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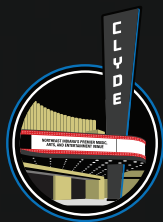
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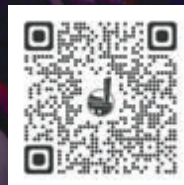
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Daredevils flying into Parkview Field

Nitro Circus performers set to make jumps using bikes, boards, recliners

BY DEAN JACKSON

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

It will be a bit of culture shock for fans at Parkview Field when Nitro Circus takes the field July 22, as Fort Wayne TinCaps officials say it is unlike any act that has performed at the downtown ballpark.

Imagine the X Games amped up on caffeine and at high speeds, and you have the Nitro Circus' Good, Bad and Rad tour.

UNLIKE ANYTHING

Part daredevil, part athlete, and mostly adrenaline-addicted performers will push the envelope with extreme sports champions, reality show participants, and thrill-seekers, keeping fans on the edge of their seats. There's a Paralympian in the cast, too.

More or less, it's labeled "extreme action sports." It's gravity-defying bikes, cycles, skateboards, and recliners. Yes, plop your butt down, sit back, legs up, and watch your favorite TV show recliners flying through the air with reckless abandon. You might even see motorized kids' vehicles take a jump or two.

If it has wheels they'll jump it, and if at first the jump doesn't succeed, they'll try, try again. Forget any talk of bumps and bruises and personal injuries.

If it doesn't have wheels, well, they are likely to attach some. Motocross and X Games champion Travis Pastrana is part of the production's ownership team.

Blake "Blinko" Williams, an international FMX motocross racer, is expected to be at Parkview Field.

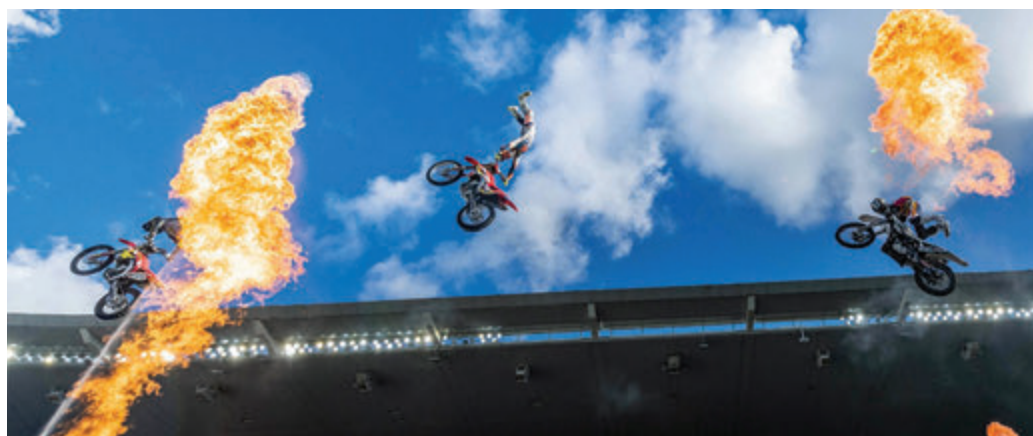
"I can't wait to hit the road with this insane new show," he said in a statement. "The production team has really outdone themselves this time. Good, Bad & Rad definitely brings the crazy like only Nitro Circus can. We have some sick surprises in store for our North American fans, and to get ready, I've been working hard at R Willy Land cooking up some huge new tricks that I am so pumped to finally debut."

R Willy Land is a Nitro Circus facility in Australia where they test their craziest tricks and stunts.

RISKY DECISION

TinCaps Special Events Manager Holly Raney is heading up this show and other special events for the TinCaps. She's taken by the show, which she says elicits an emotional response.

It's a noticeable break from the TinCaps' traditional summer concert offerings. Raney says with an increasing number of nearby venues emerging over the last few years, management was looking



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Aerial displays of many forms will be seen when Nitro Circus visits Parkview Field on Friday, July 22.

NITRO CIRCUS

Friday, July 22

7 p.m. Parkview Field

1301 Ewing St., Fort Wayne

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for something different, something no one else is doing.

"We have reasonable expectations, both from our staff and from the convention, so we don't want to do anything that doesn't fit the family first feeling at Parkview Field, but we can push the envelope as to what things we bring to the ballpark," she said.

That's where Nitro Circus piqued their interest. Raney expects a good turnout, but admits this type of event has a unique appeal.

"I think it's pretty specific on who would want to even come to this," she said. "The Philharmonic concert (with Patriotic Pops) brings a different crowd, which is what we love, than the baseball fans. So will Nitro Circus."

When Nitro Circus first pitched one of their shows to the TinCaps, management was hesitant. It wasn't so much a no as it was a "not right now" response.

They watched, waited, and kept an open mind. Sure, the strategy was to make sure it was right for fans and executable. More importantly, it was also about protecting the field: It is, after all, a baseball facility that requires kid glove treatment.

Protecting the surface was non-negotiable. Damage to the field impacts games, their core business, but with the TinCaps hitting the road for a nine-game road trip that keeps them away from Parkview Field from July 22-Aug. 2, the timing was right.

With high arching ramps, 30-foot platforms, and scissor lifts stretched across the diamond, there's a lot of action that will be going on. Being careful can only go so far. You can't put a tarp over everything.

"For our groundskeepers, just having something on the field (is always a concern), but I don't know if this pushes us out of our comfort zone overall," Raney said.



'THIS IS WHAT WE DO'

While the approach might be cautious, Nitro Circus is anything but.

Imagine smoke and flames with stunts, tricks, and some comedy mixed in. Promotional material labels the exhibition as "unbelievable content and crazy new contraptions that fuel the sketchy, scary, and risky dangers of big-air action sports entertainment."

Despite the risk, team officials decided to do it. "What sealed the deal is that other venues, the other ballparks, have done it and had good results," Raney said.

The TinCaps will operate the event as they do with baseball games. Key logistics including parking, concessions, and stadium operations are tried and true. But, there are some learning curves.

"It's different for all of us, but this is what we do," Raney said. "This is why Parkview Field was built, to be more than baseball, to be a community gathering space, and that's what we're trying to do year after year. We are really selective. We only do one or two big non-baseball events, but we try to hit different things that come our way."

"Anything big like this is a collective effort, but I would say the conversation was with (Team President Mike Nutter), myself, and our groundskeeper (Keith Winter), and then everybody stands behind it. Whether it's a concert or a Nitro Circus or a high school graduation on the field, we try to bring everything to the ballpark that would have that family friendly feeling."

Multiplatinum bands do it their own way

Collective Soul, Switchfoot slated to visit Honeywell

BY WHEAT WILLIAMS
WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Two multiplatinum, world-renowned rock bands that have been expressing the soul and spirit of our times for nearly 25 years are joining together for a three-month co-headlining tour.

Atlanta's Collective Soul and San Diego's Switchfoot are back with new music and stories to tell when they visit Wabash's Honeywell Center on Sunday, July 24.

I'll skip the usual rundown of each band's millions of albums sold, industry awards, tours all over the world since the '90s for Collective Soul and the 2000s for Switchfoot, and their hit singles you still hear everywhere. These two bands have a pent-up urgency to get their new music in front of their legions of fans across the U.S., so let's go.

MUTUAL RESPECT

Collective Soul, with their cheerfully wacky fashion sense, are brothers Ed Roland on lead vocal and guitar and Dean Roland on guitar, with Will Turpin on bass, Johnny Rabb on drums, and Jesse Triplett on lead guitar.

The enviably athletic Switchfoot are brothers Jon Foreman on lead vocal and guitar and Tim Foreman on bass, with Chad Butler on drums and Jerome Fontamillas on keyboards and guitar, joined by new guitarist Boaz Roberts.

In an interview with *Whatzup*, Collective Soul's Dean Roland and Switchfoot's Butler explained how this co-headlining tour got on the road.

"We've been buddies with those guys for many years," Roland said. "As you're touring, you cross paths here and there. Maybe you played a festival together, and you catch up really quick. We knew that we had both wanted to do it at some point, but the schedules didn't line up. After the pandemic was going on, we were like, let's plan, let's get

something going. It just seemed like the right time.

"My brother Ed and I, we're huge fans of those Switchfoot guys. They're so authentic. It's really that simple. And that's the best, when it happens like that. There's not really agents and managers involved where you're doing some crazy negotiations and whatnot. It's like, 'Let's just go.'"

For Switchfoot, the decision to team up was just as easy.

"We played with Collective Soul a couple times over the years," Butler said. "I'm definitely a fan of their songwriting, and as musicians, they're all incredible players. It just seems like a logical fit. I think our fan bases overlap. When the idea was pitched to us, we thought, 'Let's hit the road.'"

GETTING NEW MUSIC OUT

The path each band took to get to this place, however, was quite different.

Collective Soul is preparing for the Aug. 12 release of their 11th studio album *Vibrating*. That album is really the second volume of what they thought of as a double-album with *Blood*, which was recorded in 2018 and 2019, produced by Ed Roland and the band in their hometown.

"We were doing all this at the same time," Dean Roland said. "One record (*Blood*) was going to be more orchestration and melodic type stuff. The other (*Vibrating*) was more of a rock record. When you find that thing, you don't let it go. You stay in that moment as long as you can. And that creative bliss."

Blood was released June 21, 2019.

Then, left in what must have seemed like a vacuum, the band had to wait years to get the music in front of their fans.

"The cyclical nature of what we do is, you want to be able to play the songs live," Roland said. "Obviously, when we play shows, we're going to play all the songs that fans of Collective Soul want to hear. But we want to get out there and play the new stuff that we're excited about, and hopefully people connect with. The treat is to be able to go and put it on display, and play it for folks."



PHOTO BY DAVID ABBOTT

Collective Soul, above, and Switchfoot will be at the Honeywell Center in Wabash on July 24.



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DIFFERENT RECORDING APPROACH

Switchfoot stepped into a different stance, yet they still create the way they always have, starting as competitive surfers in high school in San Diego. To this very day, Butler said, "We surf together almost every day when we're home, and then go to the studio to work on music."

Their 2021 album, *Interrobang*, has a story that's different than most of the "pandemic albums" you've heard.

For years, the band was accustomed to recording in their own studio in San Diego, with their familiar method that starts with the band members recording their parts separately, then augmenting those tracks with overdubbed layers of atmospheric sampling and looping. But 2020 found them taking a more "Collective Soul" approach.

Despite the uncertainty of the lockdown year, they went to Los Angeles to work with producer Tony Berg.

"It was a wild, wild season to be recording, because of all the COVID protocols: testing every day," Butler said. "But I think that tension really reflected in the songs and in the music. I think a lot of good records have come out this year, because of what happened the previous years. If that's the silver lining, I'll take it."

"We were really stretched musically by the producer," he added. "He encouraged us to do a lot of pre-production where we were all playing in the same room. It forced us to work out the parts and sort of vibe off of each other in a live setting. It felt more like we are playing on stage. Tony's whole approach was that nothing should be stock,

COLLECTIVE SOUL W/SWITCHFOOT

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whether it's the chord changes or rhythmically. Always looking for ways to surprise the listener and, wow, there's some twists and turns in the songs."

SHAKING OFF LABELS

At the beginning of their careers, Switchfoot found themselves, famously, marketed as Contemporary Christian, even though they always wanted a broader audience.

"I think we've always called ourselves a rock band, and said that Christianity is a faith, not a genre," Butler said.

"As artists, you're going to be reflecting your worldview in the songs. I think that's an interesting and wonderful perspective to be writing songs from."

Butler seems happy that genres and labels mean less today.

"You know how record companies would categorize bands, but I don't think people see it like that anymore," he said. "Now that we are in this streaming culture, in playlists, I think it's great that it's so diverse. You're able to have the songs judged based on their content and their merit and not by record company categories."

2022 Pride will once again take place at Headwaters Park, this time utilizing both the east and west sides.
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Show your true colors at Fort Wayne Pride

LGBTQ+ celebration coming to Headwaters for 25th annual event

BY OLIVIA HENNESSEY

WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Fort Wayne's most expansive LGBTQ+ celebration is returning to Headwaters Park.

Existing for 25 years now, Fort Wayne Pride just keeps getting bigger. On Friday-Saturday, July 22-23, experience all Pride has to offer with entertainment, vendors, and a downtown parade.

A LONG TIME COMING

Fort Wayne's Pride festival is the largest celebration of the LGBTQ+ community in the area, but hasn't always been as embraced as it is today.

In 1998, when the first Pride was held in Freimann Square, about 100 people attended. Back then, members of the community faced much higher degrees of discrimination, and the number of attendees reflected that.

