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According to a press release, the City of Manchester has updated its plans to build 0.68 miles of newly paved rail trail running northerly along the abandoned rail bed from where the South Manchester Rail Trail terminates at Queen City Avenue and this will be named the Central Manchester Rail Trail. The trail will offer easier access for pedestrians and bicyclists from Elm Street and Willow Street, with a raised bed and a more gradual slope from the streets components of the federally funded RAISE Manchester: Connecting Communities transportation infrastructure improvement project, according to the press release.

The Central Manchester Rail Trail will also serve as a central intersection of some of New Hampshire's longest rail trails, such as the southern half of the Granite State Rail Trail, the east-west Rockingham Recreational Trail and Piscataquog Rail Trail, with construction projects to extend some of these trails already underway, according to the same release.

In a statement, RAISE Manchester Project Manager Kristen Clarke, PE, PTOE, traffic engineer for the Manchester Department of Public Works, said that "the Central Manchester Rail Trail along with other components of the RAISE Manchester project align with the city's commitment to foster multi-modal transportation options and pedestrian-friendly connectivity, particularly for

the neighborhoods where residents have the fewest vehicles and transportation options. This project not only creates a vital link between disconnected areas of the city, it also contributes to the broader network of rail trails across New Hampshire, offering residents and visitors alike an opportunity to explore our beautiful state while promoting active lifestyles."

The Central Manchester Rail Trail project also involves the cleanup of an abandoned section of rail, and improves traffic flow at five traffic signals on Elm Street, according to the same release. For more information, visit raisemanchester.org.

\$1M for Center

According to a press release, the Executive Council voted to approve \$1 million in funding to assist in the building of the Mark Stebbins Community Center in Manchester, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. In a statement, Gov. Chris Sununu said that "by breaking down silos and bringing nonprofits together under one roof, the Mark Stebbins Community Center carries on the philanthropic legacy of Mark Stebbins and represents the very best of New Hampshire. I applaud the nonprofit partners making this innovative vision a reality to better serve Manchester's West Side. It's all about the kids!"

The Mark Stebbins Community Center will be a multiservice nonprofit center that will bring critical services to children and families in the West Side of Manchester, which is home to 25 percent

of the city's population and will bring a myriad of nonprofit services into one location to serve the community, according to the same release.

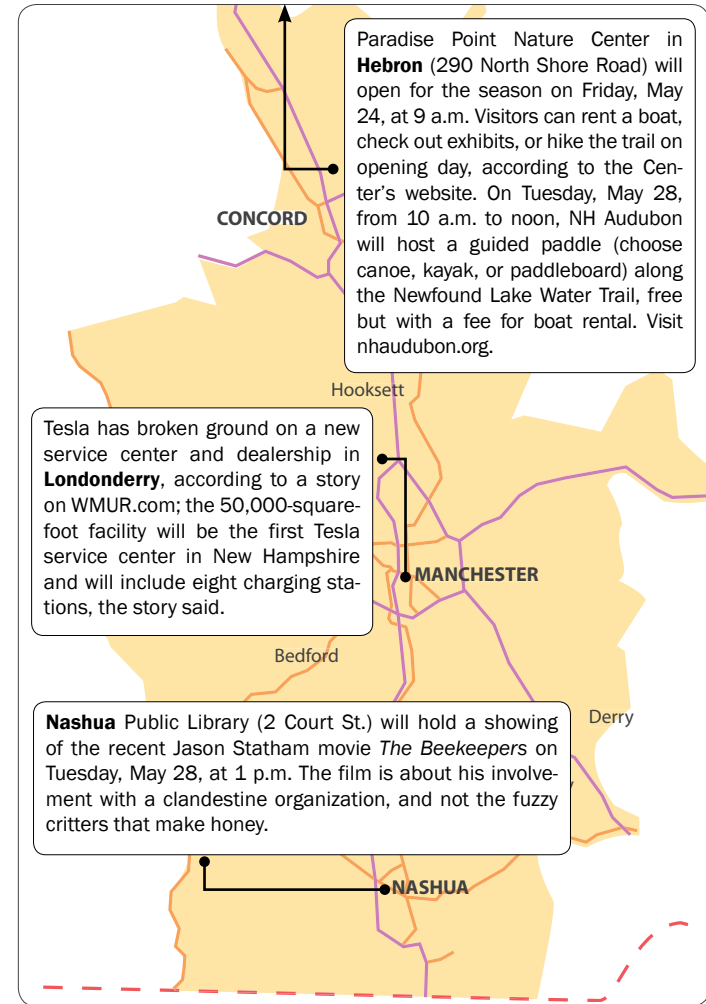
The Center will work to provide affordable, walkable child care, after-school care, access to affordable health care, food access, community meeting space, and additional support and include the Boys & Girls Club of Manchester, Amoskeag Health, Waypoint, Easterseals NH, Mental Health Care of Greater Manchester, Granite YMCA, Manchester Housing & Redevelopment Authority, Southern NH Services, Granite United Way and Catholic Charities of New Hampshire, according to the same release.

Mark Stebbins, a Manchester native, served as Chairman and CEO of PROCON, a New Hampshire-based design and construction firm, and was devoted to giving back to the Manchester community through his philanthropic work, according to the same release. The approved funds are for construction, which is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2025, the release said.

New Currier director

A recent press release announced the appointment of Dr. Jordana Pomeroy as The Currier Museum's new Director and CEO. She will officially begin her new role at the Currier on Sept. 1.

Pomeroy brings more than 30 years of museum experience to the Currier and has been committed to making art museums exciting destinations, with accessible art and



education programs, according to the same release. Most recently, Pomeroy served as the Director of the Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum at Florida International University in Miami, where she prioritized engagement across the city, including with hospitals and schools, the release said.

Pomeroy was also the Chief Curator at the National Museum of Women in the Arts for many years, where she focused on gender equity in arts and museums and her exhibitions and publications received critical acclaim for

their groundbreaking approaches to scholarship and exhibition themes, according to the same release.

Correction

In the story "Art on Wheels" in the May 16 issue of the Hippo, the owner of Horsepower Farm's last name is incorrectly spelled; his name is Rick Serino. The phone number for his business also did not include the area code; the phone number is 833-572-4267.

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A year of service

A talk with the reigning Miss New Hampshire

Miss New Hampshire 2024, Emily Spencer, talks about what the role entails and the work that she does for the community. Find out more at missnh.org.

Q: *Can you explain how Miss New Hampshire is a year-round program of style, service, scholarship and success?*

Absolutely. Every woman who competes for the title of Miss New Hampshire starts off with competing for a local title. ... This past year I was Miss Winnepesaukee. I won that title in August and then throughout the year you are doing different community service events in that community of which you are representing. Through there you connect with different nonprofit organizations. As Miss New Hampshire, you attend all sorts of community service events throughout the year as well as talking on the radio, involving your own service initiative into your year and performing at different events around the state. For me, I'm a dancer, so I'll go and dance at events as well as local competitions that start at the beginning of June.



Emily Spencer

tunity.' They say your son is more likely to play in the Super Bowl than your daughter walk on the Miss America stage. Just to have that higher platform to get community outreach and meet so many people throughout the year was a goal I was ready to accomplish and excited to accomplish. I'm truly honored to be Miss New Hampshire this year and to say yes to as many opportunities that I can.

How much money has the Miss New Hampshire Scholarship Foundation raised for students?

This year we were able to award \$73,000 total at the Miss New Hampshire Scholarship Competition.... All the funds raised and awarded to the women involved ... goes right toward our education, so to pay for whether you're actively enrolled in college or your loans.

Are there any misconceptions about the program you'd like to address or talk about?

One that we kind of already addressed was that people think that you prepare for one competition out of the year but it's really a year-round service job. I think there's a big misconception that it's truly only about ... looks, but really the organization has women doctors and women in the army and truly [is] just making a big change in the community. It's all about intelligence and service, talent, and promoting all those aspects, as well as beauty, into the organization.

What are the main issues you want to focus on as Miss New Hampshire?

My service initiative is about working with students and athletes with disabilities. This past year I created a nonprofit called Miss Inspiration which awards scholarship funds to young women with disabilities through an adaptive pageant. So my service initiative is truly integrating students and athletes with disabilities with their mainstream peers through one-to-one friendships, developing life skills, confidence, and just attending events together.

What made you want to become Miss New Hampshire?

I started in the organization eight years ago competing in the teen program for two years and this is my fourth time going for Miss New Hampshire. I at first was really engaged and intrigued by the performance opportunity on stage because I've been dancing my whole life, but I also really liked the community service aspects. Right when I joined I fell in love with the program and truly idolized the women older than me who were competing, so I knew this was something that I wanted to involve myself in for the rest of my life. The more I competed the more I was like, 'I've got to be Miss New Hampshire, what an amazing oppor-

Are there any events coming up that you are excited to be a part of?

We have some Memorial Day parades coming up. The Best Buddy Walk in Exeter happening June 22. There are some Special Olympics events that I'm involving myself with at the beginning of June and there's a Make-A-Wish rafting event in Meredith that's happening in July. ... Also, our local season starts at the beginning of June, so that's pretty exciting.... Girls who want to compete next year for Miss New Hampshire ... they start competing at the local level, so those 26 locals start happening for next year's Miss New Hampshire competition beginning in June. —Zachary Lewis 🌈



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The week that was



The Big Story – Celtics Start Round 3: So much for our first real New York–Boston playoff series since 1984. Instead the gallant Knicks fell to the Indiana Pacers after they took the last two games

to earn their ticket to Boston for the Eastern Conference Finals.

They've met seven times in the playoffs before, with the C's winning the last four meetings, including the last time in 2019. But this is the first time it's been outside of Round 1.

Game 1 happened on Tuesday, with Game 2 coming tonight (Thursday) in Boston.

Sports 101: Who was the first person ever to hit a homer off the first pitch thrown on opening day?

News Item – Sox Falling: The Sox surprised almost everyone with a solid April. But, helped by a boatload of injuries, reality has set in as they've gone 6-11 in their first 17 games in May, which had them starting the week in fourth place, 9.5 games behind Baltimore.

News Item – The Party's Over For The Bruins: For the second straight year the Bruins' season was ended by the Florida Panthers. This time in six games, after the B's coughed up one-goal third leads in Games 4 and 6. Now come the second-guessing and the finger-pointing, along with all eyes on Jim Montgomery to see if he'll be the latest coaching scapegoat.

The Numbers:

.354 – unexpected batting average for Sox catcher Connor Wong, who no one thought would be the last player standing among the three guys they got back for **Mookie Betts**.

21 – record-setting under par score carded on Sunday by **Xander Schauffele** to win the PGA Championship and his first major title.

... Of the Week Awards

Who's Hot – Raphael Devers: The team may not be, but he is. When the Sox downed the Cardinals 11-4 on Sunday in St. Louis he went deep for the fifth time in five games.

Jailbird of the Week – Scott Scheffler: It's not everyday that a guy goes from a jail cell to the top of the leaderboard of a major. But that's what the defending Masters champ did after allegedly assaulting a police officer at a traffic incident on his way into Round 2 of the PGA. After getting his mugshot and fingerprints, he was back on the Valhalla Golf Club in Louisville, Kentucky, to shoot 65 and grab a piece of the lead during his round.

