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Ann Arbor Summer Festival Announces the 2018 Musical Artists Performing at Top of the Park

ANN ARBOR, MI – The Ann Arbor Summer Festival is pleased to announce its free outdoor music series at Top of the Park for the 2018 season.

The Rackham stage lineup includes east-African retro pop giants, Latin Grammy winners, a boisterous New Orleans brass band, rap's first performing arts group, and local legends you know and love. Latin Night returns on June 16, along with a new Swing Night on June 12, with both evenings offering free dance instruction. New to the O&W Acoustic Stage is the addition of jazz ensembles on Friday nights. With a musical lineup of over 90+ free concerts, there is something for everyone at Top of the Park.

Highlights Include:

[Alsarah and the Nubatones](#), [Big Sam's Funky Nation](#), [The Dustbowl Revival](#), [JC Brooks and the Uptown Sound](#), [Frontier Ruckus](#), [May Erlewine & The Motivations](#), [The Gasoline Gypsies](#), [The Black Opera](#), [Saaitak](#), [Stef Chura](#), [Matt Jones and The Reconstruction](#), [Thornetta Davis](#), [K. Jones and the Benzie Playboys](#), and [George Bedard & The Kingpins](#).

Top of the Park runs from June 8 through July 1, 6 nights each week starting at 5 pm. The entire festival features an eclectic mix of 175+ events showcasing the best in music, dance, comedy, film, spoken word, contemporary circus, street arts, and family entertainment.

The festival's musical performances take place on two stages at Top of the Park on the campus of the University of Michigan:

- Rackham Stage (915 E. Washington Street)
- O&W Acoustic Stage in The Grove (under the Bell Tower on North Ingalls Mall)

For the most up-to-date information, please visit the festival's website at: www.a2sf.org. Additional free family activities, wellness classes, beer and wine tastings, Annex events, and more will be announced soon.

A detailed schedule of Top of the Park series musical performances follows.



2018 Bands at Top of the Park

June 8 – First Friday

5 pm	Dani Darling
6 pm	Jesse Kramer Trio
7 pm	Honey Monsoon
8:30 pm	Jamie Register and The Damn Thang
10:15 pm	JC Brooks & The Uptown Sound

June 9 – Saturday

5 pm	Kate Peterson
6 pm	Misty Lyn
7 pm	Bonny Doon
8:30 pm	Matt Jones and the Reconstruction
10:15 pm	Frontier Ruckus

June 10 – Sunday

5 pm	Sami Mei
6 pm	Diana Lawrence
7 pm	KidsRock: Rhythm Child
8:30 pm	Hullabaloo

June 12 – Tuesday

5 pm	Magdalen Fossum
6 pm	Annie & Rod Capps
7 pm	Royal Garden Trio
8 pm	Swing Dancing Lessons
8:15 pm	Phil Ogilvie's Rhythm Kings (PORK)

June 13 – Wednesday

5 pm	Zander Michigan
6 pm	Almond&Olive
7 pm	Wire in the Wood
8:30 pm	May Erlewine & The Motivations

June 14 – Thursday

5 pm	Jake LeMond
6 pm	Jay Stielstra and Judy Baker



7 pm The Gasoline Gypsies
8:30 pm Jerry Mack and the Terraplanes

June 15 – Friday

5 pm Phillip-Michael Scales
6 pm The Tone Farmers
7 pm October Babies
8:30 pm Stormy Chromer
10:15 pm The Sun Messengers

June 16 – Saturday

5 pm Tom Butwin
7 pm Mariana Riquez
8:15 pm Salsa Dancing Lessons
8:30 pm Descarga Ranga
10:15 pm Salsa Dancing Lessons
10:30 pm Orquesta RITMO

June 17 – Sunday

5 pm Grace Elizabeth Lee
6 pm Cat Canyon
7 pm Kidsrock: Milkshake
8:30 pm The Macpodz

June 19 – Tuesday

5 pm Mary Collins
6 pm Kaye Hoff
6:45 pm Rosewood
8:30 pm The Black Opera

June 20 – Wednesday

5 pm Escaping Pavement
6 pm Mike Vial
6:45 pm Stef Chura
8:30 pm Saajtak

June 21 – Thursday

5 pm Ann Arbor Guitar Trio



6 pm Abigail Stauffer
7 pm Dave Sharp Worlds Quartet
8:30 pm Alsarah and the Nubatones

June 22 – Friday

5 pm MYNA
6 pm Janelle Reichman Trio
7 pm Nadim Azzam
8:30 pm Madelyn Grant
10:15 pm Thornetta Davis

June 23 – Saturday

5 pm Elle Casazza
6 pm Spencer Michaud
7 pm The Stellars
8:30 pm Adam Plomaritas

June 24 – Sunday

5 pm Chey Halliwill
6 pm Shari Kane & Dave Steele
7 pm KidsRock: Mister G
8:15 pm Hoodang

June 26 – Tuesday

5 pm Harrington Brown
6:15 pm Dede and the Dream
8 pm Big Sam's Funky Nation

June 27 – Wednesday

5 pm Jacob Warren
6 pm Audra Kubat
6:45 pm Madcat Midnight Blues Journey
8 pm The Dustbowl Revival

June 28 – Thursday

5 pm Oh Brother, Big Sister
6:15 Dave Menzo
8 pm The Go Rounds



June 29 – Friday

5 pm	Rebecca Rosen
7 pm	Sumkali
8:30 pm	The Ragbirds
10:15 pm	K. Jones and the Benzie Playboys

June 30 – Saturday

5 pm	Adam Labeaux
6 pm	Rollie Tussing
7 pm	Lushh
8:30 pm	Chirp
10:15 pm	Lady Sunshine and The X Band

July 1 – Sunday

5 pm	Amy Petty
6 pm	Dave Boutette and Kristi Lynn Davis
7 pm	The Boa Constrictors
8:15 pm	George Bedard & The Kingpins

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 two parallel programs—one indoor and one outdoor—at various venues and spaces across the University of Michigan campus and in downtown Ann Arbor. Each season features a progressive mix of over 175 events showcasing local, national, and international artists and a diverse audience of more than 80,000 people.

The indoor Mainstage series includes ticketed performances of world-class music, contemporary circus, dance, family entertainment, public radio shows, and comedy. The outdoor program, Top of the Park, is held along a beautiful campus green and offers admission-free concerts, Movies by Moonlight, open-air street spectacle, culinary treats, and unique family attractions.

The Ann Arbor Summer Festival's admission free series located at Top of the Park runs nightly from June 8 – July 1, 2018 (dark on Mondays).

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

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