

LAFAYETTE • LOUISIANA  
**DANCEHALLS**



**THE ACADIANA MUSIC  
EXPERIENCE**

**DANCEHALLS  
& LIVE MUSIC VENUES**

**ANTLERS**

555 Jefferson St. | Lafayette  
(337) 234-8877 | [AntlersDowntown.com](http://AntlersDowntown.com)

This downtown institution, famous for plate lunches, features live music after Downtown Alive! each Friday in the spring and fall.

**BAYOU TECHE BREWING**

1106 Bushville Hwy. | Arnaudville  
(337) 754-5122 | [BayouTecheBrewing.com](http://BayouTecheBrewing.com)

This local, family owned and operated brewery specializes in beer that accentuates the bold flavors in Cajun and Creole cuisine. Live music Saturday, noon-6 p.m., and Sunday, 1-4 p.m.

**BLUE MOON SALOON**

215 E Convent St. | Lafayette  
(337) 234-2422 | [BlueMoonPresents.com](http://BlueMoonPresents.com)

One of America's premier venues for roots music from around the world. This world famous honky-tonk is a homegrown place where all are welcome.

**THE CONCORDE CLUB**

119 S State St. | Abbeville  
(337) 740-7339

Live local music each month featuring Cajun, Zydeco, Blues, Rock and more.

**COWBOY'S**

207 N Ambassador Caffery Pkwy. | Lafayette  
(337) 232-3232 | [CowboysLafayette.com](http://CowboysLafayette.com)

Cowboy's is known for live Zydeco and classic country bands. Open Thursday-Saturday with live music from 10 p.m.-1 a.m.

**EL SIDO'S ZYDECO CLUB**

1523 N St. Antoine | Lafayette  
(337) 235-0647 | [facebook.com/pages/El-Sidos-Zydeco-Blues-Club/173522632458](http://facebook.com/pages/El-Sidos-Zydeco-Blues-Club/173522632458)

Established in 1984, some of the best Zydeco performers have played on El Sido's stage including: Clifton Chenier, Buckwheat Zydeco, Rockin' Dopsie, John Delafosse, Beau Jocque, Nathan & The Zydeco Cha Chas, and more.

**FEED & SEED**

106 N Grant St. | Lafayette  
(337) 330-4860 | [FeednSeedLafayette.com](http://FeednSeedLafayette.com)

Located in a 100-year-old building that was formerly Broussard's Feed and Seed Store. Feed & Seed is a non-smoking, uniquely decorated warehouse bar with lounge seating, a large wooden dance floor and an outdoor patio area.

**FRED'S LOUNGE**

420 Sixth St. | Mamou  
(337) 468-5411

Traditional Cajun music and dancing Saturday mornings, 8 a.m.-noon. One of Esquire Magazine's Best Bars in America 2012.

**THE GROUSE ROOM**

1919 Kaliste Saloom Rd. Suite 303 | Lafayette  
(337) 806-9098 | [TheGrouseRoom.com](http://TheGrouseRoom.com)

The Grouse Room offers cocktails ranging from pre-prohibition classics to inventive originals. Come listen and dance to great live music in Lafayette's newest premier venue.

**HOTEL CAZAN**

401 Sixth St. | Mamou  
(337) 468-5100 | [HotelCazan.com](http://HotelCazan.com)

Cajun music every Saturday afternoon.

**LAKEVIEW PARK & DANCEHALL**

1717 Veterans Memorial Hwy. | Eunice  
(337) 457-2881 | [LVpark.com](http://LVpark.com)

Old fashioned fais-do-do barn dances on Saturday featuring popular Cajun, Zydeco, Country and Blues performers.

**LA POUSSIÈRE CAJUN DANCEHALL**

1301 Grand Point Rd. | Breaux Bridge  
(337) 332-1721 | [LaPoussiere.com](http://LaPoussiere.com)

La Poussiere offers an authentic Cajun dancehall experience that showcases Cajun music, language and heritage. Open Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons.

**LE BAYOU LEGENDAIRE**

1307 S Henry St. | Abbeville  
(337) 893-5760 | [RichardSaleBarn.com](http://RichardSaleBarn.com)

One of the most unique live venues in Acadiana, housed in the historic Richard Sale Barn. Concerts in the Spring and Fall.

**LIBERTY THEATER**

200 W Park Ave. | Eunice  
(337) 457-7389 | [Eunice-la.com](http://Eunice-la.com)

The Liberty Center for the Performing Arts presents Rendez-Vous des Cajuns, a Grand Ole Opry-style show featuring Cajun and Zydeco music. The show is live on radio and broadcast later on TV. Saturday, 6-7:30 p.m.

**MILLER'S ZYDECO HALL OF FAME**

11154 US Hwy. 190 | Opelousas  
[facebook.com/THE-ZYDECO-HALL-OF-FAME-103992529647560](http://facebook.com/THE-ZYDECO-HALL-OF-FAME-103992529647560)

Miller's Hall of Fame attracts the biggest crowds and musicians in the Zydeco circuit. For weekend lineups please visit their Facebook page and get there early!