Although reception was not as good in the beginning, director Nikki Fultz said the city of Fort Wayne, and society as a whole, has become more accepting, due to a combination of positive media representation, small-business support, and an increase in straight allies.

In the two-and-a-half decades that Pride

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11:15 a.m.-midnight, Saturday, July 23

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has been celebrated in Fort Wayne, it has transformed into a large-scale gathering.

"The festival has just kept growing," Fultz said, noting, nearly 17,000 attendees are expected to make their way to Headwaters. "The visibility is really important in our community."

WHY JULY?

Those familiar with Pride as a nationwide celebration may be curious as to why Fort Wayne's festivities take place in July, rather than during National Pride Month in June.

"When we moved to Headwaters East in 2005, there were no open weekends in June," Fultz said. Due to the array of other downtown festivals that month, like Germanfest and Greek Fest, and BBQ RibFest in July was the most available time to have it.

That's alright with Fultz, though, as having it a month later has its benefits. Many of the larger Pride festivals, like the one in Chicago, are held in June. Having it in July keeps the date open for performers and attendees alike.

"June can be a month of reflection," she said, explaining that having it in July can be a time for celebration.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Fort Wayne Pride boasts to be "one of the best parties of the year." This year's event will utilize both sides of Headwaters, "allowing for the addition of a nonprofit resource fair, a second entertainment stage, and a better space for workshops and KidSpace area," according to their website.

The event kicks off Friday from 7 p.m. to midnight, welcoming three local musicians to the main stage, Lightshore, L80's Night, and DJ Too Quick. The last hour of the night will be a dance party, with food and beer available throughout the evening.

The festivities continue Saturday morning with the Pride March at 11:15 a.m., the first of its kind in a few years.

Open to all supporters of the community, the march is "a reflection of LGBT pride," according to Fultz. Marchers will walk through downtown, but because of construction, the path will be partly on the street and partly on sidewalks.

After the Pride March, the fun resumes at Headwaters, with Vendor Market opening at noon, featuring more than 150 businesses and nonprofits. The market is full this year, so there will be plenty to browse.

On the west side of the park, you will find the nonprofit resource fair, which aims to provide helpful LGBTQ+ resources and workshops. Additionally, there is the KidSpace for children under 12, which includes games, prizes, crafts, drag story time, character appearances, and a moonwalk.

The west side of the park also contains yard games and the community stage. From noon-7 p.m., attendees can bear witness to free performances here, beginning with Bring It Fire Rangers, a mental health advocacy group, followed by performers She Shed, KC Ramone, a family friendly drag show, Set the Hook, and Home by 10.

Over at Headwaters East, the main stage will also be filled with entertainment. For nearly 12 hours straight, local and regional performers will be taking the stage, including Alicia Pyle, Vion'Te The Voice, Adam Araque, Addison Agen, and DJ Lozar.

The real fun begins at 9 p.m. with the Drag Show, featuring 2022 Pride Ambassador Kylie Aphrodite along with Della Licious, who will be marrying couples on stage.

It appears this will be an exciting night for all who attend.

AUTHENTIC INDIVIDUALITY

Pride is a fantastic party, but it means much more than that. It serves as an important venue to display individuality in a way that means so much to members of the LGBTQ+ community.

"For me, every year its being a part of something that brings joy to people," Fultz said.

She describes Pride as a place for love and joy that gives people the space to be their true, authentic selves.

"(At Pride) everywhere I look I see joy," she said. "There are so many people that look forward to this."

Quick Hit LOCAL EVENTS

TROUBLE NO MORE

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Memphis-based Trouble No More aim to preserve and honor the music of the Allman Brothers by presenting it in the most authentic way possible.

Consisting of six seasoned musicians that were assembled with the blessing of the Allman Brothers Band, Trouble No More's setlist contains an extensive number of favorites, from the early days of Southern Rock including "Jessica," "Melissa," "Not My Cross To Bear," and "Whipping Post."

When Trouble No More hit the stage at the Sweetwater Performance Pavilion on July 20, they will launch into the music they have loved for decades, playing the songs with passion, honoring and paying homage to their favorite band while adding their own imprint as well.



Sit back, close your eyes, and listen carefully because you'd be hard-pressed to find a better Allman Brothers listening experience. — *Chris Hupe*

Blues guitarist Tab Benoit set for Embassy

On Thursday, Aug. 11, at 7:30 p.m., Embassy Theatre will welcome **Tab Benoit** to the big stage. The Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter and guitarist has built a remarkable 30-year career on the foundation of his gritty and soulful Delta swamp blues, acquiring a devoted legion of fans along the way.



Out and About

NICK BRAUN

A highly versatile player, Benoit has performed with **Dr. John**, **Willie Nelson**, and many other musical legends, and his reputation has grown over the years.

In addition to his accomplishments, Benoit has earned five Blues Music Awards including B.B. King Entertainer of the Year (twice) and an induction into the Louisiana Music Hall of Fame.

Tickets for this performance are available at ticketmaster.com and the STAR Bank box office at the Embassy.

Mersey Beatles coming to The Clyde

The world is full of some pretty obvious things, people's love for **The Beatles** being one of them. That's why the folks at The Clyde are bringing **The Mersey Beatles** to town Sunday, Oct. 23, at 6 p.m.

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Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, July 15, at clydetheatre.com, over the phone at (800) 514-3849 or in person at The Clyde box office or Sweetwater Sound.

Don't hesitate if you have already seen them as they have an all new show for 2022.

The Clyde hosts Culbertson's smooth jazz

The Clyde have announced that they are bringing smooth jazz musician **Brian Culbertson** featuring **Marcus Anderson** and **Marquel Jordan** on Friday, Nov. 11, at 8 p.m.

Over the course of crafting a 20-album catalogue and architecting nearly 40 Billboard No. 1 singles as a



PHOTO BY JENN FRANK

Tab Benoit will be bringing Delta blues to the Embassy stage on Aug. 11.

multi-instrumentalist, Culbertson has charted his own unique course in music.

Tickets go on sale Friday, July 15, at 10 a.m., and can be purchased at clydetheatre.com, over the phone at (800) 514-3849 or in person at The Clyde box office or Sweetwater Sound.

Euphoric Fest postponed until further notice

If you have not seen yet, the Euphoric Festival scheduled for July 24 at Headwaters Park has been postponed. The electronic music festival was due to feature The Crystal Method.

"Unfortunately, due to many unforeseen logistical difficulties we are left with no choice but to postpone this event," organizers announced in a Facebook post. "A new date will be announced soon, and we hope to welcome you back at that time. Our sincerest apologies but it was simply unavoidable. Please stay tuned for a new date."

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Children's Fest will be July 16 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Freimann Square.

Often one of the most anticipated and popular events at the Three Rivers Festival, Children's Fest offers a chance for the little ones to attend an event designed specifically for them.

Children's Fest is full of activities and games aimed toward educating, entertaining, and keeping children engaged. There will be plenty of activities and interactive experiences for kids ages 3-9 to discover, including multiple craft projects, free samples, storytelling, a magic show and face-painting.

The best part is that you won't have to spend any of that money you have designated for Junk Food Alley as the event is free for everyone. — *Chris Hupe*



Wunderkammer hosting LGBTQ exhibit

Wunderkammer will present *Queer Vision*, an LGBTQ+ art exhibition highlighting works made by LGBTQ+ artists in the area, as well as local LGBTQ+ vendors.

The opening reception will be July 16 from 6-9 p.m., and the exhibit runs through July 24 with open gallery hours every Thursday and Friday from 1-6 p.m.



News and Venues

JEN POIRY PROUGH

Pet Adoption Weekend set

Humane Fort Wayne will celebrate National Adoption Weekend at PetSmart, 10035 Lima Road, with adoptable dogs, puppies, cats, and kittens Saturday, July 16, from noon-3 p.m.

Potential adopters are encouraged to fill out an application prior to the event at <https://humanefw.org/adopt/how-to-adopt/>. From start to finish, the adoption process may take a few hours.

Fill the Field raises mental health awareness

3 Rivers Yoga Foundation will host their fourth annual Fill the Field, an event to raise awareness of mental health, at Parkview Field with gates opening at 5 p.m.

The event will include a yoga class, local vendors, and a presentation by Fort Wayne police Captain Sofia Rosales-Scatena at 6:45 p.m.

All proceeds go directly to support the foundation's mission of fostering health and well-being by putting yoga principles into practice through education, opportunity, and accessibility to such community organizations as the Boys & Girls Clubs of Fort Wayne, 122nd Air Force Base, Choices Treatment Center, and Shepherd's House.

Tickets are \$30 (\$15 for first responders, health care workers, military members, and teachers) and are available at runsSignup.com/TicketEvent/FillTheField.

Summer Reading Challenge at library

The League of Women Voters of Fort Wayne will hold a Summer Reading Challenge at the Allen County Public Library, 900 Library Plaza, on Wednesday, July 20, from 6:30-8 p.m.

The organization has chosen the book *Democracy in One Book or Less* by David Litt. Participants should read the book ahead of time for discussion.

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Neon Straightjackets shining bright

Alternative trio recording album, in 102.3 Spotlight

BY ANTHONY GADSON
WHATZUP ASSOCIATE EDITOR

ALT 102.3's Homegrown Spotlight has moved onto Neon Straightjackets.

Featuring high-energy shows with songs like "Scatterbrain," "Nightmares & Nosebleeds," and "worryworryworry.," the trio out of Ohio have been making a name for themselves.

"When we first started, we were so starry-eyed and optimistic, and we still are, but it's only gotten better," lead singer Larry Stahl said. "We're just working on getting our music out there."

Working the area music scene, Stahl said he heard ALT 102.3 DJ Zack Skyler was looking for music to play during the station's Homegrown Showcase, which features an hour of local music every Friday at 7 p.m.

After submitting a couple of songs for Skyler to choose from, he settled on "Scatterbrain," off the band's April EP *Scatterbrain*.

"Neon Straightjackets have a grungy alternative sound that I think a lot of people will like," Skyler said. "'Scatterbrain' is a song that can be relatable in many ways, because we all have our moments. They are a no-brainer for a feature on Spotlight, and I like their hustle. These guys want to grow and succeed."

FINDING SOUND

Stahl began the Straightjackets while in high school, but afterwards, the lineup changed, and Johnny Hopkins and Colton Lloyd were added.

"I wanted to take music more seriously, and I got in touch with two of the best musicians around," Stahl



COURTESY PHOTO

Neon Straightjackets are the latest area band to be featured in ALT 102.3's Homegrown Spotlight.

said about reforming the group.

About a month after the new lineup was set, they released the four song EP (*The Demo You Need*).

That demo is labeled as "Punk," with their next two EPs, *We're Trying Our Best* and *Scatterbrain*, falling under the "Alternative" banner.

"Lot of people say it's a Seattle sound, the grunge sound from the '90s," Stahl said. "We're kind of like if Green Day and Nirvana had a baby."

IN THE STUDIO

Releasing three EPs within a year undoubtedly has its perks, but for Stahl, who says he still listens to cassettes, he yearns for the days of yesteryear.

"I'd like to have those days of having a cassette tape, and having word of your mouth to help spread your music around," he said. "I'm obviously too young to have done that, but I would like to have done that."

Hailing from Scott, Ohio, which reported a population of 264 in the 2020 census, finding venues to play at means getting out of town.

"It's all cornfields and windmills,"

HOMEGROWN SPOTLIGHT WITH NEON STRAIGHTJACKETS

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he said of his hometown. "There's not much of a music scene here."

Stahl says the second place Neon Straightjackets ever played at was The Muse on Main, which announced this month that would be closing in September.

As the trio record their upcoming 12-song full-length album, they'll be shooting a portion of the video for "worryworryworry." at The Muse on Main at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 2, inviting fans to show up for a chance to participate in the video.

After the band records the "live" portion of the music video, they'll play the rest of the album for fans.

"It will be our thank-you to the Muse," Stahl said.

Admission will be \$5, with proceeds going help record the rest of their album and to the Muse.

