Radio Waves Music Festival

September 8 and 9, 2012

WTIP North Shore Community Radio and the North Shore Music Association are proud to present the 5th annual Radio Waves Music Festival, highlighting the talent and diversity of North Shore musicians. The event takes place at Sweetheart’s Bluff, in the Grand Marais Rec Park.

This guide will help you get to know the musicians, and includes an insert with the festival schedule, a listing of food vendors, and a little bit about how this festival came to be.

Welcome and enjoy!

WTIP North Shore Community Radio is the first and only community radio station broadcasting on the North Shore of Lake Superior with news, information and programming that captures and reflects the culture and personality of the region.

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The North Shore Music Association is dedicated to presenting and supporting musical arts and musicians in Northeast Minnesota with a focus on entertainment, education and cultural enrichment.

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Bughouse!
A band whose core members cut their musical teeth in Cook County, Bughouse! puts its own unique spin on rock-n-roll favorites, forgotten classics and newer material that’s destined to become classic.

Bill Camplin & Randy Sabien
Popular Midwest folk singer-songwriter Bill Camplin and jazz string instrumentalist Randy Sabien put on an energized show combining Camplin’s alternative folksy, lyrically driven ballads with Sabien’s fiddle and mandolin playing.

Cook County’s Most Wanted
Known for their eclectic choice of material, vocals and mix of instruments, CCMW is truly a favorite for listening and shakin’ a leg! Dance to their choice mix of alternative country, folk and country rock. The “Most Wanted” are Rod Dockan, Al Oikari, Carah Thomas, Gary Croft, Snuffy Smith, and Rick Brandenburg.

Earth Wind & Todd
A groovy ‘70’s dance band from Grand Marais, they put their own unique spin on material while playing infectious one hit wonders, rock, pop, funk soul and disco. The band is: Todd Miller on guitar and vocals, John Gruber on bass and vocals, Holly Harwig on vocals, and Kris Smith Johnson on drums. It’s high energy, dy-no-mite good times. Bring your dancing shoes!

Bump & Barbara Jean
This folk/roots duo is Bump Blomberg on guitar and vocals, and Barbara Jean Meyers on banjo, fiddle, viola, and vocals. Their complementary musical backgrounds and extensive musical training combine to create a unique and vibrant sound.

The Carpenter Ants
Regardless of the occasion, this band never fails to have a good time - a feeling that’s contagious! With virtually the same lineup for 25 years, band members are: Michael Lipton- Lead Guitar/Vocals, Charlie Tuitt- Alto Sax/Lead Vocals, Jupie Little- Drums/Vocals, and Ted Harrison- Bass/Vocals.

D’Merritt
The members of this band joined forces to bring Cook County its own blend of 80’s rock, modern pop-rock, and a sprinkling of modern pop-country. Between gigs there are working hard on their own original songs. The band is: Correy & Kari Merritt, Ted Czaplicki, and Nace Hagemann.

Drew Heinonen
An acoustic singer-songwriter originally from Minneapolis, Drew spent five years working as a luthier in a small shop in Maine. His music draws influences from older rock as well as classic and contemporary folk, country and bluegrass.
Rich Mattson & Germaine Gemberling

Germaine is a singer-songwriter who grew up in St. Paul, MN in the midst of the indie-rock explosion that brought us the Replacements, Husker Du, Jayhawks and Soul Asylum. She fronts Junkboat and performs acoustically with Rich, a guitarist/singer who also performs with Ol Yeller, The Tisdales and The Bitter Spills.

Yvonne Mills

Yvonne blends her delightful voice with acoustic guitar in a variety of styles from folk and mountain music to Irish melodies and ballads.

Jim & Michele Miller

Jim has been playing his own signature style of country, folk/rock and story songs for over twenty years. His wife Michele joins him on fiddle, mandolin and harmonica, adding a twist of bluegrass to this entertaining performance.

Minnesota Don & Captain Al

Al Hedstrom and Don Bauer team up to bring an eclectic mix of original tunes, and maybe a “trademark” cover or two. Al grew up in Grand Marais and when he’s not singing or writing songs, he spends his time as a charter fishing guide in Fort Myers, Florida.

Briand Morrison

Born in Brooklyn, New York, Briand picked up the guitar at age seven and had his first paying gig at thirteen. He went on to study rock and jazz guitar, spending time in Minneapolis and Boston, Massachusetts, and moved to the North Shore in 2000 where he continues to play and write music.

MYsterious WAYs

Best known for playing rock and classic rock throughout the area, MYsterious WAYs also has roots in country and acoustic, as well as other genres of music. The band includes Pat Eliasen on vocals and bass/acoustic guitar, Mike Pratt on electric/acoustic guitar, and Matt Bronikowski on drums.

North Shore Community Swing Band

Since 1999, this all-volunteer swing band has presented big band dance favorites of all generations. The band performs at local public events throughout the year.

Paul H. Pederson

Paul has been performing his mix of country blues and 60s and 70s American folk for over 40 years. He moved to Grand Marais in 1980 and has been singing, playing guitar and restoring wooden stringed instruments ever since, in addition to performing solo on a variety of Cook County stages.
The Pete K Group
The Pete K Group plays outstanding R&B based Blues Rock with a heavy emphasis on contemporary Chicago Style Blues.” They are: Pete Kavanaugh - guitar and vocals; Eric Meyer - bass and vocals; and Tim Dahlin - drums.

John Silliman
John’s acoustic, multi-instrumental music is Folk with a little bit of Classic Country mixed in. A naturalist on the Gunflint Trail for over ten years, he also serves on the Gunflint Trail Volunteer Fire Department, and hosts several music programs on WTIP.

skyBLUEtrio and the ORANGEgirl
This quartet of Grand Marais musicians performs singable and danceable jazz standards and original jazz compositions. All have performed popular and classical music in various community organizations and ensembles. They are: Karina Roth, vocals; Mike Roth, bass; Erik Hahn, sax and flute; and Mike DeBevec, piano and vocals.

Gordon Thorne
Local troubadour Gordon Thorne will present a Sunday morning set of acoustic spirituals - tipping his hat to Reverend Gary Davis, Willie Johnson, John Hurt and other masters of the gospel guitar.

Portage
Sing along and stomp your feet to the boot scootin’ covers of classic country and rockabilly chart toppers by this local ensemble. Regular performers at area festivals, the band is: Butch Deschampe, Tom Hoy, Joe Petersen, Jim Spry and Arvid Dahl.

The Sivertones
Liz Sivertson on tenor sax/clarinet, and John Gruber on rhythm guitar and vocals, cover Kingston, Mo-town, Chicago, East L.A., jazz standards and a rousing polka, not to mention groovy, original instrumentals. Their goal in music is to have fun without being LOUD.

The Splinters
Since 1994 this band has gigged at various venues in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Led by driving accordion, they’re known for packing dance floors with wild and sweaty dancers. They are: Rick Brandenburg, Drums; Jeff DeShaw, Bass; Bill Hansen, Guitar & Vocals; Leah Thomas, Accordion, Vocals; and Holly Harwig, Vocals, Cowbell.

The Trails End Band
This band plays classic rock, current rock, blues and a bit of country thrown in for good measure. Band members include: Tony Faras, guitar and vocals; Jeff Sylvester, guitar and vocals; Mark Darling, keyboards; Louie Medina, guitar, harmonica, and vocals, and Nolan Chenevert, bass, guitar, and vocals.