,” she said, noting a 45-minute set at a festival is preferable to her.

While taking a break from live shows, fans can still catch her on ALT 102.3, which has an hour dedicated to local music every Friday at 7 p.m.

“It’s been fun to listen on the local hour, to

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her my song, as well as hearing my friends’ songs,” Gilraine said.

And fun is all she wants her musical career to be for now.

“I came back with really low expectations,” she said. “I just want it to be fun. When I was playing at 18, I felt a lot of pressure. Right now, I don’t really have any goals.”

Along with the local music hour on Friday nights, artists are also featured at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Sundays, with Gilraine continuing to be featured Thursday, June 30, and Sunday, July 3.

Next up in ALT Homegrown Spotlight are the Neon Straightjackets on Thursday, July 7; Sunday, July 10; Thursday, July 14; and Sunday, July 17.

Live Music LOCAL CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

Adam Strack — Variety, 5-9 p.m., teds beerhall, Fort Wayne, no cover, (888) 260-0351

Bob Bailey — Acoustic, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Chris Worth & Co. — Variety, 7-10 p.m., Redwood Inn, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-7543

Hubie Ashcraft & Travis Gow — Country, 6-9 p.m., Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, no cover, (260) 854-9463

Island Vibe — Groove, 6-9 p.m., Monroeville Market, Monroeville Community Park, Monroeville, no cover, (260) 615-3352

Jeff McDonald — Oldies, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Coyote Creek Golf Club, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 203-3154

Lydia Suzan & Jordan Bridges — Variety, Lunch on the Square, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Downtown Improvement District, Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 427-6000

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

Patriotic Pops — Orchestra, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Fort Wayne Philharmonic, Pokagon State Park, Angola, free, (260) 833-2012

Remember When — Oldies, 7-10 p.m., El Azteca, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 482-2172

Ryan Mundy Band — Decatur Summer Concert Series, 6-9 p.m., Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, no cover

Tim Neuman & The Copper Stills — Country, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

Tom Koenig — Acoustic variety, 7-10 p.m., East Haven Tavern, New Haven, no cover, (260) 749-7777

FRIDAY, JULY 1

Best Sleep w/Los Lemons, Mula Khan — Rock, 10 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

BigMeow — ‘80s, 6-9:30 p.m., Tri Lakes Restaurant, Columbia City, no cover, (260) 691-0015

The Bulldogs — 7 p.m., Downtown Wabash, Wabash, no cover

Colin Stackhouse w/Thelonious Magpie, Zen BBQ, Jonah Leatherman — Rock, 8 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 399-6336

Dan Heath & The Iconics — Variety, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Jefferson Pointe, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 459-1160

Joe Lowry — Variety, 5-7:30 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn Patio, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 399-6000

Kyle Haller Band — Variety, 8-10 p.m., Trubble Brewing, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 267-6082

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

Sweetwater All Stars — Rhythm & Blues, 6-8 p.m., The Landing, Fort Wayne, No cover, (260) 222-7174

The K-Tel All-Stars — Classic rock, 7:30 p.m., Fountain Park, Van Wert, OH, free, (419) 238-6722

Todd Harold and Eric Clancy — Variety, 7-9 p.m., Spikes Beach Grill, Warsaw, no cover, 5743723224

Wabass Institute Performance — Double bass, 7:30 p.m., Eagles Theatre, Wabash, \$25, (260) 563-1102

Whoa, Man! — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, no cover, (260) 637-2980

SATURDAY, JULY 2

8420 Band — Classic rock, 9:30 p.m., Wacky Jac’s, Angola, no cover, (260) 665-9071

As I Lay Dying w/Whitechapel, Shadow of Intent, Brand of Sacrifice — Metal, 7 p.m., Piere’s Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, TBA, (260) 492-6064

Bezz Believe w/Rich Regal — Hip-hop, 8 p.m., Piere’s Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$20-\$35, (260) 492-6064

Ellie Parker & Austin Marsh — Acoustic Variety, 6-9 p.m., Edwin Coe Spirits, Churubusco, no cover, (260) 286-1107

Jess Thrower — Acoustic, 1-4 p.m., Hyde Brothers Booksellers, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 424-0197

LiveWire w/Pan Man Dan Band — Rock, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., Brandt’s Harley-Davidson, Wabash, no cover, 2605636443

The Illegals w/Tuesday Atlas, Susan Mae & The New Yesterday, Light Steps — Variety, 6-10 p.m., Rock the Plaza, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 421-1200

Todd Harold and Eric Clancy — Variety, 8-10 p.m., Three Rivers Distilling Co., Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 745-9355

SUNDAY, JULY 3

Carly Ingalls and Jana Debusk — Variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Helicon’s Peak — 8 p.m., Yogi Bear’s Jellystone Park, no cover

Namen Namen w/Loveseat, Necromoon — Rock, 8:30 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

Patriotic Pops — Orchestra, 8:30-10:30 p.m., Fort Wayne Philharmonic, Parkview Field, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 482-6400

The Matchsellers — Folk, 5-7:30 p.m., Hop River Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 739-3931

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Jailbreak — 4:30-6 p.m., Commons Park, Angola, no cover, (260) 665-1588

Patriotic Pops — Orchestra, 8:30-9:30 p.m., Fort Wayne Philharmonic, Bixler Lake Park, Kendallville, free, (260) 424-6898

The Queers w/The Raging Nathans, Nifty Skullet, Capgun Heroes — Punk, 7:30 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$20, (260) 999-4108

TUESDAY, JULY 5

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

Sunny Taylor — Folk, 6-9 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

Tom Koenig w/Greg Reszel — Acoustic Variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 645-3663

ZZ Top — 7 p.m., Foellinger Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$59-\$149, (260) 427-6715

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

Sunny Taylor — Acoustic, 5:30-6 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 424-5665

The Wilsons — noon-1 p.m., Sweetwater Sound, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 432-8176

Tom Koenig — Rock, 7-10 p.m., East Haven Tavern, New Haven, no cover, (260) 749-7777

Traffic Death w/The Lurking Corpses, Burial Party, Nak'ay — Metal, 7:30 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 999-4108

U.R.B. — Variety, 6:30 p.m., Union 12, Columbia City, free, (260) 203-0239

THURSDAY, JULY 7

Whoa, Man! — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Monroeville Market, Monroeville Community Park, Monroeville, no cover, (260) 615-3352

Hairbangers Ball — Decatur Summer Concert Series, 7-9 p.m., Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, no cover

Island Vibe — Variety, 7-10 p.m., El Azteca, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 482-2172

Joe Justice — Singer-songwriter, 5-9 p.m., teds beerhall, Fort Wayne, no cover, (888) 260-0351

Michael Patterson — Acoustic, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Downtown Improvement District, Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 427-6000

The Wingmen — Classic rock, 6-9 p.m., Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, no cover, (260) 854-9463

Tom Koenig — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, no cover, (260) 637-2980

Whoa, Man! — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Monroeville Community Park, Monroeville, no cover, (260) 615-3352

FRIDAY, JULY 8

The 906 Band — Rock, 8 p.m.-midnight, Sylvan Cellars Event Center, Rome City, \$10, (260) 854-9463

Anti-Clutch w/Pharohound, Ritualist, Deathtax — Metal, 9 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 399-6336

BigMeow — '80s, 6-9 p.m., Chapman's Brewing Company, Columbia City, Columbia City, no cover, (260) 244-6252

Eric Clancy Duo — Jazz, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Fleetwood Gold — 8-10 p.m., Kehoe Park, Bluffton, no cover, (260) 824-1520

Hillbilly Casino — Bluegrass, 7 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 427-6000

K. Edward Smith — Folk, 7-9 p.m., Hop River Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 739-3931

Meka Schwartz — Singer-songwriter, 5-7:30 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn Patio, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 399-6000

Midnight Mimosas — Variety, 6-8 p.m., The Landing, Fort Wayne, No cover, (260) 222-7174

Motor Folkers — Variety, 8 p.m., Hammer's Pub and Grub, Syracuse, no cover, (574) 457-8672

Rekt — Rock, 7:30 p.m., DeKalb Outdoor Theater, Auburn, no cover, (260) 952-2611

Scott Stevens — 7:30-8 p.m., Fountain Park, Van Wert, OH, free, (419) 238-6722

Sunglasses at Night — '80s rock, 9-11 a.m., Latch String Bar & Grill, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 483-5526

The Bulldogs — Oldies, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Jefferson Pointe, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 459-1160

The Chris Collat Band — noon, Sweetwater Sound, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 432-8176

Void King w/Dead Kings Peace, Choke-setter, Alien to the Ignorant — Rock, 8 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 999-4108

SATURDAY, JULY 9

Amelia Hardin Duo — Variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

CeeLo Green w/Los Galaxy, Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra — Funk, 7 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$20, (260) 427-6000

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

Crystal C-Note — Acoustic, 8-10 p.m., Trubble Brewing, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 267-6082

Dan Smyth — 6-9 p.m., Edwin Coe Spirits, Churubusco, no cover, (260) 286-1107

Eliana Weston — Country, 6-8 p.m., 2Toms Brewing Company, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 446-6246

Lonestar — 7:30 p.m., Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$29-\$75, (260) 563-1102

Matt Swick — 7:30-10:30 p.m., Mad Anthony Brewing Co., Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-2537

Live Comedy LOCAL CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

Gabriel Rutledge — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$12-\$28, (260) 844-8444

FRIDAY, JULY 1

Gabriel Rutledge — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$12-\$28, (260) 844-8444

Ray Hensley w/Cavin Eggleston — 7:15 and 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

SATURDAY, JULY 2

Gabriel Rutledge — 7:30 amd 10 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$20-\$28, (260) 844-8444

Ray Hensley w/Cavin Eggleston — 7:15 and 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

SUNDAY, JULY 3

Cory Michaelis — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$12-\$18, (260) 844-8444

THURSDAY, JULY 7

JP Sears — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$75, (260) 844-8444

FRIDAY, JULY 8

Dobie Maxwell — 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

JP Sears — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$75, (260) 844-8444

SATURDAY, JULY 9

Dobie Maxwell — 7:15 and 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

JP Sears — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$75, (260) 844-8444

SUNDAY, JULY 10

Renny — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

THURSDAY, JULY 14

Brendan Schaub — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$50, (260) 844-8444

FRIDAY, JULY 15

Brendan Schaub — 7:30 and 10:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$50, (260) 844-8444

Kevin Zeoli — 8 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

SATURDAY, JULY 16

Brendan Schaub — 7:30 and 10:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$50, (260) 844-8444

J Anthony Brown & Friends — 8 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy, Purdue Fort Wayne, \$28-\$48

Kevin Zeoli — 7:15 and 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

THURSDAY, JULY 21

John Mulaney — 7 p.m., Foellinger Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$73-\$143.50, (260) 427-6715

FRIDAY, JULY 22

Bobcat Goldthwait — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

Troy Davis w/David Brooks — 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

SATURDAY, JULY 23

Bobcat Goldthwait — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

Troy Davis w/David Brooks — 7:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Jon "Polar Bear" Gonzalez — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$29-\$39, (260) 844-8444

THURSDAY, JULY 28

Nick Hoff — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$16-\$22, (260) 844-8444

FRIDAY, JULY 29

Abi Sanchez w/TJ Wharry — 8 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Arnez J — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$30, (260) 844-8444

SATURDAY, JULY 30

Abi Sanchez w/TJ Wharry — 7:15 and 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$25-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Arnez J — 7:30-8 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$30, (260) 844-8444

Matt Bellak & Tim Hanlon — 4:20 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$22, (260) 844-8444

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

Kevin James Thornton — 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

The Karens — 7:30 p.m., Eagles Theatre, Wabash, \$15-\$25, (260) 563-1102

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

Leanne Morgan — 7 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$26.75-\$46.75, (260) 424-5665

Paul Conyers — 8 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

Shayne Smith — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$30, (260) 844-8444

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

Jim Breuer — 7:30 p.m., Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$25-\$75, (260) 563-1102