Live Music LOCAL CALENDAR

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

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

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

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

Paul Erdman Band — Country, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

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 — Doors tribute, 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

8420 Band — Classic rock, 9 p.m., Rack & Helen's, New Haven, no cover, (260) 749-5396

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

Faux Fear w/The Long Birds, Life Looks Good, Static Arm — Alternative, 7 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$8-\$10, (260) 999-4108

Friday Night Vibes — Variety, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

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

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

Joe Justice — Acoustic, 3-4 p.m., Evergreen Senior Living, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 637-2830

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, The Illegals — 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 DeeBee's — Variety, 5-8 p.m., Byler Lane Winery, Auburn, no cover, (260) 920-4377

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 — Singer-songwriter, 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

Damage w/Seventh Crown, Realm of Sheol — Metal, 8 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 399-6336

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

Here Come the Mummies w/U.R.B., Unlikely Alibi — Rock, 7 p.m., Headwaters Park, Fort Wayne, \$15, (260) 427-6000

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

Junk Yard Band — Oldies, 7:30-10:30 p.m., American Legion Post 296, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 456-2988

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

Kevin Piekarski Jazz Trio — Jazz, 5-8 p.m., Hartland Winery, Ashley, no cover, (260) 587-3301

Ty Causey w/Lisa McDavid, Los Galaxy — 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

Metavari w/See Ray Hardly — Electronic, 9 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

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

New Orleans Jazz Band, Kara Jaurigue, Jim Steele Jazz Trio — 6-10 p.m., Plymouth Congregational Church, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 423-9424

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

MONDAY, JULY 18

Blues Jam Session w/G-Money & Special Guests — Blues, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, JULY 19

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

Prime Time — Soft rock, 6-9 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

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

The DeeBee's — Variety, 4:30-7:30 p.m., Redwood Inn, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 426-7543

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

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

Trouble No More — Allman Brothers tribute, 7:30 p.m., 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

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

Jazz Open Jam w/Phil Schurger — Jazz, 8 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 399-6336

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

Joe Hess Band — Country, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

Los Lemons w/Oregon Space Trail of Doom, Florets — Alternative, 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

Mike Conley — Variety, Lunch on the Square, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Freimann Square, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 427-6000

Rig Time! w/Claim Defeat, Leones, Observer — Metal, 7 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 999-4108

Roger Marshall Band — Rock, 6-9 p.m., Monroeville Market, Monroeville Community Park, Monroeville, no cover, (260) 615-3352

The Wildwoods — Folk, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Promenade Park, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 427-6000

Todd Harrold and Eric Clancy — Variety, 6-9 p.m., Sylvan Cellars, Rome City, no cover, (260) 854-9463

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

FRIDAY, JULY 22

Aleena York — Singer-songwriter, 8 p.m., Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 492-6064

Andrew Stout & The West Central Quartet — Jazz/swing, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

Back to the '80s — Hair band tribute, 8 p.m., Piere's, Fort Wayne, \$8, (260) 492-6064

Brady Lee — Variety, noon-1 p.m., Sweetwater Sound, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 432-8176

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

Crooked Lake Sandbar Music Festival — Variety, DJ Double K, Mike Dougherty, School of Rock Fort Wayne, The 906 Band, Cherry Bomb, Rekt, DJ Ruckus, Jason Paul, Aleena York, Clayton Anderson, The Brothers Footman, and The Y's Guys, 3-10 p.m., Crooked Lake Sandbar Music Festival, Crooked Lake, Angola, Free

Dead Pickers Society — Bluegrass, 10 p.m., Latch String Bar & Grill, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 483-5526

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

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Live Comedy LOCAL CALENDAR

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

Frank Roche — 8 p.m., Deer Park Irish Pub, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 432-8966

Kevin Zeoli — Comedy, 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

SUNDAY, JULY 17

Lee Kimbrell — 7:30 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$10-\$16, (260) 844-8444

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 and 10 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 and 10 p.m., Summit City Comedy Club, Fort Wayne, \$25-\$35, (260) 844-8444

Improv Comedy Workshop — Comedy workshop suitable for all skill levels, 4-6 p.m., Broken Pencil Improv, Studi07, Fort Wayne, Free, (260) 312-0964

Troy Davis w/David Brooks — 7:15 and 9:15 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 and 10:30 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 and 10:30 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

Live Music LOCAL CALENDAR

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

Jess Thrower — Acoustic, 8-11 p.m., Pedal City, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 415-6167

Lockstep w/Necromoon, RVN3R — Alternative, 8 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

Neon Straightjackets w/Disco Curls — Alternative, 9 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 399-6336

O' Sister Brother — Americana, 6-8 p.m., The Landing, Fort Wayne, No cover, (260) 222-7174

Rylie Lynn Band — Americana, 6-9 p.m., Country Heritage Winery, LaOtto, no cover, (260) 637-2980

The 1985 — '80s rock, 8 p.m., Flashback Live, Fort Wayne, \$5, (260) 422-5292

The 906 Band — Rock, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., The Hideaway, Bluffton, no cover, (260) 824-0455

The Little Mermen — Disney, 7:30 p.m., Fountain Park, Van Wert, OH, free, (419) 238-6722

The Velvetheads w/WorldHun9er?Now, BeBop and The Rocksteadys — Alternative, 8 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 999-4108

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

SATURDAY, JULY 23

Adam Calhoun — Rap, 7:30 p.m., The Eclectic Room, Angola, \$35, (269) 625-8817

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

Chris Worth — Variety, 6-9 p.m., Byler Lane Winery, Auburn, no cover, (260) 920-4377

Craig Guy Band w/Calloused, Lysaght & McRae, The Kickbacks — Variety, 6-10 p.m., Rock the Plaza, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 421-1200

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

Jailbreak — Classic rock, 8 p.m., American Legion Post 47, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 209-3960

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

Joker's Republic w/Dazed, Sexy and The Succulent — Punk, 8 p.m., The Muse on Main, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 999-4108

Kitty Kondo w/Man of the Flood, Audio Descrrepancies — Alternative, 9 p.m., The Ruin, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 399-6336

Night Moves — Bob Seger tribute, 8-11 p.m., Pierre's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 492-6064

Rylie Lynn Trio — Americana, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge Bluffton Indiana, Moose Lodge 242, Bluffton, no cover

Samuel Harness — Variety, 3-8 p.m., 2Toms Brewing Company, Fort Wayne, \$10-\$75, (260) 446-6246

Sunglasses at Night — '80s music, 8-11 p.m., Mitchell's Sports & Neighborhood Grill, Fort Wayne, \$5

Thana Alexa and Ona w/John Moulder Quintet, Brath/Tardy Quintet, Truth in Jazz Band — Jazz, Winona Lake Jazz Festival, 1-7 p.m., Winona Heritage Room, Winona Lake, no cover, (574) 306-4519

The Be Colony w/Clyde Cyrus, Nisa — Rock, 9:30 p.m., The Brass Rail, Fort Wayne, \$7, (260) 267-5303

The Green Leaves w/Realm of Sheol, Filth Spewer, Voice of Sylls — Metal, 8 p.m., Pierre's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 492-6064

The Wingmen — Classic rock, 2-5 p.m., American Legion Post 97, Auburn, no cover, (260)-925-3297

Todd Harrold and Eric Clancy — Variety, 7-10 p.m., Lafayette Park, Fort Wayne, no cover

SUNDAY, JULY 24

Collective Soul w/Switchfoot — Rock, 4 a.m., Honeywell Center, Wabash, \$39-\$179, (260) 563-1102

I Am They, Blanca, Unity Prayer, Apollo LTD, Jonathan Traylor, City Movement — Christian rock, 5 p.m., Sweetwater Performance Pavilion, Fort Wayne, \$15-\$20, (260) 432-8176 x1137

MONDAY, JULY 25

Blues Jam Session w/G-Money & Special Guests — Blues, 7-10 p.m., Club Room at The Clyde, Fort Wayne, no cover, (260) 407-8530

TUESDAY, JULY 26

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The Muse has been main spot for young bands

Main Street venue announces it will close in September

BY ANTHONY GADSON
WHATZUP ASSOCIATE EDITOR

It may have been relatively short-lived, but the impact The Muse on Main leaves will be long-lasting.

Opening on Oct. 25, 2019, with the Scratch N' Sniffs out of Pittsburgh, Rehab Party, Venus in Jeans, and Nifty Skullet, the venue at 1332 W. Main St. has been vital to young bands getting their starts.

"That's why we opened the place," co-owner John Kaszowski said of his and Dylan Roldan's motivations. "We're not in this business to make money, we're in it for the scene."

"We just try to give everyone a chance, where a lot of other venues might not."

Because of the opportunities the venue has created for musicians, the Muse's announcement Sunday, July 3, that the building had been sold and venue would close its doors in September led to an outpouring of support.

"I was expecting some people to be upset, which is understandable, but it's mostly been people being bummed out," Kaszowski said.

Bummed seems to be a fitting word.

"We love the Muse," Larry Stahl of Neon Straightjackets said. "Dylan and John have always been absolutely amazing, and they've given us so much. It's the second place we played a show, and we're just upset to see it go. We met so many bands there and met so many friends."

The final event will be a Gathering church service Sunday, Sept. 18, while the farewell weekend begins Friday, Sept. 16, with a lineup of disappear., Atomic Collapse, Mutilation Barbecue, and Molech. The final show at the Muse will include Pharaohound, Filth Spewer, Anti-Clutch, and Hopewell Fault on Sept. 17.

CREATING OWN IDENTITY

In an effort to focus on the music, Kaszowski and Roldan decided to livestream shows and post recorded performances online, while also making the venue alcohol-free, surprising many.



Local horror punk favorites The Lurking Corpses recently performed a Wednesday night show The Muse on Main.

"From Day One, everyone was saying you had to have alcohol, but I didn't want alcohol at an all-ages venue," Kaszowski said. "I think it's responsible not to have alcohol at an all-ages venue. That makes it more about the bands than just getting drunk."

Instead of alcohol, the Muse has a wide range of soda, including some that might not sound too appetizing from Lester's Fixins, such as Ranch Dressing, Buffalo Wing Sauce, and Enchilada. However, if you can drink eight of them, not necessarily all in one night, you join the Gross Soda Club, which comes with a free T-shirt and craft soda.

"That was just something fun to do," Kaszowski said of the club. "We carry over 100 craft sodas, so we just kind of picked some that were crazy flavors."

GOING BEYOND MUSIC

Along with a variety of drinks, the Muse also features artwork from local creatives.

"It can be kind of hard to get into the galleries around town, but we've had art up from anyone from 5 years

old to 85," Kaszowski said. "We've had several artists that had not displayed anywhere else. So, we gave them a chance to sell their artwork."

While music takes place in the back of the venue the art and other items can be purchased in the Muse Market up front, which was opened with the aid of artist Jaden Rice.

"The Muse gave me my first opportunity to pursue my dream of running an artist collective store, and it was the location of my very first mural," Rice said. "If I had one thing to say about the guys at the Muse it would be they were absolutely willing to give opportunity and take chances on people. They gave me the outlet to give other artists an affordable and comfortable space to sell their work, and I'll definitely be forever grateful for that."

SOMETHING FOR ALL TASTES

The eclectic nature of the artwork works its way to the stage, where all music is welcome, from death metal to punk to singer-songwriters to hip-hop.

"Well, the Muse meant a lot to me because it gave our youth a place to



PHOTOS BY ANTHONY GADSON

Along with music, The Muse on Main has been a showcase for local artists.

be inspired and enjoy themselves," DJ J Tubbs said. "Underaged venues are typically tough around here, but that fan base was all about love, unity, and arts. Any genre, any concert. Always fun and love. The staff made sure each show was tasteful and just a good experience for both sides, artists and patrons."

"The Muse has been a venue that has accepted every musician, big or small, in the local area," alternative rockers Namby Pamby said. "It was a unique place that had great sound and offered a place for everyone to be themselves, and to support local musicians as well as local artists! We believe that this is a big loss for Fort Wayne, and we wish the best for everyone that was involved. The Muse will always be remembered as a stepping stone for not only us as a band, but all of our peers also involved in the art community. We loved The Muse on Main."

TOUGH DECISION TO MAKE

Opening just four months before the pandemic struck, the Muse was able to withstand lockdowns, but recent crowd sizes proved too much.

"It seems like COVID really took the air out of things," Kaszowski said. "Not really the fact that COVID is there, and people are afraid to come out. It's just that people got used to being at home, and they're just kind of not wanting to come out."

Despite crowd sizes shrinking for many shows, the work Kaszowski

and Roldan have been putting in hasn't shrunk.

"We weren't even really trying to sell the building," Kaszowski said. "We've been kind of burned out, having two shows a week, so we had been talking about slowing down."

"We're scraping by just to break even," he added. "It's hard to do that and still be super passionate about it. You put in all this work, but then no one shows up. The worst part about it is not being able to pay the bands that travel. When a band is traveling from Michigan, like an hour, two hours, and with gas prices being about \$5 a gallon, and then I'm only able to give from \$40-\$50, that's not good. I don't feel good doing that. All that came into thinking, 'OK, it's time to sell it.'"