## NITETOWN

524 Jefferson St. | Lafayette  
(337) 593-8551 | [NitetownDowntown.com](http://NitetownDowntown.com)  
Open Thursday-Saturday nights with live music on Fridays.

## NUNU ARTS AND CULTURE COLLECTIVE

1510 Bayou Courtableau Hwy. | Arnaudville  
(337) 453-3307 | [NUNUCollective.org](http://NUNUCollective.org)  
Located in the 5,000-square-foot former Singleton Hardware Store, arts and social activity combine to celebrate a living French culture. Monthly events with live music. Check the website for a full list of events.

## PAT'S ATCHAFALAYA CLUB

1008 Henderson Levee Rd. | Henderson  
(337) 228-7512 | [PatsFishermansWharf.com](http://PatsFishermansWharf.com)  
Live Cajun, Swamp Pop and Zydeco music on weekends. Adjacent to Pat's Fisherman's Wharf Restaurant next to the Henderson Levee.

## RED BARN

2901 Rodeo Rd. | Abbeville  
(337) 517-2546 | [facebook.com/TheRedBarnLA](http://facebook.com/TheRedBarnLA)  
Located in the Jay Guidry Rodeo Arena, this live music venue features concerts by local and regional acts held several times a year.

## ROUTE 92

2600 E Milton Ave. | Youngsville  
(337) 857-5025 | [Route92livemusic.com](http://Route92livemusic.com)  
Live music Wednesday-Saturday nights and Sunday afternoons.

## SMILEY'S BAYOU CLUB

2206 Veteran's Memorial Dr. | Erath  
(337) 937-4591  
Dance to live Cajun music on the weekends.

## SOMEWHERE'S ELSE LOUNGE

1506 Surrey St. | Lafayette  
(337) 234-9577 | [Somewhereselse.wix.com/home](http://Somewhereselse.wix.com/home)  
Enjoy your favorite tunes with lively band nights!

## VERMILIONVILLE

300 Fisher Rd. | Lafayette  
(337) 233-4077 | [Vermilionville.org](http://Vermilionville.org)  
Cajun/Creole Heritage & Folklife Park. Historic village represents life in Acadiana from 1765-1890. Features self-guided tours, costumed, bi-lingual artisans, live music, cooking school, restaurant, boat tours and gift shop. Cajun music jam Saturdays, 1-3:30 p.m. Bal du Dimanche (Sunday dance), Sundays, 1-4 p.m.

## WAREHOUSE 535/RHUM RUM

535 Garfield St. | Lafayette  
(337) 534-4507 | [Warehouse535.com](http://Warehouse535.com)  
Warehouse 535 is a multi-use facility located in the Freetown

neighborhood near downtown Lafayette. This 75-year-old warehouse has been renovated into a unique space to host a plethora of special events.

## WHISKEY RIVER LANDING

1365 Henderson Levee Rd. | Henderson  
(337) 228-2277 | [WhiskeyRiverla.com](http://WhiskeyRiverla.com)  
The place to be on a Sunday afternoon from 4-8 p.m.! Dance to the music of a live Cajun or Zydeco band on a plywood dance floor polished smooth by hundreds of dancers each weekend. Enjoy the beautiful Atchafalaya Basin as the backdrop to the live music.

## DINE & DANCE

### AGAVE MEXICAN GRILL & CANTINA

200 E Vermilion St. | Lafayette | (337) 289-0000  
1919 Kaliste Saloom Rd. Ste 301 | Lafayette | (337) 534-0774  
509 Bertrand Dr. | Lafayette | (337) 889-5540  
2810 E. Milton Ave. Ste. 101 | Youngsville (coming soon)  
[AgaveLafayette.com](http://AgaveLafayette.com)  
Live music during dinner on Friday and Saturday nights.

### ARTMOSPHERE

902 Johnston St. | Lafayette  
(337) 233-3331 | [Artmosphere.vpweb.com](http://Artmosphere.vpweb.com)  
Cozy neighborhood bar, grill, art gallery and music venue with live music 7 nights a week.

### BLUE DOG CAFÉ

1211 W Pinhook Rd. | Lafayette  
(337) 237-0005 | [Lafayette.BlueDogCafe.com](http://Lafayette.BlueDogCafe.com)  
Award-winning cuisine set amidst the artwork of world-renowned artist George Rodrigue, famous for his Blue Dog paintings. Featuring live Easy Listening, Jazz or Acoustic Music Thursday-Saturday nights; and Cajun, Creole, Celtic, Folk, Zydeco, Swamp Pop and more for Sunday Brunch.

### CAFÉ DES AMIS

140 E Bridge St. | Breaux Bridge  
(337) 332-5273 | [CafedesAmis.com](http://CafedesAmis.com)  
Charming restaurant in historical downtown Breaux Bridge specializing in modern Cajun cuisine. Zydeco Breakfast Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-noon.