Paul Conyers — 7:15 and 9:15 p.m., Fort Wayne Comedy Club @ 469, New Haven, \$20-\$30, (260) 426-6339

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The 906 Band — Rock, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Rex's Rendezvous, Warsaw, \$5, (574) 267-5066

Todd Harrold Band — Variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., American Legion Post 148, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 423-4751

Tuesday Atlas w/Funayurei, Adam Araque — Alternative, 9:30 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

SUNDAY, JULY 10

Auburn Community Band — Band, 6 p.m., DeKalb Outdoor Theater, Auburn, no cover, (260) 952-2611

Chris Worth — Variety, 4 p.m., Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 427-6000

Hed PE w/Crazy Town, Adema, Flaw — Rock, 6:30 p.m., Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$25, (260) 492-6064

Namen Namen w/Scare City, Pink Tax — Alternative, 8 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 999-4108

OK Boomer Band — 7-8:30 p.m., Kehoe Park, Bluffton, free, (260) 824-1520

Tom Koenig — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Howie's on Hamilton, Hamilton, no cover, (260) 488-3344

TUESDAY, JULY 12

Fort Wayne Area Community Band — 7:30 p.m., Foellinger Theatre, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6715

Jersey Money — Rock, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 645-3663

Plainview w/Nearly Spent, To Breathe Again — Rock, 6 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 399-6336

Theory of a Deadman w/Nonpoint — Hard rock, 8 p.m., Clyde Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$29.50-\$35, (260) 747-0989

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

Adam Strack — 5:30 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 424-5665

Addison Agen w/Roll Cage Mary — Variety, 5:30 p.m., Riverfront Fort Wayne, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 427-6000

Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra — Jazz, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 421-1200

Matt Wahl — noon-1 p.m., Sweetwater Sound, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 432-8176

New Millennium Jazz Orchestra w/Roger Ingram — Big Band Jazz, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Foellinger Theatre, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 427-6715

THURSDAY, JULY 14

Aleena York — Variety, Lunch on the Square, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Downtown Improvement District, Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 427-6000

Andy Pauquette — Acoustic, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Ashton Wolff — Variety, 6-9 p.m., Monroeville Market, Monroeville Community Park, Monroeville, no cover, (260) 615-3352

Black Heart Saints — Rock, 7 p.m., Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 492-6064

Cain — 7-7:30 p.m., Jay County Fairgrounds, Portland, \$15-\$25, (260) 726-9616

Chris Worth — Variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Coyote Creek Golf Club, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 203-3154

Ginuwine w/Fatima Washington — R&B, 7 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 427-6000

Hubie Ashcraft — Country, 5-9 p.m., teds beerhall, Fort Wayne, no cover, (888) 260-0351

Jessica Lynn — Country, 7 p.m., Sweetwater Performance Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$25, (260) 432-8176

Randy Houser — Country, 8 p.m., Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$40-\$150, (260) 492-6064

Shane & Eric — Acoustic, 7-10 p.m., El Azteca, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 482-2172

The Ultimate Doors — Decatur Summer Concert Series, 7-9 p.m., Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, no cover

Tom Koenig — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, no cover, (260) 854-9463

FRIDAY, JULY 15

Chris Worth & Co — Variety, 8-11 p.m., Howie's on Hamilton, Hamilton, no cover, (260) 488-3344

Dan Smyth — 6:30-9:30 p.m., Shady Nook Inn, Hudson, no cover, (260) 351-2401

Dylan Record — Singer-songwriter, 5-7:30 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn Patio, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 399-6000

ELO Experience — ELO tribute, 7:30-8 p.m., Fountain Park, Van Wert, OH, free, (419) 238-6722

Jailbreak — Classic rock, 7-10 p.m., Bluffton Now!, Parlor City Plaza, Bluffton, no cover, (260) 820-1671

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Keegan Farrell Trio — Jazz variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Killer Queen — Queen tribute, 7:30 p.m., Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$29-\$100, (260) 563-1102

Mark Lowry Reunion w/Stam Whitmire, The Martins & Sisters — Gospel, 7:30 p.m., First Assembly of God, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$50, (260) 490-8585

Q & The Cold Fusion — Fusion jazz, 6-8 p.m., The Landing, Fort Wayne, No cover, (260) 222-7174

Quiet Riot w/Cougar Hunter — '80s rock, 7 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$15, (260) 427-6000

Roger Marshall — Variety, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Jefferson Pointe, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 459-1160

The 906 Band — Rock, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., The Latchstring Bar and Grill, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 483-5526

The Bulldogs — '50s & '60s, 7:30 p.m., DeKalb Outdoor Theater, Auburn, no cover, (260) 952-2611

The Wingmen — Classic rock, 8-11 p.m., American Legion Post 241, Waynedale, no cover, (260) 747-7851

Todd Harrold and Eric Clancy — Variety, 10 p.m.-1 a.m., O'Sullivans, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 422-5896

SATURDAY, JULY 16

Chris Isaak — Variety, 7:30-8 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$49-\$89, (260) 424-5665

Chris Worth & Co — Variety, 8 p.m.-midnight, Cricket's 7th St. Bar & Grille, Auburn, no cover, (260) 925-9980

Here Come the Mummies — Rock, 7 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$15, (260) 427-6000

Keegan Farrell Trio — Jazz variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Los Galaxy w/Lisa McDavid,Ty Causey — Jazz, 6-10 p.m., Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 427-6440

Los Galaxy w/Pop N Fresh, The Piques, Matthew Sturm Band — Variety, 6-10 p.m., Rock the Plaza, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 421-1200

Motor Folkers — Variety, 7:30-10:30 p.m., American Legion Post 381, Rome City, no cover, (260) 854-2477

Sleeping Sirens w/Don Broco, Point North, Garzi — Rock, 7 p.m., Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$27.50-\$59.50, (260) 492-6064

The 906 Band — Rock, 10 p.m., Martin's Tavern, Garrett, \$5, (260) 357-4290

Todd Harrold Band — Variety, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Lakelife Bar & Grill, Warsaw, no cover, (574) 244-2100

TUESDAY, JULY 19

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

Ross Kinsey — Acoustic variety, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Beer Barrel Pizza & Grill, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 645-3663

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

3 Rivers Big Band — Big band, 8-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

Hubie Ashcraft — 6:30 p.m., Union 12, Columbia City, free, (260) 203-0239

Q & The Cold Fusion — Jazz, 5:30-6 p.m., Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 424-5665

Trouble No More — Allman Brothers tribute, 7:30 p.m., Sweetwater Sound, Sweetwater Performance Pavilion, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$59, (260) 432-8176 x1137

THURSDAY, JULY 21

Hubie Ashcraft Band — Decatur Summer Concert Series, 6-9 p.m., Madison Street Plaza, Decatur, no cover

Jessie Schmoekel — Singer-songwriter, 5-9 p.m., teds beerhall, Fort Wayne, no cover, (888) 260-0351

Los Lemons w/Oregon Space Trail of Doom, Florets — Rock, 8:30 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

Michael Patterson — Acoustic, 6:30-9:30 p.m., Club Soda, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-3442

Quick Hit

LOCAL EVENTS



Hyde Brothers, Booksellers on Wells Street will celebrate their 30th anniversary with activities Thursday-Sunday, June 30-July 3.

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HYDE BROTHERS' 30TH ANNIVERSARY

JUNE 30-JULY 3 · HYDE BROTHERS, BOOKSELLERS

Hyde Brothers, Booksellers, 1428 Wells St., is celebrating its 30th anniversary with a weekend of activities, beginning Thursday, June 30, and ending Sunday, July 3.

Founded in 1992, the store has established itself as a primary book retailer in the city.

Festivities begin Thursday at 7 p.m. with a series called "Last Thursday," which will occur each month, featuring at least two local writers who will read original works, with Helen Frost, Ketu Oladuwa, and Terri Richardson kicking it off.

The events continue Friday with a midnight book sale. Following its regular 10 a.m.-6 p.m. hours, the store will reopen from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. for a 15 percent off sale, \$5 grab bags, and La Michoacana food truck. Humane Fort Wayne will be on hand to accept donations.

Saturday will include live music from Jess Thrower from 1-4 p.m.

Sunday will be Family Day, with free balloon animals and face painting.

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Three Rivers Festival returns in full force

Art, food, music, rides at Headwaters Park for 53rd annual event

BY CHRIS HUPE

WHATZUP ASSOCIATE EDITOR

This year marks a return to “normal” for Justin Shurley and all the volunteers who help make the Three Rivers Festival run each year.

With many of the old favorites on the schedule, along with a few new events, it’s looking like this year is going to offer more than enough opportunities for people to have a great time at one of Indiana’s biggest events.

FOR THE COMMUNITY

After Shurley was named the Three Rivers Festival’s executive director a week-and-a-half before last year’s festival, he had no choice but to hit the ground running. In a *Whatzup* interview, Shurley said the most important thing he learned was how much the large group of devoted volunteers means to keeping it running on all cylinders.

With an expected attendance approaching a half-million during the nine-day event, everything’s got a chance to break down at some point, Shurley said, but volunteers help minimize the problems by fixing things that are broken, finding potential issues before they become problems, setting up the different events, and refilling things when needed.

“There’s a lot of volunteer hours that go into this festival, and lot of people that care a lot about this festival,” he said. “It truly is a festival for the community, put on by the community. We have a paid staff of two. Everything else is done by volunteers.”

Shurley said he is excited to have just about everything back to normal after the pandemic caused the festival to pivot many of the usual events last year following its 2020 cancellation. The downtown Midway will be in operation July 8-16, as will Junk Food Alley and the vendor Emporium.

The parade is back in full force July 9, with an expected attendance of around 30,000, while Art in the Park takes place July 9-10. The always popular Waiter/Waitress Competition and a Drag Show will be presented July 11, with Trivia Night and the Bed Race set for July 13 and Children’s Fest on July 16.

Fireworks will, of course, finish things off with a bang when they are shot off the top of the Indiana Michigan Power Center on July 16, beginning around 10 p.m.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

There is never a shortage of opinions about the main stage entertainment that is booked to draw people downtown every night.

Shurley is well aware of this fact, but he also realizes the festival can’t be everything to



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The Three Rivers Festival Midway will be open until 11 p.m. every day, June 8-16. On July 15, from 3-5 p.m., the Midway will be sensory-friendly.



Junk Food Alley is a popular spot at the Three Rivers Festival, open 11 a.m.-11 p.m. each day.

everyone all the time.

This year, he and his staff tried hard to book a diverse list of national acts that he hopes will draw a whole range of demographics, but he wasn’t able to include everything he wanted.

“We talked about this being successful for the community,” he said. “So, when we were picking entertainment, we wanted to hit as many different genres as we could and as many different demographics as we could.”

In years past, the lineup has leaned a bit toward Baby Boomers, and they were still able to hit some of that older rock with Quiet Riot, Shurley said, “but we also get R&B with Ginuwine and we were able to hit a little bit of the younger demo with rockabilly group Hillbilly Casino that are from Nashville, but their lead singer is from here in Fort Wayne. I think bringing in someone like CeeLo Green hits a



National and local acts will take the stage at Headwaters Park.

few demographics from his days with Goodie Mob to Gnarlz Barkley, and even to all of the people who saw him as a judge on *The Voice*.

“I don’t know what you’d call Here Come the Mummies, but they’ve been a regional and Fort Wayne favorite for a while, so we are glad to have them, too. The only one we really missed out on was country, but (the acts offered) were just out of our price range this year.”

The national acts generate most of the entertainment conversation, but Shurley also wanted to make sure that the festival helped to highlight the tremendous talent base Fort Wayne has to offer.

“We have a ton of local talent opening up for these national bands, hopefully giving them more exposure,” he said. “Bands like Los Galaxy, Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra, Cougar Hunter, Pete Dio and The Old & Dirty, U.R.B., Fatima Washington, and Unlikely Alibi. We were trying to make sure we get a chance to showcase the kind of talent we have

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This year’s parade will start at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 9, beginning at Rockhill and West Wayne streets.

here in Fort Wayne which, I think, is pretty impressive.”