Kaszowski said he and Roldan turned down the first offer for the building, but after going back and forth, a deal was ultimately reached.

Despite its ending, Kaszowski is proud of the work he and Roldan put in and what it meant on the local scene.

"The goal was basically to have a spot where everybody could showcase their talents, whether it be art or music," he said. "We've given so many bands a chance to play here. A lot of places might be set with the acts that they're booking, where we had a lot of bands where this was the first place they played. Now, they might be playing all over town."

"We've come a long way since Day One," he added. "We put our hearts into this place."

Costume designer bringing SpongeBob to life

Animated show musical promises to be fun time for audiences of all ages

BY THOM HOFRICHTER
WHATZUP FEATURES WRITER

Up until a week ago, I had never seen an episode of the popular animated Nickelodeon show, *SpongeBob SquarePants*. Seeing as how I had to write this preview of Fort Wayne Civic Theatre's production of *The SpongeBob Musical*, which runs July 23-31 at Arts United Center, I went to the library and checked out a number of DVDs so I could acquaint myself with the source material.

What I found was an amazingly enlightened and entertaining piece of pop culture. SpongeBob and the collection of oddball characters who populate Bikini Bottom, which is located on the floor of the Pacific Ocean, are in many ways stand-ins for us and for the various types of human beings we encounter every day. And somehow, these creatures always find a way to put aside their differences and move forward for the good of their world: A message we could all learn to embrace in our daily lives.

The other major question I had after starting work on this article was, "Will I enjoy this material even though I'm an adult?" To that I emphatically answer, "Yes!"

While this is definitely great for children of all ages, because it's goofy, silly, and fun, there is also an intelligence behind the work that will satisfy adults. And both demographics will love the wonderful music. It is an amazing score that has contributions from David Bowie, Cyndi Lauper, John Legend, Steven Tyler, Sara Bareilles, Lady A, They Might Be Giants, and The Flaming Lips, to name a few.

If you are depressed, this will cheer you up. If you like big Broadway musicals, this is a good one for you. And if you love the Sponge, you will dig this.

The other question I found interesting was, "How do you move not only from the medium of television to the live stage, but from cartoon drawings to a three-dimensional show?"

My curiosity took me to the Civic Theatre's new resident costume designer, Travis White, who helped me with my inquiries. Below is our interaction, edited for length and clarity.

Q: How do you take a well-known and loved cartoon, and turn it into a stage show?

A: I was aware of the cartoon, but had never actually watched it. And like you, once I saw a few episodes and the movie, I was a fan. This one is a really fun show.

I began this like any other production. I read the script. I watched the original production. That's not always possible, but the filmed version is available on Amazon Prime.

I started making sketches and gathering



PHOTOS BY ROB BOREL

The Fort Wayne Civic Theatre's production of *The SpongeBob Musical* opens Saturday, July 23, starring, from left, Ayana Brooks (Sandy Cheeks), Lincoln Everetts (SpongeBob SquarePants), and Keristen Baker (Patrick Star).



Kibwe Cooper, left, and Daniel Meredith will play foes Eugene H. Krabs and Sheldon J. Plankton in the upcoming show.

ideas to create our version. The original Broadway production covered a lot of that ground for us.

The concept for this show is that these are

real people in these situations. Their world is strange, for sure, but grounded in humanity. This isn't a theme park show. I worked at Universal Studios for a short time. One of my duties was helping the performers into the giant mascot SpongeBob and Patrick costumes. This is totally different. Our SpongeBob is a real person. With a much smaller budget and time frame, I made plans based on that criterion. Meetings with the other designers and directors keep moving the project forward.

When the cast gets decided, for me, it's go time. There are 35 people in this show that need clothing from the world of SpongeBob. My team and I have been working for a few months to accomplish that.

Q: This is your first production for Fort Wayne Civic. Can you tell me a little about yourself, and how you came to us?

A: I am from Joplin, Missouri, a town in the southwest corner of the state known as the

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birthplace of Langston Hughes and for the record-breaking tornado in 2011.

I started drawing and painting when I was 3. I discovered theater in high school. I went on to study acting at Missouri State University in Springfield, all the while continuing my passion for art. In my sophomore year, I was cast as Lady Bracknell in *The Importance of Being Earnest*. For that production, I had numerous time-consuming fittings for my costume, which was Victorian drag. Through conversation with the designers of that show, I talked about my fine art training. The costume design professors said, "You know, there is a way to combine your art with your theater." I had made my own costumes in high school and community theater plays. It seemed obvious once they pointed it out, and I decided it was a better career path.

After getting my degree I supported myself as a freelance costumer. Much of my steady work has been with a costume rental house in Kansas City. I've spent most summers working for Starlight Theatre preparing their summer Broadway tours, and also spent two years with Opera Theatre St. Louis as a stitcher on high-end, well-tailored period garments.

Q: And now you will spend the upcoming season at FW Civic?

A: Yes, I am the full-time costume designer and costume shop manager for this season, and hopefully, many to come. I am excited about this job for several reasons. Probably the biggest is the ability to come home to my partner and my pets at the end of the day. Until now, I have often been on the road, being gone weeks or months at a time. Being able to go into the costume shop at Arts United every day, creating costumes, working with the volunteers and my colleagues, putting these shows together is thrilling. I love my job.

Q: I think I speak for the entire theater community when I say we are glad to have you here.

A: I had never been to Fort Wayne before accepting this position. We have only been here two months. Everyone has been so warm and inviting, my partner, Dakota, and I have fallen in love with this city. I'm looking forward to the *SpongeBob* costumes being my first thank you to Fort Wayne.

Area music scene's top ladies form supergroup

L80's Night ready to make debut at Fort Wayne Pride

Just when you thought the scene couldn't get any cooler, I introduce to you **L80's Night**, a local supergroup paying homage to some of the most influential female pop/rock icons of the '80s.

This female-centric group features three local powerhouse ladies that have joined forces to deliver the most bodacious '80s experience you will ever encounter. The three

frontwomen are **Eliza Toth**, **Lisa McDavid**, and **Lisa Loza**. Rounding out the band are **Carly Ingalls** (keyboards), **Autumn Toth** (bass), **Nick Tamez** (drums), **Gary Toth** (guitar), and **Logan Weber** (keys and sax).



Local Band Beat

NICK BRAUN

As you can see, the talent runs deep, with members of L80's Night being involved in local elites including **Urban Legend**, **The Freak Brothers**, **The Wickersham Brothers**, **Sweetwater All Stars**, and **Night to Remember**, to name a few.

Together, the band sports flashy outfits and performs remarkable, spot-on hits like Dolly Parton's "9 to 5," Cher's "If I Could Turn Back Time," The Pointer Sisters' "I'm So Excited," and Irene Cara's "What a Feeling."

L80's Night was inspired by Eliza Toth's passion to join forces with women in music and to create an experience that empowers and



COURTESY PHOTO

New local supergroup L80's Night is comprised of, clockwise from upper left, Lisa Loza, Lisa McDavid, Eliza Toth, Carly Ingalls, Logan Weber, Gary Toth, Nick Tamez, and Autumn Toth.

unites them.

"I believe in surrounding myself with women who are on the same mission, both on and off the stage," she said. "We need to stand together in life, support, and uplift each other, and what better way than to do it through music."

L80's Night's first performance will be at Pride Fest at Headwaters Park on Friday, July 22, where they will perform on the main stage from 8:45-10:15 p.m.

Show set for new Controller EP

The rock outfit **Controller** recently released an EP titled *Elements of Humanity*, a six-song effort

that took about a year to write and a month to record.

The EP was recorded and mixed by **Austin Putt** of 1521 Studios and mastered by **Forester Savell** at his home studio in Sydney. The obvious question is: "How does a band from Fort Wayne get hooked up with someone in Australia to help with an album?" Of course, that's where we are these days with technology, but come to find out, they have been working with him for a few years now.

"I found him from other bands he's worked with that I've been a fan of for years," guitarist Stephen Sedik said. "I reached out to him at

the beginning of 2019, and we had some small talk and shop talk, and after a few conversations about his mastering process, I asked him if he would like to be our mastering engineer."

In honor of the release, Controller will have a CD release party Wednesday, Aug. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at Stan's Room in Piere's. Joining them will be their Curtain Call Records label mates **Messer** and **Defiant** and local faves **Tuesday Atlas**.

Make sure to snag yourself a copy or give it a whirl on one of the major streaming sites.

Nab new disappear. album

The hardcore act **disappear.** have released a full-length album titled *Burn the Ships*.

The band began writing the album at the beginning of 2019, and after many unfortunate setbacks, delays, and trials, it has finally seen the light of day.

This 14-track effort was recorded in multiple places with **Dan Kinna-ley** of Chipped Tooth Audio and is released on Another City Records, which is where you can purchase one of these bad boys.

The lyrics weave a story about veganism, straight edge, struggle, and the horrors of fighting in wars. Also, you can't ignore the cover art, which is a beautiful oil painting by the masterful **Paolo Girardi**, who has been a huge influence on the band's love of visual art.

Girardi is no stranger having churned out blasphemous artwork for more than 100 albums, including band's like **Power Trip**, **Black Breath**, and many more.

disappear. is scheduled to perform at the Fried Fest in Converse on Aug. 13 and at The Muse on Main on Aug. 27 and Sept. 16, during the

venue's farewell weekend.

Man of the Flood debut single

Man of the Flood recently dropped a new single off their upcoming album, which is scheduled to be released Sept. 9.

"Crystal Bawl" is the title track for the new album and comes in under four minutes, and is sure to delight your indie-rockin' ears.

This is the third single they have released, including "Clouds" and "Shotgun."

You can catch Man of the Flood at The Ruin on July 23 and 26.

Catch Debutants on YouTube

Hop on over to YouTube and check out the new 26-minute video **Debutants** have released from their recording session at Silverbirch Studios in Fort Wayne.

This intimate performance also includes interviews with each of the band members.

Their next performances will be at Junk Ditch Brewing on July 19, Hippy Hill Fest in Bean Blossom on July 29, and Salomon Farms on Aug. 21. Those shows are the perfect opportunity to grab a copy of their current EP, *Nobody Knows*.

Metavari visiting Brass Rail

If you checked out John Hubner's *Whatzup* review last week of **Meta-vari's** new album, *Soft Continuum (Studies, Vol. 2)*, then you know the electronic music project is on top of their game and putting out some of their finest work.

You will have the opportunity to hear the new material when Meta-vari hits the stage at The Brass Rail on Saturday, July, 16 alongside **See Ray Hardly**.

Music will get underway at 9 p.m., and will only cost \$7 at the door.



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Adrian Belew

Elevator

Unless you're in deep into music, the name Adrian Belew might not ring a bell. Truth of the matter is, Belew was the secret weapon to the biggest names in music for the better part of nearly five decades: Frank Zappa, David Bowie, Talking Heads, Tom Tom Club, and Trent Reznor are just a handful of artists Belew lent his skills to on some of the biggest albums of the last 50 years. Belew was also the singer/guitarist for the '80s return of King Crimson and has a prolific solo career blending Beatles-esque pop and experimental guitar.

At 70 years old, Belew shows no signs of stopping. His new album *Elevator* is a beautiful and clanging ode to his work as both a mad scientist behind the six string, as well as his ability to write gorgeous pop songs.

"a13" opens with an adamant guitar ringing before a busy melody line brings us into a world that feels like we're on a train line to infinity. Belew performs everything (as he's known to do) and gives us a melodically rich song filled with fun, quirky twists and turns and his ever genius melody-driven lines. It's like Beatles and Dixie Dregs coming together.

"a car i can talk to" grooves and gleans with futuristic glee. You can almost see one of Motor City's finest blaring down the freeway as this song plays. Elsewhere, "good morning sun" shines beautifully with layered harmonies and Belew's penchant for intricate rhythms, while "you can't lie to yourself" shakes with vulnerability with plucked strings and Belew's shimmering vocals. "the saturday morning roar" is "A Day in the Life" but with the neighborhood Saturday morning buzz in mind. Lawnmowers, morning coffee, and writing sessions are pondered in a spoken-word fashion. "seventy going on seventeen" ends things with Belew making it known age is nothing when you've got a mind that keeps burning the candles at both ends as ideas continue to make themselves known. I can only hope there's a "ninety going on 19."

Elevator is yet another stunning power pop record from one of the unsung heroes of rock n' roll. If you're in the know, you know. If you're not, start here and work your way back. — J. Hubner



Regina Spektor

Home, Before and After

Singer-songwriter Regina Spektor rose to prominence with the release of 2006 album *Begin To Hope*. Since then, Spektor's music has gained popularity among indie crowds and has graced many a theater and TV screen, with appearances in *500 Days of Summer*, *Grey's Anatomy*, and *Orange Is the New Black*.



