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Chagrin Arts announces musicians for June 9 Music Crawl

CHAGRIN FALLS, OHIO – Chagrin Arts will present its 5th annual Music Crawl on Saturday, June 9 from 6-10 pm. The Music Crawl is presented in part by the Chagrin Valley Chamber of Commerce and will take place at various venues around Downtown Chagrin Falls. The event is free and open to the public and highlights the incredible talents of local musicians.

The timing of the June event once again coincides with the Valley Art Center's 35th annual "Art by the Falls"—an arts and contemporary crafts festival—held in Riverside Park on June 9 and 10. The Music Crawl will begin during the final hour of Saturday's "Art by the Falls," and will provide visitors with an opportunity to make a day of celebrating the arts in Chagrin Falls. The two organizations have worked together in prior years to present the Music Crawl and "Art by the Falls" since both events not only promote the arts but also provide opportunities for visitors to enjoy the wonderful variety of Chagrin Falls' shops and restaurants.

This year's Music Crawl lineup provides a variety of musical experiences including jazz, pop rock-n-roll, 90s alternative, contemporary folk, singer-songwriter, blues funk, and more. Musical acts will include members of the Chagrin Falls High School Band returning for their third year performing at the Music Crawl, Dane Vannetter, Michelle Gaw, Becky Boyd, Joe Bell, Brian Davidson, and Jimmy Jack. The schedule can be found below and at ChagrinArts.org. Artists are subject to change.

CHAGRIN ARTS 2018 MUSIC CRAWL SCHEDULE

Strolling Up and Down Main Street: 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Musician: Chagrin Falls High School Band Members

Students in the Chagrin Falls High School Band are very involved at school in AP classes, sports (85% of band students play on a Chagrin team sport), and volunteer work outside of school. In addition to being a member of the band, some students also sing in the school choirs, participate in the Cleveland Youth Winds, Lakeland Jazz Impact, and/or the Contemporary Youth Orchestra. Many students have participated and achieved a "Superior" rating in the Ohio Music Educators Solo and Ensemble Contest. This fall, the Chagrin Falls High School Band will travel to Florida to perform in Disney World's Thanksgiving Parade of Bands. Members also traveled to Chicago last year to take a workshop at VanderCook College of Music. The Chagrin Falls High School Band is directed by Kathy Shoenfelt along with the Assistant Band Director Rob Sobnosky, Drum Line Instructor Alex Walker, and student Field Commanders Nick DeVito, Sasha Haines, and David Marquette.

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Sugar Me Desserterie (45 W. Orange Street #5): 7:30 – 9:00 pm

Musician: Dane Vannetter

Genre: Jazz Guitar

Dane Vannetter is the recipient of two Bistro Awards, for Outstanding Vocalist and for his second CD Flight, by the critics of BackStage in New York. Dane has been acclaimed by reviewers at "The New York Post," "The Boston Globe" and "BackStage" for a style that "blends facets of cabaret and jazz with intelligence and care." "The Boston Globe" remarks "Dane Vannetter's distinctive style leaves an imprint on whatever music he sings. His voice has a floating quality that gets in your head and won't leave....his music is a swinging, soaring adventure!" He has been nominated for 4 MAC awards and is a Nightlife Award finalist. Dane was featured at the annual Mabel Mercer Cabaret Convention at Town Hall in Manhattan, and has performed in venues nationally and internationally. In 2015 Dane was called to the stage by Patti LaBelle in Columbus, OH. After hearing Dane sing and inviting him to duet with her on her classic "Lady Marmalade" Patti exclaimed "You better sing, fool. My God!" Dane's 4th CD, "Give Me Something Real," was released in 2016 to much critical acclaim (see reviews in News section of danevannatter.com).

M Italian (22 W Orange Street): 8:30 – 10:00 pm

Musician: Michelle Gaw

Genre: Contemporary Folk / Singer-Songwriter

Michelle Gaw is a singer/songwriter from Cleveland, Ohio. She has been writing and performing music for the last six years. Gaw finds inspiration through making observations that are equal parts quirk and soul. Her songs often confront the heavier and darker parts of life, but they are rarely left without a joke or two. Her delivery often feels conversational, though her songs are melodically rich. Gaw founded Mimi Arden, a trio band consisting of Lee Kolarik (drummer) and Joe Botta (bassist), which she is the sole songwriter of. Mimi Arden expands upon Gaw's songwriting ideas, breathing fresh life and meaning into her work.