Random Thoughts:

Imagine how good **Luka Doncic** would

be if he ever got within area codes of actually being in primo shape.

It ain't like the old days when you look at the Patriots schedule and the toughest decision faced was if you'd give them 12 or 13 wins. Unless the 12 or 13 you're figuring on is losses for the upcoming season as could be the case as the just released 2024 schedule suggests.

A Little History – 1984 Knicks–Celtics: Believe it or not the last good seven-game series between New York and Boston was 40 years ago. Even with having the great **Bernard King** at his absolute peak, no one gave NY much hope in the Conference semi-final because he didn't have much help. Except after going down 0-2 New York won all three games at MSG, including the 106-104 barn burner Game 6, to give most in these parts a scare. But **Larry Bird** was in the first of his three straight MVP seasons, and he delivered one of the signature games of his Boston career: a 39-point, 12-rebound, 10-assist triple double that sparked the C's as they cruised to a 121-104 Game 7 win to move on to face Milwaukee — who they ran out in five games.

Sports 101 Answer: It happened in 1986 when Sox lead-off hitter **Dwight Evans** hit the season's first into the left field stands at Tiger Stadium off Hall of Famer **Jack Morris**.

Final Thought – Celtics vs. Pacers: Don't expect an easy series, because Indiana's not afraid of them. They split their last four games, including eliminating Boston from the (who cares) in-season tournament.

They have difficulty with **Tyrese Haliburton** and he looked ready in his solid 26-point Game 7 effort vs New York.

Indy, not Boston, led the NBA in scoring, and has the same bombs-away from deep center in **Myles Turner** the C's have in **Kristaps Porzingis**. So they can go toe to toe on offense.

Aaron Nesmith may be a bull in a china shop who fouls on every play, but he's the kind of physical defender that gives **Jayson Tatum** trouble where if he's not aggressive against that from the jump he can disappear into one of his infuriating and hurtful to the team passive starts.

They have a better bench coach in **Rick Carlisle**, who won January's 133-131 victory by saving his challenges until the final minute to overturn two calls that decided the game, rather than **Joe Mazzulla** regularly using his to challenge on meaningless calls early in games.

Prediction: Celtics in a scary seven games over Indy.

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New Hampshire is a good place for military retirees

According to a recent study by WalletHub (Wallethub.com), an online financial services company, New Hampshire is one of the top 10 states for military retirees. The study used data to study 28 key metrics, WalletHub reported on its website, "ranging from veterans per capita to the number of VA health facilities to job opportunities for veterans." The study, which ranked New Hampshire ninth overall, placed the state 10th in terms of veterans per capita and fifth in the percentage of veteran-owned businesses.

QOL score: +1

Comments: According to the New Hampshire Department of Employment Security, in 2023 there were 88,297 veterans in New Hampshire, 7.7 percent of the population age 18 and over.

Merrimack High School outsmarts the competition

Merrimack High School defeated Plymouth Regional High in the 2024 Granite State Challenge championship game. The academic quiz competition, which airs on New Hampshire Public Television, pits teams of high school students against each other. In this year's season championship, which aired on March 16, Merrimack had a final score of 540 to Plymouth's 240. According to Granite State Challenge's website (nhpbs.org/gsc), this was a high-stakes showdown. "Both teams were three-time GSC champions going into the final game," the website reported. "Merrimack took the title in 2020, 2021, and 2023."

QOL score: +1

Comments: According to Granite State Challenge, this was also the seventh time in the final game for both teams.

Overdose deaths down

New Hampshire saw a decrease in overdose deaths last year. As reported in an online story by Manchester Ink Link on May 16, both the New Hampshire State Medical Examiner (doj.nh.gov/medical-examiner) and the National Centers for Disease Control (cdc.gov) reported last Wednesday that fewer people in New Hampshire died from drug overdoses in 2023 than in 2022. According to the Ink Link article, the state medical examiner reported an 11.7-percent decrease, from 487 deaths in 2022 to 230 in 2023.

QOL score: +2

Comments: The CDC reports that the largest share of overdose deaths continues to be from opioids.

Last week's QOL score: 65

Net change: +4

QOL this week: 69

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“Chunky’s will be showing all games as long as they continue on during the 2024 NBA Playoffs,” according to the website.

Friday, May 24

Senior performing troupe **Silver Stars** will perform a cabaret-style show at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) today at 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m. They will share stories and memories paired with songs. The Silver Stars are a 55+ performance group based at The Palace Theatres. Tickets start at \$12.

Saturday, May 24

The New Hampshire Arms Collectors will hold their annual **Gun Show** at Everett Arena (15 Loudon Road, Concord, 228-2784, concordnh.gov/496/everett-arena) today from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Admission is \$10; chil-

dren 12 and under are free, with an adult.

Saturday, May 25

The Massachusetts Area Blaster Club will hold its **May 2024 Nerf Battle Event** at Greeley Park (100 Concord St., Nashua, 589-3370) today from noon to 5 p.m. For more information, visit the Club’s facebook page.

Monday, May 27

The **Memorial Day Parade in Concord** will begin today at 9 a.m. at the Christ the King Church parking lot on Thorn-dike

Street and eventually head to the City Plaza where there will be a brief ceremony, according to concordnh.gov where you can find the full route of the parade.



Save the Date! Sunday, June 2

The **Palace Theatres’ Kitchen Tour** (Palace Theatre, 80 Hanover St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) will return for its 17th year on June 2. The event, a self-guided tour, will this year feature beautiful kitchens in Bedford, Goffstown and Hooksett. On the day of the tour, registration begins at 9:30 a.m. at Granite State Cabinetry (384 Route 101, Bedford, 472-4080, gscabinetry.com). Tickets are \$55 if purchased in advance or \$65 on the day of the event.

meet at the Mine Falls Gatehouse. There is limited parking at the dam and gatehouse, so parking and walking in at the Mine Falls Gatehouse Entrance across from the David W. Deane Skateboard Park on Stadium Drive is recommended.

Thursday, May 23

Catch the **NBA Eastern Conference Finals** on the big screen at Chunky’s in Manchester (chunkys.com). Reserve a seat for tonight’s Celtics game at 8 p.m. with a \$5 food voucher.

Thursday, May 23

The Nashua Public Library will conduct an Adult Field Trip to **Mine Falls Gatehouse and Hydroelectric Dam** at Mine Falls Park in Nashua today from 10 to 11 a.m. Participants will learn how the hydroelectric dam supplies clean, renewable energy to Nashua, and might see migrating river herring using the fish elevator. Deb Chisholm, Sustainability Manager for the City of Nashua, and Paula Lochhead, Vice Chair of the Mine Falls Advisory Committee, will lead this program. Participants should



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Finally, it's summer!

OK, maybe not in an official calendar sense but Memorial Day weekend marks the start of that summer mindset — your warm-weather clothes, evenings of flip-flops and ice cream, summer music and cookouts with hot dogs, burgers, grilled corn or whatever deliciousness says summer to you.

Some other perfect accompaniments to summer? Food festivals, car shows, concerts, theater, art fairs, comedy, ball games and so much more. Use this weekend and this week's guide to summer 2024 to help you plan your season of fun.

FAIRS & FESTIVALS

• The annual **Meredith Memorial Day Weekend Craft Festival** is happening Saturday, May 25, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, May 26, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Monday, May 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Mill Falls Marketplace (312 Daniel Webster Hwy., Meredith). New England-based artisans and craftsmen will gather to sell their foods and crafts, including jewelry, up-cycled items, pottery, pies, sauces, pickles and infused oils. Admission is free. Visit castleberryfairs.com.

• The **Goffstown Rotary Club's (Parsons Drive) Car Show** is returning for its 11th year on Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will include goodie bags for the first 50 registrants, along with food trucks, raffles and trophies given in 16 classes. Admission is free, and the cost to participate as a registrant is \$20 per car, with all proceeds benefiting local charities. Visit goffstownrotary.org.

• The Children's Museum of New Hampshire's (6 Washington St., Dover, childrens-museum.org) **New Hampshire Maker Fest** is on Saturday, June 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event is a large-scale "show and tell," with makers of all kinds, including artists, engineers, scientists and others, showcasing their creativity. Admission is on a pay-what-you-can basis, with a suggested

donation of \$5 per person.

• Milford's third annual **Pride Festival** is happening Saturday, June 1, from noon to 4 p.m. at Keyes Park (45 Elm St., Milford) and will feature live music, food and more. See "Milford NH PRIDE" on Facebook.

• Hillsborough's **History Alive** event will be on Saturday, June 8, at Kemp Park (11 River St.) in Hillsborough. June's event will focus on Abenaki Indian life and culture. The event is free. Visit historyalivenh.org

• **Market Square Day** in downtown Portsmouth will return on Saturday, June 8, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Produced by the local non-profit Pro Portsmouth, the festival kicks off with a 10K road race and features craft and artisan vendors, food, two stages of live entertainment and more. Visit proportsmouth.org/events/market-square-day.

• It's **Children's Day at the New Hampshire Farm Museum** (1305 White Mountain Hwy., Milton, nhfarmmuseum.org) on Saturday, June 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Try your hand at old-fashioned games and check out storytelling, blacksmithing demonstrations, tractor rides, s'mores making and more. Admission is free for children under 4, \$12 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for children ages 4 to 17. A family passes cost \$30.

• **Laconia Motorcycle Week** is celebrating its 101st anniversary this year. The rally goes from Saturday, June 8, through Sunday, June 16, and includes motorcycle tours, live entertainment, vendors and scenic rides around Weirs Beach in Laconia. Visit laconiamcweek.com.

• The **Northlands Music and Arts Festival** runs Friday, June 14, and Saturday, June 15, at the Cheshire Fairground in Swanzey. The line up at northlandslive.com currently features nearly three dozen performers and musical acts over three stages. One- and two-day festival passes are available.

• **Manchester Pride Week** starts on Saturday, June 15, with a Pride Parade and Festival. The parade will begin at 11:15 a.m. and proceed down Elm Street to Veterans Park, where the Festival will take place from noon to 6 p.m. There will be live entertainment, food trucks, local vendors and artists, and more. See the complete line-up of events at manchestertrue.org.

• Take a trip to the coast for the 24th **Hamp-ton Beach Master Sand Sculpting Classic**,

happening from Thursday, June 20, to Saturday, June 22. Prizes will be awarded for the best sand sculptures. The sculptures will be lit for nightly viewing through June 26. Visit hamptonbeach.org.

• The **Somerset International Children's Festival** will feature live music, food, wildlife encounters, a petting zoo, vendors and more on Saturday, June 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Main Street and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Noble Pines Park in Somersworth. A pre-festival celebration will be held the night before, Friday, June 16, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Somersworth High School (11 Memorial Drive, Somersworth), with food, vendors, music and fireworks. Visit nhfestivals.org.