### CHARLEY G'S SEAFOOD GRILL

3809 Ambassador Caffery Pkwy. | Lafayette  
(337) 981-0108 | [CharleyGs.com](http://CharleyGs.com)  
Charley G's is a Lafayette favorite known for grilling aged beef and fresh Louisiana seafood. The bar features live piano music Wednesday-Saturday.

## COOPER STREET

214 Cooper St. | Jeanerette  
(337) 579-2333 | [Facebook.com/Cooper-Street-188875644623934](http://Facebook.com/Cooper-Street-188875644623934)  
Coffee house in beautifully renovated historic building serving pastries, gourmet coffee and tea. Breakfast options include biscuits, pastries and ice cream. Lunch served Wednesday-Friday  
Live piano music and brunch every Sunday.

## D.I.'S CAJUN RESTAURANT

6561 Evangeline Hwy. | Basile  
(337) 432-5141 | [DIsCajunRestaurant.com](http://DIsCajunRestaurant.com)  
Live Cajun music Thursday-Saturday, 7-10 p.m. Menu features Cajun specialties, seafood and steaks.

## JEFFERSON STREET PUB

500 Jefferson St. | Lafayette  
(337) 232-5040 | [JeffersonStreetPub.com](http://JeffersonStreetPub.com)  
Gastropub featuring weekly live music.

## JOIE DE VIVRE COFFEE & CULTURE CAFÉ

107 N Main St. | Breaux Bridge  
(337) 442-6354 | [JoiedeVivre.cafe](http://JoiedeVivre.cafe)  
Located in the heart of downtown Breaux Bridge, the walls are covered with artwork from local artists. Live music weekly featuring your favorite Cajun musicians.

## LANDRY'S SEAFOOD & STEAKHOUSE OF JEANERETTE

20371 Hwy. 90 E. Frontage Rd. | Jeanerette  
(337) 276-4857 | [Facebook.com/pages/Landrys-Seafood-Steakhouse-of-Jeanerette/120276544709729](http://Facebook.com/pages/Landrys-Seafood-Steakhouse-of-Jeanerette/120276544709729)  
Locally-owned restaurant serving steaks, seafood and buffet. Boiled crawfish and raw oysters in season. Live local music every other Thursday 6-9 p.m.

## LANDRY'S SEAFOOD & STEAKHOUSE OF NEW IBERIA

2318 Hwy. 90 W. | New Iberia  
(337) 369-3772 | [LandrysCajunRstaurant.com](http://LandrysCajunRstaurant.com)  
Locally-owned restaurant serving Cajun specialties, salads, steaks and daily lunch. Landry's grand seafood buffet on Friday and Saturday with live Cajun music 6:30-9 p.m.

## MCGEE'S LANDING

1337 Henderson Levee Rd. | Henderson  
(337) 228-2384 | [McGeesLanding.com](http://McGeesLanding.com)  
A full service Cajun restaurant, marina, kayak, canoe and small boat rentals. Guided swamp tours and airboat tours available. Music and dancing on Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

## O'DARBY'S PUB & GRILL

827 Hector Connoly Rd. | Carencro  
(337) 896-0166

Live music Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Monday is Steak Night.

## PONT BREAUX'S CAJUN RESTAURANT

325 W Mills Ave. | Breaux Bridge  
(337) 332-4648 | PontBreauxsCajunRestaurant.com

Pont Breaux's Cajun Restaurant is the cornerstone of Cajun Country's proudest traditions – the music, food and love of good times. Live Cajun music several nights a week.

## PREJEAN'S RESTAURANT

3480 NE Evangeline Thruway. | Lafayette  
(337) 896-3247 | Prejeans.com

Prejean's team of chefs prepares gold medal Cajun specialties, fresh Gulf seafood, steaks and wild game, while you enjoy live Cajun music nightly.

## RANDOL'S RESTAURANT & CAJUN DANCEHALL

2320 Kaliste Saloom Rd. | Lafayette  
(337) 981-7080 | Randols.com

Two steppin', toe tappin', taste temptin'. Good times, good food, good music. Where the young and the old "Laissez les bons temps rouler." Live Cajun or Zydeco music nightly.

## ROCKY'S CAJUN KITCHEN

1415 E. Laurel Ave. | Eunice  
(337) 457-6999 | RockysCajunKitchen.com

Every Friday and Saturday night Rocky's Cajun Kitchen is serving up authentic Cajun French music by local favorites. Dine in on a Wednesday and participate in an authentic Cajun jam session, where anyone is welcome to join in!

## SILVER SLIPPER: CAJUN HIBACHI GRILL

2818 Hwy. 31 | Arnaudville  
(337) 879-2050 | TheSilverSlipperCajun.com

The legendary Silver Slipper has reopened with a Cajun-Asian fusion menu and live music every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

## JAM SESSIONS

### CITÉ DES ARTS

109 Vine St. | Lafayette  
(337) 291-1122 | CitedesArts.org  
Bluegrass jam on Mondays, 6:30-9 p.m.

## CAJUN CAMPGROUND

5552 Hwy. 190 E. | Eunice  
(337) 457-5753 | CajunCampground.com

Every Friday both amateur and seasoned musicians take turns playing a tune, continuing the tradition of a Cajun jam session. Participants are welcome!