SOMETHING NEW

This year’s festival won’t include the usual Star 88.3 Sunday night concert, as the radio station moved the event to the Sweetwater Performance Pavilion on July 24. So Shurley and company put together a local showcase to help highlight even more of what the community has to offer.

School of Rock will be on stage to kick off the night on July 10, followed by five bands handpicked by a festival committee and some locals DJs. To go along, several local breweries will be to offering a relaxing night of home-grown entertainment and drink options.

On Tuesday night, a new tradition, Beer, Bands and Bingo, will be introduced, featuring \$2 beers and the sounds of Eliza Toth, intermixed with Bingo that will send a few players home with some great prizes including a top prize of \$1,000 and another prize of four new tires. The Why Store will close out the night with an energetic set on the main stage.

With all of that still in front of him, Shurley said he and his staff are already looking toward next year. He said he’d like to utilize some of Fort Wayne’s other downtown hot spots, like Promenade Park and The Landing, in coming years, as those are fairly walkable from one to another, while giving the festival more opportunities to partner with other organizations that may want to participate but have not yet had the chance.

“These are all places people like going to anyway, so I think that in years to come it would be silly of us to not try to take advantage of them,” he said. “It’s sad to say, but I’ll be excited for this year to be over, because we’ve learned so much over the past month or two. That’s just going to make it run more smoothly next year.”

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Metavari

Soft Continuum
(Studies, Vol. 2)

Fort Wayne's Nathaniel Utesch has built his own unique, singular sonic world within the music project Metavari.

There's been an evolution from the band's post-rock beginnings with a stage full of members, to the crystalline electronic tones that Utesch has brought the music to currently. The last few years have seen Metavari make the striking electronic album *Moonless*, score Fritz Lang's *Metropolis*, re-imagine the scores to the short films of David Lynch, and find a musical rebirth with drummer Colin Boyd after the tragic loss of founding member and longtime friend Ty Brinneman.

On *Soft Continuum (Studies Vol. 2)*, Utesch builds fantastical new sonic realms. With Boyd making his percussive mark, along with past members Andrew McComas, Kyle Steury, and Brinneman contributing, *Soft Continuum (Studies Vol. 2)* is a trip into the past while firmly stepping into the future.

The new release is a re-imagining of Metavari's debut album *Be One Of Us And Hear No Noise*, and the conceptualized tracks are titled after the stages of a star's rare "stellar rebirth." Listening to the album you get the feeling of floating through the void. Seeing the past, present, and future swim around you in a kaleidoscope of emotional release. Life, death, and rebirth are at the heart of this album.

"Kings Die Like Other Men (Rediscovery)" reminds me of early Boards of Canada, while building new musical architecture only Utesch has the blueprints for. "Drift" opens like a fairy tale as we enter this vast and wondrous world. There is joy here. Single "Páirc Sequence" provides ample light and dark, opening on a grand scale while providing tiny pockets of subtlety. It's truly a grand musical statement.

Elsewhere there's the three part "Arc," which ranges from the sublime ("Arc I") to the urgent ("Arc III"). There's the subtle movements of "Furioso" which brings to mind Stein and Dixon, while I hear the great Tangerine Dream in the shaded melody of "Swarm." All of it coming to an end on the mysterious and quietly melancholy "Bloom."

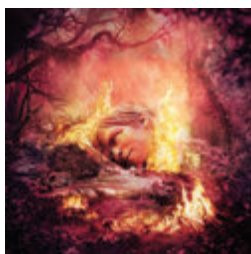
Soft Continuum (Studies Vol. 2) is Metavari's ode to life and death. It's his goodbye to a friend and bandmate gone, and to a "stellar rebirth" of a project he's led nearly 15 years. — *J. Hubner*



Weezer

SZNZ: Summer

Listening to the first of Weezer's four season-themed EPs, *SZNZ: Spring*, you get the impression frontman Rivers Cuomo doesn't have very strong feelings about spring. His choice for springy inspiration, Shakespeare's *A Midsummer*



Night's Dream, seemed too obvious and way off track. If the second EP, *SZNZ: Summer*, was similarly uninspired, you might guess that Rivers' mimicry would turn to summery clichés like, say, the Beach Boys. But it doesn't, and that's the best part of the seven-track collection.

It seems that rather than sunny beach parties, Cuomo associates summer with oppressive heat, disappointment, and morose musing.

The album kicks off with "Lawn Chair," an operatic ditty about angels torturing humans. Then there's "Blue Like Jazz," a moody song about adolescent bitterness that's anything but summery optimism. "The Opposite of Me" uses pop punk and prog-rock melodies to pursue a similar theme of disaffection. "What's the Good of Being Good" looks at life from the point of view of an ostensible winner rather than an emo outsider, but their conclusions are the same: This whole life deal is disappointing. The album wraps up with "Thank You and Good Night," which seems to be a triumphant kiss-off song, but it may or may not have a touch of self-deception about it.

SZNZ: Summer is by no means fun, but at least it feels a bit more thoughtful than its spring counterpart. It still could be argued that the whole project is way too much Weezer for one year, and that Cuomo doesn't have as much to say about the seasons as he thinks he does. But if you've always thought that summer is overrated, you might find some satisfying echoes of your unpopular opinion herein. — *Evan Gillespie*

The Smile

A Light For Attracting Attention



With the Thom Yorke/Jonny Greenwood side project The Smile it feels like the duo are reveling in the sparseness of a trio. The sound is angrier and post-punk than anything either has done in years, and I'm here for it 100 percent. Working with the incredible drummer Tom Skinner of Sons of Kemet, there's a looseness and freedom to the songs on *A Light For Attracting Attention*.

Produced by longtime Radiohead producer and collaborator Nigel Godrich, this debut feels inspired and urgent. Lightning in a bottle.

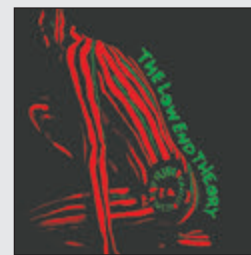
If you just hit play and knew nothing of this project, you'd think you'd stumbled upon a new Radiohead album. That's just the nature of Yorke's voice. It's that singular, as is Greenwood's playing. "The Same" is reminiscent of Yorke's last solo album, 2019's *Anima*. The melancholy synth, Yorke's lilting voice, and spacey production all come together beautifully. "The Opposite" sports a slinky groove and almost psychedelic interplay between guitar and bass. "You Will Never Work In Television Again" is an all-out blast of punk rock abandon. There's a joy in the venom here.

Elsewhere, "Pana-Vision" rises in a cloud of gorgeous piano and a jazzy rhythm. It has the grandeur of Sir George Martin in the production, orchestra and all. "Thin Thing" has an almost math rock sound to it. Subtle touches make huge

Backtracks CLASSIC ALBUMS

A Tribe Called Quest

Low End Theory
(1991)



Before hip-hop became over-produced in the late '90s, A Tribe Called Quest were able to mesh hip-hop with jazz and compete with some of the rap/hip-hop acts for positioning on urban and mainstream charts. This was their second album and was accessible due to some of the messaging and writing from Jonathon Davis and Ali Muhammad.

The CD opens with "Excursions," a lyrically righteous track with some lowered bass and sampled synthetic horns. The track is Afrocentric and positive, yet doesn't preach as much as it informs. "Buggin' Out" has an N.W.A. vibe without the misogyny or suggested violence.

"Verses from the Abstract" has a groove with specific nods to other acts. The seriousness of sexual assault is portrayed in "The Infamous Date Rape," which demonstrates and verbalizes about the act but neither promotes nor condones it. "Check The Rhime" brings the hip-hop back with 'rhymes' traded back and forth between Q-Tip and Phife Dawg in front of a slick arrangement and some detached horns, but it's clean and reminds the audience that rap and hip-hop are related to a certain point.

The jazz is subtle in "Jazz (We've Got)" but the video bounces with creativity and again; it doesn't come at you tough.

The group was able to place themselves on the mantle of a newer genre; jazz infused hip-hop. They produced five solid albums in the '90s, all which are relevant and appreciated by both their peers and critics. — *Dennis Donahue*

shifts here. It's like alien rock, and I'm here for it. Of course Yorke's voice is ghostly and hangs just above the instruments like a specter watching.

Sparseness is key to what makes The Smile new to the ears. Keeping production lean gives the core of it, guitar, bass, drums, vocals, the spotlight. The sound orbits Radiohead, Yorke's solo work, and Greenwood's film score work while becoming its own unique sound world.

A Light For Attracting Attention highlights the working relationship between Yorke and Greenwood, and in a lot of ways it's their most straightforward work in more than two decades. They sound like they're having genuine fun creating here. And with the addition of Skinner, they can swing for the fences creatively and musically. They do, and surpass it on one of the best albums of the year. — *J. Hubner*

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Legends of metal Priest set to hit road

Heavy metal legends **Judas Priest** just keep on going. The band will celebrate their 50th anniversary this fall with a U.S. tour.

The “50 Heavy Metal Years Tour” kicks off in early September, and winds its way to Wings Event Center in Kalamazoo on Oct. 21, before stopping by Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit on Oct. 22, and Andrew J. Brady Music Center in Cincinnati on Oct. 24.

The band actually formed in 1970 in Birmingham, England, so they’ve been together more than 50 years, but who’s counting?

The band released their 18th studio album, *Firepower*, in 2018 and rumor has it they are working on new material, though it likely won’t be out before this tour.

In a statement about the tour, the band said they will be performing a “blistering cross-section of songs from our lives in metal.”

Queensryche will open the shows.

Rhett to close tour in Ohio

Country superstar **Thomas Rhett** is spending the summer on the road supporting his latest album, *Where We Started*.

The “Bring the Bar to You Tour” will be all about having fun and singing along with hits from his six studio albums that have produced 28 charting singles, with 17 of those reaching No. 1 on the Country Airplay chart.

The tour will make stops at Pine Knob Music Theatre in Detroit on July 16 before returning to our region for the final show of the tour at the Nutter Center in Dayton, Ohio, on Oct. 15.



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CHRIS HUPE

On the Road

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| 5 Seconds of Summer | July 21 | Michigan Lottery Amp. | Sterling Heights, MI |
| A Day To Remember | July 29 | Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica | Cleveland |
| A Day To Remember | Aug. 23 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Adrian Belew | July 16 | Hi-Fi Indy | Indianapolis |
| Alice in Chains | Aug. 16 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Alice in Chains | Aug. 17 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Alice in Chains | Aug. 24 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Alicia Keys | Aug. 16 | Michigan Lottery Amp. | Sterling Heights, MI |
| Alicia Keys | Aug. 18 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Alicia Keys | Aug. 19 | Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica | Cleveland |
| Alicia Keys | Aug. 23 | Huntington Bank Pavilion | Chicago |
| America | July 30 | Honeywell Center | Wabash |
| Andrew Bird w/Iron & Wine | Aug. 6 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Animal Collective | Aug. 27 | Hi-Fi Indy | Indianapolis |
| Anita Baker | July 22 | Little Caesars Arena | Detroit |
| Anthrax | Aug. 4 | Hard Rock Live Northern Indiana | Gary |
| Anthrax | Aug. 15 | Andrew J. Brady Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Anthrax | Aug. 20 | The Fillmore | Detroit |
| Arnez J | July 29-30 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| As I Lay Dying w/Whitechapel, Shadow of Intent, Brand of Sacrifice | July 2 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| August Burns Red w/We Came as Romans, Hollow Front, Void of Vision | Aug. 23 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| August Burns | Aug. 24 | Bogart’s | Cincinnati |
| The Avett Brothers | Aug. 20-21 | MacAllister Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Backstreet Boys | July 6 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Backstreet Boys | July 10 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Backstreet Boys | July 28 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Backstreet Boys | July 29 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Banks | July 22 | The Fillmore | Detroit |
| Barenaked Ladies | July 2 | Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica | Cleveland |
| Barenaked Ladies | July 3 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Barenaked Ladies | July 20 | PNC Pavilion | Cincinnati |
| Barenaked Ladies | July 1 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Beach House | July 12 | Agora Theatre | Cleveland |
| Big Bad Voodoo Daddy | July 1 | The Lerner Theatre | Elkhart |
| Big Bad Voodoo Daddy | July 2 | Kokomo Performing Arts Pavilion | Kokomo |
| Big Time Rush | July 6 | Andrew J. Brady Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Big Time Rush | July 7 | Huntington Bank Pavilion | Chicago |
| Big Time Rush | July 8 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Big Time Rush | July 10 | Michigan Lottery Amp. | Sterling Heights, MI |
| Big Time Rush | July 26 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Bikini Kill | July 23 | Royal Oak Music Theatre | Royal Oak, MI |
| Billy Joel | July 9 | Comerica Park | Detroit |
| Billy Strings | July 29-30 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| The Black Keys | July 16 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| The Black Keys | July 17 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Blackberry Smoke | July 26 | Sweetwater Pavilion | Fort Wayne |
| Blackberry Smoke | July 30 | Kalamazoo State Theatre | Kalamazoo |
| Blackberry Smoke | July 31 | Brown County Music Center | Nashville, IN |
| Blondie | Aug. 23 | Andrew J. Brady Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Blondie | Aug. 26 | Fox Theatre | Detroit |
| Blondie | Aug. 27 | Chicago Theatre | Chicago |
| Bobcat Goldthwait | July 22-23 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Bowling for Soup | July 2 | The Fillmore | Detroit |
| Bowling for Soup | July 3 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Bowling for Soup | July 8 | House of Blues Chicago | Chicago |
| Brad Paisley | Aug. 24 | Put-in-Bay Airport | Put-in-Bay, OH |
| Breeders | Aug. 11 | Hi-Fi Indy | Indianapolis |
| Brendan Schaub | July 14-16 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Buddy Guy | July 27 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Buddy Guy | July 28 | Centennial Terrace | Sylvania, OH |
| Buddy Guy | July 30 | Taft Theatre | Cincinnati |