• Join the Aviation Museum of New Hampshire for its annual **Father's Day weekend Fly-In BBQ** on Saturday, June 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Nashua's Boire Field (83 Perimeter Road, Nashua). Attendees are welcome to enjoy a barbecue buffet lunch and get a close look at visiting aircraft on the ramp. Pilots are invited to fly in, and vintage airplanes and home-built aircrafts are especially welcome. Tickets, including the barbecue, are \$30 for adults and \$10 for kids ages 6 to 12. Without the barbecue, tickets are \$10 for adults and free for kids ages 12 and under. To purchase tickets, visit nhahs.org.

• **Plaistow's Old Home Day** returns on Saturday, June 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with local vendors on the Town Hall green (145 Main St., Plaistow) as well as a beard contest, a baby contest, raffles, entertainment booths, a parade and more. This year's theme is "Happy Birthday, Plaistow!" to celebrate the town's 275th anniversary. Follow the town Old Home Day's Facebook [@plaistowoldhomeday](https://www.facebook.com/plaistowoldhomeday) for updates.

• Intown Concord's 50th annual **Market Days Festival** runs from Thursday, June 20, to Saturday, June 22, in downtown Concord from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. The event includes a wide array of local vendors, live entertainment, family-friendly activities and more. Visit marketdaysfestival.com.

• Join the Wilton Main Street Association for its annual **Summerfest**, happening on Saturday, June 22, starting at 10 a.m. and featuring an arts market, live music, food, street vendors, a pancake breakfast and a fireworks display in the evening. See visitwilton.com/summerfest.

• The annual **Nashua Pride Festival**, a free celebration of diversity, acceptance and fun focused on promoting equality, happens Saturday, June 22, from 2 to 6 p.m. in the parking lot of the Nashua Public Library (2 Court St.) and will feature a parade that kicks off at 2 p.m. Visit nashuanh.gov/1217/nashua-pride-festival.

• Join the New Hampshire Farm Museum (1305 White Mountain Hwy., Milton) for **Fourth on the Farm**, happening Saturday, June 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Activities include a tractor ride to see farm animals, as well as demonstrations, reenactments, a scavenger hunt, lawn games, lunch and strawberry shortcake, and live performances of songs from the 1700s and 1800s. Admission is free for members and children under 4, \$12 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for children ages 4 to 17. A family pass can be purchased for \$30. Visit nhfarmmuseum.org.

• The **Raymond Town Fair** returns for its 48th year from Friday, July 12, to Sunday, July 14, at the Raymond Town Common (Epping and Main streets, Raymond). It will feature live music, family-friendly entertainment, a children's parade, a fireworks display and more. See "Raymond Town Fair" on Facebook.

• The next **New England Reptile Expo** is scheduled for Sunday, July 7, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Downtown (700 Elm St., Manchester). The show features more than 200 vendor tables full of reptiles, pet supplies and more. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for kids ages 7 to 12 and free for kids ages 6 and under. Visit reptileexpo.com.

• The **Hillsborough Summer Festival** is back again this year at Grimes Field (29 Preston St., Hillsborough) from Thursday, July 11, to Sunday, July 14, with live entertainment, carnival rides, a fireworks show on Saturday night, a 5K road race on Friday and a parade on Sunday. Festival hours are 6 to 10 p.m. on Thursday; 5 to 11 p.m. on Friday; noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free. Visit hillsboroughsummerfest.com.

• Returning to the grounds of American Independence Museum (1 Governors Lane, Exeter) for a 34th year is the **American Independence Festival**, on Saturday, July 13, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Be transported back



in time with a live reading of the Declaration of Independence, and enjoy historical reenactments and colonial artisan demonstrations as well as colonial games, music and dances. Visit independencemuseum.org.

• The **Capital City Pride Festival** (capitalcitypridenh.com) will take place in Concord, from Monday, July 15, to Monday, July 22. A Community Arts Event with Queerlective will take place at the Kimball Jenkins School of Art (266 N Main St. in Concord, 225-3932, kimballjenkins.com) Monday, July 15 at 12 p.m. A Pride Family Picnic will take place at Kimball Jenkins on Tuesday, July 16, at 12 p.m. Performances of Coming Out Stories and Queeraoke will take place at Teatotaler (2 Capital Plaza, N Main St. in Concord, 715-1906, teatotalercafe.com) Sunday, July 21, at 6 p.m. There will be a Pride After Party and Mini-Ball at the Bank of NH Stage (16 S Main St. in Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Monday, July 22, at 6 p.m. Visit capitalcitypridenh.com.

• The **Stratham 4-H Summerfest** returns for a third year on Saturday, July 20, at the Stratham Hill Park Fairgrounds (270 Portsmouth Ave., Stratham). Attendees are welcome to join as the work of 4-H volunteers and members will be on display in the 4-H building, show rings and livestock barns from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Exhibits include shows and displays on gardening, cooking, environmental stewardship, hiking and much more. See extension.unh.edu/event/2024/07/2024-stratham-4-h-summerfest.

• The Aviation Museum of New Hampshire's (27 Navigator Road, Londonderry) annual **Classic Car Show** is set for Saturday, July 13, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and vehicles of all makes and eras are welcome. Trophies will be given out for the People's Choice Award and the Museum Award. Vehicle registration is \$10, or you can come as a spectator for \$5 (cash only; kids ages 12 and under are free). A rain date of July 22 is planned. Visit nhahs.org.

• Organized by the Merrimack Valley Military Vehicle Collectors Club, this year's **Weare Rally** will go from Friday, July 25, to Sunday, July 27, at Center Woods School (14 Center Road, Weare). The rally features military vehicle displays, scenic rides, demonstrations, food and more. The cost is \$5 per family. See mvmvc.org.

• Don't miss the 15th annual **Live Free or Die Tattoo Expo**, happening from Friday, July 26, to Sunday, July 28, at the Double-Tree by Hilton Manchester Downtown (700 Elm St., Manchester). The event features tattoo artists, contests, vendors, live music and performances. Show hours are from 5 p.m. to midnight on Friday, from 11 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, and from noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$15 when purchased in advance for a one-day pass (\$20 at the door), \$25 in advance for a two-day pass (\$30 at the

door), and \$35 when bought in advance for a three-day pass (\$40 at the door). Visit livefreedietattoo.com.

• The annual **Summer Psychic & Craft Fair** returns for a 13th year to Weirs Beach Community Center (25 Lucerne Ave., Lacoconia) on Saturday, July 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hosted by CAYA Reiki and Healing, the event will include psychic readings, vendors and door prizes. Admission is free. See eventbrite.com for ticket information.

• The **Canterbury Fair** is celebrating its 66th year — join the fun on Saturday, July 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Canterbury Center (Baptist and Center roads) with live music, demonstrations from local artisan and antique vendors, children's activities and more. Admission is free. Visit canterburyfair.com.

• The **Belknap County Fair** is set to return on Saturday, Aug. 3, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Sunday, Aug. 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 174 Mile Hill Road in Belmont. The fair features live entertainment, food, exhibits and animal shows. Admission at the gate is \$10 for adults, \$5 for senior citizens 65 and older, police, fire and EMS personnel, and free for kids under 10 and for military service members. Visit bcfairnh.org.

• The League of New Hampshire Craftsmen will hold the **91st Annual Craftsmen's Fair** at the Mount Sunapee Resort (1398 Route 103, Newbury) Saturday, Aug. 3, through Sunday, Aug. 11. It will feature the juried work of hundreds of members with sales booths, educational workshops, demonstrations and exhibitions. See nhcrafts.org/annual-craftsmens-fair.

• The 2024 **Manchester International Film Festival** is set for Friday, Aug. 9, and Saturday, Aug. 10. For tickets and a schedule of events, visit palacetheatre.org/film.

• Returning to the DoubleTree by Hilton Manchester Downtown (700 Elm St., Manchester) from Thursday, Aug. 8, through Saturday, Aug. 10, is the annual **New Hampshire Antiques Show**, hosted by the New Hampshire Antique Dealers Association. Nearly 60 professional antique dealers will exhibit their collections of antique furniture, art, jewelry and more. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets are \$15 on Thursday, and \$10 on Friday and Saturday; return visits are free. Visit nhada.org.

• **Hudson's Old Home Days** return, Thursday, Aug. 8, to Sunday, Aug. 11, on the grounds of the Hill House (211 Derry Road, Hudson). There will be carnival games, live music, fireworks, food and more. Event times are Thursday from 5 to 10 p.m., Friday from 5 to 11 p.m., Saturday from noon to 11 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. See hudsonoldhomedays.com.

• Save the date for the 46th annual **Alton Bay Boat Show**, returning to the Alton Town Docks on Saturday, Aug. 10, from 9 a.m. to

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• Don't miss the 16th annual **Hampton Beach Children's Festival**, Monday, Aug. 12, through Friday, Aug. 16. The event includes ice cream, dancing, balloons, storytelling, a magic show and a costume parade. All activities are free and open to the public. Visit hamptonbeach.org/events/childrens-events for details as they become available.

• Don't miss Londonderry's 125th annual **Old Home Days**, set for Wednesday, Aug. 14, to Saturday, Aug. 17. Details are in the works, but past celebrations have included concerts, fireworks, a parade, a 5K road race, a baby contest, children's games and more. See londonderrynh.gov or follow the event page on Facebook @townoflondonderryoldhomeday.

• Hillsborough's **History Alive** event will be on Saturday, Aug. 17, and Sunday, Aug. 18, at Jones Road in Hillsborough. The event will focus on historical reenactments of famous battles and daily village life from times past, and will include activities, crafts and musicians. Tickets are \$10

per adult and \$8 for seniors. The event is free for children 16 and under when accompanied by an adult. You can purchase a bracelet on the day of the event and it will cover both days. Cash only; credit cards are not accepted in-person. Visit historyalivenh.org.

• The New Hampshire Farm Museum (1305 White Mountain Hwy., Milton) is hosting its annual **Truck and Tractor Day** on Saturday, Aug. 17, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trucks, wagons, antique cars and tractors dating back to the mid 1900s will be on display, and the event will feature demonstrations on things like the two-man saw and the butter churn treadmill. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$8 for seniors 65 and older, \$6 for children ages 4 to 17, and free children under 4. A family pass is available for \$30. Visit nhfarmmuseum.org.

• The 125th **Gilmanton Old Home Day** is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. outside the Smith Meeting House (Meeting House and Governor roads, Gilmanton). Details on this year's event are still being ironed out, but previous events have included live entertainment, a puppet show, a silent auction, an antique auto parade, an art show and more. Visit gilmantonnh.org/organizations/gilmanton-

old-home-day for details as they become available.

• Head to Field of Dreams Community Park (48 Geremonty Drive, Salem) for the park's annual **Family Fun Day** on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. A wide variety of activities is planned, including a petting farm, face-painting, bounce houses, food trucks, photo opportunities with superheroes and princesses, and more. Visit fieldofdreamsnh.org.

• **Candia's Old Home Day** will return on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Moore Park (74 High St., Candia). The event starts with a parade after a firemen's homemade breakfast. Local crafters and artisans, town community booths, games, a wildlife exhibit, food and music will also be featured. Visit candiaoldhomeday.com.

