# Radio Waves Music Festival

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WTIP North Shore Community Radio is proud to present the 9th 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 ten-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, kids activities for a portion of 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 winner, make a donation to WTIP and become a listener-member, find a WTIP program guide, and much, much more.

The 2016 Radio Waves Music Festival is funded in part by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund and is supported by funds from the Grand Marais Area Tourism Association and Visit Cook County.

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

## Angel Hair Rasta

Angel Hair Rasta is a reggae dance band with a mix of local talent. Fronted by Michael Monroe, the band includes Todd Miller, Amy Jo Flack, Jonathan Steckelberg. Also joining Angel Hair Rasta for this performance is former MN Artist of the Year nominee, percussionist Marc Anderson.



Performing: Sunday 6:00 p.m.

#### Bend

Andy Keith is a local musician and founding member of

the internationally known band, "The Skinny." Now, following a fresh breeze, he is joined by Brenda Benson on lap steel guitar, Brian Bennett on didgeridoo, Gina Todd on flute, Bob LaMettry playing cajon, and John



Symchych on bass guitar.

Performing: Saturday 2:30 p.m.

#### **Bowers & Gillman**

Enjoy the combination of fiddle and 6 and 12 string guitar music by the talented duo of longtime Big Top Chautauqua fiddle player T. Bruce Bowers and seasoned Madeline Island fingerstyle guitarist Ric Gillman.



Performing: Sunday 1:20 p.m.

# Briand Morrison & Friends

Grand Portage guitarist Briand Morrison brings years of experience and a high degree of technical excellence to the stage. He'll bring a mix of classic jazz standards and pop favorites.



Performing: Saturday 12:00 p.m.

## Cook County's Most Wanted

Cook County's Most Wanted (originally known as "Rod 'n Real") is a Radio Waves mainstay, playing at every festival so far. This local favorite plays a sweet



blend of "Fine Rock & Choice Country" music. The members of CCMW are Rod Dockan (guitar and vocals), Al Oikari (keyboards,

lap steel and guitar), Carah Thomas (mountain dulcimer and vocals), Steve Johnson (guitar, pedal steel and vocals), Dale "Snuffy" Smith (bass), and guest drummer Robin Anders.

Performing: Saturday 8:00 p.m.

## The Curry Family Band

A regular performer at events in Finland and Silver Bay, the band consists of three generations of musicians and vocalists that play everything from



bluegrass and old-timey music to classic country hits.

Performing: Saturday 11:00 a.m.

## Dat Dere Jazz

Dat Dere Jazz is Fred Anderson (guitar), Dave MacLean (drum kit), Martha Marnocha (piano), Bob LaMettry (percussion), John Praxmarer (bass) and Don Grant

(trumpet). The band plays a mix of jazz standards including Latin, swing and several styles of bebop.



Performing: Sunday 12:30 p.m.

#### **Dlutkowskis**

Fiddler Carrie Dlutkowski and pianist Susan Dlutkowski play a mixture of music from Canadian and American fiddle repertoire, ranging from traditional tunes to contemporary compositions, including waltzes, airs, swingy tunes and high-energy reels. Carrie frequently accompanies her playing with percussive clogging



and Ottawa Valley stepdancing.

Performing: Sunday I I:00 p.m.

## **Dusty Heart**

Rich vocal harmonies merge with intimate layers of

guitar, fiddle and banjo to define the lush sound of the recently formed duo, Dusty Heart. Barbara Jean and Molly Dean are two songwriters recognized in their own right for their poetic lyrics and distinct vocal styles that when combined as Dusty Heart fuse to create a powerful



and haunting sound that takes on a life of its own.

Performing: Friday 7:30 p.m.

## Earth, Wind & Todd

A groovy '70's dance band that puts a unique spin on material while playing infectious one hit wonders, rock, pop, funk, soul and disco. They are: Todd Miller, Amy Jo Flack, and John Mianowski.



Performing: Friday 8:30 p.m.