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| Buddy Guy | July 31 | Rose Music Center | Huber Heights, OH |
| Cain | July 14 | Jay County Fairgrounds | Portland |
| Carly Pearce | Aug. 19 | Indiana State Fairgrounds | Indianapolis |

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| CeeLo Green w/Los Galaxy, Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra | July 9 | Headwaters Park | Fort Wayne |
| Chaka Khan | Aug. 3 | Indiana State Fairgrounds | Indianapolis |
| Chicago w/Brian Wilson | July 20 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Chicago w/Brian Wilson | July 23 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Chicago w/Brian Wilson | July 24 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Chicago w/Brian Wilson | July 26 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Chris Brown | July 30 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Chris Brown | July 31 | Nationwide Arena | Columbus, OH |
| Chris Brown | Aug. 2 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Chris Brown | Aug. 4 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Chris Brown | Aug. 6 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Chris Cagle | Aug. 4 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Chris Isaak | July 16 | Embassy Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Chris Kattan | Aug. 21 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Chris Stapleton | Aug. 19 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Christopher Cross | Aug. 6 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Cole Swindell | July 15 | Jay County Fairgrounds | Portland |
| Collective Soul | July 15 | Hard Rock Live Northern Indiana | Gary |
| Collective Soul | July 19 | Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica | Cleveland |
| Collective Soul | July 20 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Collective Soul w/Switchfoot | July 24 | Honeywell Center | Wabash |
| Corey Feldman | Aug. 25 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Courtney Barnett | Aug. 10 | Agora Theatre | Cleveland |
| Courtney Barnett | Aug. 16 | The Salt Shed | Chicago |
| Crowbar w/Spirit Adrift | July 31 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Damon Wayans | Aug. 18-20 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Dashboard Confessional | Aug. 4 | Holliday Park | Indianapolis |
| Dashboard Confessional | Aug. 5 | Agora Theatre | Cleveland |
| Dashboard Confessional | Aug. 6 | Andrew J. Brady Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Dashboard Confessional | Aug. 8 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Daughtry w/Black Stone Cherry | July 30 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Dave Landau | Aug. 26-27 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Deadmau5 | Aug. 27 | Masonic Temple Theater | Detroit |
| Death Cab for Cutie | July 8 | GLC Live at 20 Monroe | Grand Rapids |
| The Decemberists | Aug. 16 | Chicago Theatre | Chicago |
| Def Leppard w/Mötley Crüe, Poison, Joan Jett | July 8 | Wrigley Field | Chicago |
| Def Leppard w/Mötley Crüe, Poison, Joan Jett | July 10 | Comerica Park | Detroit |
| Def Leppard w/Mötley Crüe, Poison, Joan Jett | July 14 | FirstEnergy Stadium | Cleveland |
| Def Leppard w/Mötley Crüe, Poison, Joan Jett | July 15 | Great American Ballpark | Cincinnati |
| Dermot Kennedy | July 13 | GLC Live at 20 Monroe | Grand Rapids |
| Dermot Kennedy | July 17 | Palace Theatre | Columbus, IN |
| Dermot Kennedy | Aug. 13 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| The Devil Wears Prada | Aug. 5 | Majestic Theatre | Detroit |
| The Devil Wears Prada | Aug. 16 | Elevation at The Intersection | Grand Rapids |
| The Devil Wears Prada | Aug. 17 | House of Blues Chicago | Chicago |
| Dispatch | Aug. 9 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Dizzy Wright | Aug. 28 | Piere’s Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Doobie Brothers | July 4 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Doobie Brothers | July 6 | Toledo Zoo Amphitheatre | Toledo |
| Doobie Brothers | July 7 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Doobie Brothers | July 10 | Van Andel Arena | Grand Rapids |
| Doobie Brothers | July 12 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Doobie Brothers | July 14 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Drive-By Truckers | July 27 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Duran Duran | Aug. 20 | United Center | Chicago |
| Elevation Worship | Aug. 11 | Huntington Center | Toledo |
| Elevation Worship | Aug. 12 | EJ Nutter Center | Fairborn, OH |
| Elevation Worship | Aug. 17 | Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse | Cleveland |
| Elton John | July 18 | Comerica Park | Detroit |
| Elton John | July 30 | Progressive Field | Cleveland |
| Elton John | Aug. 5 | Soldier Field | Chicago |
| Elvis Costello | Aug. 6 | Rose Music Center | Huber Heights, OH |
| Face 2 Face | Aug. 5 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Five for Fighting w/The Verve Pipe | Aug. 13 | Foellinger Theatre | Fort Wayne |

Dirty Honey heading back out

Having recently wrapped up the massively successful “Young Guns Tour,” which included a stop at Piere’s Entertainment Center in the Summit City, Dirty Honey has announced they will be heading back out for “The California Dreamin’ Tour,” where they will headline shows well into the fall.

The Los Angeles-based band released their debut full-length album last year containing the hits “California Dreamin’,” “The Wire,” and “Another Last Time” after bursting on to the scene with “When I’m Gone,” which came off of their 2019 EP.

Dirty Honey will be at Pine Knob Music Center in Detroit on Sept. 24, The House of Blues in Cleveland on Sept. 16, and The Intersection in Grand Rapids on Sept. 27.

Dorothy and Detroit-based Mac Saturn will open the shows. “This tour is a statement tour, and the statement is that ‘Rock is alive and well,’ Dirty Honey said in the tour announcement.

Benatar joins state fair lineup

If you missed Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo at the Sweetwater Performance Pavilion a few weeks ago, or if you just want another chance to catch them, head down to the Indiana State Fair on Aug. 7.

The fair made its last announcement for the Hoosier Lottery Free Stage, and it happens to be this Rock and Roll Hall of Fame duo.

They join previously announced acts Travis Tritt, Chaka Khan, Kansas, KC and The Sunshine Band, and Trace Adkins on the free stage where the price of the fair admission is the only thing you will need to pay in order to enjoy some world-class entertainment.

Road Notes covers concerts within driving distance of Northeast Indiana. Send your news items to info@whatzup.com.

Answer key for puzzle on Page 18

Grid of letters for puzzle answer key.

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| Lauv | Aug. 12 | Aragon Ballroom | Chicago |
| Lauv | Aug. 13 | Meadow Brook Amphitheatre | Rochester |
| Lauv | Aug. 21 | Smale Riverfront Park | Cincinnati |
| Lauv | Aug. 23 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| LeAnn Rimes | July 8 | Hard Rock Casino | Cincinnati |
| LeAnn Rimes | July 15 | Holliday Park | Indianapolis |
| Leanne Morgan | Aug. 5 | Embassy Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Leon Bridges | Aug. 21 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Leon Bridges | Aug. 22 | Masonic Temple Theater | Detroit |
| Leon Bridges | Aug. 24 | Credit Union 1 Arena | Chicago |
| Lil Durk | July 2 | Little Caesars Arena | Detroit |
| Lonestar | July 9 | Honeywell Center | Wabash |
| Luke Bryan | Aug. 20 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Lyle Lovett | July 17 | Meadow Brook Amphitheatre | Rochester |
| Lyle Lovett | July 20 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Machine Gun Kelly | July 3 | Little Caesars Arena | Detroit |
| Machine Gun Kelly | Aug. 11 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Machine Gun Kelly | Aug. 13 | FirstEnergy Stadium | Cleveland |
| Mandy Moore | July 11 | Vic Theatre | Chicago |
| Marc Broussard | July 13 | Hi-Fi Indy | Indianapolis |
| Maren Morris | Aug. 12 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Maroon 5 | Aug. 17 | Van Andel Arena | Grand Rapids |
| Matchbox Twenty | Aug. 3 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Matchbox Twenty | Aug. 5 | Toledo Zoo Amphitheatre | Toledo |
| Matchbox Twenty | Aug. 6 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Matchbox Twenty | Aug. 7 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Matisyahu | Aug. 13 | Concord Music Hall | Chicago |
| Matisyahu | Aug. 14 | Saint Andrew's Hall | Detroit |
| Matisyahu | Aug. 16 | House of Blues Cleveland | Cleveland |
| Matt Nathanson | Aug. 25 | Royal Oak Music Theatre | Royal Oak, MI |
| Matt Nathanson | Aug. 26 | Vic Theatre | Chicago |
| MeWithoutYou | July 25 | Bell's Eccentric Cafe | Kalamazoo |
| MeWithoutYou | July 27 | Old National Centre | Indianapolis |
| MeWithoutYou | July 29 | Columbus Athenaeum | Columbus, OH |
| Melissa Etheridge | Aug. 2 | Foellinger Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Melvins | July 3 | El Club | Detroit |
| Michael W. Smith | July 29 | Blue Gate PAC | Shipshewana |
| Mt. Joy | Aug. 20 | The Salt Shed | Chicago |
| Muscadine Bloodline | July 8 | Hi-Fi Indy | Indianapolis |
| My Morning Jacket | July 2 | Huntington Bank Pavilion | Chicago |
| New Found Glory | July 22 | House of Blues | Cleveland |
| Night Ranger | Aug. 10 | Sweetwater Pavilion | Fort Wayne |
| Norah Jones | July 15 | Huntington Bank Pavilion | Chicago |
| Norah Jones | July 16 | Meadow Brook Amphitheatre | Rochester |
| Norah Jones | July 19 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| OneRepublic | July 28 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| OneRepublic | July 30 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| OneRepublic | July 31 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| OneRepublic | Aug. 2 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| OneRepublic | Aug. 3 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| PJ Morton | July 22 | The Vogue | Indianapolis |
| PJ Morton | July 23 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Pat Benatar and Neil Giraldo | Aug. 7 | Indiana State Fairgrounds | Indianapolis |
| Peter Hook & The Light | Aug. 15 | Royal Oak Music Theatre | Royal Oak, MI |
| Peter Hook & The Light | Aug. 19 | Metro/Smart Bar | Chicago |
| Phish | Aug. 2 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Phish | Aug. 3 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Pitbull | Aug. 23 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Pitbull | Aug. 24 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Pitbull | Aug. 25 | Ravinia Park Pavillion | Highland Park |
| Porno For Pyros | July 30 | Metro | Chicago |
| Puscifer | July 2 | Chicago Theatre | Chicago |
| Quiet Riot w/ Cougar Hunter | July 15 | Headwaters Park | Fort Wayne |
| Rage Against the Machine w/Run the Jewels | July 11-12 | United Center | Chicago |
| Rage Against the Machine w/Run the Jewels | July 27 | Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse | Cleveland |
| Randy Houser | July 14 | Piere's Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |

Road Trips

LOCAL ACTS ON TOUR

Austin Marsh

July 28 Father John's Microbrewery, Bryan, OH

The Bulldogs

July 3 Hickory Acres Campground, Edgerton, OH
July 4 West Lake Park Pavilion, Topeka
July 9 Tipton City Park, Tipton
July 23 Weller Plaza, Hartford City
July 29 Downtown New Castle
Aug. 6 State Line Heritage Days, Union City
Aug. 12 Bethel Pointe, Muncie
Aug. 19 Elkhart County Fairgrounds, Goshen
Aug. 26 Quincy Village Park, Quincy, MI
Sept. 3 Fish Lake Family Resort, Fremont
Sept. 9 Matthews Covered Bridge Festival, Matthews
Sept. 23 Ducktail Run, Gas City
Oct. 29 Alexandria Eagles, Alexandria
Dec. 31 Fremont Moose Lodge, Fremont

Chris Worth & Co.