• **Pembroke and Allentown's Old Home Day** returns on Saturday, Aug. 24, starting with a parade down Main Street in Allentown to Memorial Field (Exchange Street) in Pembroke. A fun-filled day is planned at the field, featuring two stages of live entertainment, antique cars, children's games, a craft area, bounce houses and a fireworks display at dusk. Admission and parking are free. See "Pembroke & Allentown Old Home Day 2024" on Facebook.

• Don't miss this year's **Hopkinton State Fair**, a Labor Day weekend tradition happen-

ing from Thursday, Aug. 29, to Monday, Sept. 2, at the fairgrounds (392 Kearsarge Ave., Contoocook). There will be livestock shows, a demolition derby, carnival rides, monster trucks, live entertainment, food and more. The fair hours are 5 to 10 p.m. on Thursday; 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday. See hsfair.org.

• **Cruising Downtown** will return to the streets of downtown Manchester for a 23rd year on Saturday, Aug. 31, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Organized by the Manchester Rotary Club, the event will feature cars on display, along with food, live demonstrations, local vendors and two stages of live entertainment. Admission is free for spectators, and vehicle registration is \$25. Visit cruisingdowntown-manchester.com.

• The **Exeter UFO Festival** returns to downtown Exeter on Saturday, Aug. 31, and Sunday, Sept. 1 — the event commemorates the anniversary of the "Exeter Incident" (an alleged UFO sighting on Sept. 3, 1965) by featuring in-depth talks and presentations from leading experts on UFOs, along with a variety of "intergalactic" children's games and food, all to benefit the Exeter Area Kiwanis Club. See exeterkiwanis.com/exeter-ufo-festival.

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• The Town of Bennington will host a **Rhubarb Festival** on Saturday, June 1, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Sawyer Memorial Park (Route 202) in Bennington. This celebration of all things rhubarb includes a craft fair, vendors, food trucks, children's activities, a petting zoo, a story walk, music, plants, baked goods, jams, beverages and more. Follow the event page on Facebook @nhrhubarbfestival.

• Tickets are on sale now for the High Hopes Foundation's seventh annual New Hampshire **Bacon & Beer Festival**, returning to Anheuser-Busch Brewery (221 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack) on Saturday, June 1, with general admission from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and VIP admission beginning at 12:30 p.m. Go to nhbaconbeer.com.

• The 37th Annual 97.5 WOKQ summer kick-off **Chowder Festival** will be at Prescott Park (105 Marcy St., Portsmouth) on Saturday, June 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Several local eateries will serve chowders and the festival will feature live music, kid-friendly activities, ice cream and more. Chowders will be available until the vendors run out. Tickets cost \$20; see prescottpark.org.

• The **15th Annual Herb & Garden Day**, presented by the New Hampshire Herbal Network, returns to the Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum (18 Highlawn Road, Warner) on Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event features workshops tailored to all skill levels, along with plant and tree identification walks, an herbal market and plant sale, food vendors, children's activities and more. Full-access general admission is \$35 in advance. Visit nhherbalnetwork.org/herbdays.

• The Friends of the Library of Windham will hold their 38th annual **Strawberry Festival and Book Fair** on Saturday, June 1, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Windham High School (64 London Bridge Road, Windham). The festival will feature homemade strawberry shortcake, live music, raffles, local vendors and games. Visit flowindham.org.

• The **Taste of Downtown Nashua**, presented by Great American Downtown, returns to the Gate City on Wednesday, June 5, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. More than 30 participating restaurants, shops and other local businesses will have temporary food service set up inside their establishments, where samples will be served to ticket-holders. Tickets start at \$39.99 per person and include access

to samples from all of the event's participating vendors. Visit downtownnashua.org/taste.

• An evening of **Plant-Based Junk Food** will be held at the Rockingham Brewing Co. (1 Corporate Park Drive, Unit 1, Derry, 216-2324, rockinghambrewing.com) on Wednesday, June 5, from 4 to 8 p.m. The Brewing Company, in conjunction with Vulture Food (vulturefood.com) will host an all-vegan popup. Details will be posted on the Brewery's website closer to the event. Rockingham Brewing Co. hosts many food and drink events throughout the summer. Visit facebook.com/rockinghambrewing/events.

• Join world-renowned chef Aarón Sánchez for **Live Free and Wine**, an evening of food and wine at LaBelle Winery (14 Route 111, Derry, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) Sunday, June 9, at 6 p.m. (VIP reception at 5 p.m.). Nine award-winning chefs will come together to present the best cuisine New Hampshire has to offer, along with tastings of LaBelle wines. There will be a VIP reception and a silent auction. For tickets, visit emeril.ejoinme.org/NHwine. For more about upcoming food and wine events at LaBelle, visit labellewinery.com/public-winery-events.

• Online ordering for the 26th annual **New Hampshire Jewish Food Festival**, presented by Temple B'nai Israel (210 Court St., Laco-nia), opens on Saturday, June 15, and will continue through Sunday, July 7. Menu items will include savory brisket with gravy, freshly sliced corned beef, pastrami and tongue from Evan's New York Style Deli in Marblehead, Mass., sweet creamy noodle kugel and a vast assortment of other home-cooked Jewish foods. Those who place their orders online will be prompted to select a time on either Friday, July 19, or Saturday, July 20, at Temple B'nai Israel. Visit tbinh.org/food-fest-menu to view the full menu.

• The **St. Nicholas Greek Festival** will return on Saturday, June 14, and Sunday, June 15, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. both days, at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church (40 Andrew Jarvis Drive, Portsmouth, 436-2733). This year's Greek Festival will feature fresh lamb, moussaka, spanakopita (spinach pie), gyros, and Greek pastry. Visit stnicholasgreekfestival.com.

• Tickets are on sale for New Hampshire magazine's annual **Best of NH Party**, happening Thursday, June 20, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Flag Hill Distillery & Winery (297 N. River Road, Lee), with an additional VIP barrel tasting and tour from 5 to 6 p.m. Sample food and drink while listening to the 12-piece Scott Spradling Band. This event honors the 2024 Best of NH winners and supports the New Hampshire Food Bank. General admission tickets are \$75; VIP Experience tickets are \$115. Visit nhmagazine.com/best-of-nh.

• Get ready for the Kingston Fire Association's **Fifth Annual Brewfest**, set to take place on Saturday, June 29, from 2 to 6 p.m. on

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the Plains in downtown Kingston (148 Main St.). More than 60 different beers, ciders and hard lemonade from at least 30 pourers will be available to sample at this 21+ event, which will also include food trucks and music. Tickets are \$40 per person for full access (event is 21+ only) and \$10 for designated drivers, and are available online now. Donations are also being accepted to the Kingston Fire Association. Visit kingstonbrew.com.

- The **Hollis Strawberry Festival**, presented by the Hollis Woman's Club, returns for a 76th year to the Town Common (7 Monument Square, Hollis) on Sunday, June 23, from 2 to 4 p.m. Enjoy strawberry shortcake and other strawberry desserts while the Hollis Town Band performs. Face-painting, games and craft vendors are also part of the festival. Visit holliswomansclub.org.

- A family-friendly event featuring local food, drinks and entertainment, **Farm-a-Q** returns to Tuckaway Farm (36 Captain Smith Emerson Road, Lee) on Sunday, June 23, from noon to 5 p.m. Tickets begin at \$25. Proceeds support the Heritage Harvest Project, whose mission is to promote regional heritage foods and agricultural diversity among farmers, chefs and local communities. See "Farm-a-Q" on Eventbrite to purchase tickets.

- Save the date for the annual **Keep NH Brewing Festival**, happening Saturday, July 13, at Kiwanis Riverfront Waterfront Park behind the Everett Arena (15 Loudon Road, Concord). General admission is from 1 to 4 p.m., with VIP admission beginning at noon. The festival is the signature fundraising event for the New Hampshire Brewers Association and features one of the largest gatherings of craft beers on tap, with more than 140 options to try and more than 50 breweries represented. Food trucks, local vendors and live music will be featured. See nhbrewers.org.

- Monadnock Music will host its annual **Progressive Garden Party**, featuring multiple tastings and performances across the Monadnock region, on Saturday, July 14, from noon to 4 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, July 14, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. A botanical tour of the region, the event features unique food and drink options and live performances at each location. Tickets are \$100 (\$85 for Monadnock Music members). Visit monadnockmusic.org.

- On Thursday, July 18, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., The Cozy Tea Cart (104A Route 13, Brookline, 249-9111, thecozyteacart.com) will host **Iced Tea RealTea**, an interactive lecture where attendees will learn about the history of iced tea in the U.S. as well as different brewing methods for loose tea and the healthiest ways to drink their tea iced. The cost is \$30 per person, and registration is required two weeks in advance. The Cozy Tea Cart conducts tea tastings and lectures throughout the summer and the year. Visit thecozyteacart.com/events.

- The Smuttynose Brewing Co. (smuttynose.com) will host the 2nd Annual **New Hampshire Wing Festival** on Saturday, July 20, from noon to 4 p.m. at 105 Towle Farm Road in Hampton. Expect wings, music, ice-cold beer and more wings. Entry includes unlimited wing sampling, one 16-ounce Smuttynose beer, one bottle of water, and a ticket to cast your vote for "Best Wings of New Hampshire." Visit smuttynose.com/event/new-hampshire-wing-festival-2.

- For the third year, the Colby Hill Inn (33 The Oaks, Henniker, 800-531-0330) will host its Annual **Lobster Bake and Blueberry Feast** on Sunday, July 21. A feast of seasonal summer foods will be served and original blues music will be played by the Rick Campbell Band. Tickets are \$125 per person (plus sales tax and gratuity) including open bar (wine, signature cocktail/mocktail or beer) (\$15 credit for non-alcohol drinkers). Tenderloin is available for anyone with seafood allergies (must order at RSVP). The Inn hosts several special events throughout the summer and the year; visit colbyhillinn.com.

- The Spicy Shark presents the third annual **New England Hot Sauce Fest**, returning to Smuttynose Brewing Co. (105 Towle Farm Road, Hampton) on Saturday, July 27, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will feature more than two dozen local hot sauce companies selling and offering samples their spicy products, along with bounce houses, face-painting, several food trucks, a hot wing contest and four hot pepper eating contests. General-admission tickets are \$13; VIP tickets are \$17. Proceeds will benefit the Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation and the Seacoast Science Center. Visit newenglandhotsaucefest.com.

- The **Great New England BBQ & Food Truck Festival** returns for an eighth year to the Hampshire Dome (50 Emerson Road, Milford) on Saturday, Aug. 3, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event will feature a crafter's booth and a kids' zone in addition to eats from local food trucks, along with craft beer, live music, a cornhole tournament and more. Visit gnefoodtruckfest.com.

- The Town of Windham Recreation department will host a **Food Truck Festival and Car Show** on the grounds of Windham High School (64 London Bridge Road, Windham) on Sunday, Aug. 11. In addition to eats from local food trucks, there will be music and games of cornhole. Contact the Windham Recreation office by phone at 965-1208 or by email at recreation@windhamnh.gov.