Her newest release, *Home, Before and After*, is her first album since 2016, written as an ode to her home of New York City.

Opening track "Becoming All Alone" is a solid, climactic start, asking the question, "Why doesn't it get better with time?" Following is "Up the Mountain," which uses spoken-word vocals and heavy repetition. "Raindrops" highlights the purity of Spektor's voice, while "SugarMan" showcases her storytelling abilities.

"Spacetime Fairytale" is existential and haunting, utilizing strong orchestra instrumentation. The runtime is a bit lengthy though, lasting nearly nine minutes. "Love-ology" is classic Spektor songwriting with its momentous lyricism about love and forgiveness. The album closes with "Through a Door," a track that explores the definition of "home."

At its core, this release is more orchestrated than previous ones, leading to a sound that is less raw than fans may be used to. That said, Spektor's vocals remain as angelic and graceful as always, and her songwriting is just as eclectic and inspired. Although it is more heavily produced than the music that made her famous, *Home, Before and After* is well worth the listen. — Olivia Hennessey

Tim Heidecker

High School

I never would have taken Tim Heidecker of *Tim and Eric* fame to have been such a prolific songwriter, but here we are with his third album in three years. With *What the Brokenhearted Do* and *Fear of Death*, released in 2019 and 2020, respectively, Heidecker showed he had a knack for classic singer-songwriter fare.

Introspective lyrics and guitar/piano-led songs that were from a tradition of songwriters like Randy Newman, Harry Nilsson, and Van Dyke Parks while fitting with more modern indie acts, Heidecker was making earnest rock songs that felt lived-in and classic.

On his newest album, *High School*, Heidecker takes us back to his formative years. The album is a personal set of songs about growing up in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and finding a passion for music. Locking into a more easy-breezy sound that reflects his work with guys like Mac DeMarco and Kurt Vile, *High School* is a fun and hook-filled pop rock record.

"Buddy" opens things on a buoyant rhythm and upbeat acoustic guitar. The song is about a friend that could never quite get it together, but made a lasting impression. "Chillin' in Alaska" has an almost Dire Straits vibe as Heidecker sings about sharing a tent in Alaska with a girl he just met. "Get Back Down to Me" has an almost T. Rex groove while pulling more modern artists like Blake Mills and Liam Kazar.

I guess you could say this is adult contemporary music with cleanly produced, story-based songs. One of my favorite tracks, though, would be the wonky "Sirens of Titan" with Vile. It's an



Backtracks CLASSIC ALBUMS

Mahavishnu Orchestra

Birds of Fire (1973)



Formed in the early '70s by Englishman John McLaughlin,

Mahavishnu Orchestra enabled the jazz-fusion genre to reach mainstream audiences all over the planet. It even launched the careers of Jan Hammer and Jean-Luc Ponty, as well as several other musicians from a band (which cycled 15 members in their brief history).

This second album was my first taste of the group and is one of my favorites, as it just crushes it for almost 40 minutes.

The title track opens it up, and after some basic percussion, McLaughlin's guitars drive a track that is progressive and psychedelic, but is arranged to a perfect balance that is chaotic and stunning. "Miles Beyond" is dedicated to Miles Davis as McLaughlin was in Davis' band earlier in his career. "Celestial Terrestrial Commuters" has hints of Jeff Beck and Zappa's Mothers and charges your brain for just under three minutes.

Side One closes with a beautiful violin "jam" featuring the brilliant Jerry Goodman, who also went on to a fruitful career.

Flipping the record over you get 10 minutes of jazz-fusion in "One Word." It has a lot of elements, including a trippy synthesizer from Hammer, and as moody as it is, is still one of the coolest tracks from the release. Drummer Billy Cobham, also from Davis' band is on the kit, and just gives a clinic behind spirited guitars and a funky bass. And then you get Goodman back on the violin in the delightful "Open Country Joy" that clears the palate before throwing more jazz rock at you, but allows you to get cozy again after the bridge. You finally get your dessert in "Resolution," a groovy, cool-down track that closes a very virtuous effort from a fantastic group of musicians.

— Dennis Donahue

odd little number that feels like it was written just for me. Kurt Vonnegut, Velvet Underground, and teen angst are all mentioned with some great guitar by Vile. This track stands apart from everything else here. Even Heidecker's vocal delivery is very Vile-ish.

High School is a great pop rock album. Heidecker got some amazing friends to help out, too. Maybe the best yet from the guy that made a commercial for Totino's Pizza Rolls and helped bring Dr. Steve Brule into our lives. — J. Hubner

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Dynamite evening of comedy set at Eclectic

It might be a little early to think about what you are going to do after you spend the day shopping for Christmas presents and seeking some Yuletide joy, but you're going to want to plan to stop by the Eclectic Room in Angola for an amazing night of comedy Dec. 10.

That night, sound effects genius **Michael Winslow** and comedy legend **JJ Walker** will take the stage.

Winslow is best known for his roles on the *Police Academy* movies, while also appearing in *Spaceballs* and *Cheech & Chong's Next Movie*.

Walker, of course, rose to fame on *Good Times* during the late '70s, but has recently been seen in high rotation as a spokesperson for Medicare. Hey, don't blame a guy for trying to make a living.

Be sure to make your way to The Eclectic Room to check out these two legends, because it's a night guaranteed to be "Dyn-O-Mite!"

Country stars set for festival

The Faster Horses Festival has posted the official lineup for its upcoming three-day festival, July 22-24, at the Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn, Mich., about an hour-and-a-half northeast of Fort Wayne.

The Friday night main stage will be headlined by **Morgan Wallen** with support from **Jake Owen**, **Jordan Davis**, **Lauren Alaina**, and others.

Saturday sees **Eric Church** topping off a day that also includes **Brothers Osbourne**, **Chris Janson**, and **Michael Ray**, while Sunday finishes things off with the legendary **Tim McGraw** preceded by **Cole Swindell**, **Ashley McBride**, and **Jameson Rodgers**.



Road Notes
CHRIS HUPE

On the Road

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5 Seconds of Summer	July 16	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
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
The Airborne Toxic Event	Oct. 13	Bogart's	Cincinnati
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The Airborne Toxic Event	Oct. 22	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Alec Benjamin	Sept. 22	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Alec Benjamin	Sept. 30	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Alec Benjamin	Oct. 1	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Alex G	Nov. 2-3	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Alex G	Nov. 4	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Alice Cooper	Sept. 20	Emens Auditorium	Muncie
Alice Cooper	Sept. 21	DeVos Performance Hall	Grand Rapids
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
All IN Music Festival	Sept. 3-4	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
American Aquarium	Sept. 29	Hi-Fi Indy	Indianapolis
Andrea Bocelli	Dec. 7	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Andrew Bird	Aug. 6	TCU Amphitheater	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
Apocalyptica w/Leprous, Wheel	Sept. 19	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Arcade Fire	Nov. 12	United Center	Chicago
Architects	Sept. 12	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Architects	Sept. 15	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Arlo McKinley	Aug. 18	The Ruin	Fort Wayne
Arnez J	July 29-30	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
August Burns Red w/We Came as Romans, Hollow Front, Void of Vision	Aug. 23	Piere's	Fort Wayne
August Burns	Aug. 24	Bogart's	Cincinnati
The Avett Brothers	Aug. 20-21	MacAllister Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Awolnation	Oct. 13	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Awolnation	Oct. 14	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Awolnation	Oct. 16	PromoWest Pavilion at Ovation	Newport, KY
Awolnation	Oct. 18	The Fillmore	Detroit
Awolnation	Oct. 19	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
The B-52s	Oct. 7	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
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 20	PNC Pavilion	Cincinnati
Beth Stelling	Nov. 17	The Tiger Room	Fort Wayne
Big Time Rush	July 26	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Bikini Kill	July 23	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Billy Strings	July 29-30	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
The Black Keys w/Band of Horses	July 16	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
The Black Keys w/Band of Horses	July 17	Hollywood Casino Amp.	Tinley Park, IL
The Black Keys w/Band of Horses	Sept. 3	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
The Black Keys w/Band of Horses	Sept. 7	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Blackberry Smoke	July 26	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Blackberry Smoke	July 30	Kalamazoo State Theatre	Kalamazoo

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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
Blues Traveler	Sept. 17	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Bobcat Goldthwait	July 22-23	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
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
Brett Eldredge	Sept. 23	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Bring Me The Horizon	Oct. 14	Wintrust Arena	Chicago
Bring Me The Horizon	Oct. 15	Michigan Lottery Amp.	Sterling Heights, MI
Broken Social Scene	Oct. 9-10	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Buckcherry	Sept. 6	The Eclectic Room	Angola
Buddy Guy	July 27	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Buddy Guy	July 28	Centennial Terrace	Sylvania, OH
Buddy Guy	July 30	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
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
Carly Rae Jepsen	Sept. 21	Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica	Cleveland
Carly Rae Jepsen	Nov. 5	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Carrie Underwood	Oct. 17	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Carrie Underwood	Oct. 18	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Carrie Underwood	Oct. 22	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Chaka Khan	Aug. 3	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
Chanticleer	Oct. 30	First Presbyterian Church	Fort Wayne
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
The Chicks	Sept. 28	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
The Chicks	Sept. 30	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
The Chicks	Oct. 2	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
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	Fort Wayne
Chris Isaak	July 16	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Chris Kattan	Aug. 21	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Chris Stapleton	Aug. 19	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Christopher Cross	Aug. 6	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Clannad	Sept. 21	The Fillmore	Detroit
Clutch	Oct. 16	Concord Music Hall	Chicago
Coin	Sept. 20	The Fillmore	Detroit
Coin	Sept. 21	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
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
Conan Gray	Sept. 24	Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica	Cleveland
Conan Gray	Sept. 28	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Conan Gray	Sept. 30	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Conan Gray	Oct. 1	IU Auditorium	Bloomington
The Contortionist	Sept. 27	Bottom Lounge	Chicago
The Contortionist	Sept. 28	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
The Contortionist	Oct. 2	Beachland Ballroom	Cleveland
The Contortionist	Oct. 15	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Corey Feldman	Aug. 25	Piere's	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	Fort Wayne
Crowded House	Sept. 12	Rose Music Center	Huber Heights, OH

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Chainsmokers top lineup

The Breakaway Festival will be Aug. 19-20 in Grand Rapids, with the **Chainsmokers** headlining Friday night in Belknap Park, while Saturday will see **DJ Snake** and **Oliver Tree** finishing off the night.

Others performing Friday include **Two Friends** and **Yung Gravy**, and additional Saturday artists include **Jai Wolf**, **Ekali** and **Gashi**.

Breakaway travels to Crew Stadium in Columbus the following weekend, August 26-27, where The Chainsmokers will once again headline Friday. Saturday features co-headliners **Griz** and **Slander**. Yung Gravy also hits the stage Saturday along with **Jauz** while Friday's additional acts are highlighted by **Lane 8** and **Quinn XCII**.

Psychedelic fest back in Indy

It's time to shake the dust off the tambourine and get down to Square Cat Vinyl in Indianapolis for the Back Alley Ballyhoo, Aug. 5-6.

Billed as the Midwest's premier psychedelic music festival, the gathering returns for its fourth year after taking a hiatus in 2020 and 2021.

In the heart of the Fountain Square neighborhood, the lineup features a mixture of national, regional, and local psychedelic acts of all sorts and includes Fort Wayne's **Heaven's Gateway Drugs** on Friday night along with **Night Beats**, **Post Animal**, **Sugar Candy Mountain**, and four others.

Saturday is headlined by **Dead Meadow**, with **L.A. Witch**, **Death Valley Girls**, **Acid Dad**, and **Space-face** also expected to perform.

There will be vendors, as well as local food and drink options outside and inside at the festival.