July 22 Elks Lodge 1575, Hillsdale, MI

Chris Worth w/DCS

July 7 Bent Prop Pub, Coldwater, MI

Hubie Ashcraft Band

July 13 Cass County Fairgrounds, Cassopolis, MI
July 29 Edon Days, Edon, OH
Aug. 5 Little Nashville Festival, Nashville, IN
Aug. 12 Schweizer Festival, Tell City
Aug. 19-21 T&J's Smokehouse, Put-in-Bay, OH
Aug. 23 T&J's Smokehouse, Put-in-Bay, OH
Aug. 24 Put-In-Bay Airport, Put-in-Bay, OH
Oct. 14 Five Star Dive Bar, Elkhart
Nov. 4 Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto
Nov. 25 VFW Post 5713, Celina, OH
Nov. 26 Lori's Roadhouse, West Chester, OH

Jonah Leatherman

July 2 Goodwood Taproom, Louisville, KY
July 9 Westside Bowl, Youngstown, OH
July 23 Rumpus Room, Chelsea, MI
Aug. 27 Buzz Bomb Brewing, Springfield, IL
Sept. 3 Unruly Brewing, Muskegon, MI
Nov. 11 Workshop Brewing Company, Traverse City, MI

Motor Folkers

Nov. 11 American Legion Post 215, LaGrange

Mountain Dewe Boys

July 9 Amishville Tractor & Engine Show, Geneva

Sunny Taylor

July 15 Red Rambler Brewery, Wauseon, OH
Aug. 20 Stoney Ridge Winery, Bryan, OH
Sept. 17 Brew Nation, Celina, OH
Dec. 23 Stoney Ridge Winery, Bryan, OH

Tom Koenig

July 15 American Legion Post 323, St. Marys, OH

Vines & Harmony Music Festival (Grateful Groove, K. Edward Smith, Shane Bond, Amara Gilrairie, Josh Ayers, Sarah Ellsworth, James Valon Ellsworth)

July 23 Briali Winery, Fremont

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| Red Hot Chili Peppers w/The Strokes | Aug. 14 | Comerica Park | Detroit |
| Red Hot Chili Peppers w/The Strokes | Aug. 19 | Soldier Field | Chicago |
| Red Wanting Blue | Aug. 12 | Hi-Fi Indy | Indianapolis |
| Renny | July 10 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Richie Kotzen w/John Crabi | Aug. 28 | Piere's Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Rise Against | Aug. 17 | Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica | Cleveland |
| Rise Against | Aug. 18 | Michigan Lottery Amp. | Sterling Heights, MI |
| Rival Sons w/The Velvetears | July 28 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Rob Zombie | July 21 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Rob Zombie | Aug. 3 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Rod Stewart | July 12 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Rod Stewart | July 16 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Rod Stewart | July 19 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Rod Stewart | July 27 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Rod Stewart | July 15 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Roger Waters | July 23 | Little Caesars Arena | Detroit |
| Roger Waters | July 26 | United Center | Chicago |
| Roger Waters | Aug. 2 | Heritage Bank Arena | Cincinnati |
| Ryan Niemiller | Aug. 10 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Sammy Hagar & The Circle | Aug. 23 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Sammy Hagar & The Circle | Aug. 24 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Santa Fe Klan | Aug. 11 | Rosemont Theatre | Rosemont |
| Santana | July 2 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Santana | July 5 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Santana | July 8 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Santana | July 9 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Scarface w/Formaldehyde Funkmen | July 31 | Piere's Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Sean Kingston | Aug. 12 | Piere's Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Seventeen | Aug. 25 | United Center | Chicago |
| Shawn Mendes | July 15 | Allstate Arena | Rosemont, IL |
| Shawn Mendes | July 19 | Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse | Cleveland |
| Shayne Smith | Aug. 5-6 | Summit City Comedy Club | Fort Wayne |
| Sleeping with Sirens | July 14 | House of Blues Chicago | Chicago |
| Sleeping with Sirens | July 15 | Ohio State Reformatory | Mansfield, OH |
| Sleeping Sirens w/Don Broco, Point North, Garzi | July 16 | Piere's Entertainment Center | Fort Wayne |
| Starset | July 9 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Starset | July 10 | Vogue Theatre | Indianapolis |
| Stray Kids | July 1 | United Center | Chicago |
| Suicideboys | Aug. 2 | Huntington Bank Pavilion | Chicago |
| Suicideboys | Aug. 5 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Swedish House Mafia | Aug. 13 | United Center | Chicago |
| Swedish House Mafia | Aug. 17 | Little Caesars Arena | Detroit |
| Tedeschi Trucks Band | July 13 | PNC Pavilion | Cincinnati |
| Tedeschi Trucks Band | July 24 | Rose Music Center | Huber Heights, OH |
| Tedeschi Trucks Band | July 26 | RiverEdge Park | Aurora, IL |
| Theory of a Deadman w/Nonpoint | July 12 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Third Eye Blind | July 7 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Third Eye Blind | July 8 | Huntington Bank Pavilion | Chicago |
| Third Eye Blind | July 12 | Kemba Live! | Columbus, OH |
| Thomas Rhett | July 16 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Todd Rundgren | July 9 | The Lerner Theatre | Elkhart |
| Tommy DeCarlo w/Rudy Cardenas | Aug. 19 | Foellinger Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Tomorrow X Together | July 7 | Rosemont Theatre | Rosemont |
| Tower of Power and Lettuce | Aug. 11 | Taft Theatre | Cincinnati |
| Trace Adkins | Aug. 10 | Indiana State Fairgrounds | Indianapolis |
| Train | July 12 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Train | July 13 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Train | July 15 | Hollywood Casino Amp. | Tinley Park, IL |
| Travis Tritt | Aug. 5 | Indiana State Fairgrounds | Indianapolis |
| Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue | Aug. 19 | Clyde Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Twenty One Pilots | Aug. 20 | Little Caesars Arena | Detroit |
| Twenty One Pilots | Aug. 21 | Heritage Bank Arena | Cincinnati |
| Wavves | Aug. 4 | Thalia Hall | Chicago |
| Wavves | Aug. 5 | Beachland Ballroom | Cleveland |
| We The Kingdom | July 31 | Indiana State Fairgrounds | Indianapolis |
| The Weeknd | July 24 | Soldier Field | Chicago |
| The Weeknd | July 27 | Ford Field | Detroit |

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| Why Don't We | July 2 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Why Don't We | Aug. 3 | KeyBank State Theatre | Cleveland |
| Wilco | Aug. 14 | TCU Amphitheater | Indianapolis |
| Willie Nelson w/ZZ Top, Gov't Mule | July 29 | Blossom Music Center | Cuyahoga Falls, OH |
| Willie Nelson w/ZZ Top, Gov't Mule | July 30 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Wiz Khalifa and Logic | Aug. 26 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Wiz Khalifa and Logic | Aug. 27 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Yacht Rock Revue | Aug. 18 | Sweetwater Pavilion | Fort Wayne |
| ZZ Top | July 1 | Toledo Zoo Amphitheatre | Toledo |
| ZZ Top | July 2 | Michigan Lottery Amp. | Sterling Heights, MI |
| ZZ Top | July 5 | Foellinger Theatre | Fort Wayne |
| Zac Brown Band | July 9 | Wrigley Field | Chicago |
| Zac Brown Band | July 28 | Ruoff Music Center | Noblesville |
| Zac Brown Band | July 29 | Pine Knob Music Theatre | Clarkston, MI |
| Zac Brown Band | Aug. 13 | Riverbend Music Center | Cincinnati |
| Zac Brown Band | Aug. 25 | Put-In-Bay Airport | Put-in-Bay, OH |



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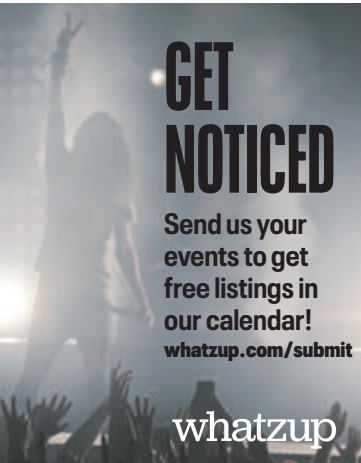


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1. Midafternoon, and when read with 49 Across, the name of Indiana's second-largest summer festival held at Headwaters Park, July 8-16

6. Belts

12. How often *Whatzup* is printed

14. "Chill!"

15. Hold back

16. Psychologists study

17. Mail place: Abbr.

18. Wallop

20. Greek H

21. See 11 Down

24. Easter lead-in

25. Snack cookie since 1912

26. Depend (on)

27. Many Match.com members

30. ___ of *Glory*, 2007 Will Ferrell comedy

32. Creative work

33. Red, black, or navy

34. Choose
35. Sit with one leg on either side of, such as a fence

39. No longer working: Abbr.

40. "___ she blows!"

41. Cheerios grain

43. See 11 Down

45. Come into view

48. Common perennial flowering plants

49. Waterways

50. Blue book filler

51. Copenhageners
- Down**

1. Bit of kindling

2. Rope fibers

3. Move, as a plant

4. ___ out a living

5. Antiquity, in antiquity

6. Diving duck

7. Able to endure pain

8. Decompose

9. Belonging to a very different society

10. European gold coin in the 17th and 18th centuries
11. One of the literal representations of 1 and 49 Across (along with 21 and 43 Across)

13. Approvals

19. Astrological sign of summer

22. Average guys

23. Bruin legend Bobby ___

26. Big name in mapmaking

27. Pushover

28. Pacify

29. Shows disapproval

30. Check payee, maybe

31. Sonny boy

33. Victoria's Secret purchase

35. Cordwood measure

36. The Guess Who's "___ Eyes"

37. Actress Sophia

38. Tidal flood or flow

42. *Working Girl* girl

44. Encountered

46. Prefix with night or day

47. Longoria of *Desperate Housewives*
- Answer key on Page 15



Tom Cruise's *Top Gun: Maverick* remained at No. 1 last weekend, eclipsing \$1 billion in worldwide sales.

Maverick reaches rarefied air

Top Gun: *Maverick* is killing. *Killing*. The film took the No. 1 spot at the box despite there being a whole lot of solid competition. The flick made another \$30.5 million, bringing its five-week domestic sales total to \$522 million. Wow.

Tom Cruise and the Gang have now made just over \$1 billion worldwide. Amazing. Making a billion pre-COVID was a big deal: Making a billion nowadays is almost unthinkable. Especially for a film with no magical heroes in tights involved.



Screen Time
GREG W. LOCKE

Also at the Box

Baz Luhrman's much anticipated *Elvis* opened strong, finishing neck and neck with *Maverick* to take the No. 2 spot at the box.

The reviews aren't the hottest for this one, with *Elvis* landing a score of just 63/100 on Metacritic. Oof. That being said, I've heard that a lot of folks are really enjoying this movie. I don't think it's going to be the massive hit a lot of pundits thought it would be, but Luhrman movies tend to have a long tail.