## JOIE DE VIVRE COFFEE & CULTURE CAFÉ

107 N Main St. | Breaux Bridge  
(337) 442-6354 | JoiedeVivre.cafe  
Cajun Jam sessions every Saturday, children's jam sessions the first Sunday of every month, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

## LA MAISON DE BEGNAUD

110 Benoit Patin Rd. | Scott  
(337) 269-5155 | BegnaudHouse.com

A heritage Visitor Center featuring a Cajun House Jam Party every Friday, 6-9:30 p.m. Also featuring one of the largest local Cajun / Creole, Zydeco, Zyde-Cajun, and Swamp Pop music selections in the area.

## LAFAYETTE FARMERS & ARTISANS MARKET AT THE HORSE FARM

2319 Johnston St. | Lafayette  
MarketattheHorseFarm.com

Seasonal, farm-based products and artisanal creations offered by local producers, artists and vendors every Saturday, 8 a.m.-noon. Live Cajun jam 9-11 a.m.

## LE MUSÉE DE KAPLAN

405 N Cushing Blvd. | Kaplan  
(337) 643-1528

Le Musée is an art and historical museum. Coffee/music last Saturday of the month.

## MUSEUM CAFÉ

102 E Edwards St. | Erath  
(337) 937-0012

Located in downtown Erath and next door to the Acadian Museum. Cajun jam sessions every other Saturday, 2-6 p.m.

## POP A TOP LOUNGE

1288 Smede Hwy. | Broussard  
(337) 560-1103 | Facebook.com/PopATopJam

Cajun jam on Saturday afternoons and other live music on special occasions.

## SAVOY MUSIC CENTER

4413 US Hwy. 190 | Eunice  
(337) 457-9563 | SavoyMusicCenter.com

A tradition since 1966, renowned accordion maker and musician Marc Savoy and his wife Ann, who is an author and musician, host a jam session every Saturday morning, 9 a.m.-noon.

## SUNSET JAM

Downtown (Napoleon Ave.) | Sunset  
(337) 662-2223 | SunsetLouisiana.com

The first Friday of the month, enjoy a traditional Cajun, back-porch style jam session and visit with local artists both outdoors and in local shops and galleries.

## TOM'S FIDDLE & BOW

204 Fuselier Rd. | Arnaudville  
(337) 303-8665 | 337-322-5402 | TomsFiddleandBow.com  
The JAMBalaya acoustic music sessions are held the first Sunday of the month from 1-4 p.m.

## TOUCHET'S

7460 Hwy. 167 | Maurice  
(337) 893-9882 | Touchetsbar.com

Home of French music jam sessions. Enjoy live music every other Saturday afternoon.

## VERMILIONVILLE

300 Fisher Rd. | Lafayette  
(337) 233-4077 | Vermilionville.org  
Cajun music jam Saturdays, 1-3:30 p.m.

## DANCE LESSONS

### ADVANCED ZYDECO LESSONS

Le'Debs Nightclub | 2201 Moss St. | Lafayette  
(337) 739-7972 | Facebook.com/SouthernCoMotionDanceCo/  
Learn advanced Zydeco dancing – turns, tricks, twists and all that Jazz! Wednesdays, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

### ALLONS DANSER CADIEN

(337) 257-0801 | CajunProud.com  
Learn the FUNdamentals of the waltz, 2-step, and jitterbug Cajun style!

### DANSER AVEC NOUS!

(337) 234-6709 | DanceCajun.com  
Taught by two of the most respected and cherished Cajun dancers in South Louisiana, Cal and Lou Courville. Order the instructional DVD online or by phone.

### FEED & SEED

106 N Grant St. | Lafayette  
(337) 330-4860 | FeednSeedLafayette.com  
"Hoof it at the Warehouse" with free dance lessons every Thursday from 7-8:30 p.m.

## ZYDECO MIKE'S ZYDECO DANCE LESSONS

(337) 620-8230 | [Ceezees.com](http://Ceezees.com)

Private dance lessons by appointment – Zydeco, Waltz, Cajun 2 Step, Jig and Cajun Jitterbug.

## ATTRACTIONS, TOURS & SHOPS

### ACADIANA CENTER FOR THE ARTS

101 W Vermillion St. | Lafayette

(337) 233-7060 | [AcadianaCenterfortheArts.org](http://AcadianaCenterfortheArts.org)

The AcA hosts a variety of performance series in the world-class James Devin Moncus Theater, including Louisiana Crossroads, a jazz concert series, dance, theater and special events.

### BAYOU TECHE MUSEUM MUSIC EXHIBIT

131 E Main St. | New Iberia

(337) 606-5977 | [BayouTecheMuseum.org](http://BayouTecheMuseum.org)

Hear the world-famous music that emerged from the Bayou Teche region, including Doggerel and French Waltz, Rural Jazz from the likes of New Iberia's own Bunk Johnson, Swamp Pop, and Cajun and Creole music.

