WTIP North Shore Community Radio
welcomes you to the 15th Annual Radio Waves Music Festival!

This guide will help you get to know the musicians and our unique radio station.

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Radio Waves Music Festival 2022

Radio Waves is funded in part by the Minnesota Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Dan Nelson Quartet is Dan Nelson, a formally trained musician, on guitar; John Gruber on bass guitar and vocals; Martha Marnoch on keyboard; and Mike Reeves on percussion. The group performs a potent mix of funk, blues, R&B, and even Jazz.

5 p.m. Friday

Portage is boot-scootin, toe-tapping, classic country and rockabilly tunes from 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).

3 p.m. Friday

Barbara Jean and Mike Lewis love music and each other. They both have released music on their own and have recorded and played with a myriad of other bands including Bon Iver, Bonny Light Horseman, Jenny Lewis, Dusty Heart, Alpha Consumer, Andrew Bird, Happy Apple, Big Red Machine and Fat Kids Wednesdays to name a few.

4 p.m. Friday

New Salty Dog is a funk/jam trio based out of Duluth, MN.

7 p.m. Friday

Colleen “Boss Mama” Myhre takes listeners on an emotional ride from smooth country heartbreak to foot stomping Americana blues and beyond. Her songwriting ranges from honest emotion and earthly imagery to the raucousness of horses, strippers, and whiskey.

6 p.m. Friday
Dre AKA Jamaican
Jamaican born, Minnesota Resident. Has been in the Local hip hop scene for 20 plus years as a producer, writer and performer. Upbeat, family friendly hip hop.
8 p.m. Friday

Splints are Liz Sivertson (horns), Leah Thomas (accordion), Jeff Deshaw (bass), Max Bichel (violin), and Rick Brandenburg (drums). The band hails from the north shore of Lake Superior and have been playing music together for many, many years.
9 p.m. Friday

Joe Paulik Band are close friends who have music in common. They are: Joe Paulik (12 string guitar and vocals), Al Oikari (keys, lapsteel, electric guitar), Kenna Rose (vocals), Pat Flack (Bass), Joe Peterson (drums and percussion).
11 a.m. Saturday

LaFond & Grillo have been writing and performing together since 2012. Their emphasis is on acoustic performances of original songs, as well as unique renditions—from Dylan to dirt-old-country.
10 a.m. Saturday

Jim McGowan splits his time between Hovland and St. Paul. He loves to engage his audience with a wide-ranging mix of acoustic, folk, rock, Irish, roots, blues, and storytelling.
Noon Saturday

Sky Blue Jazz Ensemble are the ambassadors for jazz on the North Shore since their inception 13 years ago. They are: Mike Roth (bass), Karina Roth (vocals), Erik Hahn (sax and flute), Eric Anderson (trombone and euphonium), Mike DeBevec, (piano and vocals).
1 p.m. Saturday
Echoes from Iron Ore is a collaborative roots music project led by songwriter/guitarist Chris O’Brien who invited a talented cast of musicians from several Minnesota bands to combine blues and soul music with folk-inspired storytelling.

3 p.m. Saturday

Adam Moe is a fiddler and singer/songwriter based in Duluth, MN. His unique original songs backed by tenor guitar and clear, classic-country voice make for a great show. He believes that good music can make strangers share a table, and he tries to prove it every time he plays.

2 p.m. Saturday

Cryote Hailing from the small town of Lutsen, MN, Joshua J Schmidt is a nationally acclaimed singer/songwriter who has earned over 11 million streams as the leader of his band Step Rockets. He has toured and opened for the likes of Kurt Vile, Soul Asylum, Third Eye Blind, K. Flay, Bon Jovi, and Blondie.

3 p.m. Saturday

Sam Miltich & Clearwater Hot Club w/Briand Morrison Exploring the music of some of the finest jazz guitarists who ever lived, guitarists Sam Miltich and Briand Morrison bring their own unique styles to the repertoire of the jazz heroes that came before them.

4 p.m. Saturday

Superior Siren is an eerie-folk project from Duluth, Minnesota. The music is inspired by Lake Superior and Siren mythology, and combines alluring vocals with haunting melodies. Superior Led by singer-songwriter and guitarist Laura Sellner, whose writing is influenced by the human experience, the depths of the psyche, and the beauty of natural surroundings.

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6 p.m. Saturday
Rich Mattson and the Northstars  Hailing from the great northwoods of Minnesota, Rich Mattson and Germaine Gemberling have been performing together since 2010. The latest incarnation of the Northstars (with longtime drummer and cohort Keely Lane and bassist Kyle Westrick) released their 5th album “Skylights” in February of 2021 to rave reviews. With influences ranging from the Byrds, Neil Young, Tom Petty, X, and Link Wray, the group’s original “cosmic folk” has cycled-back to a more roots-rocking sound in recent years.

