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Ann Arbor Summer Festival Announces 31st Season – June 13 – July 6, 2014

The Ann Arbor Summer Festival is proud to announce the line up for the admission-free Top of the Park series. Highlights include: The Sun Messengers, Third Coast Kings, Chris Dupont, The Macpodz, Typhoon, Frontier Ruckus, Clairly Browne & The Bangin' Rackettes, Grammy winners La Santa Cecilia, Spontaneous Art, The Appleseed Collective, Australian indie sensation Boy & Bear, The Crane Wives, The Ragbirds, Afro-pop icon Ricardo Lemvo & Makina Loca, Joe Hertler & The Rainbow Seekers, Detroit rockers Jessica Hernandez & The Deltas and much more.

ANN ARBOR, MI – The Ann Arbor Summer Festival is pleased to announce its admission-free outdoor performances and movies, as well as two special outdoor attractions for the 2014 season. The new season features an eclectic mix of music, dance, comedy, film, spoken word, street arts, and family entertainment. Additional announcements detailing the 12 Retreat wellness classes, 21 nights of Kidzone hands-on activities, Wednesday Wine Tastings, Tuesday Craft Beer Tastings, and dozens of other events will be revealed on the festival's website during the month of May.

Now celebrating its 31st season, the festival's Mainstage ticketed indoor series features the return of several Ann Arbor favorites along with a number of performers making their festival debut. With artists spanning the globe, this year's lineup includes: an evening of classic comedy with **Lily Tomlin**; independent alt-rockers **CAKE** with the Queen of Rockabilly **Wanda Jackson**; Grammy-nominated jazz vocalist **Cécile McLorin Salvant**; the Latin jazz all-star ensemble **Spanish Harlem Orchestra**; two nights with dancer illusionists **MOMIX** in 'Botanica'; NPR's trivia and sketch comedy show **Ask Me Another**; powerhouse jazz, blues, and funk from **Trombone Shorty and Orleans Avenue**; a double bill of legendary blues guitarist **Robert Cray** and R&B icon **Mavis Staples**; acoustic Americana from **Andrew Bird and the Hands of Glory** with Grammy-winning country artist **Tift Merritt**; and political satirists **The Capitol Steps**. Tickets for these shows are available at (734) 764-2538 or www.A2SF.org

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The Ann Arbor Summer Festival is an exhilarating celebration of performing arts, outdoor entertainment, and community spirit. An annual international arts gathering in Ann Arbor, Michigan, the three-week festival offers an array of ticketed and free events, both indoors and out, featuring a progressive mix of local, national, and international artists. Presenting over 140 events each season and attracting a diverse audience of more than 75,000 people, the festival continues to grow as a major cultural event in the Ann Arbor community, and as a leading multi-arts celebration that enriches the cultural, economic, and social vitality of the region. The festival's 31st season runs from June 13 through July 6, 2014.

Festival Venue Information:

Hill Auditorium	825 N. University Ave, Ann Arbor MI 48019
Power Center for the Performing Arts	121 Fletcher Street, Ann Arbor MI 48019
Top of the Park at Ingalls Mall	915 E. Washington Street, Ann Arbor MI 48019
Palmer Field at U of MI	Near the intersection of Palmer Drive and US 23

A detailed schedule of free Top of the Park events and ticketed Mainstage performances follows. For more information, please visit the festival website: a2sf.org

**All events occur at Ingalls Mall unless otherwise noted*

Friday, June 13 – First Friday

5:00 PM Brett Mitchell
6:15 PM Chris Dupont
7:30 PM Tumbao Bravo
9:30 PM The Sun Messengers
11:00 PM DJ Robert Lux

Saturday, June 14

5:00 PM Kylee Phillips
6:00 PM Mike Vial
7:00 PM Joe Summers Gypsy Jazz Trio
8:00 PM An Evening of Classic Comedy with Lily Tomlin (Hill Auditorium)
8:00 PM October Babies
9:30 PM Third Coast Kings
11:00 PM DJ Nick Ayers

Sunday, June 15

5:00 PM Olivia Millerschin
6:00 PM The Understorey
7:00 PM Dirty Sock Funtime Band
8:00 PM CAKE with special guest Wanda Jackson (Hill Auditorium)
8:30 PM The Macpodz
10:00 PM Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

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**Monday, June 16**

7:00 PM 33 & 1/3 (Arbor Brewing)

Tuesday, June 17

5:00 PM Samantha West

6:00 PM The Potter's Field

7:00 PM Dragon Wagon

8:30 PM Typhoon

10:00 PM The Hunger Games

Wednesday, June 18

5:00 PM Bill Edwards

6:00 PM Bob Skon

7:00 PM Creole Du Nord

7:00 PM Spontaneous Art

8:00 PM Cécile McLorin Salvant (Power Center)

8:30 PM Madcat Midnight Blues Journey

10:00 PM North by Northwest

Thursday, June 19

2:30 PM Architects of Air: Miracoco (Palmer Field)