- The **Mahrajan Middle Eastern Food Festival** (bestfestnh.com) will take place Friday, Aug. 16, to Sunday, Aug. 18, at Our Lady of the Cedars Church (140 Mitchell St., Manchester, 623-8944, olcnh.org). Lebanese foods such as shawarma, falafel, lamb, grilled chicken and many types of pastries will be served.

• **Gate City Brewfest** will return to Holman Stadium (67 Amherst St., Nashua) on Saturday, Aug. 24, with general admission from 1 to 5 p.m. and VIP admission beginning at noon. Unique for being a family-friendly brewfest, the event also features food, live music, a cornhole tournament, children's activities and more. General-admission tickets are \$35 in advance and \$50 the day of the event, while VIP tickets are \$70 (limited to 200 tickets) and tickets for designated drivers and attendees under the age of 21 are \$15. Proceeds benefit the Nashua Police Athletic League. See gatecitybrewfestnh.com.

• Assumption Greek Orthodox Church (111 Island Pond Road, Manchester, 623-2045, assumptionnh.org) will hold its **2024 Greekfest** on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 25, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. A full range of Greek foods will be served; there will be a loukoumades booth selling deep-fried dough balls covered in honey and powdered sugar, a gyro booth, a pastry booth and a bar. Visit the Church's website for more information closer to the event.

• Food Truck Festivals of America presents the 10th annual **Portsmouth Food Truck & Craft Beer Festival**, happening at Cisco Brewers (35 Corporate Drive, Portsmouth) on Sunday, Aug. 18, with general admission from noon to 5 p.m. In addition to food trucks, the festival features craft beer, lawn games,

music and more. General admission is \$5 in advance or \$10 at the gate (kids ages 10 and under are free). Visit foodtruckfestivalsfofamerica.com/portsmouth.

CONCERTS

• Nationally touring indie-folk "power duo" **National Park Radio** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Thursday, May 23, at 7 p.m. Tickets begin at \$16.

• High-energy performer **Nat Zegree** will take the stage at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Thursday, May 23, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets begin at \$42.

• Senior performing troupe **Silver Stars** will take the stage at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 25, at 2 p.m. Tickets start at \$12.

• Powerful singer **Kat Wright** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m. Tickets begin at \$16.

• The **BoDeans** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St. in Nashua; nashuacenterforthearts.com, 800-657-8774) with Chris Trapper opening on Friday, May 24, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$29.

• New England-based blues band **Frank-**



ie Boy & the Blues Express will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) Friday, May 24, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$30.

• **Parker McCollum** will perform with **Corey Kent** and **George Birgeat** at BankNH Pavilion, (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com), as part of his Burn It Down tour, on Saturday, May 25, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **The Beach Boys** will perform with **Dave Mason** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Sunday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$27.

• Rhythm and bluegrass family band **Bitter Pill** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Sunday, May 26, at 8 p.m. Tickets begin at \$30.

• Minnesota-based musician **Chastity Brown** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, [\[chall.org\]\(http://chall.org\)\) Tuesday, May 28, at 7 p.m. Tickets begin at \\$30.](http://themusi-</p>
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• Feel-good pop musician **Ryan Montbleau** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Thursday, May 30, and Friday, May 31, at 7 p.m. Tickets begin at \$15.

• Singer **Paula Cole** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Friday, May 31, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• High-energy band **Bella's Bartok** will play at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Friday, May 31, at 8 p.m. with opener **Bitter Pill**. Tickets are \$23.75 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

• **Cole Swindell, Dylan Scott and Mackenzie Carpenter** will perform at the BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Saturday, June 1, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.55.

• Grammy-nominated songwriter **Reed Foehl** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, June 1, at 8 p.m. Tickets begin at \$31.

• New Hampshire country singer **Taylor Hughes** will play a Sunday Sessions performance sponsored by the New Hampshire Music Collective at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S Main St., Concord, 225-1111,

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ccanh.com) on Sunday, June 2, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$18.75.

• **The Portsmouth Symphony Orchestra** will perform its spring concert at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Sunday, June 2, at 3 p.m. Tickets start at \$23.50.

• **The Granite State Ringers**, New Hampshire's only elite handbell choir, will perform at the Spotlight Room (96 Hanover St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) on Sunday, June 2, at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$50.

• Critically acclaimed pianist **BLKBOK** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Sunday, June 2, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$31.

• Toronto songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **Abigail Lapell** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Sunday, June 2, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• Master lyricist **John Hiatt** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) Sunday, June 2, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$89.

• **Mr. Joe Jackson Presents: Joe Jackson Solo and the Music of Max Champion** at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Monday, June 3, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$71.

• Chicago tribute band **Leonid and Friends** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Wednesday, June 5, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• American roots musician **Charley Crockett** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Wednesday, June 5, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$42 in advance, \$47 at the door.

• Kenny Chesney tribute act **No Shoes Nation** will perform at LaBelle Winery Amherst (345 Route 101, Amherst, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) on Thursday, June 6, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$40

• James Taylor/Simon and Garfunkel tribute act **Good Acoustics** will perform at LaBelle Winery Derry (14 Route 111, Derry, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) Thursday, June 6, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$40.

• Gritty and raw folk-rock outfit **The Wolff Sisters** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Friday, June 7, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• Master lyricist and satirical storyteller **John Hyatt** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Friday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

• Country icon **Jo Dee Messina** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Friday, June 7, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$27.

• The classic '80s band **Stryper** will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) Friday, June 7, at 8 p.m., as part of their To Hell With the Amps: the Unplugged Tour. The performance will include acoustic, stripped-down versions of the band's classic songs. Tickets start at \$47.

• **MUSE: A Salute to Divas**, fronted by two New England-based female vocalists, happens at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Friday, June 7, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$38.



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• Indie rockers **The Mallett Brothers Band** will perform with **Medium and Bear** at The Range (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com) Saturday, June 8, at 5 p.m. Tickets cost \$34 in advance, \$40 at the door.

• Jazz-based Phish tribute band **Jazz Is Phish** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Saturday, June 8, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$20.

• New Orleans-style musicians **Soggy Po' Boys** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) on Saturday, June 8, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• Symphony NH will perform **The Music of John Williams – Star Wars and More** at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Saturday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets begin at \$20.75. A pre-concert talk about the pieces performed will take place at 6:30 p.m.

• Journey cover band **Voyage** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com), Saturday, June 8, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$21.

• The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) will host a **Live Jukebox Request Night with the Scott Spradling Band** Saturday, June 8, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$29.

• Led Zeppelin tribute show **Kashmir** comes to the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Saturday, June 8, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$29.

• Banjo-based jazz band **The Alison Brown Quintet** will perform at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) Sunday, June 9, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$29.

• **The Ted Herbert Community Big Band** will take the stage at Majestic Theatre (880 Page St., Manchester, 669-7469, majestictheatre.net) Sunday, June 9, at 3 p.m. Tickets are

\$15 through Majestic's website.

• Police guitarist **Andy Summers** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Sunday, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• Singer-songwriter **Ellis Paul** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Sunday, June 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$36.

• **The Pixies and Modest Mouse** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Tuesday, June 11, at 6:30 p.m., with special guests **Cat Power**. Tickets start at \$48.65.

• Classic country and folk singer **Kathy Mattea** will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Tuesday, June 11, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$46.75 in advance and cost \$5 more at the door.

• Contemporary blues artist **Keb' Mo'** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Tuesday, June 11, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

• **Hootie and the Blowfish** will perform with **Collective Soul** and **Edwin McCain** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Thursday, June 13, at 7 p.m., as part of their Summer Camps With Trucks tour. Tickets start at \$67.45.

• The Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) will host **Trans-Canada Highwaymen**, featuring Moe Berg, Chris Murphy, Craig Northey and Steven Page, Thursday, June 13, at 8 p.m. The Canadian supergroup will perform classic Canadian rock songs originally recorded by each member of the band. Tickets start at \$54.

• Grateful Dead tribute band **Dead Meat** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Friday, June 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$28.50.

• Hawaiian musician **Jake Shimabukuro** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Friday, June 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

• South American folk musicians **Acoustic Nomads** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Friday, June 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• Blues and rock band **The Senie Hunt Project** will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Friday, June 14, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$23.75 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

• New England-based Eagles tribute band **Another Tequila Sunrise** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St.,

Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Friday, June 14, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **Lainey Wilson** will perform with **Ian Munsick** and **Zach Top** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Saturday, June 15, at 7 p.m., as part of their Country's Cool Again tour. Tickets start at \$98.95.

• Eagles tribute band **Another Tequila Sunrise** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$12 through the Colonial Theatre's website.

• 1970s and '80s hit makers **Little River Band** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$27.

• **Cheek to Cheek**, a Tony Bennett/Lady Gaga tribute act, will perform Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m., at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com). Tickets start at \$35.

• Legendary Celtic act **Gaelic Storm** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) on Sunday, June 16, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$39 through the Colonial's website.

• The Dead Tongues' **Ryan Gustafson** will perform with **Natalie Jane Hill** at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) on Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• Tribute band **The Magic of Motown** will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts' (44 S Main St. in Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Chubb Theatre on Tuesday, June 18, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$57.75.

• Bass-singing folk group **The Wellermen** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Tuesday, June 18, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

• The progressive rock band **dada** will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) Tuesday, June 18, at 8 p.m. dada is known for its vocal harmonies and melodic power pop layered with inspired psychedelic and experimental rock impulses. Tickets are \$39.

• Blues guitarist and singer **Bonnie Raitt** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Tuesday, June 18, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$42.

• The Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) will host **An Evening With Gaelic Storm** Wednesday, June 19, at 8 p.m. This band is one of the biggest Celtic acts in the business. Tickets start at \$39.

• **John Fogerty** will perform with **George Thorogood** and **Hearty Har** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford,



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293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Wednesday, June 19, at 6:50 p.m. as part of their Celebration tour. Tickets start at \$48.65.

- Motown tribute act **The Magic of Motown** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org), Wednesday, June 19, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$70.

- Legendary '90s band **Cake** will play at Cisco Brewers Portsmouth (35 Corporate Drive, Portsmouth, 380-7575, ciscobrewersportsmouth.com) on Thursday, June 20, at 8 p.m. Advance tickets are \$51.50 through the Casino Ballroom's website (casinoballroom.com) or \$56.50 on the day of the show.

- Grateful Dead cover band **Joe Russo's Almost Dead** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Thursday, June 20, at 8:30 p.m. and Friday, June 21, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$71.50 in advance and \$76.50 at the door.

- Eclectic improv-rock band **Umphrey's McGee** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Thursday, June 20, at 8:30 p.m. and Friday, July 5, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$35 in advance, \$40 on the day of the show.

- U2 tribute act **Joshua Tree** will be at LaBelle Winery Derry (14 Route 111 in Derry, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) Thursday, June 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$40.

- '90s icon **Paula Cole** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, (800) 657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Friday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

- Country musician **Rodney Atkins** will perform with **Annie Brobst** at The Range Live Music and Concert Venue (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com) Friday, June 21, at 5 p.m. Tickets start at \$56 in advance, \$65 on the day of the show.

- Van Morrison tribute act **Moondance** will perform at LaBelle Winery Amherst (345 Route 101 in Amherst, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) Friday, June 21, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$40.