#### The Fish Heads

The Fish Heads are an eclectic slice of Americana

meets bluegrass, meets old rock-n-roll. A trio from Duluth and born in the 50's, their genres are EVERY genre. You'll hear everything from Elle King to Johnny Cash, to AC/DC. Kim Curtis-Monson and husband Mike hold down lead vocals while switching off on bass and



acoustic guitar, while Paul Jones dazzles on the pedal steel guitar and dobro.

Performing: Saturday 3:00 p.m.

#### Frozen Britches

This traditional Irish duo is Tom van Cleve on fiddle/accordion and Erik Hahn on flute/ whistle. They share their love of the music of ancient Ireland, as well as exploring newer tunes and more contemporary approaches to



Celtic music. Tom and Erik are joined this year by guitarist Michele Miller, who shares a love of Celtic music and culture.

Performing: Friday 5:00 p.m.

## Heck Yeah Holler String Band

A rag-tag group of musician friends who enjoy playing everything from old hymns to the Rolling Stones, with a few unexpected stops in between. HYHSB consists

of Amy Schmidt (vocals/guitar), Andy Schmidt (mandolin/resonator guitar), Pat Flack (bass), and Bob LaMettry (percussion). Recently joined by Yvonne Mills (vocals/guitar) and Pete Kavanuagh (vocals/guitar). Sing along



or dance, you're sure to have some fun...Heck Yeah!

#### Performing: Sunday 2:10 p.m.

#### Lake Effect

Yvonne Mills, Amanda Hand and Barb LaVigne

connected in 2010 at the weekly Song Circles held at Shanty Camp in Grand Marais. Although hailing from divergent musical histories, they discovered a shared love of vocal harmonies. Along with Russ Viton's guitar playing, and Jonathan Steckelberg on



bass, they're excited to continue this experiment and share with willing victims!

Performing: Sunday 5:00 p.m.

#### Rich Mattson & The Northstars

Minnesota singer-songwriter Rich Mattson is joined by

Germaine Gemberling on vocals and guitar, Curtis Mattson on drums, Russell Bergum on bass, and Eli Bisson-



ett on violin, bringing their unique brand of cosmic-folk featuring acoustic guitars, strings, and their patented vocal harmonies.

Performing: Saturday 6:00 p.m.

## lim and Michele Miller

Engaging audiences with their tight harmonies and ap-

proachable style, this duo performs American roots music with passion and warmth, and traditional folk and bluegrass with a light-hearted ease. They'll be joined by



special guest Will Moore on upright bass.

Performing: Sunday 11:50 a.m.

## Sam Miltich & The Clearwater Hot Club

Sam Miltich is a self-taught jazz guitarist born and raised in the woods of Northern Minnesota. Sam burst on the scene in his teens as a young lion of gypsy jazz, joining Paul Mehling's Hot Club of San Francisco and touring internationally with the world-renowned Robin Nolan Trio. Sam's fluid and instincitve sound has graced hundreds of stages, from small towns on the Iron Range to New York's Lincoln Center. Joining Sam is Matthew Miltich on upright bass and Briand Morrison on guitar.

Performing: Saturday 7:00 p.m.



#### Michael Monroe

Michael Monroe performs his award-winning music blending rich vocals and handcrafted Seaton guitars, with bamboo/ crystal flutes, "live" using technology powered by creativity... he is 'a band in his own mind."

Performing: Sunday 3:00 p.m.



## Plucked Up String Band

Having debuted at Radio Waves last year, Plucked Up String Band plays alternative bluegrass music - or as they call it, "astroturf." Using traditional bluegrass instruments, they play original songs with rock and pop flair to create a truly unique sound. Members are Elliot Noyce on vocals/mandolin, Amanda Hand on

vocals/guitar, Matt Nesheim on banjo, Will Moore on bass, Bill Hansen on dobro, and Kieran Scannell on drums.



Performing: Friday 5:30 p.m.

# North Shore Community Swing Band

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



Performing: Friday 4:00 p.m.

#### Oversize Load

Founded by four friends with a common interest in

rock/hard rock and heavy metal, Oversize Load has been a fixture on the local music scene for over 20 years. Playing everything from Jerry Lee



Lewis to Metallica, their gigs range anywhere from acoustic shows to full blown dances.