Jurassic World: Dominion finished third with another \$26 million in sales, bringing its 17-day sales total to \$302 million in the U.S. and \$747 million worldwide. People love dinosaurs. Always. I don't see that ever changing.

The new Ethan Hawke horror film, *The Black Phone*, had a strong opening weekend, selling \$23.4 million over its first few days of release. Reviews have not been so great, but word of mouth is very strong with this one. Don't be surprised if it keeps selling well over the next month or so.

And finally, rounding out this past weekend's Top 5, is *Lightyear*. This one has been underperforming in a major way, selling just \$17 million over its second

weekend. Ouch. The Pixar film seemed like a sure-thing massive hit. So far, *Lightyear*, a prequel to *Toy Story*, has made just \$152 million worldwide in 10 days. Predictions were more than double this.

New this week

Lots of limited releases are starting to expand, making for a pretty busy time at the movies.

There's even a reissue of David Lynch's *Lost Highway* kicking around in theaters. I personally think everyone should go see that flick, but let's keep talking about what else is out there.

The big releases this week are *Minions: The Rise of Gru* and *Mr. Malcolm's List*. Neither of these excite me, but I think *Minions* will be fun and probably fill a lot of seats.

There are a whole lot of smaller flicks hitting screens as well, including *The Forgiven*, *Pacerville*, *Clara Sola*, *Code Name Banshee*, *Hallelujah*, *Accepted*, and *Sniper: The White Raven*. That's a whole lot of movies that I don't think anyone is going to care too much about. Maybe I'm wrong in this opinion, but I think we've hit the point where there's just too much. Too many new films, too much new TV. Too much mediocrity.

ScreenRant

What are your all-time summer jams? What are the films you revisit every summer? I have a handful, starting with childhood favorites *Encino Man* and *Major League*. I used to watch those VHS tapes on a loop every summer.

Grease was always playing at my house on hot summer nights when I was a kid, and once I finally got a copy of *White Men Can't Jump*, it never left the rotation.

A few more summertime classics I usually watch every year include *Friday*, *Dazed and Confused*, *Y Tu Mama Tambien*, *Kids*, and *Superbad*.

Oh, and on the hottest days of the year where you refuse to go outside: *Home Alone*.

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Austin Butler is the only shining light in the Baz Luhrmann-directed Elvis Presley biopic *Elvis*.

COURTESY PHOTO



Biopic not even close to being fit for a King

It's been nine years since Baz Luhrmann made a mess of *The Great Gatsby* and, if nothing else, gave the world a Leonardo DiCaprio GIF so ubiquitous that searches for "cheers" and "congrats" will likely generate it within the first two or three results.

Now, the Aussie's signature brand of moon-eyed maximalism is out to claim another cultural icon as his latest victim. The music biopic *Elvis* is about everything you would expect from the *Romeo + Juliet* and *Moulin Rouge!* director: visually extravagant, thuddingly obvious, occasionally inspired, and above all, supremely self-satisfied. At 159 minutes, it plays like the longest supercut video ever uploaded to YouTube. Sure, it moves and doesn't feel its length while you're watching it, but by the end, it becomes clear that little new has been conveyed about the King's legacy.



Reel Views

BRENT LEUTHOLD

Austin Butler sports the well-oiled mane of Memphis rocker Elvis Presley, who meets Colonel Tom Parker (Tom Hanks) backstage at a Louisiana Hayride show in 1954. The King's signature shaking was born that night, and Parker sees dollar signs in those hips, convincing Presley to let him manage his career. We then take a whirlwind tour through Elvis' life and career, influenced by rock pioneers like Little Richard (Alton Mason) and B.B. King (Kelvin Harrison Jr.), the latter of whom particularly sees his potential to break down racial divides in the country. To avoid arrest for his lascivious gyrations, Parker arranges for Elvis to be drafted into the Army, and while stationed in Germany, the heartthrob meets his future wife, Priscilla (Olivia DeJonge).

There's a popular exercise in film school used to study editing technique, where the professor will show a stretch of a film and the class is asked to clap when a cut is made in the movie. If that class was shown *Elvis*, it would generate a steady applause so convincing that it may finally make Luhrmann happy enough to stop chasing it so desperately. Amid the plethora of triple-split screens and roving camera movements, there are some fun edits: a ferris wheel spinning out of control blended into an early hit record revolving on a phonograph was my personal favorite. But this is a chaotic scrapbook for a 20th century titan who deserves one, but doesn't really need one either, given how much has already been said and written about him.

Elvis is a tale of two performances. Presley has been portrayed numerous times of the big screen, but it doesn't take long for Butler to set himself apart as king

ELVIS

Rated PG-13 for substance abuse, strong language, suggestive material, and smoking

2 hours 39 minutes · In theaters

★★★★☆

of the King performances. He nails every era of Elvis' walk of life, from the insecure greasy-haired kid still finding himself to the pelvic-thrusting showman to the aging bejeweled Vegas staple. Luhrmann doesn't linger long on the negative aspects of Presley's personality, but Butler is still able to find some nuance and subtlety in the role amid the hagiography. I don't know how much of what we hear from Elvis' voice is actually Butler singing, and after the first couple songs, I really didn't care. The movie magic became real and the actor embodied the character so thoroughly that I didn't question it from that moment on.

Then we have Hanks. Parker is a bizarre figure, a Dutch-born huckster whose origins are still shrouded in mystery, but whose relationship with the best-selling solo music artist of all time begs investigation. Even though Luhrmann frames this story around Parker recalling his time with Elvis during the Colonel's final days, neither he nor Hanks get any closer to uncovering a deeper truth about this tenebrous figure. Hanks goes about Parker as a cock-eyed cross of PT Barnum by way of Dr. Demento, donning a fat suit and muttering with an unplaceable accent as he leers off-stage much less convincingly than he did in *That Thing You Do!* years ago. It's a bizarre and bad performance that doesn't have a snowball's chance in hell at working in this otherwise down-the-line biography.

New movies coming this weekend

▪ Coming to theaters is *Thor: Love and Thunder*, a Marvel superhero movie starring Chris Hemsworth and Natalie Portman which finds the god of thunder reteaming with Valkyrie and Korg to take on Gorr the God Butcher.

▪ Streaming on Netflix is *The Sea Beast*, an animated adventure starring Karl Urban and Zaris-Angel Hator about a legendary sea monster hunter who has an epiphany when a stowaway girl befriends the most dangerous monster of all.

▪ Also streaming on Netflix is *Hello, Goodbye, and Everything In Between*, a teen romance starring Talia Ryder and Jordan Fisher about a high school couple who go on one last epic date in both familiar and unexpected places after making a pact to break up before leaving for college.

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WEDNESDAYS | 7-10PM

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CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Wagon Wheel Conservatory — Summer workshops vary depending on age level. All grades listed indicate grade just completed, **10 a.m.-1 p.m. July 18-22 (Grades 3-4)**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$200-\$300, (574) 267-8041

Summer Jazz Workshop — Jazz workshops with Miss Rina, **12:30-3:30 p.m.** for ages 9-12 and **4-7 p.m.** for ages 13 and up, **Saturday, July 9**, Restored to Glory Dance Ministry, Messiah Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, \$40, (260) 414-6262

The Latin Experience — Learn to dance, including salsa, bachata, cha cha, and Argentine tango, **3 p.m. Saturday, July 9, and 4 p.m. Sunday, July 10**, Arthur Murray Fort Wayne Dance Center, Fort Wayne, \$75-\$140, (260) 483-1139

Broadway Bootleg Camp — Broadway's Desi Oakley teaches disciplines of acting, dancing, and singing, for students from 15 to 19 years old, **July 20-22**, Leman Vocal Studio, RKF Studios, Fort Wayne, \$400-\$550, lemanvocalstudio.com

Fort Wayne Ballet Summer Camps — Fort Wayne Ballet is offering summer dance camps with ages 3-6 taking part in "Once Upon a Fairy Tale" camps, while kids 7 and up can take beginning ballet fundamentals in "Follow the Ballet Brick Road." Register at fortwayneballet.org, **9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 25-29**, Fort Wayne Ballet, Fort Wayne, \$90, (260) 484-9646

UPCOMING PRODUCTIONS

JULY

Hairspray — Fort Wayne Summer Music Theatre production shows teenager's dream to dance on TV show leads to big changes, **7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 8-9; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 10; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 15-16; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 17**, North Side High School, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$18, imtfinc@gmail.com

Silent Sky — True story of 19th-century astronomer Henrietta Leavitt, exploring a woman's place in society during a time of immense scientific discoveries, **8 p.m. Saturday, July 9; and 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 15-16**, Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-5622

The Dinner Detective Murder Mystery Show — Award-winning murder mystery theater show plus plated dinner, **7-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 8-9**, Courtyard by Marriott Downtown, Fort Wayne, \$59.95, (866) 496-0535

The Addams Family — This musical depicts the ghoulish family with an affinity for all things macabre, **7 p.m. Thursday, July 14; 8 p.m. Friday, July**

15; 7 p.m. Saturday, July 16; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 17; 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 19; 7 p.m. Wednesday, July 20; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, July 21; 8 p.m. Friday, July 22; and 7 p.m. Saturday, July 23, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

Wisla Song & Dance Ensemble — Sharing Polish culture through folk songs and dances, **7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 14**, Foellinger Theatre, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6715

Darci Lynne — Ventriloquist and singer brings her family-friendly show, **7:30 p.m. July 16**, Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$45-\$100, (260) 563-1102

Legally Blonde Jr. — Based on the award-winning Broadway musical and motion picture, Elle Woods tackles stereotypes, snobbery, and scandal, **7 p.m. Saturday, July 16; and 2 p.m. Sunday, July 17**, Huber Opera House, Hicksville, \$15, (419) 542-9553

The SpongeBob Musical — Stakes are higher than ever as the residents of Bikini Bottom face annihilation of their undersea world, **7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 23; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 24; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 29-30; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 31**, Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$22-\$35, (260) 424-0646

The Comedy of Errors — In one of William Shakespeare's shortest and most farcical comedies, humor comes from slapstick and mistaken identity, **7 p.m. Thursday, July 28; 8 p.m. Friday, July 29; 7 p.m. Saturday, July 30; 2 p.m. Sunday, July 31; 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug.**

2; 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4; 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 5; and 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee — While disclosing stories from their home lives, tweens vie for spelling bee title, **7:30 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, July 28-30, and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, July 31**, Summit City Music Theatre, The Charles, Fort Wayne, (260) 437-6825

AUGUST

Smokey Joe's Cafe — Featuring a wide-ranging musical catalog that celebrates the humor, passion, and heartbreak of everyday life, **7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11; 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 12; 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13; 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14; 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16; 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 18; 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19; and 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$15-\$40, (574) 267-8041

Lucky Stiff — Murder mystery comedy musical with mistaken identities, six million bucks in diamonds, and a corpse in a wheelchair, **8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 5-6; 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 12-13; 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14; 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 19-20**, Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-5622

The Play That Goes Wrong — Drama society tries to stage production of 1920s murder mystery, but it's not as easy as it sounds, **7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 12-13; 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug. 19-20; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 21**, First Presbyterian Theater, Fort Wayne, \$12-\$18, (260) 422-6329

The Dinner Detective Murder Mystery Show — Award-winning murder mystery theater show plus plated dinner, **7-10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13**, Courtyard by Marriott Downtown, Fort Wayne, \$59.95, (866) 496-0535

Collective Expressions — Fort Wayne Dance Company's annual contemporary dance performance, featuring original works by compelling choreographic voices, **7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 14**, PFW's Williams Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$17, (260) 424-6574

The Dinner Detective Murder Mystery Show — Award-winning murder mystery theater show plus plated dinner, **7-10 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20**, Courtyard by Marriott Downtown, Fort Wayne, \$59.95, (866) 496-0535

SEPTEMBER

Assisted Living: The Musical — These retired Boomers are partying like it's 1969, **2 p.m., 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8**, Eagles Theatre, Wabash, \$20-\$30, (260) 563-1102