- Iconic saxophonist **Kenny G** performs at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) Friday, June 21, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$87.

- Folk-rock band **Max Creek** will perform with **Rabbit's Foot** at The Range (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com) on Saturday, June 22, at 5 p.m. Tickets start at \$34 in advance, \$40 on the day of the show.

- British Invasion tribute band **The Brit Pack** will perform at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) Saturday, June 22, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$35.

- Legendary saxophonist **Kenny G** will

perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) Saturday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$59.

- **Pride Anthems**, a musical tribute to iconic LGBTQ+ music, will take the stage at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Saturday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

- Member of the classic rock band Yes **Jon Anderson** will perform at the Capitol Cen-



ter for the Arts' (44 S Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Chubb Theater on Saturday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m., with opening act **The Band Geeks**. Tickets start at \$59.

- The Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) will host **Magical Mystery Doors – Beatles, Zeppelin, Doors Tribute** Saturday, June 22, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

- Double platinum-certified singer-songwriter **Hailey Reinhart** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) Sunday, June 23, at 2 and 7 p.m., and Monday June 24, at 6 and 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$61.

- **Michael Franti and Spearhead with Trevor Hall** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Tuesday, June 25, at 6 p.m. as part of their Togetherness tour. Tickets cost \$67 in advance or \$72 on the day of the show.

- Singer-songwriter **Clay Cook** will perform at the Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Thursday, June 27, 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$28.

- **Phil Vassar** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Thursday, June 27, at 8 p.m. as part of his Hits and Heroes Tour. Tickets start at \$50.

- Indie bands **Tiger Saw** and **Sneaky Miles** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road in Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Friday, June 28, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$16.

- Leading practitioners of the lost art of the guitar instrumental **Nick Lowe** and **Los Straitjackets** will perform at the Palace Theatre (80 Hanover St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) Friday, June 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

- **Welcome to The Club: A Musical Cachet of The Great American Crooners** will take the stage at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, pal-

acetheatre.org) Friday, June 28, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. This is a reinvention of the classic Copacabana Club with a full 19-piece Big Band and hits from Frank Sinatra, Nat 'King' Cole, Bing Crosby, Bobby Darin, Mel Tormé, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr. and Tony Bennett. Tickets are \$29.

- **Club d'Elf** has been helping audiences lose track of time for 25 years with its mesmerizing synthesis of Moroccan traditional music and electronic dubbed-out funk. The band will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts (44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Friday, June 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$30.75 in advance and \$5 more at the door.

- Van Morrison tribute act **Moondance** will perform at the Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Friday, June 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$38.

- Catch the classic British band **The Sweet** at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Friday, June 28, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$45.

- Eclectic musical duo **Thost** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org), Friday, June 28, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$30.

- **An Elvis Tribute Concert starring Robert Black** will take the stage at Fulchino Vineyard (187 Pine Hill Road, Hollis, 438-5984, fulchinovineyard.com) Saturday, June 29, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$29.

- Legendary performers **The Temptations** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Saturday, June 29, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$59.

- Hard-rocking band **Cathedral** will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts' (225-1111, ccanh.com) BNH Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord) Saturday, June 29, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$23.75 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

- Hair metal tribute act **Back to the '80s** will perform at the Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Saturday, June 29, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

- **A Day to Remember** will perform with **The Story So Far**, **Four Year Strong** and **Pain of Truth** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Sunday, June 30, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.80.

- Singer-songwriter **Josh Ritter** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Sunday, June 30, at 7 p.m. as part of his Works in Progress and Songs You Know tour. Tickets are \$50.

- Folk-pop singer-songwriters **Grace Pettis** and **Henry Honkonen** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) Sunday, June 30, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$24.

- **James Taylor & His All-Star Band** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Monday, July 1, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$62.70.

- Two-time Grammy winner **Jason Mraz** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) on Wednesday, July 3, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$150.

- **Kidz Bop** is at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Wednesday, July 3, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.30.

- Country acts **Country Night Live** and **Whiskey 6** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Wednesday, July 3, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

- High-energy Americana band **The Mallett Brothers Band** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road in Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) on Friday, July 5, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

- Bluegrass-rock combo **Kitchen Dwellers** will perform with **Jatoba** at The Range Live Music and Concert Venue (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com), Friday, July 5, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$41 in advance, \$49 on the day.

- **The Dave Matthews Tribute Band** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Friday, July 5, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

- Moody Blues guitarist **Justin Hayward** and 1980s singer-songwriter **Christopher Cross** will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Saturday, July 6, at 7 p.m. with support from **Mike Dawes**. Tickets start at \$99.

- Sublime tribute band **Badfish!** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Saturday, July 6, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$29 in advance, \$34 on the day of the show.

- Singer-songwriters **Ian Archibold & Ian Galipeau** will play a Sunday Sessions performance sponsored by the New Hampshire Music Collective at the Cantin Room at Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) on Sunday, July 7, at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$18.75.

- Classical pianist **Daniel Adam Maltz** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) on Monday, July 8, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$28.

- Country artist **Priscilla Block** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Sunday, July 7, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$28 in advance, \$33 on the day of the show.

- Rock anthem band **The Used** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Wednesday, July 10, at 7 p.m. with

Story of the Year and Amira Elfeky. Tickets cost \$51 in advance, \$56 on the day of the show.

• **Third Eye Blind with special guests BankNH and Arizona** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Thursday, July 11, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.74.

• Passionate and emotional musician **Erick Baker** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicichall.org) Thursday, July 11, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$32.

• **“Live at the Fillmore” Allman Brothers Tribute** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicichall.com) on Thursday, July 11, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$37.

• Jimmy Buffet tribute act **Good Acoustics** will perform at LaBelle Winery Derry (14 Route 111, Derry, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) Thursday, July 11, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40.

• Legendary reggae band **The Wailers** will perform with **Dis-N-Dat Band** and **Supernothing** at The Range (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com) on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$42 in advance, \$52 on the day of the show.

• Blues legends **Roomful of Blues** will perform at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) Friday, July 12, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$29.

• **Aaron Lewis** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Thursday, July 11, and Friday, July 12, at 8 p.m. as part of his American Patriot tour. Tickets start at \$31.

• Catch **The Bacon Brothers** at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicichall.com) Friday, July 12, at 8 p.m. as part of their Free Standing tour. Tickets are \$61.

• Grateful Dead tribute act **Dead to the Core** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) Saturday, July 13, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• 1980s hair band-influenced act **Aquanett** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Saturday, July 13, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$22 through the Opera House’s website.

• **Green River**, a Creedence Clearwater Revival and John Fogerty tribute, will perform at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) Saturday, July 13, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$35.

• **“Beginnings” — Celebrating the Music of Chicago** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicichall.com) Saturday, July 13, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$37.

• Reggae band **RDMTION** will perform at Crow’s Feat Farm (178 Drinkwater Road, Kensington, 498-6262, crowsfeatfarm.org) Sunday, July 14, at 3 p.m. Tickets start at \$10.

• **Slightly Stoopid, Dirty Heads, Common Kings, and the Elovaters** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Sunday, July 14, at 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$51.

• Jazz powerhouse **Trombone Shorty and Orleans Avenue** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Sunday, July 14, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$37 in advance, \$42 on the day of the show.

• **Hailstorm, I prevail, Hollywood Undead, and Fit for a King** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Monday, July 15, at 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.

• **Luke Bryan** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com), as part of his Mind of a Country Boy tour, with **Hunter-girl** and **Lily Rose** Thursday, July 18, Friday, July 19, and Saturday, July 20, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$89.

• **Brit Floyd**, one of the top Pink Floyd tribute acts, will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Thursday, July 18, and Friday, July 19, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$31.

• **Hollywood Nights – The Bob Seger Tribute** will be performed at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicichall.com) Friday, July 19, at 5 p.m. Tickets start at \$45. This is a fundraising event for the Center for Life Management (centerforlifemanagement.org).

• Paul Simon tribute act **Hearts & Bones** will perform at The Range Live Music and Concert Venue (96 Old Turnpike Road in Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com) on Saturday, July 20, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$34 in advance, \$40 on the day of the show.

• Soul and funk bands **Trade** and **Crawl-space** will perform at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

• Classic rock tribute act **Fortune** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through the Opera House’s website.

• AC/DC tribute act **Dirty Deeds: the AC/DC Experience** and **Through The Doors** will take the stage at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$21.

• Doors tribute band **Peace Frog** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacen-

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terforthearts.com) Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$29.

• North America's premier Celtic event, **Tartan Terrors**, will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Sunday, July 21, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **Daryl Hall and Elvis Costello and the Imposters** will perform with **Charlie Sexton** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Monday, July 22, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$48.

• **O.A.R., Fitz & the Tantrums and DJ Logic** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Tuesday, July 23, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

• Singer-songwriter **Langhorne Slim** will perform at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Tuesday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$53.75 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

• **John Lodge** of The Moody Blues will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800)-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Tuesday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

• **"THE MUSIC OF ABBA – Direct From Sweden"** will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) Tuesday, July 23, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$39.

• **G. Love & Special Sauce with Brett Dennen and Mihali** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Wednesday, July 24, at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$30 in advance, \$35 on the day of the show.

• **John Lodge** of The Moody Blues will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St. in Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) Wednesday, July 24, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **Godsmack** will perform with **Nothing More** and **Flat Black** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Thursday, July 25, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.

• Country singer **Kameron Marlowe** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd. in Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Thursday, July 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$27 in advance, \$32 on the day of the show.

• Beatles tribute act **The Fab Four – Ultimate Tribute**, will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd. in Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Friday, July 26, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$27.

• Grateful Dead tribute act **Zach Nugent's Dead Set** will perform at The Range (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com), Friday, July 26, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$39 in advance, \$45 on the

day of the show.

• Irish folk band **The High Kings** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Friday, July 26, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **Ozzy Osbourne** tribute act **Crazy Train** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Friday, July 26, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$25 through the Opera House's website.

• **Dan & Shay** will perform with **Jake Owen** and **Dylan Marlow** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com), as part of their Heartbreak on the Map tour, Saturday, July 27, at 7 p.m.

• **"Bruce in the USA"** a tribute to the E Street Band's musical legacy, will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Saturday, July 27, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$39.

• Eagles tribute act **Dark Desert Eagles – The Ultimate Eagles Tribute**, will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd. in Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com), Saturday, July 27, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$21.

• **The Windham Community Band** will perform at Crow's Feat Farm (178 Drinkwater Road, Kensington, 498-6262, crowsfeatfarm.org) on Sunday, July 28, at 3 p.m. Tickets start at \$10.

• **Switchfoot, Blue October, and Matt Nathanson** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Sunday, July 28, at 7 p.m., as part of their Help From My Friends tour. Tickets cost \$71 in advance, \$76 on the day of the show.

• Celtic band **The High Kings** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Sunday, July 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39 through the Flying Monkey website.

• **Train** will perform with **Yacht Rock Revue** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com), as part of their Summer Road Trip tour, Sunday, July 28, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$38.

• Jerry Lee Lewis tribute act **Great Balls of Fire** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) on Tuesday, July 30, at 8 p.m.