5:00 PM Jim Roll

6:00 PM Dave Boutette

7:00 PM Hoodang

8:30 PM Frontier Ruckus

10:00 PM The Blues Brothers

Friday, June 20

2:30 PM Architects of Air: Miracoco (Palmer Field)

5:00 PM San and Emily Slomovits

6:00 PM Abigail Stauffer

7:00 PM Moxie Strings

8:00 PM Spanish Harlem Orchestra (Power Center)

8:00 PM Lucas Paul Band

9:30 PM The Saints of Soul

11:00 PM DJ Ayinde Audio

Saturday, June 21

2:30 PM Architects of Air: Miracoco (Palmer Field)

5:00 PM Audra Kubat

6:00 PM Ralston Bowles

7:00 PM The Kickstand Band

8:00 PM MOMIX: Botanica (Power Center)

8:00 PM The Horse Cave Trio

9:30 PM Clair Browne & The Bangin' Rackettes

11:00 PM DJ Scout

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**Sunday, June 22**

1:00 PM Architects of Air: Miracoco (Palmer Field)
5:00 PM Tom Butwin
6:00 PM Magdalen Fossum
7:00 PM The O>matics
8:00 PM MOMIX: Botanica (Power Center)
8:30 PM Los Gatos
10:00 PM Despicable Me 2

Monday, June 23

7:00 PM 33 & 1/3 (Arbor Brewing)

Tuesday, June 24

5:00 PM William Wyatt
6:00 PM Austin Scott
7:00 PM Bill Bynum & Co
8:00 PM Trombone Shorty & Orleans Ave (Power Center)
8:30 PM Lindsay Lou & the Flatbellys
10:00 PM When Harry Met Sally...

Wednesday, June 25

5:00 PM Elle Casazza
6:00 PM Spencer Michaud
7:00 PM Spontaneous Art
7:00 PM Wayward Roots
8:30 PM La Santa Cecilia
10:00 PM Gravity

Thursday, June 26

5:00 PM Timothy Monger
6:00 PM The Accidentals
7:00 PM Appleseed Collective
8:00 PM NPR's Ask Me Another (Power Center)
8:30 PM Boy & Bear
10:00 PM Spaceballs

Friday, June 27

5:00 PM Pale Dave & Jenny Fair
6:00 PM Les Tambours
7:00 PM The Crane Wives
8:30 PM Les Tambours
9:30 PM The Ragbirds
11:00 PM DJ Mathew Altruda

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**Saturday, June 28**

5:00 PM Shari Kane & Dave Steele

6:00 PM Les Tambours

7:00 PM Chicago Afrobeat Project

8:00 PM Robert Cray and Mavis Staples (Power Center)

8:30 PM Les Tambours

9:30 PM Orquesta Ritmo

11:00 PM DJ Maxx Makau

Sunday, June 29

5:00 PM Zander Michigan

6:00 PM Keri Lynn Roche

7:00 PM Aaron Nigel Smith

8:30 PM Hullabaloo

10:00 PM The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey

Monday, June 30

7:00 PM 33 & 1/3 (Arbor Brewing)

Tuesday, July 1

5:00 PM Elden Kelly

6:00 PM The Whiskey Charmers

7:00 PM The Ben Daniels Band

8:30 PM The Jill Jack Band

10:00 PM My Big Fat Greek Wedding

Wednesday, July 2

5:00 PM Acoustic Resonance

6:00 PM Jason Dennie

7:00 PM Spontaneous Art

7:00 PM A L'Afrique

**8:00 PM Andrew Bird and the Hands of Glory
with special guest Tift Merritt (Power Center)**

8:15 PM Ricardo Lemvo & Makina Loca

10:00 PM The Artist

Thursday, July 3

5:00 PM Blake Elliott

6:00 PM Dave Menzo

7:00 PM Laith Al-Saadi

8:30 PM Joe Hertler & The Rainbow Seekers

10:00 PM Star Trek Into Darkness

Friday, July 4**5:00 PM The Capitol Steps (Power Center)**

5:00 PM Adam Plomaritas

6:00 PM Nervous But Excited

7:00 PM Dan Henig

8:00 PM The Bluescasters

9:30 PM Lady Sunshine & the X Band

11:00 PM DJ Kirsten Carey



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Saturday, July 5

5:00 PM Briar Rabbit
6:00 PM Diana Lawrence
7:00 PM Black Note Graffiti
8:00 PM The Outer Vibe
9:30 PM Jessica Hernandez & The Deltas
11:00 PM DJ Chuck Sipperley

Sunday, July 6 – So Long Sunday

5:00 PM The Hummingbirds
6:00 PM Annie & Rod Capps
7:00 PM The Brothers Groove
8:30 PM George Bedard & the Kingpins
10:00 PM The Wizard of Oz

For more information on all events, please visit the festival website: a2sf.org

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