The Little Prince — An adaptation of the classic French children's novel, **7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 9-10; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 16-17; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18**; all for One productions, PPG ArtsLab, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$19, (260) 424-5220

Steel Magnolias — Step into Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where all the ladies who are "anybody" come to have their hair done, **7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 9-10; 2 p.m.**

Sunday, Sept. 11; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Sept. 16-17; 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18; Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$25, (260) 424-5220

MasterChef Junior Live! — The cast of *MasterChef Junior* will gather for cooking demonstrations and challenges, **6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27**, Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, \$19-\$39, (419) 238-6722

OCTOBER

Masterchef Junior Live! — The cast of *MasterChef Junior* will gather for cooking demonstrations and challenges, **6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2**, Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$25-65, (260) 563-1102

Disney Junior Live on Tour — Costume Palooza brings Disney Junior characters and Marvel Super Heroes together on stage, **6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 5**, Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$29-85, (260) 563-1102

Todd Oilver & Irving the Talking Dog — Ventriloquist brings along pair of dogs to help entertain during family friendly show, **2 p.m., 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11**, Eagles Theatre, Wabash, \$20, (260) 563-1102

Disenchanted — Original storybook heroines are none-too-happy with the way they've been portrayed have tossed their tiaras and have come to life, **7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14; 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15; 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16; 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21; 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22; and 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23**, First Presbyterian Theater, Fort Wayne, \$12-\$18, (260) 422-4226

Legally Blonde: The Musical — In the traveling Broadway show, Elle Woods sets out to attend Harvard Law School to get her ex-boyfriend back, but quickly realizes her potential, **7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29**, Niswonger Performing Arts Center, Van Wert, \$55-\$79, (419) 238-6722

Rockin' Robin Hood — Exciting take on the legend of Robin Hood, fresh yet traditional, **7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28; 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Oct. 29-20**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$12, (574) 267-8041

NOVEMBER

Elf: The Musical — A young orphan mistakenly crawls into Santa's bag of gifts and is transported to the North Pole and raised as an elf, **7:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 11-12; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday Nov. 18-19; 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20**, Fort Wayne Civic Theatre, Arts United Center, Fort Wayne, \$22-\$35, (260) 424-5220

Click Clack Moo — Hilariously moving musical about negotiation and compromise, **10 a.m. and noon Monday, Nov. 7**, Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$10, (260) 563-1102

The Christmas Express — When Leo Tannenbaum arrives on a train that's not on the schedule, a sleepy backwater town starts to change, **7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 11-12; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13; 7:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Nov. 18-19; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20**; all for One productions, PPG ArtsLab, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$19, (260) 424-5220



Art & Exhibits LOCAL CALENDAR

CURRENT EXHIBITS

Artlink Members' Showcase — Exhibition celebrates individual artists open to all mediums, **10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Fridays-Saturdays, and noon-5 p.m. Sundays through July 17**, Artlink, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 424-7195

Color X Color: Selections from the Chuck Sperry Archive — More than 150 rock posters Sperry has printed for bands across the world, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday, through July 10**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$8, (260) 422-6467

Bill Blass: Fort Wayne's Fashion Designer — This exhibition illustrates Blass' life in honor of his 100th birthday, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday, through Sept. 30**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$10, (260) 422-6467

Handstitched Worlds: The Cartography of Quilts — Read quilts as maps, tracing the paths of individual stories and experiences that illuminate larger historical events and cultural trends, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday, through Sept. 11**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$10, (260) 422-6467

Lush and Lavish: Blooms in Art — Flowers have long been favorite subjects for artists because of their temperance and beauty, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; and noon-5 p.m. Sunday, through Aug. 28**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$10, (260) 422-6467

Next Wave: New Contemporaries of the Abstract Movement — The practitioners of the clandestine graffiti movement had the rare freedom to explore new trajectories and take risks in art, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday; noon-5 p.m. Sunday, through Aug. 28**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, \$6-\$10, (260) 422-6467

Our Forced Removal — Marking the 175th anniversary of the Miami Removal from Indiana, **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday and 9 a.m.-noon Friday, through September**, Whitley County Historical Museum, Columbia City, free admission, (260) 244-6372

Joys of Summer — Visual interpretations of summer season depicted by artists, including Tom De Somer, Frankie Johnson, Susan Bunce Ritter, Donna Shortt, and Terri Buchholz, **11 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday through summer**, Castle Gallery Fine Art, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 402-0920

Summer Selections — Works from students at Purdue Fort Wayne, **8 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, through Aug. 10**, Visual Arts Gallery, Purdue Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne, free (260) 481-6977

Synergy of a Multitude — Argentinian artist Paloma Marquez exhibits her works, **noon-5 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays through July 6**, Gallery K, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 705-2959

ART CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

Watercolor Plein Air Painting Workshop — Learn Vlad Yeliseyev's best approaches to painting outdoors in this three-day workshop by Artlink, **10:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, July 25-27**, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, \$490, (260) 424-7195

Structure and Atmosphere — Turn your two-dimensional canvas into a three-dimensional city/landscape in this two-day workshop by Christina Body, **9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 22-23**, Artlink, Fort Wayne, \$230, (260) 424-7195

The Art & Design of Light in Plein Air — Two-day workshop by Artlink open to any painting medium and instructed by Steve Puttrich, **9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Tuesday, Sept. 12-13**, Tom & Jane Dustin Nature Preserve, Huntertown, \$230, (260) 424-7195

ART EVENTS

Art With Friends — Create art with provided materials or bring your own to share for all ages, **7-10 p.m. Tuesdays**, The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 999-4108

Art in the SkatePark — Slam City SkatePark's annual fundraiser features a silent auction and an art gallery dedicated to action sports, as well as food and music from DJ Dapone, **5-8 p.m. Saturday, July 2**, Slam City SkatePark, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 238-0398

Artlink Ice Cream & Art Social — Visit the gallery and receive a single scoop

sundae with toppings, **2-6 p.m. Saturday, July 9**, Artlink, Fort Wayne, \$3, (260) 424-7195

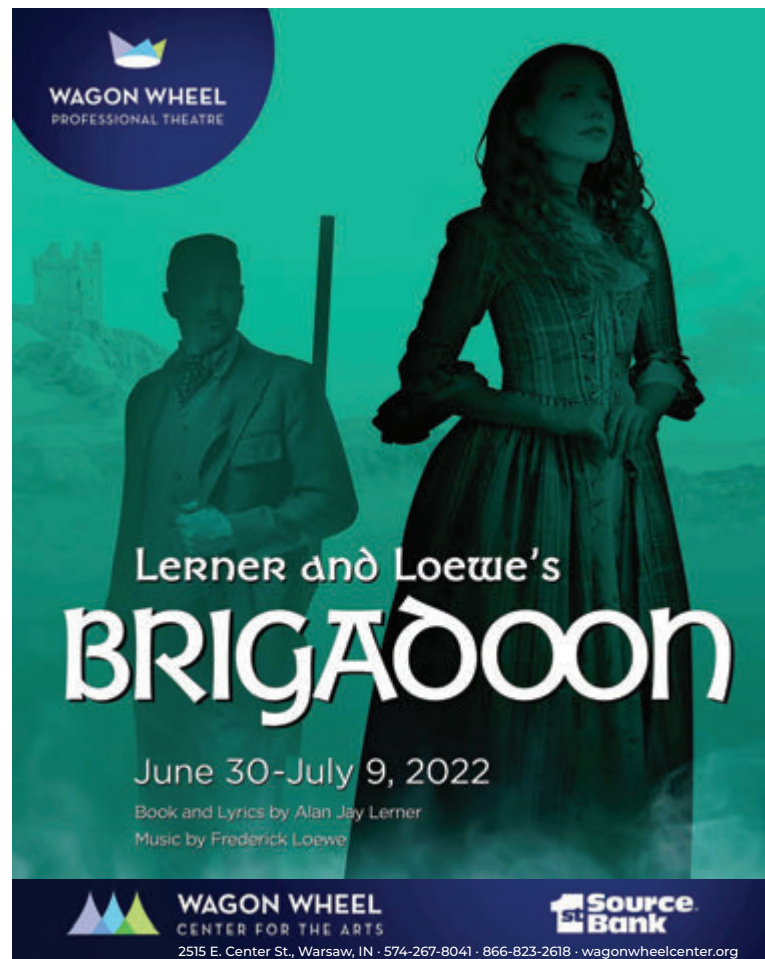
Art on Broadway — Celebrate the local art community with a bounce house, sidewalk chalk, complimentary kids drinks, and local pop-up vendors, **5-9 p.m. Saturday, July 9**, Hopscotch House, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-0376

Chalk Walk — Using pastels, artists of varying levels create their own work inside a designated square along Main Street near Freimann Square and Fort Wayne Museum of Art, **9 a.m. Saturday, July 9; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, July 10**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 422-6467

Art in the Park — Visit more than 100 artist and artisan exhibitors from across the country at two-day, juried fine art show, **11 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, July 9; and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, July 10**, Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 426-5556

Artlink Art Supply Resale — Used and new art supplies for purchase, including frames, glass, paint, brushes, canvases, sketch pads, easels, watercolor paper and more, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 16-17**, Artlink, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-7195

Lake James Antique & Classic Boat Show — Art event that includes classic boats, cars, trailers, food trucks, and music, **9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, July 30**, Bledsoe's Beach, Lake James, Angola, free, (260) 444-9982



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Orchard Workshop: Summer Pruning — Learn various skills and tips on tree care and then apply these skills and practice pruning various fruit trees, **9-11 a.m. Thursday, June 30**, Merry Lea Sustainable Farm, Albion, \$15, (260) 799-5869

AirPower History Tour — Fly in the B-29 Superfortress “FIFI” and the B-24 Liberator “Diamond LIL,” or tour the iconic WWII planes, **9 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday-Monday, June 30-July 4**, Fort Wayne Aero Center, Fort Wayne, \$10-20, (877) 767-7175

Last Thursday — Literary series featuring readings from local authors, **7-9:30 p.m. every last Thursday of the month beginning June 30**, Hyde Brothers Booksellers, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-0197

Strawberries in the Park — An evening of strawberry shortcake, story times, music, games, and face painting, **5-8 p.m. Friday, July 1**, Eckhart Public Library, Auburn, \$10, (260) 925-2414

122nd Fighter Wing Mural Dedication — Block party to honor new public art piece, featuring music from Debutants, miniature ice cream cones, and food for purchase, **5-7 p.m. Friday, July 1**, Fort Wayne’s Famous Coney Island, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 420-3266

Summer Fest: Independence Day Celebration — New Haven celebration will feature a parade at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, July 2, entertainment, food vendors, and children’s activities, **6-9 p.m. Friday, July 1; 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturday, July 2**, Schnelker Park, New Haven, free, (260) 748-7000

Miami Indian Heritage Days: Miami Beadwork w/Katrina Mitten — Learn about the lasting heritage of the Miami and other regional Native American groups through local artists, performers, and presenters, **1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 2**, Chief Richardville House, Fort Wayne, \$5-\$7, (260) 426-2882

Healing Hands Night Market — Along with vendors, the event features live art, henna, live glass blowing, food trucks, fire spinners, **5 p.m.-midnight Saturday, July 2**, Healing Hands Spa & Boutique, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 459-4325

Glizzy Guzzler — Hot dog eating contest with cash prizes, **2-3 p.m. Sunday, July 3**, Summit City Brewwerks, Fort Wayne, \$25 to enter, (260) 420-0222

Moonshot: A Home Run Celebration — Reception with cocktails, complimentary beverages, and food, with VIP seating for the Patriotic Pops concert at 8:30 p.m., followed by a party, **5:30-11 p.m. Sunday, July 3**, Parkview Field, Fort Wayne, \$200, (260) 481-0777

Family Day — Free balloon animals and face painting, plus food truck, **1:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, July 3**, Hyde Brothers Booksellers, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-0197