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Daddy Yankee	Sept. 4	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Damon Wayans	Aug. 18-20	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Dance Gavin Dance	Aug. 16	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Dance Gavin Dance	Aug. 20		Chicago
Daniel O'Donnell	Oct. 1	Honeywell Center	Wabash
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	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Dave Landau	Aug. 26-27	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
David Sedaris	Nov. 3	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Deadmau5	Aug. 27	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Deadmau5	Sept. 23	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Deadmau5	Oct. 1	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Deadmau5	Oct. 8	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Death Cab for Cutie	Sept. 24	The Salt Shed	Chicago
Death Cab for Cutie	Sept. 26	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Death Cab for Cutie	Oct. 11	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
The Decemberists	Aug. 16	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Def Leppard w/Mötley Crüe, Poison, Joan Jett	July 15	Great American Ballpark	Cincinnati
Demi Lovato	Oct. 7	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Dermot Kennedy	July 17	Palace Theatre	Columbus, IN
Dermot Kennedy	Aug. 13	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Desi Banks	Nov. 11-13	Summit City Comedy Club	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
Devil Wears Prada w/Stray from the Path, Dying Wish	Sept. 4	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Dinosaur Jr.	Oct. 1	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Dirty Honey	Sept. 16	House of Blues	Cleveland
Dirty Honey	Sept. 27	The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Dispatch	Aug. 9	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Dizzy Wright	Aug. 28	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Drive-By Truckers	July 27	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Drive-By Truckers	Sept. 12	Metro	Chicago
Dropkick Murphys	Oct. 29	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Duran Duran	Aug. 20	United Center	Chicago
Dylan Scott	Oct. 22	8 Seconds Saloon	Indianapolis
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
Eric Clapton	Sept. 8	Schottenstein Center	Columbus, OH
Eric Clapton	Sept. 10	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Eric Clapton	Sept. 12-13	United Center	Chicago
Face 2 Face	Aug. 5	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Father John Misty	Sept. 12	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Father John Misty	Sept. 29	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Father John Misty	Oct. 4	Clowes Memorial Hall	Indianapolis
Five Finger Death Punch w/Megadeth	Sept. 28	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Five Finger Death Punch w/Megadeth	Sept. 30	Hollywood Casino Amp.	Tinley Park, IL
Five Finger Death Punch w/Megadeth	Oct. 1	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Five Finger Death Punch w/Megadeth	Oct. 4	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Five Finger Death Punch w/Megadeth	Oct. 5	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Five for Fighting w/The Verve Pipe	Aug. 13	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Fleet Foxes	Aug. 5	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Florence and The Machine	Sept. 7	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Florence and The Machine	Sept. 10	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Foals	Dec. 2	Vic Theatre	Chicago
Foals	Dec. 9	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Foals	Dec. 11	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Foo Fighters	Aug. 1	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Fozzy	Sept. 12	Elevation at The Intersection	Grand Rapids

Fozzy	Sept. 18	Bogart's	Cincinnati
Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons	Sept. 11	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons	Sept. 24	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Franz Ferdinand	Aug. 19	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
The Front Bottoms	Sept. 16	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
The Front Bottoms	Sept. 18	GLC Live at 20 Monroe	Grand Rapids
The Front Bottoms w/The Joy Formidable, Mobley	Sept. 20	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Fuerza Regida	Dec. 2	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
The Gaslight Anthem	Sept. 26	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
The Gaslight Anthem	Oct. 2	The Fillmore	Detroit
Ginuwine w/Fatima Washington	July 14	Headwaters Park	Fort Wayne
Giovannie and the Hired Guns	July 30	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Girl Named Tom	Sept. 3	Van Wert County Fairgrounds	Van Wert
Girl Named Tom w/Abbie Thomas	Aug. 20	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Giveon	Oct. 2	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Giveon	Oct. 4	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
Giveon	Oct. 5	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Giveon	Oct. 7	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Giveon	Oct. 11	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Gloria Trevi	Sept. 10	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Gloria Trevi	Sept. 11	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Golden Messenger	Aug. 16	Hi-Fi Indy	Indianapolis
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 3	Rose Music Center	Huber Heights, OH
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 4	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 5	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 7	Michigan Lottery Amp.	Sterling Heights, MI
Goo Goo Dolls	Aug. 10	Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica	Cleveland
Gorillaz	Oct. 3	United Center	Chicago
Gorillaz	Oct. 5	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Great White w/Slaughter	Aug. 13	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Greta Van Fleet	Sept. 20	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
The Guess Who	July 28	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Hanson	Aug. 6	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Hanson	Aug. 7	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Hanson	Aug. 9	GLC Live at 20 Monroe	Grand Rapids
Hanson	Aug. 10	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Hanson	Aug. 13	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Harry Styles	Oct. 6-9	United Center	Chicago
Harry Styles	Oct. 13-14	United Center	Chicago
The Head & The Heart	Sept. 23	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
The Head & The Heart	Sept. 30	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
The Head & The Heart	Oct. 1	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Heather Land	Oct. 20	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Here Come the Mummies w/U.R.B., Unlikely Alibi	July 16	Headwaters Park	Fort Wayne
Hoodie Allen	Aug. 5	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
I Prevail w/Pierce the Veil, Fit For a King, Yours Truly	Oct. 7	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
I Prevail	Oct. 8	GLC Live at 20 Monroe	Grand Rapids
I Prevail	Oct. 9	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
I Prevail	Nov. 11	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
I Prevail	Nov. 12	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
I Prevail	Nov. 22	The Fillmore	Detroit
iDKHOW	Aug. 25	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
In Flames	Sept. 22	House of Blues	Chicago
In This Moment	Sept. 20	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
In This Moment	Sept. 21	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
In This Moment	Sept. 24	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
In This Moment	Sept. 25	GLC Live at 20 Monroe	Grand Rapids
In This Moment	Oct. 21	Radius	Chicago
Incubus	Aug. 10	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Interpol w/Spoon	Aug. 30	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Interpol w/Spoon	Sept. 1	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Interpol w/Spoon	Sept. 8	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Iron Maiden	Oct. 5	United Center	Chicago
Iron Maiden	Oct. 7	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
Iron Maiden	Oct. 9	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit

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Austin Marsh
July 23 Father John's Microbrewery, Bryan, OH

The Bulldogs
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 Fair, Goshen
Aug. 26 Quincy Village Park, Quincy, MI
Sept. 3 Fish Lake Family Resort, Fremont
Sept. 9 Matthews Covered Bridge Festival, Matthews, IN

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

The Hubie Ashcraft Band
July 29 Edon Days, Edon, OH
Aug. 5 Little Nashville Fest, 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. 25 VFW Post 5713, Celina, OH
Nov. 26 Lori's Roadhouse, West Chester, OH

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July 22 Be Here Now, Muncie

Jonah Leatherman
July 23 Rumpus Room, Chelsea, MI
July 30 Blackstone's Smokehouse, Flint, MI
Aug. 27 Buzz Bomb Brewing, Springfield, IL
Sept. 3 Unruly Brewing, Muskegon, MI
Nov. 11 Workshop Brewing Company, Traverse City, MI

Man of the Flood
July 22 Be Here Now, Muncie

The Motor Folkers
Nov. 11 American Legion Post 215, Lagrange

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

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Jack Harlow	Oct. 1	Credit Union 1 Arena	Chicago
Jack Harlow	Oct. 2	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Jack White	Aug. 17	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Jake Bugg	Sept. 27	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Jake Miller	Aug. 27	A&R Music Bar	Columbus, OH
Jake Miller	Aug. 28	El Club	Detroit
James Bay	Sept. 4	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Jamey Johnson	Sept. 9	Michigan Lottery Amp.	Sterling Heights, MI
Jamey Johnson	Sept. 11	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Jason Aldean	Aug. 13	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Jason Aldean	Aug. 14	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Jason Aldean	Aug. 25	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Jason Aldean	Oct. 7	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Jason Aldean	Oct. 8	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Jason Banks	Dec. 1-3	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Jeff Dunham	Sept. 22	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Jesse McCartney	July 30	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
Jim Breuer	Aug. 6	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Jim Brickman	Oct. 6	City Winery	Chicago
Jimmy Eat World	Sept. 8	Rock And Roll Hall of Fame	Cleveland
Jimmy Eat World	Sept. 9	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Jimmy Eat World	Sept. 11	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Joe Satriani	Oct. 12	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Joe Satriani	Oct. 14	Kalamazoo State Theatre	Kalamazoo
Joe Satriani	Oct. 15	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Joe Satriani	Oct. 22	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Joe Satriani	Oct. 23	Brown County Music Center	Nashville, IN
John Moreland	July 17	Hi-Fi Indy	Indianapolis
John Mulaney	July 21	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Jon McLaughlin w/Kris Allen	Nov. 12	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Judas Priest	Oct. 21	Wings Event Center	Kalamazoo
Judas Priest	Oct. 22	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
The Judds	Sept. 30	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
The Judds	Oct. 1	Huntington Center	Toledo
Jungle	Sept. 11	Newport Music Hall	Columbus
Kansas	July 29	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
The Karens	Aug. 4	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Kehlani	Aug. 17	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Kehlani	Aug. 22	Fox Theatre	Detroit
Kehlani	Aug. 26	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Kehlani	Aug. 28	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Keith Urban	Aug. 26	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Keith Urban	Aug. 27	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Kendrick Lamar	Aug. 14	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Kendrick Lamar	Aug. 16	Schottenstein Center	Columbus, OH
Kendrick Lamar	Aug. 19	United Center	Chicago
Kenny Chesney	Aug. 20	Ford Field	Detroit
Kevin Gates	Sept. 13	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Kevin Gates	Sept. 15	Michigan Lottery Amp.	Sterling Heights, MI
Kevin Gates	Sept. 16	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Kevin Gates	Sept. 20	Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica	Cleveland
Kevin Hart	Oct. 23	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Kid Cudi	Sept. 16	United Center	Chicago
Kid Cudi	Sept. 17	West Bank of Flats	Cleveland
Kid Rock	Aug. 12	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Kid Rock	Aug. 17	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Kid Rock	Sept. 16-17	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
The Killers	Sept. 21	United Center	Chicago
The Killers	Oct. 7	Wolstein Center	Cleveland
The Killers	Oct. 8	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
King Gizzard & The Lizard Wizard	Oct. 16	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Kip Moore	Nov. 12	Cleveland Masonic Auditorium	Cleveland
Korn w/Evanescence	Aug. 20	Hollywood Casino Amp.	Tinley Park, IL
Korn w/Evanescence	Aug. 21	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Korn w/Evanescence	Aug. 23	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Korn w/Evanescence	Aug. 24	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Kurt Vile	Oct. 16	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati

Kurt Vile	Oct. 22	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Kurt Vile	Oct. 23	Bell's Eccentric Cafe	Kalamazoo
Kyle Kinane	Nov. 20	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Lady A	Oct. 27	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Lady A	Oct. 29	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Lady Gaga	Aug. 15	Wrigley Field	Chicago
Lake Street Dive w/Madison Cunningham	Aug. 9	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Lamb of God	Sept. 24	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Lamb of God	Sept. 25	Michigan Lottery Amp.	Sterling Heights, MI
Lamb of God	Sept. 26	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Lary	Aug. 7	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Lary	Aug. 8	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Lary	Aug. 13	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Lary	Aug. 14	Jacobs Pavilion at Nautica	Cleveland
Lauv	Aug. 13	Meadow Brook Amphitheatre	Rochester
Lauv	Aug. 21	Smale Riverfront Park	Cincinnati
Lauv	Aug. 23	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
LeAnn Rimes	July 15	Holliday Park	Indianapolis
Leanne Morgan	Aug. 5	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Lee Brice	Sept. 16	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Lee Brice	Sept. 17	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
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
Lewis Black	Sept. 25	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Lizzo	Oct. 6	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Lizzo	Oct. 16	United Center	Chicago
Lizzo	Oct. 18	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Luke Bryan	Aug. 20	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Luke Bryan	Sept. 10	Hollywood Casino Amp.	Tinley Park, IL
Luke Bryan w/Riley Green, Jameson Rogers, Peach Pickers, DJ Rock	Sept. 15	Highland Farms	Monroeville
Luke Combs	Nov. 4-5	United Center	Chicago
The Lumineers	Sept. 3	Wrigley Field	Chicago
The Lumineers	Sept. 6	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Lyle Lovett w/Chris Isaak	July 17	Meadow Brook Amphitheatre	Rochester
Lyle Lovett w/Chris Isaak	July 20	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Mac DeMarco	Nov. 17	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
Mac DeMarco	Nov. 18	Majestic Theatre	Detroit
Mac DeMarco	Nov. 19	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Machine Gun Kelly	Aug. 11	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Machine Gun Kelly	Aug. 13	FirstEnergy Stadium	Cleveland
Mallrat	Oct. 3	El Club	Detroit
Mallrat	Oct. 4	Lincoln Hall	Chicago
Marc Rebillet	Oct. 9	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Marc Rebillet	Oct. 26	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Maren Morris	Aug. 12	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Maroon 5	Aug. 17	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
The Mars Volta	Oct. 6	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
The Mars Volta	Oct. 8	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Mary J. Blige	Sept. 24	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Mary J. Blige	Sept. 25	United Center	Chicago
Mary J. Blige	Oct. 27	Heritage Bank Arena	Cincinnati
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
Matt Nathanson	Aug. 25	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Matt Nathanson	Aug. 26	Vic Theatre	Chicago
Matt Nathanson	Aug. 30	Hi-Fi Indy	Indianapolis
Matt Nathanson	Aug. 31	The Bluestone	Columbus, OH
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