### BON TEE CAJUN ACCORDIONS

886 McMillian | Iota

(337) 779-2456 | [Accordions.com/BonTeeCajun](http://Accordions.com/BonTeeCajun)

Bon Tee Cajun accordions are made by Larry Miller, who also makes fine ti-fers (triangles).

### BUNK JOHNSON JAZZ TRAIL

445 E Main St. | New Iberia

(337) 364-7024 | [IberiaLibrary.org/Special-Collections/](http://IberiaLibrary.org/Special-Collections/)

Bunk Johnson was a jazz musician who lived in New Iberia and is credited for teaching Louis Armstrong and other jazz legends. Learn more about Bunk Johnson and his music in the historical collection hosted at the Iberia Parish Library's Main branch. Visit his grave at St. Edward's Cemetery and the Memorial Plaza dedicated to his memory on Hopkins Street. The Bunk Johnson Festival held every spring.

### CAJUN MUSIC HALL OF FAME & MUSEUM

240 S C.C. Duson St. | Eunice

(337) 457-6534 | [CajunFrenchMusic.org](http://CajunFrenchMusic.org)

Artifacts and memorabilia on display related to Cajun music and culture.

### FIDDLE MANIA II

109 W Vine | Opelousas

(337) 948-5227

Fiddle Mania features over-sized fiddles fabricated from metal, painted and designed by local artists. Fiddle designs encompass Louisiana's rich heritage depicting wildlife and waterways, diverse people, food, music and places.

### JEAN LAFITTE NATIONAL PARK & PRESERVE PRAIRIE ACADIAN CULTURAL CENTER

250 Park Ave. | Eunice

(337) 457-8499 | [NPS.gov](http://NPS.gov)

Music demonstration every Saturday at 3 p.m. Good place to visit before the Liberty Theater show.

### JEANERETTE MUSEUM MUSIC EXHIBIT

500 E Main St. | Jeanerette

(337) 276-4408 | [JeaneretteMuseum.com](http://JeaneretteMuseum.com)

Old music instruments and radios at this museum housed in a 100-year-old cypress home presenting a sampling of life along the winding banks of Bayou Teche.

### KEY OF Z RUBBOARDS

[KeyofZRubboards.com](http://KeyofZRubboards.com)

Tee Don's World of Zydeco Rubboards (called a frotoir in Cajun French) makes rubboards in the tradition of his father, Willie Landry, the original maker of the first rubboard for Clifton Chenier.

### LA MAISON DE BEGNAUD

110 Benoit Patin Rd. | Scott

(337) 269-5155 | [BegnaudHouse.com](http://BegnaudHouse.com)

A heritage Visitor Center featuring one of the largest local Cajun/Creole, Zydeco, Zyde-Cajun, and Swamp Pop music selections in the area.

### LAGNIAPPE RECORDS

313 Jefferson St. | Lafayette

(337) 366-8187 | [LagniappeRecords.com](http://LagniappeRecords.com)

Lagniappe Records buys, sells and trades vinyl records. They specialize in rare Louisiana 45s and 78s, world music and much more.

### LOUISIANA SWAMP POP MUSEUM

205 NW Railroad Ave. | Ville Platte

(337) 363-0900 | [facebook.com/Louisiana-Swamp-Pop-Museum-296677220438597/](http://facebook.com/Louisiana-Swamp-Pop-Museum-296677220438597/)

Ville Platte is the "Swamp Pop Music Capital of the World." The museum is open Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Come view the amazing artifacts, photos, records, Wall of Fame and hear the music.

### MARTIN ACCORDIONS

2143 W Willow St. | Scott

(337) 232-4001 | [MartinAccordions.com](http://MartinAccordions.com)

For over 30 years Martin Accordions has built hand-made, single row, diatonic accordions for musicians around the world. Shop tour and Cajun music presentation available for groups of 15 or more.

### MOUTON ACCORDIONS & MUSIC

23466 Crowley-Eunice Hwy. | Crowley

(337) 783-2246 | [MoutonMusic.com](http://MoutonMusic.com)

The Moutons have been building accordions since 1960, making it one of the oldest Cajun accordion labels.

### NUNU'S COLLECTIVE

1510 Bayou Courtableau Hwy. | Arnaudville

(337) 453-3307 | [NUNUCollective.org](http://NUNUCollective.org)

An artistic catalyst for the Town of Arnaudville that places emphasis on developing new art commerce with cultural events including: Music of Acadiana Performance Series, La Table Francaise d'Arnaudville, Acadiana Irish Music Sessions and more.

### SAVOY MUSIC CENTER

5096 US Hwy. 190 | Eunice

(337) 457-9563 | [SavoyMusicCenter.com](http://SavoyMusicCenter.com)

Choose from carefully selected recordings, books, instruments and supplies for musicians from beginners to masters. Marc Savoy's beautiful, handcrafted accordions are available as well.