Drum Camp — Two sessions for beginner to intermediate skill levels for those 10 years old and up to sharpen skills under guidance of drummer Larry Ford, **9 a.m.-noon Wednesday-Friday, July 6-8; 1-4 p.m. Wednesday-Friday, July 6-8**, Sweetwater, Fort Wayne, \$149, (260) 407-3833

River Rangers — Outdoor learning program designed for kids ages 5-12 with alternative STEM and nature-related topics, **10-11 a.m. every Thursday until**

Aug. 25, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

Story Time at the Park — Air, sunshine, and children’s literature, **10-10:30 a.m. Wednesdays through Aug. 31**, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 436-8080

Lifetime Sports Academy — Group lessons in golf, tennis, and swimming will focus on skill development, training, and participation and will be taught by professionals and volunteers for kids ages 7-18, **9 a.m.-3p.m. Monday-Fridays through July 22**, McMillen Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

FARMERS MARKETS

Allen County Marketplace — Monthly open air market at offering refurbished furniture, jewelry, artwork, pottery, soaps, home décor, produce, plants, and food trucks, **9 a.m.-3 p.m. July 9, Aug. 13, Sept.10, Oct. 8**, Huntertown Family Park, Huntertown, (260) 873-3481

Downtown Wabash Farmers Market — Produce, meats, dairy products, home goods, plants, and arts, **8 a.m.-noon, Saturdays through Sept. 24**, downtown Wabash, (260) 563-1102

Fort Wayne’s Farmers Market — Farm foods, baked goods, homemade natural items, and unique works from regional artisans, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays**, McCulloch Park, Fort Wayne, contact@ftwaynesfarmersmarket.com

Midweek Market — Fort Wayne’s Farmers Market vendors bring fresh produce, baked goods, and artisan wares to sell, **3-7 p.m. Wednesdays**, McCulloch Park, Fort Wayne, free, contact@ftwaynesfarmersmarket.com

Monroeville Farmers Market — Food trucks, in season produce, food, and crafts, **11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sundays through September**, Cornerstone Youth Center, Monroeville, (260) 445-4396

Parlor City Market — Homemade, homegrown, and handmade goods from local vendors, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays through Sept. 17**, Parlor City Plaza, Bluffton, (260) 824-0510

Salomon Farmers Market — Fresh produce, baked goods, and artisan goods from local growers and makers, **4-7 p.m. Wednesdays through Sept. 7**, Salomon Farm Park, Fort Wayne, (260) 427-6790

Southside Farmers Market — Fort Wayne’s oldest, continuously operated farmers market features fresh produce, eggs, meats, baked goods, jewelry, tea, and a snack counter, **8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays through Dec. 17**, 3300 Warsaw St., Fort Wayne

YLNi Farmers Market — Produce, baked goods, jewelry, honey, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays**, Berry and Barr streets, Fort Wayne

COMING EVENTS

JULY

Bee the Change — Activity that offers a positive reflection of self-worth and potential for positive impact in the community, **5-7 p.m. Thursday, July 7**, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$1, (260) 427-6440

Wild Walkers — Biweekly adult hiking group that explores northeast Indiana, **8:30-10 a.m. Friday, July 8**, Merry Lea Learning Center, Albion, free, (260) 427-6000

Three Rivers Festival — Fort Wayne’s largest festival features rides, concerts, and nightly activities, as well as Art in the Park and Children’s Fest, **11 a.m.-11 p.m. July 8-16**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 422-7625

Emporium at Three Rivers Festival — Support local artists and crafters, while finding unique food, jewelry, soaps, clothing, and home decor, **4-9 p.m. Friday, July 8; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 9-10; 5-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, July 11-14; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 15-16**, Headwaters Park East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 426-5556

Angola Balloons Aloft — Hot air balloon festival featuring 30 balloons, a classic car show, helicopter rides, and food vendors, **5:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday, July 8; 7 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday, July 9; 7 a.m. Sunday, July 10**, Angola High School, Angola, free, (260) 665-5386

Auburn Shifters Car Club Car Show — Check out large collection of classic and muscle cars, **8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 9**, DeKalb Outdoor Theater, Auburn, free, auburnshifters@gmail.com

Human Library — People serve as books to “readers” to check out, open, listen, and learn, **11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 9**, downtown branch, Allen County Public Library, free, (260) 421-1200

Plant Party & Summer Market — Plant swap and market with a multitude of vendors and live music, **5-9 p.m. Saturday, July 9**, 2Toms Brewing Company, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 446-6246

Book Signing: Anything But Net ... I Never Shot Sports — Local photographer Randy Jackson will sign his book of photos featuring the Mad Ants, downtown Fort Wayne, and Mastodons on Parade, **10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, July 9**, Visit Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-3700

Sunday Singles Brunch — Opportunity for those 40 years of age and older to go on 18 successive dates, along with brunch and a mimosa, followed by a downtown bike ride, **1-4:30 p.m. Sunday, July 10**, Pedal City, Fort Wayne, \$25, (260) 415-6167

Oliver Twist — Clark Wilson plays Grand Page Pipe Organ alongside 1922 silent film starring Lon Chaney and Jackie Coogan, **3 p.m. Sunday, July 10**, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 424-5665

Unity Summer Artistic Workshop — Workshop provides holistic experience for arts education and training students who have a desire for the arts, **10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 11-15**, Ivy Tech Community College, Coliseum campus, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 481-6719

Waiter & Waitress Contest — Servers from local restaurants navigate obstacle course around simulate dining room with top score taking home trophy, **6 p.m. Monday, July 11**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 456-6235

Drag Show — Hosted by Della Licious, two-hour show will feature Fort Wayne’s premier drag performers, **9 p.m. Monday, July 11**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 456-6235

Bed Race — Five-person teams parade their handmade racing beds down Main Street between Clinton and Lafayette streets, then sprint or strut to the finish line, **6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 13**,

Downtown Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 426-5556

Merry Lea Nature Explorers: Trekkin’ in the Forest — Explore the towering trees and crawling critters that make their home in the forests at Merry Lea, **9-11 a.m. Thursday, July 14**, Merry Lea Learning Center, Albion, \$3.50, (260) 799-5869

Tea Off for Tigers — Play golf with community members, participate in a silent auction, win cash prizes, get free lunch, green fees, and cart rentals, **1 p.m. Friday, July 15**, Eel River Golf Course, Churubusco, \$100, (260) 636-7383

Expedite Expo — Exhibits by trucking companies, truck manufacturers, suppliers, and service providers, **noon-4 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 15-16**, Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 483-1111

JA Young Entrepreneur Marketplace — Entrepreneurs up to 21 years old (and college students) sell products to the public, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, July 16**, Berry and Barr streets, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 484-2543

Children’s Fest — Fun activities, free samples, and interactive experiences, including crafts, storytelling, a magic show, and face-painting for children between 3 and 9 years old, **10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, July 16**, Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 426-5556

Groove & Soothe Drum Circle — People ages 14 years and older welcome to find rhythm with percussion instruments, **1-2 p.m. Saturday, July 16**, Huntington Arts & Entrepreneurial Center, Huntington, \$10, (260) 358-0055

Rocket Launch — Come and watch, or bring your own rockets and motors to launch using club equipment, **1:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday, July 17**, Concordia Seminary Soccer Fields, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 710-6976

Three Rivers Fruit Growers Club — Learn about planning for, planting, and growing fruit, **6 p.m. Tuesday, July 19**, Broadview Landscaping & Nursery, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 341-2287

Tunes & Trucks — Live music from We Are Checkmark, entertainment, food trucks, and raffle prizes, **5-8 p.m. Wednesday, July 20**, Boys & Girls Clubs of Fort Wayne, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 744-0998

Wild Walkers — Biweekly adult hiking group that explores northeast Indiana, **8:30-10 a.m. Friday, July 22**, Crooked Lake Nature Preserve, Columbia City, free, (260) 427-6000

Fort Wayne Pride 2022 — Celebration of LGBTQ+ community includes entertainment, a vendor market, beer tent, march, and KidSpace, **7 p.m.-midnight Friday, July 22, noon-midnight Saturday, July 23**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 422-7625

Nitro Circus — Big-air event features three-time X Games gold medalist Ryan Williams and “America’s Got Talent: Extreme” competitor Aaron Fotheringham, **7 p.m. Friday, July 22**, Parkview Field, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$250, (260) 482-6400

The Iron Horse — Dennis James play Grande Page Pipe Organ alongside 1924 film directed by John Ford, **3 p.m.**

Sunday, July 24, Embassy Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 424-5665

Podcast Meetup — Share ideas, hear from industry pros, and learn about gear, and techniques, **7:30-8:30 p.m. July 27, last Wednesdays of the month**, Sweetwater Sound, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 432-8176

Weigand Construction Duck Race to Benefit SCAN — 20,000 plastic ducks will be dropped into the St. Marys River with prizes going to donors who purchased the 25 winning ducks, **10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, July 30**, Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

Tacos Tequila Margarita Fest — Eat from 12 regional taquerias, try from a variety of tequila options, and enjoy live entertainment, **11 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, July 30**, Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$5-\$10, (260) 435-9126

Lake James Antique & Classic Boat Show — More than 5,000 people visit to enjoy classic boats, cars, trailers, food trucks, and music, **9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, July 30**, Bledsoe’s Beach, Angola, free, (260) 444-9982

Bell Fun Fest — Food trucks, vendors, dunk tank, carnival games, tarot readings, cornhole tournament, prizes, ghost tours every two hours, \$5 drop in yoga classes by Discover Yoga, and tunes by DJ Kenny Redd, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, July 30-31**, Bell Mansion, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 417-1794

AUGUST

Global Leadership Summit — Two-day virtual conference hosted at Grand Wayne Center; Huntington University; Community Learning Center in Kendallville; C4One at Warsaw Community Church; and Trinity Friends Church in Van Wert, Ohio, **Thursday-Friday, Aug. 4-5**, \$17-\$229, (800) 570-9812

Merry Lea Nature Explorers: Little Mouse on the Prairie — Discover how the prairies are home to a diverse group of plants and animals, **9-11 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 4**, Merry Lea Farmstead, Albion, \$3.50, (260) 799-5869

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MINOR LEAGUE SPORTS

BASEBALL

TinCaps — Upcoming home games at Parkview Field, Fort Wayne
Monday, July 4, vs. Lake County, **6:05 p.m.***
Wednesday, July 6, vs. Lake County, **12:05 p.m.**
Thursday, July 7, vs. Lake County, **7:05 p.m.**
Friday, July 8, vs. Lake County, **7:05 p.m.***
Saturday, July 9, vs. Lake County, **6:35 p.m.***
Sunday, July 10, vs. Lake County, **1:05 p.m.**
Tuesday, July 12, vs. Lansing, **7:05 p.m.**
Wednesday, July 13, vs. Lansing, **12:05 p.m.**
Thursday, July 14, vs. Lansing, **7:05 p.m.***
Friday, July 15, vs. Lansing, **7:05 p.m.***
Saturday, July 16, vs. Lansing, **6:05 p.m.***
Sunday, July 17, vs. Lansing, **1:05 p.m.**
Tuesday, Aug. 2, vs. South Bend, **7:05 p.m.**
Wednesday, Aug. 3, vs. South Bend, **7:05 p.m.**
Thursday, Aug. 4, vs. South Bend, **7:05 p.m.***
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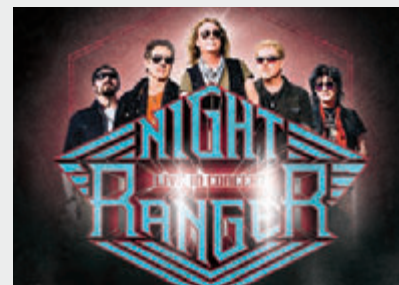
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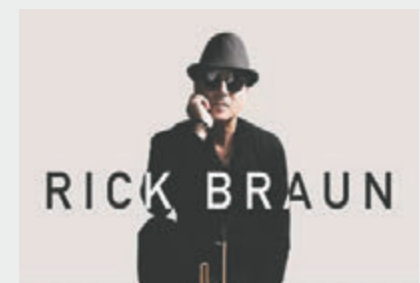
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