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Melvins	Sept. 24	The Pyramid Scheme	Grand Rapids
Melvins	Sept. 26	A&R Music Bar	Columbus, OH
MercyMe w/Micah Tyler	Oct. 23	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Meshuggah	Sept. 28	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
Michael Buble	Sept. 2	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Michael Buble	Oct. 10	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Michael Schenker w/Eric Martin, Images of Eden	Oct. 12	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Michael W. Smith	July 29	Blue Gate PAC	Shipshewana
The Mission	Oct. 8	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Mom Jeans	Sept. 6	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Mom Jeans	Sept. 7	House of Blues	Cleveland
Mom Jeans	Sept. 19	Columbus Athenaeum	Columbus, OH
Motion City Soundtrack	Sept. 9	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Motionless In White w/Black Veil Brides, Ice Nine Kills	Sept. 6	Memorial Coliseum	Fort Wayne
Mt. Joy	Aug. 20	The Salt Shed	Chicago
My Chemical Romance	Sept. 13	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
The National	Sept. 18	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
New Found Glory	July 22	House of Blues	Cleveland
Night Ranger	Aug. 10	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Noah Cyrus	Oct. 27	House of Blues	Chicago
Norah Jones	July 15	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Norah Jones	July 16	Meadow Brook Amphitheatre	Rochester
Norah Jones	July 19	TCU Amphitheater	Indianapolis
Odesza	Sept. 7	Smale Riverfront Park	Cincinnati
Odesza	Sept. 8	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Odesza	Sept. 9	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
One Ok Rock	Oct. 5	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
One Ok Rock	Oct. 7	House of Blues	Cleveland
One Ok Rock	Oct. 8	Concord Music Hall	Chicago

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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
Palaye Royale	Sept. 29	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
Palaye Royale	Oct. 1	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Palaye Royale	Oct. 4	House of Blues Chicago	Chicago
Panic! At The Disco	Sept. 17	United Center	Chicago
Panic! At The Disco	Sept. 20	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Panic! At The Disco	Sept. 21	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
Pat Benatar w/Neil Giraldo	Aug. 7	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
Pavement	Sept. 22-23	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
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
Phoenix	Sept. 20	Egyptian Room	Indianapolis
Pitbull w/Iggy Azalea	Aug. 23	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Pitbull w/Iggy Azalea	Aug. 24	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Pitbull w/Iggy Azalea	Aug. 25	Ravinia Park Pavilion	Highland Park
Pitbull w/Iggy Azalea	Aug. 30	Van Andel Arena	Grand Rapids
Pitbull w/Iggy Azalea	Aug. 31	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Pitbull w/Iggy Azalea	Sept. 2	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Porno For Pyros	July 30	Metro	Chicago
Post Malone	Sept. 14	United Center	Chicago
Post Malone	Sept. 18	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
Post Malone	Sept. 27	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Post Malone	Oct. 1	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Post Malone	Oct. 2	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Quiet Riot w/Cougar Hunter, The Illegals	July 15	Headwaters Park	Fort Wayne
REO Speedwagon	Oct. 12	Honeywell Center	Wabash
Rage Against the Machine w/Run the Jewels	July 27	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Randy Houser	July 14	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Reba McEntire	Nov. 4	Nationwide Arena	Columbus, OH
Reba McEntire	Nov. 5	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
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
Regina Spektor	Oct. 9	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Regina Spektor	Oct. 11	Michigan Theater	Ann Arbor
Richie Kotzen w/John Crabi	Aug. 28	Piere's	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 Velveteers	July 28	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Rob Zombie	July 21	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Rob Zombie	Aug. 3	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
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 w/Cheap Trick	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
Rosalia	Sept. 28	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Roxy Music	Sept. 19	United Center	Chicago
Ryan Adams	Oct. 20	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Ryan Niemiller	Aug. 10	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Sabaton	Oct. 8	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Sabaton	Oct. 10	The Fillmore	Detroit
Sabaton	Oct. 11	GLC Live at 20 Monroe	Grand Rapids
Sabaton	Oct. 15	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Sabrina Claudio	Sept. 15	Saint Andrew's Hall	Detroit
Sabrina Claudio	Sept. 16	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Sammy Hagar & The Circle w/George Thorogood and The Destroyers	Aug. 23	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI

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Sammy Hagar & The Circle w/ George Thorogood and The Destroyers	Aug. 24	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Santa Fe Klan	Aug. 11	Rosemont Theatre	Rosemont
Santigold	Oct. 24	Aragon Ballroom	Chicago
Scarface w/Formaldehyde Funkmen	July 31	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Scorpions	Aug. 30	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Scorpions	Sept. 1	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Scott Bradlee's Postmodern Jukebox	Oct. 14	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Sean Kingston	Aug. 12	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Seventeen	Aug. 25	United Center	Chicago
Shane Gillis	Nov. 2-4	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Shawn Mendes	July 15	Allstate Arena	Rosemont, IL
Shawn Mendes	July 19	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Shawn Mendes	Oct. 22	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Shawn Mendes	Oct. 24	Gainbridge Fieldhouse	Indianapolis
Shayne Smith	Aug. 5-6	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Shinedown	Sept. 21	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
The Shins	Aug. 31	Masonic Temple Theater	Detroit
The Shins	Sept. 2	Agora Theatre	Cleveland
The Shins	Sept. 4	Kemba Live!	Columbus, OH
The Shins	Sept. 8	Chicago Theatre	Chicago
Shuler King	Oct. 21-22	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Sleeping Sirens w/Don Broco, Point North, Garzi	July 16	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Sleeping with Sirens	July 14	House of Blues	Chicago
Sleeping with Sirens	July 15	Ohio State Reformatory	Mansfield, OH
Smallpools	Nov. 15	House of Blues	Chicago
Smallpools	Nov. 16	Elevation at The Intersection	Grand Rapids
Smashing Pumpkins w/Jane's Addiction	Oct. 29	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland
Smashing Pumpkins w/Jane's Addiction	Nov. 2	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Smashing Pumpkins w/Jane's Addiction	Nov. 5	United Center	Chicago
Straight No Chaser	Dec. 14	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Stryper	Sept. 13	Eagles Theatre	Wabash
Suicideboys	Aug. 2	Huntington Bank Pavilion	Chicago
Suicideboys	Aug. 5	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Suicideboys	Sept. 10	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Suicideboys	Sept. 16	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Swedish House Mafia	Aug. 13	United Center	Chicago
Swedish House Mafia	Aug. 17	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
T.J. Miller	Sept. 16-17	Summit City Comedy Club	Fort Wayne
Tab Benoit	Aug. 11	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
Take Me to the River	Nov. 17	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Tauren Wells	Oct. 20	Palace Theatre	Columbus, IN
Tauren Wells	Oct. 21	Fisher Theatre	Detroit
Tauren Wells	Oct. 23	DeVos Performance Hall	Grand Rapids
Tedeschi Trucks Band	July 24	Rose Music Center	Huber Heights, OH
Tedeschi Trucks Band	July 26	RiverEdge Park	Aurora, IL
Testament w/Exodus, Death Angel	Oct. 3	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Thomas Rhett	July 16	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Thomas Rhett	Oct. 15	Nutter Center	Dayton
Toadies	Oct. 11	Hi-Fi Indy	Indianapolis
Toadies & Reverend Horton Heat	Oct. 12	Royal Oak Music Theatre	Royal Oak, MI
TobyMac	Oct. 6	The Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
Tom Jones	Sept. 26	Old National Centre	Indianapolis
Tommy DeCarlo w/Rudy Cardenas	Aug. 19	Foellinger Theatre	Fort Wayne
Tower of Power and Lettuce	Aug. 11	Taft Theatre	Cincinnati
Trace Adkins	Aug. 10	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
Trace Adkins	Oct. 22	Niswonger PAC	Van Wert
Train	July 15	Hollywood Casino Amp.	Tinley Park, IL
Trampled By Turtles	Dec. 3	Andrew J. Brady Music Center	Cincinnati
Trapt w/Losing September, Blood of Heroes, Maciann Music, The Illegals	Aug. 26	Piere's	Fort Wayne
Travis Tritt	Aug. 5	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue	Aug. 19	The Clyde	Fort Wayne
Twenty One Pilots	Aug. 20	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
Twenty One Pilots	Aug. 21	Heritage Bank Arena	Cincinnati
Twenty One Pilots	Aug. 30	Rocket Mortgage FieldHouse	Cleveland

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Across

1. Operated by turning a handle
8. Patrick __, 21 Across role played by Keristen Baker
12. Take over for
13. Hang around
15. Mixture
16. Novelist Zola
17. Gunsmoke or Cheers bartender
18. URL part
20. Order between “ready” and “fire”
21. __ SquarePants, a stage musical based on the Nickelodeon animated series, performing at the Arts United Center from July 23-31
25. Mai __
26. Flub
27. Lindsay Lohen remake of 1961 film The __ Trap
29. Search for water
32. Catalogs
33. Gets up
35. Stubborn one
36. Bell and Barker

37. Squidward __, 21 Across role played by Thom Greving
42. Did lunch
43. Preschooler
44. Backrub response
45. WWI battle site
48. Sugarcane pulp
51. Eugene __, 21 Across role played by Kibwe Cooper
52. Cooperated
53. Go ballistic
54. Captivate

Down

1. Uncouth
2. Chart anew
3. Bowie’s last stand
4. Zero
5. Fraternity party staple
6. Successful prison escapee
7. Informal term for an armed forces discharge
8. Any car, affectionately
9. Mr. Turkey
10. Pilots the plane
11. Dependent
14. Pays

19. Pinnacle
22. Capone nemesis
23. Welcome
24. Model wood
28. Machine based on a processor designed to perform a limited set of instructions quickly
29. Reversible patterned woven fabric
30. Figures of speech?
31. Bearer of gold, frankincense, or myrrh
34. Collector’s goal
35. Come by
38. Chivalrous
39. Ted __, comedy-drama starring Jason Sudeikis
40. Simplifies
41. Outbuildings
46. Wharton degree
47. Clairvoyant’s gift
49. Joke
50. Cause of inflation?

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Two Door Cinema Club	Nov. 7	Riviera Theatre	Chicago
Violent Femmes	Oct. 4-5	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Wavves	Aug. 4	Thalia Hall	Chicago
Wavves	Aug. 5	Beachland Ballroom	Cleveland
We The Kingdom	July 31	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis
We The Kingdom	Oct. 29	The Lerner Theatre	Elkhart
The Weeknd	July 24	Soldier Field	Chicago
The Weeknd	July 27	Ford Field	Detroit
Wheatus	Oct. 21	Piere’s	Fort Wayne
The Who	Oct. 4	Little Caesars Arena	Detroit
The Who	Oct. 9	Schottenstein Center	Columbus, OH
The Who	Oct. 12	United Center	Chicago
Whose Live Anyway?	Nov. 9	Embassy Theatre	Fort Wayne
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	Sept. 1	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Wiz Khalifa and Logic	Aug. 26	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Wiz Khalifa and Logic	Aug. 27	Riverbend Music Center	Cincinnati
Wiz Khalifa and Logic	Aug. 30	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Wu-Tang Clan w/Nas	Sept. 1	Ruoff Music Center	Noblesville
Wu-Tang Clan w/Nas	Sept. 2	Hollywood Casino Amp.	Tinley Park, IL
Wu-Tang Clan w/Nas	Sept. 3	Pine Knob Music Theatre	Clarkston, MI
Wu-Tang Clan w/Nas	Sept. 7	Blossom Music Center	Cuyahoga Falls, OH
Yacht Rock Revue	Aug. 18	Sweetwater Pavilion	Fort Wayne
Yung Gravy	Nov. 21	The Fillmore	Detroit
Yung Gravy	Nov. 22	Aragon Ballroom	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
Zach Williams	Aug. 14	Indiana State Fairgrounds	Indianapolis

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New *Thor* sequel aims to please array of audiences



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Natalie Portman and Chris Hemsworth star in the newest *Thor* film.

THOR: LOVE AND THUNDER

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the glue that holds the story together in its haste. It's been 5 years since *Ragnarok*'s release and almost 10 years since Portman starred in an MCU film, but her charisma and chemistry with Hemsworth immediately makes up for lost time. Foster was a passive character with very little agency in her prior appearances, but Portman has more room here to expand the role, even before she picks up the reforged Mjolnir to become Mighty Thor. On the villain side of things, Bale delivers a sturdy performance as a worthy antagonist who's deliciously evil one moment and indubitably pitiable the next.

