## Radio Waves Music Festival

September 7 - 9, 2018



WTIP North Shore Community Radio is proud to present the 11th Annual Radio Waves Music Festival, featuring three days of music by local and regional musicians.

This guide will help you get to know the musicians, and share a little bit about Radio Waves as well as our unique radio station.

Welcome and enjoy!

#### About Radio Waves...

The Radio Waves Music Festival started in 2008 as part of WTIP's 10-year anniversary celebration. The festival takes place annually the weekend after Labor Day at the west end of the Grand Marais Recreation Area. There's a tent in case of rain, a dance floor, activities for children from 12 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and on-site food.

## **Information and Membership Tents**

The Information and Membership Tents are located near the festival entrance, with WTIP staff and volunteers on hand throughout the festival. Visit them if you need to pick up a festival schedule (or another festival guide like this one), pick out a prize if you were a lucky drawing winner, make a donation to WTIP or become a listener-member, find a WTIP program guide, and much, much more.

The 2018 Radio Waves Music Festival is funded in part by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, Grand Marais Area Tourism Association, and Visit Cook County.

WTIP is grateful to the many volunteers who help make this event possible. Thank you!

## Aho Family

Performing for the first time at Radio Waves, the Aho Family Band has played Polka music in and around the Finland, MN area for decades. Performing on accordion and drums are sisters Theresa, Kristiina and Terri.

Saturday 2:20 p.m.

#### **Axtell**

This American-Argentine duet of Katrina Axtell (from right here in Cook County), and Julian



Hernandez is distinguished by its memorable melodies, captivating harmonies, and high-energy live performances that frequently break the fourth wall.

Saturday 4 p.m.

#### **Brothers in Arms**

Returning to this year's festival, this local band plays the best from the 50s, 60s, 70s, 80s and Classic Rock and Roll. Members are Jim Miller (acoustic guitar/vocals), Jonathan Steckelberg (bass), Drew Heinonen (guitar/vocals), and Joe Peterson (drums).

Friday 6:50 p.m.



## The Carpenter Ants

Together for nearly 25 years, the group's trademark sound — rich, soulful harmonies, stinging solos and



a rock-solid rhythm section — captures that rare, loose-but-tight feel, and has won the band international as well as regional fans. Members are: Charlie Tee (vocals), Michael Lipton (guitar/vocals), Ted Harrison (bass, vocals) and Jupie Little (drums, vocals).

Saturday 8:30 p.m.
Sunday 10 a.m. (Gospel/Blues Show)

## Casey Aro

Hailing from a little place in Minnesota called Zim, Casey shares a mix of country and old-time tunes with a trio for his first time performing at Radio Waves.



With a repertoire of songs and stories - a collection built on over 25 years of experience as a member of an "old-time" dance band and countless solo performances in all kinds of settings - you'll laugh and cry as he regales you with a wealth of information gleaned from a lifetime of performing, loads of imagination and just plain living.

**Sunday 12:30 p.m.** 

## Cherry Dirt

Hailing from
Wisconsin and
Minnesota, this
acoustic duo plays
a mix of old and
new American
music - with a



ukulele twist! They are Staci Cihlar (vocals) and Ryan Cihlar (ukulele/vocals).

Sunday 1:20 p.m.

#### Common Ground

Defining their style as "eclecticana" this Acoustic Roots/Americana trio based out of Grand Marais



has a song list that spans a wide variety of genres from traditional folk tunes to

modern pop tunes with a distinctive twist. They are Drew Heinonen (guitar/vocals), Jonathan Steckelberg (bass), and Bob LaMettry (percussion).

Saturday 5:50 p.m.



## Cook County's Most Wanted

This local favorite has been playing around the area for more than a decade, offering an eclectic mix of alt country, classic country, folk, roots, and rock.

CCMW is known for quality sound, tight vocal harmonies, and great musicianship. Performing at this year's festival are Rod



Dockan, Carah Thomas, Gary Croft, Snuffy Smith, Steve Johnson and Tommy Rich.