### SOLA VIOLINS

100 E Vermillion St. Suite 120 | Lafayette

(337) 534-4436 | [SolaViolins.com](http://SolaViolins.com)

Full service violin shop owned by Anya Burgess, violin maker, restorer and player. Anya also plays fiddle with two Grammy-nominated Cajun bands, Bonsoir Catin and the Magnolia Sisters.

### TOUPS/BERNARD MUSIC BRUSHES

2823 Johnston St. | Lafayette

[BernardStudio.com](http://BernardStudio.com)

Grammy winner Wayne Toups and Lafayette artist Tony Bernard have partnered to open this shop featuring Bernard's award-winning art, new and vintage merchandise including albums, T-shirts, posters and more.

### ZYDECO COUNTRY TRAVELS

(337) 451-4664 | [booking@zydecocountrytravels.com](mailto:booking@zydecocountrytravels.com)

[ZydecoCountryTravels.com](http://ZydecoCountryTravels.com)

We take you off the beaten path to the unique places and festivals to experience music and culture like a local.

### ZYDECO MUSIC EXHIBIT

The Jarrell House at Le Vieux Village | 828 E Landry St. | Opelousas  
(337) 948-6263

This presentation includes seven panels that display the legends of Zydeco, the history and information on how Creole sounds developed from the colonial period to the present in South Louisiana.



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# ANNUAL MUSIC FESTIVALS & EVENTS

## SPRING

### DEWEY BALFA CAJUN & CREOLE HERITAGE WEEK

Vermilionville | Lafayette  
(337) 234-8360 | LaFolkRoots.org  
Second week of April.

The annual Dewey Balfa Cajun and Creole Heritage Week is a school, a festival, a family reunion and more! Learn to play music, dance, cook and celebrate the Cajun and Creole cultures. Our motto: Jouer. Danser. Manger. Répéter. (Jam. Dance. Eat. Repeat.)

### FESTIVAL INTERNATIONAL DE LOUISIANE

Downtown Lafayette  
(337) 232-8086 | FestivalInternational.org  
Held annually in late April.

Festival International de Louisiane is the largest non-ticketed outdoor Francophone festival in the country celebrating the connections between Acadiana and the Francophone world. Hundreds of performing and visual artists from 15 countries, along with Lafayette's own artists, residents and visitors, converge on seven stages across Downtown Lafayette for five days of world music.

### BREAUX BRIDGE CRAWFISH FESTIVAL

Parc Hardy | Breaux Bridge  
(337) 332-6655 | BBCrawfest.com  
First full weekend in May.

Featuring over 30 Cajun and Creole bands over three days coupled with the delicious crustacean, the crawfish. Sample crawfish dishes prepared every way imaginable—fried, boiled, étouffée, bisque, boudin, pie, jambalaya and crawdogs—along with other Cajun & Creole favorites.

### ZYDECO EXTRAVAGANZA

Blackham Coliseum | 2330 Johnston St. | Lafayette  
ZydecoExtra.com  
Sunday before Memorial Day.

This fun indoor festival has everything your friends and family will need to dance the day away including live music from some of the area's hottest Zydeco acts, an amateur accordion contest, food vendors serving up traditional Creole cuisine including boudin, red beans and rice as well as traditional festival food like funnel cakes and lemonade.

### BUNK JOHNSON JAZZ, ARTS AND HERITAGE FESTIVAL (BUNK FEST)

Various venues | New Iberia  
(337) 560-5595 | BunkJohnson.com  
Spring

Various events celebrate jazz musician Bunk Johnson with live music, delicious food and a second line parade to the Bunk's grave.

## SUMMER

### CLIFTON CHENIER CELEBRATION

Clifton Chenier Club, 2116 Fernand Crochet Ln. | Loreauville  
(337) 339-5903  
Third Saturday in June.

Celebrating the life and legacy of the King of Zydeco Music! Artists pay tribute to Grammy Award winning legend Clifton Chenier. Music, round table discussions and more begin at noon.

### LEBEAU ZYDECO FESTIVAL

103 Lebeau Church Rd. | Lebeau  
(337) 351-3902

The first Saturday in July, Zydeco fans can visit the home of Rockin' Sidney for live music, dancing and Creole cuisine – including the festival's famous pork backbone dinners.

### DEL CAMBRE SHRIMP FESTIVAL

Delcambre Shrimp Festival Grounds, 409 E Main St. | Delcambre  
(337) 685-2653 | ShrimpFestival.net  
Third full weekend in August.

Dozens of local bands and national recording artists entertain the crowd at the fais-do-dos of this fun festival that honors the shrimp industry.

### ORIGINAL SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA ZYDECO FESTIVAL

Zydeco Festival Park | 457 Zydeco Rd. | Plaisance  
(337) 942-2392 | Zydeco.org  
Saturday before Labor Day.

The Original Southwest Louisiana Zydeco Music Festival, the world's largest Zydeco and LaLa music festival, celebrates the spicy culture of Louisiana Creoles by highlighting, documenting, preserving and enhancing their rich heritage.