• Singer-songwriter **Nico Moon** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) with Sophia Scott on Thursday, Aug. 1, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$27 in advance, \$32 on the day of the show.

• Country band **Texas Hill** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Friday, Aug. 2, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$24.

• Talking Heads keyboardist **Jerry Har-**

Adrian Belew will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) on Friday, Aug. 2, at 8 p.m. as part of their Remain in Light tour. Tickets begin at \$65; there will be a ticketed meet and greet at 5 p.m.

• Afro-futurist band **Steel Pulse** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Friday, Aug. 2, at 8 p.m. General admission tickets are \$39 in advance through the Ballroom's website, or \$44 on the day of the show.

• **Rock N Roll Circus Featuring James Montgomery, Jon Butcher, and Johnny A** will play at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Friday, Aug. 2, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$34. There will be a ticketed VIP event at 5 p.m. This show is produced by Rockin' 4 Vets/Alive & Kicking Productions, which produces benefit concerts throughout New England to support organizations assisting veterans on issues related to PTSD, addiction and homelessness.

• Kenny Chesney tribute act **No Shoes Nation** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Friday, Aug. 2, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

• ABBA tribute act **Dancing Dream** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Saturday, Aug. 3, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22 through the Opera House's website.

• **33 1/3 Live's Killer Queen Experience** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Saturday, Aug. 3, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$39.

• Led Zeppelin tribute band **Get The Led Ou** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd. in Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Saturday, Aug. 3, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$33 in advance or \$38 on the day of the show.

• **The Happy Together Tour 2024**, featuring **The Turtles, Jay and the Americans, The Association, Badfinger, the Vogues, and The Cowsills**, will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Sunday, Aug. 4, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$25.

• Heavy metal bands **Lamb of God** and **Mastodon** will perform at the SNHU Arena (555 Elm St., Manchester, 644-5000, snhua-rena.com) Sunday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$37.

• **Styx** and **Foreigner** will perform with **John Waite** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Sunday, Aug. 4, at 6:45

p.m. on their Renegades and Juke Box Heroes tour. Tickets start at \$54.

• **311** will perform with **Awolnation** and **Neon Trees** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Tuesday, Aug. 6, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$21.

• **Teddy Swims** will perform with **Freak Freely** at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$37.

• Funk-Americana trio **Assembly of Dust** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) on Thursday, Aug. 8, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$43.

• All-woman string band **Del-la Mae** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Friday, Aug. 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$25 through the Flying Monkey website.

• Tribute act **That Motown Band** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Friday, Aug. 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available through the Opera House's website.

• **Jacob Tolliver** will perform at Fulchino Vineyard (187 Pine Hill Road, Hollis, 438-5984, fulchinovineyard.com) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 6:30 p.m.

• Lynyrd Skynyrd tribute act **Vyntyge Skynrd** will perform at Lakeport Opera House (781 Union Ave., Laconia, 519-7506, lakeportopera.com) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 8 p.m. Tickets are available through the Opera House's website.

• **Slipkid – A Celebration of The Who** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com), Friday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. Tickets begin at \$21.

• Jam-rock trio **Wellfleet** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) Friday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. Tickets begin at \$24.

• Neil Diamond tribute act **Cherry Cherry** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusicall.com) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$37.

• **The Doobie Brothers** and **Steve Winwood** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$38.

• A capella greats **Straight, No Chaser** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusicall.org) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$58.

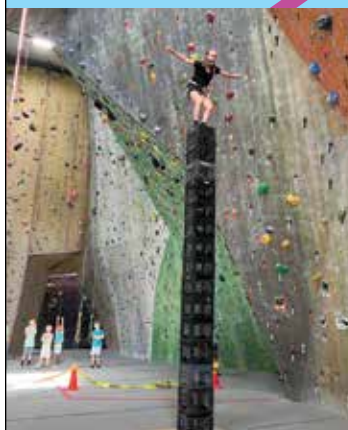
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Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

• Award-winning musician **Tyler Hilton** will perform at The Music Hall Portsmouth (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Saturday, Aug. 10, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$36.

• **A Classical Confection** of classical music will perform at Crow's Feat Farm (178 Drinkwater Road, Kensington, 498-6262, crowsfeatfarm.org) on Sunday, Aug. 11, at 3 p.m. Tickets start at \$10.

• Fleetwood Mac tribute act **Rumours of Fleetwood Mac** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

• **Slipknot** will perform with **Knocked Loose** and **Orbit Culture** as part of their Here Comes the Pain 25th Anniversary tour at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$69.

• Disco icons **KC & The Sunshine Band** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$31.

• **Dierks Bentley** will perform with **Chase Rice** and the **Randy Rogers Band** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane in Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Thursday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m.

• **Lindsey Stirling** will perform with **Walk Off the Earth** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Friday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$44.

• **1964 – The Tribute**, a recreation of Beatles performances from 1964, will take the stage at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Friday, Aug. 16, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• Country singer **Brett Young** will perform with **Mackenzie Porter** at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Friday, Aug. 16, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$67 in advance or \$72 on the day of the show.

• **Whiskey Myers** will perform with **Blackberry Smoke** and **Eddie Flint** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Saturday, Aug. 17, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.

• **Tom Rush** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St. in Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Saturday, Aug. 17, at 7:30 p.m. Tick-

ets start at \$49 through the Flying Monkey website.

• Seminal third-wave ska band **Save Ferris** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Saturday, Aug. 17, at 7:30 p.m.

• Singer-songwriter **Pete Kilpatrick** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org), Saturday, Aug. 17, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$16 in advance, \$20 day of show.

• Rising country star **Dustin Lynch** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Saturday, Aug. 17, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$67 in advance, \$72 on the day of the show.

• Singer-songwriter **Bo Bice** will play at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Sunday, Aug. 18, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$39.

• **Creed** will perform with **Tonic** and **Finnger Eleven** as part of their Summer of 99 tour at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$87.

• **Cage the Elephant** will perform with **Young the Giant**, **Bakar** and **Willow Avalon** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$43.

• New Hampshire bands **GIRLSPIT**, **Burly Girlies**, **Hell Beach & Fun City Fan Club** will perform at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Friday, Aug. 23, at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$15 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

• **ZZ Top** and **Lynyrd Skynyrd** will perform with **The Outlaws** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Friday, Aug. 23, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.

• New England's premier Pink Floyd tribute act **Echoes of Floyd** will perform at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Saturday, Aug. 24, at 7:30 p.m.

• Classic rock-jazz trio **Sarah Blacker & the Light** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Saturday, Aug. 24, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$30.

• **Jason Aldean** will perform with **Hailey Whitters**, **Chase Matthew**, and **Austin Snell** as part of his Highway Desperado tour at the BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, bank-

nhpavilion.com) Saturday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$67.

• Talking Heads tribute act **Start Making Sense** will perform at The Range Live Music and Concert Venue (96 Old Turnpike Road, Mason, 878-1324, therangemason.com), Saturday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. Tickets cost \$39 in advance, or \$45 on the day of the show.

• Trance arena rock combo **Perpetual Groove** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Sunday, Aug. 25, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.50.

• Bluegrass duo **Rob Ickes and Trey Hensley** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) Sunday, Aug. 25, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$30.

• Tribute band **Sons of Cream** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) Sunday, Aug. 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• 1990s pop stars **Joey Fatone and AJ McLean** will perform their show "A Legendary Night" at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Sunday, Aug. 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$71 in advance, \$76 on the day of the show.

• **Deep Purple** and **Yes** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Wednesday, Aug. 28, at 6:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

• Queen tribute act **One Night of Queen** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) Wednesday, Aug. 28, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• Canadian folk duo **Rachel Davis & Darren McMullen** will perform at The Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) on Thursday, Aug. 29, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$15.

• Queen tribute act **One Night of Queen** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd. in Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) Thursday, Aug. 29, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$21.

• The Band tribute act **The Weight Band** will perform at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) Friday, Aug. 30, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$34.

• Tribute band **Marcus Rezak's Gumbo Live Phish Experience** will perform at the Bank of New Hampshire Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Friday, Aug. 30, at 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$24 in advance, \$5 more at the door.

• **Todd Hearon & Tiny Dog Fight** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, Aug. 31, at 8 p.m.

• **Bret Michaels** will perform with

Chris Janson, **Don Felder**, **Dee Snider** and **Lou Gramm** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) Saturday, Aug. 31, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$24.

• **Tedeschi Trucks Band** will perform with **Margo Price** at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com) on Sunday, Sept. 1, at 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.

COMEDY

• **Nick Callas** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Friday, May 24, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$24.

• Catch the Tupelo Night of Comedy, featuring **Brad Mastrangelo**, **Steve Scarfo** and **Jeff Koen** at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Saturday, May 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

• **Will Noonan** will perform at Chunky's Cinema Pub (707 Huse Road, Manchester, 206-3888, chunkys.com/movie-theater/chunkysmanchester) on Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Juston McKinney** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) on Saturday, May 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$36.

• **Jason Cordova**, **Liam Hales**, **Jim McCue** and **Jack Lynch** will perform at McCue's Comedy Club at the Roundabout Diner (508 Portsmouth Traffic Circle, Portsmouth, 844-424-2420, mccuescomedyclub.com) on Saturday, May 25, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Dave Rattigaon** will perform at Murphy's Taproom (494 Elm St., Manchester, 644-3535, scampscmedyclub.com/shows) on Saturday, May 25, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Piff the Magic Dragon** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) on Thursday, May 30, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **Piff the Magic Dragon** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com) on Friday, May 31, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$39.

• **Brian Glowacki and Friends** will perform at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) on Friday, May 31, at 7:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$24.

• **Tony V** will perform at McCue's Comedy Club at the Roundabout Diner (508 Portsmouth Traffic Circle, Portsmouth, 844-424-2420, mccuescomedyclub.com) on Saturday, June 1, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• **Hasan Minhaj** will perform at the Nashua Center for the Arts (201 Main St., Nashua, 800-657-8774, nashuacenterforthearts.com)



on Thursday, June 6, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.50.

• **Lenny Clark** performs at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) on Friday, June 7, at 7:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$24.

• **Hasan Minhaj** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) on Friday, June 7, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$49.

• **Jim McCue** and **Liam Hales** will take the stage at McCue's Comedy Club at the Roundabout Diner (508 Portsmouth Traffic Circle, Portsmouth, 844-424-2420, mccuescomedyclub.com) on Saturday, June 8, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• Catch Happy Hour Comedy featuring **Matt Shore** at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, June 8, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$18.

• **Brian Beaudoin** will perform at Chunky's Cinema Pub (707 Huse Road, Manchester, 206-3888, chunkys.com/movie-theater/chunkysmanchester) on Saturday, June 8, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Colin Mochrie** and **Brad Sherwood** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Thursday, June 13, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$56.

• See **Tom Cotter** at The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) on Friday, June 14, at 7:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• **Max Dolcelli**, **Andrew Breen**, **Bill Campbell** and **Liam Hales** will perform at McCue's Comedy Club at the Roundabout Diner (508 Portsmouth Traffic Circle, Portsmouth, 844-424-2420, mccuescomedyclub.com) on Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• **Andy Beningo** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$24.