7 p.m. Saturday

The Evening Stars  are a 6-piece super group playing soul, funk, classics and modern songs, as well as original interpretations and obscura. Members include Tina Hegg Roway bringing lead vocals, Todd Miller on lead guitar and vocals, Jonathan Stockelberg on bass and vocals, Ted Czaplicki on drums, Erik Hahn on Saxophone and vocals, and Drew Heinonen on guitar and vocals.

9 p.m. Saturday

Ginger Bones  The songwriting of Abbyzak is slow-simmered, telling stories about the mundane beauty of everyday life. Self-described as ‘abnormal folk rock’ Ginger Bones likes to eat good food and bring people together, especially outside and on porches. Their debut EP, ‘Home for Dinner’ is out now.

8 p.m. Saturday

Catch it!

Northland Rumble with Rich Mattson & Germaine Gemberling-- 1st Saturday of each month, 5-6 p.m.

Ginger Bones Sound Kitchen with AbbyZak--1st Thursday of each month, 3-4 p.m.

Scenic Route with Will Moore every Friday from 6-7 p.m.

Sounds & Sparks at wtip.org

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The North Shore Swing Band was formed in 2001 to provide the community with live, swing band entertainment and to engage community members in lifelong musical learning. It has grown from a tiny ensemble to a full 16 – 18 piece ‘big band’ with marvelous ensemble players and soloists.

Musicians are:
- Band Leader and Alto Sax: Kathy Bolstad
- Tenor Sax: Erik Hahn & Theresa Bragg
- Clarinet: Margaret Opp; Baritone Sax: Mike Bash
- Trumpets: Don Grant, Robert Reed, Bill Burkhardt, Steve Robertson
- Trombones: Eric Anderson, Dave Coleman, Ellen Bogardus-Szymaniak
- Vocals: Carah Thomas
- Piano: Barbara LaMotte
- Guitar: Fred Anderson
- Bass: Roger Barton
- Drums: Mike Reeves
- Sound: Mike LaMotte

10 a.m. Sunday

Kenna Rose started performing in her hometown of Minneapolis with her church rock band in the early 2010s. Up on the North Shore she performed with multiple bands, on local radio, and at local events.

Now based in San Diego, CA, Kenna is greatly influenced by jazz, folk, rock, and blues, She’ll perform an eclectic set with a calm and relaxing spin on covers.

Shine a light!

Noon Sunday

Zulu Link are Pete K (Guitar Vocals), Ted Czaplicki (Drums/Vocals), Jonathan Steckelberg (Bass/Vocals)

This power trio plays original music with influences ranging from Miles Davis to 90s Alternative and Roots music.

1 p.m. Sunday

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A Few Friendly Reminders--For the Comfort of All

Port-a-potties are located behind the main tent.

We kindly ask that you step outside festival grounds to smoke your stuff.

Please use the bins provided for trash and recycling. Even crows pick up their trash.

Thank you for making Radio Waves great!

Radio Waves 15 is dedicated to the memory of John Mianowski, a true fan of Radio Waves and live music. Rock on, John!

Food Vendors & Community Tent

The Community Tent is located west of the ticket booth. We’ve invited some of our local, non-profit partners to join us at the Festival and share the work that they do in our community. Here’s the schedule:

• Saturday morning the Grand Marais Art Colony will bring a kid-friendly art project to the Community Tent from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stop by, learn about the Art Colony’s mission and have some creative fun!
• Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Cook County Local Energy Project will be in the park, bringing information about local energy initiatives, alternative energy and more!

Food Vendors are located just outside the ticket gate and will be open during Festival hours. Thank you local vendors!

Bad Seed Food Truck: Creative Approach to Burgers, Sandwiches, Fries, Vegetarian Options

Fika Coffee: Hot Coffee, Cold Brew, Lemonade, Hot Chocolate, Worlds Best Donuts

Birch Terrace BBQ: Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Smoked Ribs, Smoked Chicken Wings, Beef and Brisket Street Tacos, Breakfast items, Skewers, Soft Drinks

Shook Smoothies: Shakes, Blended Smoothies, Bowls, Energy Bites, Kid’s Menu

Ask about CityTins at the WTIP Merch Tent!
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 and is a production of WTIP Community Radio. Radio Waves is a community event in the truest sense of the word. Our goal is to support local music in all forms, and bring a variety of acts and multiple music genres to this family-friendly, community-supported live music festival.
We’re so happy to be back in the Rec Park for Radio Waves 15!

Please find a comfortable place with a good view, sit back and enjoy the music. It’s going to be a great weekend!

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

We can’t do it without you!
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.

Visit the Membership Booth to make a pledge.
Thanks for keeping community radio strong!