## FALL

### CAJUN FRENCH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Cyr Gates Community Center, 300 Parkview Dr. | New Iberia  
(337) 369-7538 | CajunFrenchMusic.org/chapter\_NewIberia.html  
Third Saturday in September.

Les Cadiens du Teche (Cajun French Music Association's New Iberia Chapter) music festival featuring Cajun bands, dancing, food, refreshments, raffle, door prizes.

### LOUISIANA SUGAR CANE FESTIVAL

Various venues | New Iberia  
(337) 369-9323 | HiSugar.org  
Last full weekend in September.

Fais-do-dos featuring Cajun, Zydeco and variety bands are a popular feature of this festival which celebrates the sugar cane industry.

## FESTIVALS ACADIENS ET CRÉOLES

Girard Park | 500 Girard Park Dr. | Lafayette  
FestivalsAcadiensetCreoles.com  
Second full weekend in October.

Started in 1972 as an effort to keep Cajun culture alive, it has grown into a four-day event that attracts people from all over the world. Festivals Acadiens celebrates the food, music and heritage of the Cajun and Creole people of South Louisiana.

### BLACKPOT CAMP

Lakeview Park & Beach | 1717 Veterans Memorial Hwy. | Eunice  
(337) 457-2881 | BlackPotCamp.com

In preparation for the Blackpot Festival, take lessons in Cajun fiddle, accordion, guitar, Old-time banjo, Swing jazz, songwriting, dancing and more with seasoned professionals. This week-long camp always takes place in October, Sunday through Thursday, before the Black Pot Festival.

### SOUTH LOUISIANA BLACKPOT FESTIVAL & COOKOFF

Vermilionville | 300 Fisher Rd. | Lafayette  
(337) 354-5243 | BlackPotFestival.com  
Last weekend in October.

Live performances range from Cajun and Zydeco, to Creole, Swing, Hot Jazz, Blues, Bluegrass, Americana, Irish and Old-Time. Plus, an old-fashioned blackpot cook-off, accordion contest, called square dancing, and camping space for tents and RVs.

## WINTER

### AL BERARD MUSIC FESTIVAL

1510 Courtableau Hwy. (NUNU Arts & Culture Collective) | Arnaudville  
(337) 344-3821 | AlBerard.com

Visit the French-speaking community of Arnaudville for a day filled with live music, arts and culture in December. The Al Berard Music Festival is a fundraising event for the Al Berard Memorial Music Fund at Community Foundation of Acadiana (CFA).

For a complete list of festivals and events, go to  
[LafayetteTravel.com/Events](http://LafayetteTravel.com/Events)



PINE LEAF BOYS AT BLUE MOON SALOON

# CONCERT SERIES



## BACH LUNCH

Parc Sans Souci | Lafayette

(337) 291-5544 | LafayetteScienceMuseum.org

The Lafayette Science Museum produces this popular free lunch hour series featuring a variety of local musicians. The bands perform noon-1 p.m. with lunches available for purchase from local restaurants. Fridays in the Spring and Fall.

## CONCERTS AT COURET

Couret Farms | Pont Des Mouton & Acadian Hills | Lafayette

(337) 216-6666 | SouthernLifestyleDevelopment.com/Couret-Farms

One of Lafayette's newest concert series is a free, monthly summer event on Fridays, 6-9 p.m. Come dance away your summer away with music, food and fun Upper Lafayette-style!

## DOWNTOWN ALIVE!

Parc International or Parc Sans Souci | Lafayette

(337) 291-5566 | DowntownLafayette.org

Acadiana's premiere concert series, Downtown Alive! has united community and culture to create a weekly tradition and celebration in downtown Lafayette on Fridays in the Fall and Spring. DTA! offers great entertainment in the form of free, smoke free, family-friendly, outdoor concerts.

## GRASS ROOTS IN THE PARK AT THE HORSE FARM

2913 Johnston St. | Lafayette

(337) 769-4846 | LafayetteCentralPark.org

Free summer concert series featuring a variety of musical acts on Thursdays from 6-9 p.m.

## LES CADIEN DU TECHE (CFMA)

La Louisiane Banquet Hall, 5509 Hwy. 14 | New Iberia

(337) 364-1880 | CajunFrenchMusic.org/Chapter\_NewIberia.html

Third Thursday of every month.

Les Cadiens du Teche (Cajun French Music Association's New Iberia Chapter) features live Cajun music starting at 7 p.m.

## LOUISIANA CROSSROADS

James D. Moncus Theater/Acadiana Center for the Arts

101 W Vermilion St. | Lafayette

(337) 233-7060 | AcadianaCenterfortheArts.org

Louisiana Crossroads is a concert, discussion and broadcast series held monthly, October-March. This concert series provides a top-notch showcase for regional and visiting artists in an intimate and accessible format.