When it comes to laughs, *Love and Thunder* is eager to please, which might explain why this is filled with some of the broadest humor in the entire franchise. What will make or break this newest adventure for audiences is whether the jokes land or not.

If you don't think gags based on those screaming goat videos from years ago are funny, you'll likely roll your eyes at a pair of new characters who join the gang this time around. Others may sigh at the inclusion of several very obvious Guns N' Roses needle drops and savor more unexpected cuts from the likes of ABBA and Mary J. Blige. When in doubt, call on Hemsworth to tap into Thor's bawdy enthusiasm and you'll have chuckles more often than not. *Thor: Love and Thunder* is not an especially well-crafted superhero movie, but it gets the job done while keeping Thor on a more promising path than when he started.

New movies coming to theaters this weekend

▪ *Where the Crawdads Sing*, a mystery drama starring Daisy Edgar-Jones and Taylor John Smith, is an adaptation of the best-selling novel about a woman who becomes a suspect in the murder of a man with whom she was once involved in the marshes of the deep South.

▪ *Paws of Fury: The Legend of Hank*, an animated martial arts comedy starring Michael Cera and Samuel L. Jackson, follows a down-on-his-luck dog who is trained to be a samurai by a cat mentor.

▪ *Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris*, a historical dramedy starring Lesley Manville and Isabelle Huppert, tells the story of a widowed cleaning lady living in 1950s London who becomes obsessed with a couture Dior dress and embarks on an adventure to Paris to track it down.

When it comes to the conception of Thor in the Marvel Cinematic Universe, the jump in quality from where he started to where he is now could be described as super-heroic. His inaugural entry was a misguided attempt at Shakespearean tragedy that still ranks as my least favorite in the franchise, while the follow-up *The Dark World* was received so



Reel Views

BRENT LEUTHOLD

poorly that Kevin Feige and his team were forced to go back to the drawing board. Thor's second sequel *Ragnarok* brought on comedy director Taika Waititi to essentially reboot the superhero's standalone movies, resulting in a god of thunder who was now much less stoic and much more jovial. Now we have *Thor: Love and Thunder*, another adventure that is mercifully in the same spirit of *Ragnarok* as opposed to the dreadfully self-serious first two films.

We're re-introduced to Thor (Chris Hemsworth) as he travels across space with the Guardians of the Galaxy seeking to help those in need, who Thor finds in fellow Asgardian warrior Sif (Jaimie Alexander) on a ravaged planet. She tells Thor that the one responsible for the carnage is Gorr (Christian Bale), a vengeful alien possessing a powerful god-killing weapon who seeks to put an end to all higher beings. Back on Earth, Thor's old flame Dr. Jane Foster (Natalie Portman) is battling cancer but after traveling to New Asgard, she's drawn to the remnants of Thor's shattered hammer, which she is apparently now worthy to wield. With the now super-powered Foster, along with heroes Valkyrie (Tessa Thompson) and Korg (Taika Waititi), Thor must rescue a group of kidnapped New Asgardians while sidestepping Gorr's pernicious traps along the way.

If *Ragnarok* swung the pendulum of the *Thor* movies firmly towards comedy from the stark drama of the first two, *Love and Thunder* finds Waititi trying and ultimately failing to find more of a balance in the middle. In past films like *Hunt for the Wilderpeople* and *Jojo Rabbit*, he's proven his ability to mix laughs and pathos together, but the tonal shifts here are much more wild and mismanaged by comparison. A tragic prelude introducing Gorr's character opens with a shot that wouldn't be out of place in a Terrence Malick project but five minutes later, an obese Thor is doing battle ropes with a trucker hat on. The pace of this film is similarly untamed; huge swaths of narrative process and character development seem to have been left on the cutting room floor in an effort to get this latest entry under the two-hour mark.

Hats off, then, to *Love and Thunder*'s cast, for being

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Stage & Dance LOCAL CALENDAR

NOW PLAYING

The Addams Family — 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

Wista 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

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 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. Friday-Saturday, July 15-16**, Arena Dinner Theatre, Fort Wayne, \$35, (260) 424-5622

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. Monday-Friday, July 18-22, (Grades 3-4)**, Wagon Wheel Theatre, Warsaw, \$200-\$300, (574) 267-8041

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

Fort Wayne Ballet Summer Camps

— Ages 3-6 take part in "Once Upon a Fairy Tale" camps, kids 7 and up can take beginning ballet fundamentals in "Follow the Ballet Brick Road," **9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 25-29**, Fort Wayne Ballet, Fort Wayne, \$90, (260) 484-9646

Diverse Abilities Summer Camp — Creative camp for ages 5-8 with developmental needs, includes movement and yoga, props, and storytelling, register by July 19, **1-3 p.m. Monday-Friday, July 25-29**, Fort Wayne Dance Collective, Fort Wayne, \$80, (260) 424-6574

UPCOMING PRODUCTIONS JULY

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat — Musical comedy based on Joseph from the Bible, **7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21; 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 22; and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, July 23**, DeKalb Outdoor Theater, Auburn, free, (260) 413-3747

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; and 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. and 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

Quick Hit LOCAL EVENTS

CHRIS ISAAK

JULY 16 • EMBASSY THEATRE

Platinum-selling and Grammy-nominated singer and actor Chris Isaak will perform, along with his band Silverstone, at the historic Embassy Theatre in Fort Wayne on Saturday, July 16.

Isaak is well known for his live shows where he often intermixes stories about life and love with his unique, often haunting songs.

In addition to his extensive work creating music for major films, Isaak has nine studio albums from which to pull and has had 12 charting singles, so the night is sure to be filled with hits as Isaak and company work through “Baby Did A Bad, Bad Thing,” “Somebody’s Crying,” and the unforgettable “Wicked Game.”

He’s also been known to perform a cover song or two from his heroes Roy Orbison and Elvis Presley, so you



never quite know what the night will hold. What is guaranteed, though, is a great night of music you can share with the whole family. — *Chris Hupe*

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

Photography and Pottery Exhibit — Black and white photography by JD Nolan, with Christine Davis showing her newest wheel-thrown and intricately designed raku fired pottery, **10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, through July 30**, Orchard Gallery of Fine Art, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 436-0927

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

Garden Party: Outdoor Sculptures by Dorothy Gillespie — Years before her famous exhibitions at Walt Disney World and Rockefeller Center, Dorothy Gillespie had a city-wide exhibition in Fort Wayne in 1979, which is honored by this exhibition, **noon-5 p.m. Sundays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays through June 4**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, \$8-\$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

History & Geographical Changes in Fort Wayne/Framing the Fort — Artwork of Chris Catalogna; **noon-5 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays through Aug. 17**, Gallery K, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 705-2959

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

ART CLASSES, WORKSHOPS

Basic Photography — Paul Raiman of Pere Photography will offer basic class using DSLR camera, assisting students in setting up in-studio object, lighting, composing, and shooting, **11 a.m. Saturday, July 16**, Art05 Studios, Fort Wayne, \$20, (916) 397-7589

Watercolor — John C. Kelty shares watercoloring techniques, **11 a.m. Saturday, July 16**, Art05 Studios, Fort Wayne, \$20, (916) 397-7589

Print Room Talks: John and Lynn Bower — Examine examples of printmaking techniques up close and learn about these artists from Bloomington, **2 p.m. Wednesday, July 20**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, \$8-\$10, (260) 422-6467

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, Hometown, \$230, (260) 424-7195

ART EVENTS

Chief Blue Jacket Sculpture Ribbon Cutting — Celebrate the unveiling of the sculpture created by Sayaka Ganz in honor of the Shawnee Chief Blue Jacket, **noon Friday, July 15**, Blue Jacket Inc., Fort Wayne, free, (260) 744-1900

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

Curator’s Tour: Handstitched Worlds — Curator offers specialized and personal points of view of art exhibits, **12:15 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 4**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, \$8-\$10, (260) 422-6467

Second Thursday: Plein Air Paint Out — Members of the Fort Wayne Artists Guild and Paradigm Gallery will be painting en plein air, with wet paint sale to follow, **5 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 11**, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, free, (260) 422-6467



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Things To Do

LOCAL CALENDAR

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St. Joe Pickle Festival — Tour Sechler's pickle factory and enjoy vendors, music, activities, and a parade at 9:30 p.m. on Friday and 1 p.m. on Saturday, and fireworks at 10 p.m. Saturday, **9 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday, July 14; 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Friday, July 15; 6:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday, July 16**, Riverdale Elementary School, St. Joe, free, (260) 615-3344

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

Tee 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

Three Rivers Festival Fireworks Finale — Fireworks show to close the annual festival, **10 p.m. Saturday, July 16**, Downtown Fort Wayne, free, (260) 420-3266

Bird Banding Family Workshop — Take a peek into the world of bird research by playing banding games, handling the tools, and observing actual research in action, **8:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday, July 16**, Merry Lea Environmental

Learning Center, Albion, \$5-\$7.50, (260) 799-5869

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

Sneaker Ball — For individuals with special abilities (ages 13+), party in a club setting, refreshments, games, music, live entertainment, karaoke, and a sensory room, **4-8 p.m. Sunday, July 17**, Piere's Entertainment Center, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 492-6064

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

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. through Saturday, July 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, **5-9 p.m. Thursday, July 14; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday-Saturday, July 15-16**, Headwaters Park East, Fort Wayne, free admission, (260) 426-5556

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.-3 p.m. Monday-Fridays through July 22**, McMillen Park, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 427-6000

Paris: City of Light & Love — Catch a glimpse of a day in Paris through familiar scenes and playful hues adorning a public square, **10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays; noon-4**

p.m. Sundays through Nov. 13, Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, Fort Wayne, \$5-\$7, (260) 427-6440

FARMERS MARKETS

Allen County Marketplace — Monthly open air market at offering jewelry, artwork, pottery, soaps, and food trucks, **9 a.m.-3 p.m. 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, **9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays**, Berry and Barr streets, Fort Wayne

COMING EVENTS

JULY

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

Improv Comedy Workshop — Workshop suitable for all skill levels, **4-6 p.m. Saturday, July 23**, Studi07, Fort Wayne, free, <http://brokenpencil.go.studio>

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

Tales & Trails — Children (ages 3-5) and their caregiver(s) gather for a short story that incites curiosity before exploring different places with a hike, **10-11:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 26**, Merry Lea Learning Center, Albion, free, (260) 799-5869

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

Last Thursday w/Kourtney Jones, Hallie Nowak, Blake Sebring — Monthly literary series features local authors, poets reading excerpts, **7-9:30 p.m. Thursday, July 28**, Hyde Brothers Booksellers, Fort Wayne, free, (260) 424-0197

JA Wine & Beer Festival — Enjoy wine, beer, cider and spirits samples from Indiana wineries, breweries, and distilleries at a fundraiser that gives to the JA money management program, **5-9 p.m. Friday, July 29**, Parkview Field, Fort Wayne, \$40-\$90, (260) 484-2543

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

Wooden Nickel 40th Anniversary Party — WXKE DJ Doc West will MC the evening, with music from Adam Baker & The Heartache and Sweetwater All-Stars, **6 p.m. Saturday, July 30**, Baker Street Centre, Fort Wayne, \$10, (260) 432-7651

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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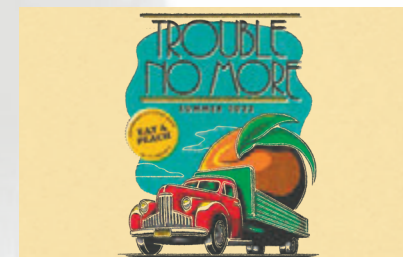
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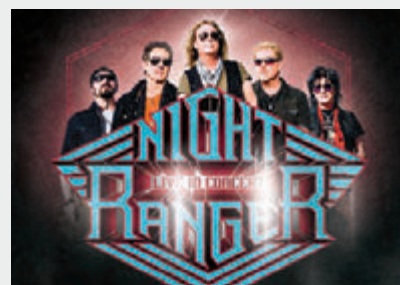
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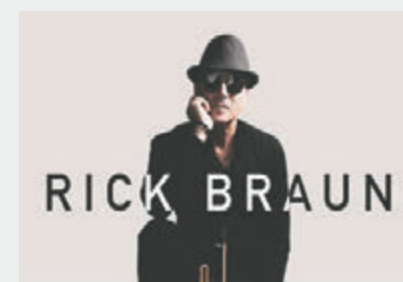
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