#### Saturday 6:40 p.m.

### **Dlutkowskis**

Sisters Emma and Carrie Dlutkowski together with their mother Susan on piano have delighted audiences with their highenergy musicality drawing



energy musicality, drawing on the dynamic music of Canadian and American fiddle traditions. Adding clogging and Ottawa Valley step dancing reinforces the driving rhythm of their "stunningly fast fiddling."

Friday 6 p.m.

## Gene LaFond & Amy Grillo



Writing and performing together throughout the Northland, since moving to the Northshore in 2014, this acoustic duo performs a wide range of original

songs along with an eclectic mix of renditions of some of their favorites - with a focus on strong harmonies and lyrics as well as a dash of humor.

Saturday 12:40 p.m.

## Gillis & Stamps

Chris Gillis is a jazz and funk piano man. Thomas Stamps is a percussionist and vocalist extraordi-

naire. Both worked and lived in New Orleans years ago and have joined forces here. This



year they'll be joined by a few of our town's young musicians who together, wrote an original composition they'll share along with a couple of other funky notes. We promise you, this jam should not be missed!

#### **Sunday 3:10 p.m.**

## Jim & Michele Miller



Engaging audiences with their tight harmonies and approachable style, this duo performs American roots music with passion and warmth, and traditional folk and bluegrass with a light-hearted ease.

Sunday 11:40 a.m.

## lim McGowan

Guitarist, music lover and new Cook County resident, Jim shares an engaging mix of acoustic, folk, rock, Irish, roots and blues. His musical influences include John Prine, Cat Stevens, Johnny Cash, John Denver and many



others. Prepare for a good time...and to sing along!

Saturday II a.m.

#### Kilborn Ouartet

These four local musicians blend guitar, keyboard, bass and drums to create a soulful mix of jazz, bossa nova, jazz standards, blues, pop and more. They are Kilborn Norgaard, Mike Reeves, Martha Marnocha and Eric Anderson. **Saturday 10 a.m.** 



#### Lake Effect

Inspired by this beautiful town in which they live, work and make music, Lake Effect plays eclectic folk, highlighted by their superpowered harmonies. Performing are Barb LaVigne, Yvonne Mills



and Amanda Hand (pictured), along with Russ Viton, Jonathan Steckelberg and Mila Horak.

Saturday 7:40 p.m.

## Maria Nickolay

This local singer/songwriter's unique sound comes from a depth of musical genres, including Alterna-

tive Folk, Appalachian, Blues, Indie, Country, Traditional Irish, and even and little Rock n' Roll. Every song she delivers is with honest emotion and a contagious passion for the sheer joy of making music.



Saturday 3:10 p.m.

## Mysterious Ways

Started by three friends who've been playing together for over 20 years, they play everything from the 50s to 70s and 80s classic rock to some Metallica and Ozzy (with a few songs written by the



band for some local flavor). They are: Pat Eliasen (guitar & vocals), Mike Pratt (lead guitar & vocals), Matt Bronikowski (drums), and Will Moore (bass).

Saturday II:50 a.m.

## North Shore Swing Band

Kicking off Radio Waves ever since the beginning, this group of all volunteer musicians - based in Grand Marais - began in 1999 as a concert band, and is dedicated to the performance of music from the Big Band era. For a number of years now they've been accompanied on occassion by local musician and singer Carah Thomas on vocals.

#### Friday 4:00 p.m.



## Plucked Up String Band

Playing original music with the energy of alternative rock and punk bands as a fully acoustic string band ensemble, they blend rich vocal harmonies with a hard-driving rhythm. They are: Bill Hansen (dobro), Elliot Noyce (mandolin/vocals), Matt Nesheim (banjo/vocals), Will Moore (bass/vocals), Kieran Scannell (drums), and Amanda Hand (guitar/vocals).

Saturday 4:50 p.m.



## Portage

Ge ready for some boot-scootin', toe-tapping, classic country and rockabilly tunes of decades gone by.