## MERCREDI SHOW

Pelican Park | 110 Softball Dr. | Carencro

(337) 896-5000 | PelicanPark.net/Concerts

Concert series is family fun for all ages on Wednesdays (Mercredi in French) from 6-8:30 p.m. in April-May and September-October.

## THE OIL CENTER AFTER HOURS

Heymann Memorial Park | 700 Girard Park Dr. | Lafayette  
(337) 232-1267 | TheOilCenter.com

Free monthly concert on Wednesdays in the Spring and Fall, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

## OPELOUSAS MUSIC & MARKET

Le Vieux Village/Farmer's Market Pavilion

828 E Landry St. | Opelousas

(800) 424-5442 | CityofOpelousas.com/Music-Market

Local music and fresh homegrown produce every Friday, April-May and September-October, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

## RHYTHMS ON THE RIVER

River Ranch Town Square | Lafayette

(337) 216-6566 | Facebook.com/RhythmsOnTheRiver

Concert series in River Ranch Town Square on

Thursdays in the Spring and Fall, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

## SOUNDS IN THE SQUARE

Magdalen Square | Abbeville

(337) 893-8550 | (337) 893-4110

Live music concert series on Thursdays, 5:30-9 p.m., in the Spring and Fall.

## SUGAR JAM

Sugar Mill Pond Town Center | Youngsville

SugarMillPond.com

Monthly free concert on Saturdays, 6-9 p.m., May-November.



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# RADIO STATIONS WITH LOUISIANA PROGRAMMING

## KANE 1240 AM

800 S Lewis St. Suite 204-D

New Iberia (337) 365-3434

KANE1240.com

Cajun, Zydeco, Swamp Pop

## KRVS 88.7 FM

University of Louisiana Lafayette

(337) 482-5787 · KRVS.org

Public radio with local programming featuring Cajun, Zydeco, Blues, Jazz, Swamp Pop, Swamp Rock, Louisiana singer/songwriter and more.

## KBON 101.1 FM

109 S 2nd St. · Eunice

(337) 546-0007 · KBON.com

Louisiana artists including Cajun, Zydeco and Swamp Pop.

## KSIG 1450 AM

P.O. Box 60571 · Lafayette

(337) 783-2520

Country, Zydeco, Cajun, Swamp Pop, Zydeco Cajun, Blues, Louisiana Rock-N-Roll

## KEUN 105.5 FM

330 W Laurel Ave. · Eunice

(337) 457-3041

Contemporary Country, Cajun

## KVPI 1050 AM & 92.5 FM

809 W LaSalle St. · Ville Platte

(337) 363-2124 · Oldies925.com

AM: Country, Cajun · FM: Oldies, Swamp Pop

## KJEF 1290 AM

1215 S Lake Arthur Ave. · Jennings

(337) 439-5525 · Cajunradio.com

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# MUSIC PRESENTATIONS FOR GROUPS

## ACADIANA BAYOUS & BYWAYS WITH MAMA REDELL

[BayouandByways.com](http://BayouandByways.com)

Wake up your senses with the sights, sounds and smells of Cajun culture like you've never seen before. As you travel through the bayous and byways of Cajun and Creole Louisiana, you will experience the true joie de vivre our culture has to offer.

## MARTIN ACCORDIONS

[MartinAccordions.com](http://MartinAccordions.com)

Hear the story of how Junior Martin and his family began making custom crafted diatonic accordions used by musicians around the world. Learn about the many steps in creating the accordion from the artist himself and sit back in delight as he demonstrates how this joyous instrument is played.

## SIDY SID ZYDECO

(337) 235-0647

Private parties and presentations featuring La La, Creole folklore, Zydeco stories and more.

## SOLA VIOLINS

100 E Vermilion St. Suite 120 | Lafayette

(337) 534-4436 | [SolaViolins.com](http://SolaViolins.com)

Full service violin shop owned by Anya Burgess, violin maker, restorer and player. Anya also plays fiddle with two Grammy-nominated Cajun bands, Bonsolr, Catin and the Magnolia Sisters.

## ZYDECO A-Z

(337) 288-8893 | [ChubbyCarrier.com](http://ChubbyCarrier.com)

Grammy Award winning Zydeco musician, Chubby Carrier, will serve up a spicy cup of soul with a dash of history and a hint of curiosity. Experience the evolution of Zydeco music from its African and French beginnings through live performances and listener participation. Available for groups Monday-Thursday during the day.



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A lifelong resident of Louisiana, Francis X Pavy was born in Lafayette on March 2, 1954. As a child, Francis studied art under the direction of Elemore Morgan Jr. In college he studied music, ceramics, animation, painting, printmaking and sculpture, graduating in 1976 with a fine arts degree in sculpture. In 1977 Pavy started working in a glass shop, making leaded and beveled glass windows. In 1982 he opened his own glass studio. He adopted painting as his primary medium in 1985, but still works in a variety of media. Pavy's works vibrate with life, color and musical rhythm. The abstract dimension in his works is always profoundly grounded in southern motifs and culture. Pavy works in many media including paintings, prints, constructions and sculpture.

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