

Radio Waves Music Festival

September 6 - 8, 2019



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WTIP North Shore Community Radio is proud to present the 12th 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 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. It 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 and facepainting at the Kids Tent from 12 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and on-site food.

Special kids-only activity - print your own Radio Waves t-shirt - Saturday from 12 to 4 p.m.

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 another festival guide (like this one), become a listener-member, find a program guide or bumper sticker, or shop for WTIP gear.

Take the Radio Waves survey!

Just use the link below, or scan the QR code to the right or visit the Information Tent and ask to take the survey.

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the Gunflint Trail Association, and Visit Cook County.

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

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North Shore Community 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. The group features many fine players and soloists, as well as two talented vocalists, Thomas Stamps and Carah Thomas.

Friday 4:00 p.m.



Eric Frost

Eric has been playing music all his life, and brings an appreciation for rock and roll's roots to his performances, covering music from the old time, bluegrass, folk and blues traditions. He also plays plenty of his favorite popular tunes from the past and present. A native of Chicago, Eric lives here in Cook County.

Friday 5:10 p.m.



North Country Fair

Americana and roots music with a twist of bluegrass, and some honest-to-goodness blues on the side!



This 'Girl Band' delivers an engaging mix of traditional tunes, heartfelt originals and down-home mountain music. They are Brenda Benson (pedal steel guitar), Michele Miller (vocals/guitar/mandolin/fiddle), Georgene Daubanton (vocals/percussion), and Kenna Rose Stephens (vocals/guitar). **Friday 6 p.m.**

Fish Heads

Influenced by bluegrass, rock, folk, blues and Texas swing, as well as pop ununuals like Elle King and Jessie J., they regard their music as rockin' folk and 'grass - but definitely not mainstream bluegrass. You'll hear old rock standards



too, from the Bee Gees and Aerosmith, to Steve Miller and Johnny Cash. The original Fish Heads are Mike Monson and Kim Curtis-Monson, and joining them in this newest venture, Paul Jones.

Friday 6:50 p.m.

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Pushing Chain

Boyd Blomberg and Adam Moe started playing together 21 years ago right here in Cook County.

Since then, they've recorded three albums and traveled across the country



playing their brand of Folky-Tonk music. This summer, they played the main stage at the Kerrville Folk Festival in Texas, appeared at the Woody Guthrie Folk Festival in Oklahoma, and extensively toured the East Coast and Colorado, with stops everywhere in between. But ask any road dog - it's always nice to be home. **Friday 7:50 p.m.**

WunderDogs

This trio of well-established local musicians plays original blues/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 Thomas Stamps (drums/vocals), John Mianowski (bass), and Pete Kavanaugh (guitar/vocals).

Friday 8:50 p.m.

Curry Family Band

Hailing from Finland, MN, this family band is made up of three generations of musicians and vocalists, playing everything from bluegrass and old-timey music to classic country hits. They are: Bob Curry (rhythm guitar/vocals), Anne Curry (mandolin/vocals), Dennis Curry (bass), Erika Curry (lead



guitar), Jacob Curry (drums), Derek LaVigne (drums), Dustin LaVigne (pedal steel/lead guitar), and Nancy LaVigne (vocals). **Saturday 10 a.m.**

Up Jumped Trouble

A group of friends from around the country, who for the last 18 years have made it a point to gather together a few times a year to play Pre-war Old Time dance tunes at festivals, dances, and under tarps. With fiddle, banjo, guitar and bass they play obscure fiddle tunes from Chapel Hill to Chisholm. Banjo player Brian Zimmerman hails from Madison WI, and shreds anything you put in front of him. Fiddle player Michelle Yu is from Bay Area California and has been playing fiddle since she was in diapers. A.D. Norcross kills the guitar daily and is from North Carolina, but now calls Finland, MN, home. And North House's own Ben Byron is filling out the band's rhythm needs on the dog house bass.

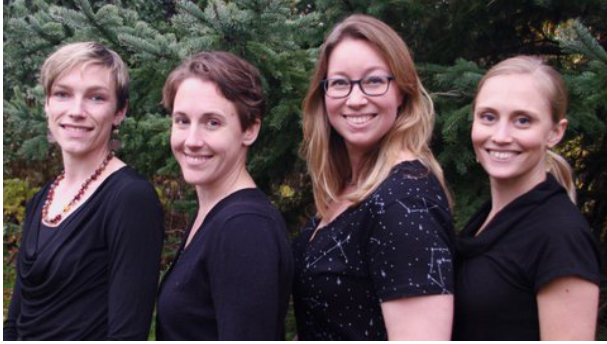
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SVEA

Rose Arrowsmith DeCoux, Tina Hegg Raway, Elunia Steckelberg, and Erika Ternes, blend stories with a capella Swedish folksongs. They live in Grand Marais.

Saturday 11:40 a.m.



Sky Blue with Horns - featuring Tom Pfothenhauer

The ambassadors for jazz on the North Shore since their inception 10 years ago, they play all styles



from the last century of jazz, and have regularly performed concerts at a number of venues in the area. Members are: Mike Roth (bass), Karina Roth (vocals), Thomas Stamps (percussion/vocals), Erik Hahn (sax/flute), Eric Anderson (trombone/euphonium), and Mike DeBevec (piano/vocals). At this year's festival they're pleased to welcome a distinguished guest musician - virtuoso trumpet/flugelhorn player Tom Pfothenhauer of the UMD Music Department.

Saturday 12:30 p.m.

Common Ground

An acoustic roots/Americana trio based out of Grand Marais, their song list 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 1:30 p.m.

