



JUNE 21 - SPALDING MCINTOSH & THE LIONHEARTS

Founded in 2019 by front man Spalding McIntosh, the LionHearts are a versatile ensemble of established pros, all devoted to presenting its founder's complex compositions on home, love and the challenges of manhood, all in a tight, rolling groove.

JUNE 28 - NO CONCERT - MOUNTAINTOP ART & CRAFT SHOW



JULY 5 - SILLY RIDGE

****Special holiday Saturday concert in Town Square****

Popular Highlands-based band Silly Ridge brings classic bluegrass & popular music, mixed with fun and high energy, to the Highlands-Cashiers

plateau!



JULY 12 - SHANE MEADE & THE SOUND

Shane Meade is the talented singer-songwriter behind the Tampa-based, soul-infused folk rock band Shane Meade & the Sound. Originally from Elkins, West Virginia, Shane taught himself guitar in 2000 before moving to Florida. His heartfelt songwriting captivates audiences with its simplicity, inspiring lyrics, and universal themes.



JULY 19 - THE BREAKFAST CLUB

The Breakfast Club® is the longest running, most recognized '80's tribute band in the United States. Formed in 1993, the group was the first of its kind. The mission was simple: create an entertainment group that embodied the enigmatic, creative, and buoyant spirit of music and live performances of the original MTV generation of the 1980's. That mission remains today.



JULY 26 - THE BOOMERS

The Boomers are back by popular demand! Having shared the stage with Hootie and the Blowfish, Melissa Etheridge, Alison Krauss, Huey Lewis and the News and more. The Boomers are no strangers to the stage and know exactly what it takes to entertain a crowd.



AUGUST 2 - HIGH 5

High 5's sound incorporates rock, blues, Americana, bluegrass, country, jazz as well as other musical styles to provide a set list that is familiar and eclectic at the same time.



AUGUST 9 - HC OAKES BAND

The HC Oakes Band covers songs by Tom Petty, Neil Young, The Rolling Stones, Eagles, Allman Brothers, Chris Stapleton, Jason Isbell and many more. Plus, original songs!

AUGUST 16 - NO CONCERT - HIGHLANDS TWILIGHT 5K

AUGUST 23 - NO CONCERT - MOUNTAINTOP ART & CRAFT SHOW



AUGUST 30 - SOUTHSIDE STATION

Southside Station is a talented five-piece band that brings legendary hits from pop, rock, dance, and country to life, showcasing a unique blend of instrumentation. Having shared the stage with icons like Charlie Daniels, ZZ Top, Styx, Foreigner, and Sheryl Crow, these seasoned musicians know how to captivate an audience.



SEPTEMBER 6 - THE PARKS BROTHERS

Led by brothers Bradley and Brandon Parks and backed by some of the Charlotte's finest musicians, The Parks Brothers deliver a powerful, high-energy musical experience that keeps the crowd on their feet!



SEPTEMBER 13 - CONTINENTAL DIVIDE

For more than three decades, Continental Divide has performed across the Southeast. From the silky-smooth voice of Gene Pharr (A 2016 Carolina Beach Music Hall of Fame Inductee), to the tightness of the rhythm section, to the flowing lines of the horn section, they put on a performance everyone will remember.



SEPTEMBER 20 - BRANDON CROCKER TRIO

Brandon Crocker's diverse repertoire spans artists like James Taylor, John Mayer, Stevie Wonder, Garth Brooks, Eric Clapton, and Otis Redding, covering genres from Blues and

Motown to Pop, Country, and folk hits from the '60s through the '90s. With a constantly expanding setlist, Brandon brings something for every audience.



SEPTEMBER 27 - SHEDHOUSE TRIO WITH DARREN NICHOLSON

The Shedhouse Trio is a dynamic blend of talent and energy, bringing a fresh sound to the mountain music scene. Comprised of core members Brady Wallen on banjo and vocals,

Sarah Griffin on bass and vocals, and Avery Welter on guitar and vocals, the trio effortlessly fuses bluegrass, western swing, classic country, folk, and gospel into a vibrant musical tapestry. Adding depth and flair to their sound are special guests Darren Nicholson on mandolin and vocals and Aynsley Porchak on fiddle.

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Friday Night Live

Showcasing traditional mountain music and local talent
Town Square | 343 Main St. | 6 - 8:30 pm



MAY 16 - DOUG RAMSEY

Doug Ramsay is the "blue-eyed soul man" from Detroit. Influenced by Motown legends and 70s rock, Doug brings decades of experience covering everything from jazz standards to today's hits.



MAY 23 - THE FOXFIRE BOYS

Formed in the early 1980s, The Foxfire Boys grew out of its members' participation in The Foxfire Fund's Appalachian culture and music program in northeast Georgia. Performing bluegrass blends, the band has since graced the stage at the Grand Ole Opry.



MAY 30 - NICK CHANDLER AND DELIVERED

Nick Chandler and Delivered bring a distinctive, polished bluegrass sound, reminiscent of the genre's 1980s heyday. Known for Nick Chandler's exceptional songwriting and arranging, the band has become a must-see at bluegrass festivals worldwide.

JUNE 6 - THE FOXFIRE BOYS (SEE MAY 23)



JUNE 13 - SOUTHERN HIGHLAND BAND

Lifelong friends Tom Nixon and Dean English are also the owners of Blue Ridge Music in Clayton, GA. Their music has an emphasis on their bluegrass roots.