Performing: Sunday 4:00 p.m.

#### Portage

The Portage
Band brings you
boot-scootin',
toe-tapping, classic country and
rockabilly tunes
of decades gone
by. Band members
include Jim Spry



(vocals and rhythm guitar), Butch Deschampe (vocals and rhythm/lead guitar), Arvid Dahl (lead guitar), Jacob McCormick (bass), and Joe Petersen (drums).

Performing: Saturday 1:00 p.m.



## Scotty's Coast Connection Band

Scotty's Coast Connection Band plays an eclectic mix of original tunes, and maybe a "trademark" cover or two. True "showmen" who met up in SW Florida, they play many different types of instruments, including the "redneck xylophone...bottles filled with varying degrees



of water mounted on a plank. Scotty's Coast Connection band are Scotty Player, John "Dack" MacDonald, Bruce "Deano' Dean, Don Bauer, Al Hedstrom and Joe Higgins.

Performing: Saturday 4:00 p.m.

## Shaky Ground

Our little group, playing eclectic covers with a folk twist, began with Terry Valdivia (guitar and vocals) and Susan Gecas (guitar and vocals) hosting the Gunflint Tavern Open Mic night. Over time we were joined by Betsy



Bowen (bass), Bob LaMettry (cajon), and Brenda Benson (slide guitar) on a consistent basis and liked the sound and fun when playing

together. For this performance Bret Berka is joining the group on guitar.

Performing: Saturday 2:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday Noon to 4 pm

## Shoot from the Hipsters

Shoot from the Hipsters has been playing as a trio this summer with Don Bauer, Russ Viton, and John Gruber. They've added Rick Brandenburg on drums and Liz Sivertson on sax for the Radio Waves set. Their music

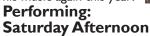


ranges from Latin jazz to country rock, blues to soul. They are all music-world veterans. The whole idea is to have fun!

Performing: Friday 6:45 p.m.

## John Silliman

John currently plays eleven different types of instruments, and has long term plans to learn more. His influences include Celtic, Folk, Bluegrass and Classic Country music; and he's thrilled to share his music again this year!





# **KIDS TENT**



## Sky Blue Trio and the Orange Girl

Sky Blue Trio and the Orange Girl was formed in 2010. The members are Karina Roth (vocals), Mike Roth

(bass), Erik Hahn (sax and flute), and Mike De-Bevec (piano and vocals). Brett Jones (percussion) joins them as the Sky Blue Jazz Ensemble for select performances. Their performances have included concerts, swing dances, jazz history pre-



sentations, music festivals, and jazz church services, both in Grand Marais and other North Shore communities.

Performing: Saturday 10:00 a.m.

#### Gordon Thorne & Friends

Along with Chris Gillis and friends, 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.

**Performing:** Sunday 10 a.m.

## The Yellow-Bellied Sapsuckers



The Yellow-**Bellied Sapsuckers** perform original songs and fiddle tunes inspired by the classic hillbilly, western-swing, and old-time fiddling traditions. They also mine

the same repertoire for forgotten gems that deserve to be heard again. The Sapsuckers are Nikki Grossman (fiddle, guitar, vocals), and loe Hart (guitar, vocals).

Performing: Saturday 5:00 p.m.

#### Mark Zierath



Making his Radio Waves debut, classically trained, finger-style guitar player Mark Zierath is influenced by the music of Alex de Grassi, Adrian Legg, and Pierre Bensusan.

**Performing:** Friday 6:30 p.m.

Stop by the information tent to enter the prize drawings featuring prizes and donations from local businesses and organizations.

Thank you for coming...ENJOY the show!

#### **About WTIP**



WTIP North Shore Community Radio is an independent, nonprofit radio station broadcasting from the north shore of Lake Superior in Grand Marais, Minnesota, and we're proud to be celebrating 18 years on the air! Over the years we've become more than a radio station, by 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 programs per week, produced and 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 support WTIP!

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