Sam Miltich & Briand Morrison

Over the last few years these Northern Minnesota jazz guitarists have embarked on a creative journey exploring the music of some of the finest jazz guitarists in history. Fierce and driving, and at times gentle and contemplative, this duo's love of jazz and deep respect for each other build a beautiful platform for their stunning performance. Sam and Briand are backed by an all-star rhythm section of Jay Epstein on drums and Matthew Miltich on bass.

Saturday 2:40 p.m.



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Yellow Bellied Sapsuckers

Their original songs are a refreshing, brand-new take on old-time country, recalling classic hillbilly music, while bringing a distinctly modern and lively touch to the Americana genre. Based in Soldiers Grove, WI, the duo - Nikki Grossman (guitar/fiddle/vocals), and Joe Hart (guitar/mandolin/vocals) - have built a growing audience of fans throughout the Midwest who appreciate their lighthearted performances. **Saturday 3:40 p.m.**



The Carpenter Ants

Together for over three decades, their rich, soulful harmonies, stinging solos and rock-solid rhythm section captures that rare, loose-but-tight feel, and has won the band international as well as regional fans.



And back this year - in great spirits and with a smile on his face - is lead singer Charlie Tee. Along with Charlie (vocals), the Ants are Michael Lipton (guitar/vocals), Ted Harrison (bass/vocals) and Jupie Little (drums/vocals). **Saturday 4:40 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. (Gospel/Blues Show)**

Singleton Street

An award-winning band based out of Delano, MN, combining bluegrass, Celtic, and old time music to form their unique version of "Americelticana." They feature tight harmonies, energetic arrangements, and



a fun and friendly stage presence. As the members of Singleton Street like to say, if you have fun and they have fun, it's time well spent! **Saturday 5:50 p.m.**

Gentleman's Anti-Temperance League



The GATL plays jazz originals and modern songs under an old-time facade. It's music your granddad would listen to, if your granddad was a time-traveler from 2050, with a hankering for vintage cocktails and hot jazz. **Saturday 6:50 p.m.**

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Dlutkowskis

Fiddling sisters Carrie and Emma, together with their mother Susan on piano, delight audiences with their



energetic performances, which feature tight instrumental harmonies and athletic step dancing. Their music draws on a wide range of traditional and contemporary styles,

from Canadian and American, to Scottish and swing.
Saturday 7:50 p.m.

Joshua J. Schmidt Band

Growing up on the North Shore of Lake Superior gave Josh plenty of time to experiment with songwriting, guitar playing and recording on an old 4-track in his mom's basement. Since then, he has gone on to earn millions of streams online, leading his indie-rock outfit Step Rockets. His reputation for catchy songs and tightly woven melodies has found its way into his solo act, looping and weaving layers of guitar to recreate some of his timeless compositions. Over the past decade, he has staked his claim as one of the most talented and accomplished musicians to break out of Minnesota.

Saturday 8:50 p.m.



Gospel Show

with The Carpenter Ants

See bio on previous page. **Sunday 10 a.m.**

Lake Effect

This group of local musicians plays original tunes and reimagined covers featuring three part harmony vocals with underpinnings of superb instrumental interludes. They are: Russ Viton (guitar), Yvonne Mills (vocals/guitar/glockenspiel), Barb LaVigne (vocals/ukulele/flute), Amanda Hand (vocals/guitar/percussion), Jonathan Steckelberg (bass), and Mila Horak (percussion). **Sunday 11:30 a.m.**



Joe Paulik Band

Joe Paulik plays 12 string guitar and writes songs stemming from an Earth philosophy and spiritual bent. Kenna Rose joins him on vocals; with Al Oikari on keyboards, lap-steel, and electric guitar; Pat Flack on bass; and Joe Luoma on drums.

Sunday 12:20 p.m.



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Fred Anderson

For over 50 years, Fred has studied the guitar styles and techniques of many artists from Leo Kottke to Doc Watson. He has performed in several blues and jazz combos including The Channel Cats Blues Band, The Cutaways Jazz Quartet, and Dat Dere Jazz. He currently plays with the North Shore Community Swing Band, and also solo, at local venues and in Harbor Park. **Sunday 1:20 p.m.**



Cherry Dirt

Hailing from Wisconsin and Minnesota, this acoustic duo plays a mix of old and new American music - with a ukulele and accordion twist! They are Staci Cihlar (vocals/accordion) and Ryan Cihlar (ukulele/accordion/vocals). **Sunday 3:20 p.m.**



Grand Marais

Music Collaborative

The Stars of the North program is part of the GMMC and provides free music lessons for area youth. Every summer the Collaborative mixes a few of the teachers and students to form a fun, collective band - showing you they've got a groove. This year the show will wind up with a percussion jam boasting everything from piccolo to steel drums. Kids in the audience are welcome to join on stage!

Sunday 2:10 p.m.



Woodblind

Between the vocal sound effects of stand-up bassist Veikko Lepisto and the whistling virtuosity of guitarist Jason Wussow, it's hard not to pull a face muscle from smiling, while bouncing along to the almost criminally upbeat ska stylings of Woodblind. After forming in 2013 during an impromptu jam behind Beaner's Central, this acoustic duo promptly released the



attitude-positive full-length album *Big Voice*. These days the band may become a jubilee featuring the likes of Tyler Dubla on drums, Jimi Cooper on lead guitar, and Eli Bissonett on violin.

Sunday 4:20 p.m.



WTIP North Shore Community Radio is an independent, nonprofit radio station broadcasting from the north shore of Lake Superior in Grand Marais since 1998.

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 listening: tune in from anywhere, via your computer, tablet or smartphone

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