JUNE 20 - CURTIS BLACKWELL & DIXIE BLUEGRASS BOYS

Curtis has had a band since 1965 and was recognized in 2011 as a pioneer of bluegrass music at the International Bluegrass Museum in Owensboro, KY. He is a former member of the Bluegrass Boys, having played with Bill Monroe in the sixties, and is also part of the Atlanta Music Hall of Fame.



JUNE 27 - SPARE PARTS BLUEGRASS BAND

Hailing from Upstate SC, Spare Parts Bluegrass Band delivers delicate harmonies as well as tried and true barn burners within the bluegrass genre. With over 50 years of musical experience amongst them.

Independence Day

JULY 4 - DIVERSE GROOVE

****Special holiday concert in Kelsey Hutchinson Founders Park****

Known nationwide for their high-energy performances and top-tier showmanship, Diverse Groove delivers a nonstop show from the moment they take the stage. True to their name, they perform a wide range of genres, including Top 40 hits, Beach Music, Motown, R&B, Rock, Dance, and Reggae.



JULY 11 - NITROGRASS

Nitrograss, both sonically unique and visually appealing in their performances, provides a care-free and exciting atmosphere of pure acoustic ear-fodder.



JULY 18 - JOHNNY WEBB BAND

Offering laid-back, yet seasoned, country music, the Johnny Webb Band performs selections spanning more than 50 years with a down-home flavor.



JULY 25 - ABC COMBO

Local favorites, The ABC Combo, return with their signature "Jazz-Blues-Funk-Smooth" style and three new members. The group, adding 50+ years of combined experience in jazz, reggae, and more. Expect a vibrant mix of jazz, funk, blues, and world fusion.



AUGUST 1 - EZRA & KATIE

Husband and wife duo, Ezra and Katie have been playing acoustic music together for over 10 years. These Highlands natives recently spent seven years in Los Angeles pursuing their creative endeavors before returning to the area.



AUGUST 8 - MCCLAIN FAMILY BAND

Hailing from Eastern Kentucky's Appalachian Mountains, the McLain Family Band have become internationally known as one of the most spontaneous, creative and spirited groups performing original and traditional bluegrass music. Television appearances include NBC's Today Show, the CBS Morning News and ABC's Good Morning America. They have also performed at Carnegie Hall, The Kennedy Center, The Lincoln Center, and the Grand Ole Opry.



AUGUST 15 - SHAWN LANE TRIO, FEATURING LANE BROTHERS

Shawn Lane is a three-time GRAMMY nominee and a 28-time IBMA Award winner. As a beloved vocalist, instrumentalist, and songwriter, he has collaborated with numerous artists, including Ronnie Bowman, Ricky Skaggs, Willie Nelson, Dan Tyminski, Sierra Hull, Jerry Douglas, Alison Krauss, and Blue Highway, the band he co-founded. The Shawn Lane Trio features his sons, Grayson and Garrett, who are rapidly gaining recognition in Nashville as talented performers and songwriters. They have earned acclaim from notable figures such as Daniel Tashian, Sam Bergeson, Scotty Emerick, and Megan Trainor.

AUGUST 22 - SPARE PARTS BLUEGRASS BAND (SEE JUNE 27)

AUGUST 29 - THE FOXFIRE BOYS (SEE MAY 23)

SEPTEMBER 5 - SILLY RIDGE (SEE JULY 5)

SEPTEMBER 12 - JOHNNY WEBB BAND (SEE JULY 18)

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Saturdays on Pine

Featuring a variety of popular regional bands and musicians
Kelsey-Hutchinson Founders Park | 411-499 Pine Street | 6-8:30pm



MAY 10 - NASHVILLE JUKEBOX

Enjoy a one-of-a-kind performance by Nashville Jukebox to kick off the Outdoor Concert Series season. From '60s classics and '70s rock anthems to new wave gems and today's biggest streaming hits, Nashville Jukebox delivers it all—because they've played it all. These aren't just musicians covering songs; they're seasoned pros who bring every note to life with the authenticity and skill of those who played them first. The members of Nashville Jukebox are the best of the best, having played or recorded with legends spanning five decades, including Tom Jones, Al Green, Carrie Underwood, Wilco, Willie Nelson, Shania Twain, Steve Earle, Katy Perry, and many more.



MAY 17 - GOTCHA GROOVE

Gotcha Groove is a dynamic, seven-member party band based in the Carolinas, known for delivering high-energy performances. Their vast and versatile repertoire spans nine decades, covering everything from R&B, soul, and funk to rock, oldies, beach music, and dance hits.



MAY 24 - MO MONEY

Mo Money, the Carolina Panther's house band, offers infectious energy. With top studio musicians, songwriters, and producers—each with national credits—they deliver authentic covers of your favorite songs. From Top 40 hits to timeless dance classics, their setlist keeps the party going.



MAY 31 - THE HOLIDAY BAND

The ever-popular Holiday Band was established in 1991 in Burlington NC and performs the very best beach music to get crowds on their feet and dancing. They were inductees into Carolina Beach Music Awards Hall of Fame in 2015.



JUNE 7 - PEGGY RATUSZ

A staple of the Asheville music scene, Peggy Ratusz is known for her sultry, multi-layered blend of Blues, Jazz, Soul, and R&B. Drawing influence from legends like Ray Charles, Ella Fitzgerald, and Bonnie Raitt, Peggy's unique voice and soulful style are unmistakably her own.



JUNE 14 - BOOGITHERAPI

Some of Asheville's funkier musicians came together to form BoogiTherapi. Headed by Asheville Funk Soldier Ryan Barber, BoogiTherapi brings high energy dance music that is therapeutic to your mind, body, and soul.