Band members include Jim Spry (classic country vocals), Butch Deschampe (rockabilly vocals), Arvid Dahl (lead guitar), Jacob McCormick (bass), and Smokin' Joe Petersen (drums).

Saturday 1:30 p.m.

#### Rich Mattson & The Northstars

This Northern Minnesota band's "cosmic Americana" style is an eclectic mix of folk, country, and rock and



roll that pleases the musical palates of all ages and species. Performing are Rich Mattson (vocals/guitar), Germaine Gemberling (vocals/acoustic

guitar), Keely Lane (drums), and Kyle Westrick (bass).

Friday 8:50 p.m.

# Sam Miltich & The Clearwater Hot Club

A self-taught jazz guitarist born and raised in the woods of northern Minnesota, Sam's fluid and instinctive sound has graced hundreds of stages, from small towns on the Iron Range to New York's Lincoln Center. Taking inspiration from gypsy jazz and swing, the Hot



Club is Sam Miltich (guitar), Mike Miller (drums), Matthew Miltich (bass), and Gary Schulte (violin).

#### with Briand Morrison



Through his vast experience playing professionally in many types of bands through the years, Briand has acquired a smooth, warm and innovative style. Eventually settling in Grand Portage in 2000, he continues to play guitar and write music.

Sunday 2:10 p.m.

#### **SplinterTones**

A high-octane, sixpiece band based in Grand Marais, the band plays an uppity blend of hep and snappy tunes in a unique and unmistakable style. They're



noted for their vibrant vocal harmonies, colorful stage presence, and strong rhythmic grooves.

Sunday 4 p.m.

#### **SVEA**

A local a capella women's quartet singing traditional Swedish folk songs, they formed back when Grand Marais held its first Hygge Fest, and have been enter-



taining area audiences ever since. They are Erika Ternes, Rose Arrowsmith Decoux, Tina Hegg and Yvonne Mills.

Friday 5:10 p.m.

## WünderDogs

This relatively new trio of well-established local musicians plays original Blues and R&B based songs as well as Blues standards with lots of good jamming to get you feeling fine and good grooves to get you moving! They are Pete Kavanaugh (lead guitar/vocals,) Thomas Stamps (drums/vocals), and John Mianowski (bass).

Friday 7:50 p.m.



## **Food Vendors**

## Alyce's

Grilled hamburgers Cheeseburgers Chicken breasts Chili Pop & chips

Pastries
Gluten-free muffins
Coffee

# Bethlehem Lutheran Church & My Sister's Place

(Friday & Saturday only)

Spring roll bowls Banh mi hot dogs Thai chips Sodas

## Double D's BBQ

Pork nachos Pulled pork sandwiches Beverages Sunday Morning:
Donuts
Coffee

## Molly D's

Corned beef on a hot dog
Plain jane dogs
Veggie dogs
Rice-Krispie treats
Hot & cold beverages



#### **About WTIP**

WTIP North Shore Community Radio is an independent, nonprofit radio station broadcasting from the north shore of Lake Superior in Grand Marais since 1998! Over the years we have become more than a radio station, bringing a voice to area residents and connecting, reflecting and building community.

#### Our programming and services include:

- · Local weather, news, information and events. Eclectic music programming
  - Educational and entertaining programs and features, including over
     25 locally produced programs per week, hosted by volunteers
- Resource-filled website: visit **www.wtip.org** for news, archived stories and features, community events, local music calendar, playlists and more
- Online streaming: tune in from anywhere, via your computer, tablet or smartphone!

#### Become a member!

As an independent community radio station, WTIP relies on the support of our listener-members to continue bringing the essential, entertaining and diverse mix of programming you hear every day. If you're not already a member, consider supporting our efforts with a one-time or monthly contribution.

Thanks for keeping community radio strong!

☐ Yes, I'd like to become a sustaining member

☐ Yes, I'd like to support WTIP with a one-time gift

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