Paris Room (7 N. Franklin Street): 8:30 – 10:00 pm

Musician: Becky Boyd

Genre: Jazz

Becky Boyd has been playing the Cleveland club scene for 40+ years. Her vocals are outstanding, combining great tone, with tremendous feel. In addition to singing with many bands over the years, Becky has opened for such acclaimed artists such as The Outlaws, Brownsville Station, Gary Lewis and the Playboys, Fairport Convention, Buddy Miles, Robert Lockwood Jr., Billy Branch, Walter Trout, Chad & Jeremy and Todd Rundgren. A career highlight for Becky was singing backups for McKendree Spring at their reunion concert Memorial Day Weekend 2008 at the Beachland Ballroom.

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Becky has been nominated several times as Best Vocalist & Best Female Vocalist in the "Freetimes" and "Scene Magazine."

She has recorded two CDs with her previous band Real Life, as well as studio work with many Cleveland artists.

In 2010, Becky joined up with blues guitarist Tim Matson and competed in the Memphis Blues Challenge, sponsored by the Cleveland Blues Society. Taking first prize in the Cleveland solo/duo category, they won the chance to compete against over 100 acts at the International Blues Challenge in Memphis, Tennessee. Becky and Tim performed at the famous Orpheum Theatre and placed in the Top 8.

They recorded a CD titled "Becky Boyd & Tim Matson," which is available at CDBaby.com and on iTunes. Becky and Tim still play today, joined by guitarist Mike Modlin as Becky Boyd & The Natural Facts.

Her current band, Becky Boyd & The Groove Train, made their debut in January 2015. The band features bassist Alfredo Guerrieri, drummer Jim Wall and keyboardist Chris Hanna. Check the calendar to plan a date to see them at a venue near you.

Most recently, Becky has joined forces with Kristine Jackson, Rachel Brown and Emma Shook, to form Sisters in Song - a group rich in harmonies, performing both covers and originals.

In addition to the acts listed above, you can also find Becky performing as a solo-acoustic act and in duos with Cleveland artists such as Austin Walkin' Cane, Randy J. Daniels and her daughter - Claudia Miller. In every instance, Becky gives a performance not to be missed! For more information about Becky Boyd, please visit BeckyBoydMusic.com

Grove Hill (25 Pleasant Drive): 8:30 – 10:00 pm

Musician: Joe Bell and Brian Davidson

Genre: Swing / Blues Funk

On Festival bills, in nightclubs, concert halls and amphitheaters, Joe Bell & The Swing Lizards have spent over two decades entertaining Blues, Jazz, Rock and Soul fans on the North coast and around the country. A critically acclaimed, award winning group, and legendary among all types of folks known to frequent venues where live music delights the soul, when the Lizards hit the stage, they truly funk up the place. Filling the room with their rootsy, feel good energy. Just be ready to dance! For more information about Joe Bell, please visit JoeBell.com

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Jekyll's Kitchen (17 River Street): 8:30 – 10:00 pm

Musician: Jimmy Jack

Genre: Pop Rock-n-Roll Covers / 90s Alternative

Jimmy has been rocking the North Coast of Ohio, Southern Michigan and the Lake Erie islands for almost two decades in several different bands. Some of the other lineups Jimmy has played with include Sumrada, Crush 11, The Remedy, and an earlier version of the Jimmie Jack Band. Over the years he has played hundreds of solo acoustic shows too. Besides the band, he also plays acoustic duo shows with Katy Namen-Helms where you can hear a little softer side of his musical tastes. No doubt, he's belting it out like usual and there is always some old school alternative rock tunes still hitting the acoustic set lists.

This new incarnation of The Jimmy Jack Band is where you can see all of his experience and skills come together to highlight the energy, passion and sweetness he's known for bringing to every performance. To know him is to understand just how serious he is about his craft and his constant pursuit of perfection. With two original discs to his credit including "Call It Like It Is" and "Three Kords and a Kloud Of Dust", he is currently writing and producing another compilation of original material to be released in late 2014. Jimmy's whiskey and cigarette covered vocals combined with his arsenal of different guitar tones and charismatic stage presence are not to be missed.

You have got to see him live to appreciate all that he brings to the table. Check him out for yourself.....you will not be disappointed! For more information about Jimmy Jack, please visit JimmyJackMusic.com

TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information about the Chagrin Arts Music Crawl, call Chagrin Arts at (440) 247-9700 or visit ChagrinArts.org.

ABOUT CHAGRIN ARTS

Chagrin Arts, currently celebrating its 10th anniversary, is a community 501(c)(3) organization whose goal is to enrich life through the presentation of inspiring performances and stimulating conversations. The organization's most visible programs are its *Chautauqua-in-Chagrin*TM lecture series and the *Performing Arts Series*.

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ATTACHED IMAGES

1. Chagrin Arts Music Crawl Logo
2. Music Crawl 2017 – Kate Kooser and Kevin Johnson at M Italian