• **Eddie B.** will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts' (44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Chubb Theatre, Saturday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets begin at \$34.75.

• **Mike Hanley** performs at Chunky's Cinema Pub (707 Huse Road, Manchester, 206-3888, chunkys.com/movie-theater/chunkysmanchester) on Saturday, June 15, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Corey B.** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Monday, June 17, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$35.

• **Brian Glowacki**, **Ryan Gartley** and **Tony Moschetto** will perform at Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Friday, June 21, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$22.

• **Kerri and Carolyn's PSU Scene of the**

Crime Comedy will take the stage at The Flying Monkey (39 Main St., Plymouth, 536-2551, flyingmonkeynh.com) on Friday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$25.

• **Pat McGann** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Friday, June 21, and Saturday, June 22, at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$34.

• Comedy at the Rex brings **Jim Colliton** to The Rex Theatre (823 Amherst St., Manchester, 668-5588, palacetheatre.org) on Friday, June 21, at 7:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• **Pete Davidson** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Saturday, June 22, at 7 and 10 p.m. as part of his Prehab tour. Tickets start at \$67.

• **Will Noonan** performs at Chunky's Cinema Pub (707 Huse Road, Manchester, 206-3888, chunkys.com/movie-theater/chunkysmanchester) on Saturday, June 22, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Jimmy Cash's School's Out!** comedy show will be at LaBelle Winery Derry (14 Route 111, Derry, 672-9898, labellewinery.com) on Thursday, June 27, at 7:15 p.m. Tickets are \$40.

• **Nurse Blake** will perform at the Casino Ballroom (169 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 929-4100, casinoballroom.com) on Saturday, June 29, at 8 p.m. as part of his Shock Advised tour. Tickets start at \$43.

• **Karen Morgan** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, June 29, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$30.

• Live Comedy features **Tom Cotter** at Chunky's Cinema Pub (707 Huse Road in Manchester, 206-3888, chunkys.com/movie-theater/chunkysmanchester) on Saturday, June 29, 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$20.

• **Cam Bertrand** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Friday, July 12, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$26.

• **Johnny Ater** will perform at McCue's Comedy Club at the Roundabout Diner (508 Portsmouth Traffic Circle, Portsmouth, 844-424-2420, mccuescomedyclub.com) on Saturday, July 13, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• **Dulcé Sloan** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Sunday, July 14, at 5:30 and 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$32.

• **Jackie Fabulous** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org), Thursday, July 18, at 6 p.m. Tickets start at \$29.

• **Bob Marley** will perform at the Colonial Theatre Laconia (609 Main St., Laconia, 657-8774, coloniallaconia.com) Friday, July 19, and Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$40.



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• **Robert Kelly** will perform at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, July 20, at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$36.

• Tupelo Night of Comedy features **Drew Dunn**, **Paul Landwehr** and **Andrea Henry** at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$25.

• **Impractical Jokers** will perform at BankNH Pavilion (72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, 293-4700, banknhpavilion.com), as part of their *Drive, Drive, Drive* tour, on Friday, July 26, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$41.

• **Karen Morgan** and **Shawn Ruiz** will perform at McCue's Comedy Club at the Roundabout Diner (508 Portsmouth Traffic Circle, Portsmouth, 844-424-2420, Mccuescomedyclub.com) on Saturday, July 27, at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

• **Orlando Leyba** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Saturday, Aug. 3, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$28.

• **Lenny Clark** is at the Tupelo Music Hall (10 A St., Derry, 437-5100, tupelomusichall.com) on Friday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. Tickets start at \$35.

• **Garrison Keillor** will perform at the Capitol Center for the Arts' (44 S. Main St., Concord, 225-1111, ccanh.com) Chubb Theatre on Friday, Aug. 9, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets begin at \$53.75.

• **Chris Franjola** will perform at The Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Friday, Aug. 16, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$32.

THEATER

• **Into the Breeches!** by George Brant, produced by Lend Me a Theater (lendmeatheatheater.org), runs May 24 through June 9 with shows Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets \$25 for adults, \$22 for students/seniors/members, \$19 for senior members.

• **The Wizard of Oz** presented by The Kids Coop Theatre will run on Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 25, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, May 26, at 1 p.m. at Derry Opera House (29 West Broadway, Derry, kidscooptheatre.ludus.com, 765-8593) Tickets are \$15.

• **25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee** will be performed by the Manchester Community Theatre Players at The MCTP Theatre at North End Montessori School (698 Beech St., Manchester) Friday, May 31, through Sunday, June 2. See manchestercommunitytheatre.com.

• **42nd Street** runs Friday, May 31, through Sunday, June 23, at the Palace Theatre (80 Hanover St., Manchester; palacetheatre.org, 668-5588) with shows Fridays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 2 and 7:30 p.m., and Sundays at

2 p.m. Tickets cost \$28 to \$49.

• **Paradise Now!** will be presented by Theatre Kapow at the Bank of NH Stage (16 S. Main St., Concord; ccanh.com) on Friday, June 7, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, June 8, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, June 9, at 2 p.m. See tkapow.com.

• **William Shakespeare's Long Lost First Play (Abridged)** is presented by Cue Zero Theatre Company at the Arts Academy of New Hampshire (19 Keewaydin Drive, Salem, onthestage.tickets/cue-zero-theatre-company) on Friday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, June 22, at 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, June 23, at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15.

• **Sleuth** presented by The Majestic Academy of Dramatic Arts will run on Friday, June 21, at 7 p.m., Saturday, June 22, at 2 and 7 p.m., and Sunday, June 23, at 2 p.m. at the Majestic Theatre (880 Page St., Manchester, majestictheatre.net, 669-7469). Tickets are \$15 and \$20.

• The young performers of the Palace Youth Theatre Camp will present shows this summer at the Palace Theatre (80 Hanover St., Manchester; palacetheatre.org, 668-5588). These include **Alice and Wonderland ' Jr.** on Friday, July 5, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, July 6, at 11 a.m.; **101 Dalmatians 'Kids'** on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m.; **Newsies ' Jr.** on Friday, July 26, at 7 p.m. & Saturday, July 27, at 11 a.m.; **The Jungle Book 'Kids'** on Friday, Aug. 2, at 7 p.m.; **The Wizard of Oz 'Youth Edition'** on Friday, Aug. 16, at 7 p.m. & Saturday, August 17, at 11 a.m.; and **Willy Wonka 'Kids'** on Saturday, Aug. 24, at 12 p.m.

• **Heathers: The Musical** by Kevin Murphy & Laurence O'Keefe, based on the 1989 film, produced by Ro Gavin Collaborative Theater and presented by Hatbox Theatre (715-2315, hatboxnh.com) and Manchester Community Theatre Players, runs July 12 through July 21, with shows Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. at MCTP Theater at the North End Montessori School in Manchester (689 Beech St.) Tickets cost \$28 for adults, \$25 for students/seniors/members, \$22 for senior members. See hatboxnh.com for content details.

• **All Shook Up** presented by Majestic Productions (Adults) will run on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m., Saturday, July 13, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, July 14, at 2 p.m. at Derry Opera House (29 West Broadway, Derry, majestictheatre.net, 669-7469). Tickets are \$15 and \$22.

• **Legally Blonde The Musical** is presented by Ovation Theatre Co. Friday, July 19, and Saturday, July 20, featuring performers ages 15 to adult at the Derry Opera House (29 West Broadway in Derry). See ovationtc.com.

• **Cruel Intentions: The '90s Musical** is presented by Hatbox Theatre (715-2315, hatboxnh.com) and Manchester Community Theatre Players from Aug. 2 through Aug. 11 with shows Fridays and Saturdays

at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. at the North End Montessori School's MCTP Theatre (698 Beech St., Manchester). Tickets \$28 for adults, \$25 for students/seniors/members, \$22 for senior members. See hatboxnh.com for content details.

• **Nunsense Jamboree** presented by The Majestic Studio Theatre will run on Friday, Aug. 9, at 7 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 10, at 2 and 7 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 11, at 2 p.m. at the Majestic Theatre (880 Page St. in Manchester, majestictheatre.net, 669-7469). Tickets are \$15 and \$20.



ART EVENTS

• See the four artists participating in this year's **Nashua International Sculpture Symposium** at work on their pieces at Picker Artists (3 Pine St. in Nashua), where they are working Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. according to nashuasculpturesymposium.org, where you can sign up to donate to or pick up a meal for the artists. The pieces, which will become part of Nashua's townwide exhibit of sculptures, will be unveiled in their installation locations on Saturday, June 1.

• **The 32nd Annual Memorial Weekend Craft Festival** at Mill Falls Marketplace (312 Daniel Webster Hwy., Meredith) will be held on Saturday, May 25, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, May 26, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Monday, May 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Explore a wide variety of crafts, including handmade jewelry, pottery, woodwork, textiles and more. Admission is free. Visit castleberryfairs.com.

• **The Concord Arts Market**, an outdoor artisan and fine art market, will run one Saturday a month from June through October, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Rollins Park (33 Bow St., Concord). Market dates are June 8, July 13, Aug. 10 and Sept. 14. Visit concordartsmarket.net.

• View jaw-dropping sculptures crafted on Hampton Beach at the **24th Annual Hampton Beach Master Sand Sculpting Classic**, happening Thursday, June 20, through Saturday, June 22, at Hampton Beach (180 Ocean Blvd.). The event includes award ceremonies and prizes for the greatest sand sculptures built with the theme "Sand Wars – May the Beach Be With You" in mind. The competition is by invitation only, but the sculptures will be illuminated for viewing at night until June 26. Visit hamptonbeach.org.

• **The 5th Annual Hampton Falls Liberty**

Weekend Craft Festival takes place on Saturday, June 29, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, June 30, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Hampton Falls Town Common (4 Lincoln Ave.) This event is free to the public. More than 75 juried artisans will feature their work. Discover pottery, pillow quilts, wind chimes and more. Visit castleberryfairs.com.

• Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester, currier.org) will hold its annual **Block Party** on Sunday, July 14, from 4 to 8 p.m. The evening will feature art activities, live music, free gallery admission, food trucks, face painting, a beer and wine tent, a community art project and more, according to the website.

• **Uncommon Art on the Common** takes place on Saturday, Aug. 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Main Street in downtown Goffstown. Find participating artists and more at goffstownuncommonarts.org.

• **The 91st Annual Craftsmen's Fair**, an annual nine-day outdoor craft fair hosted by the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen, returns to Mount Sunapee Resort (1398 Route 103, Newbury) from Saturday, Aug. 3, through Sunday, Aug. 11. There will be hundreds of craftspeople with vendor booths, plus special craft exhibitions, demonstrations, hands-on workshops and more. Tickets should go on sale at some point in June. Call 224-3375 or visit nhcrafts.org.

• **The Greeley Park Art Show** (100 Concord St., Nashua) returns on Saturday, Aug. 17, and Sunday, Aug. 18, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., both days. The annual outdoor juried art show hosted by Nashua Area Artists Association features a variety of artwork for sale. Visit nashuaarts.org/greeleyparkartshow.

• **Andres Institute of Art** (106 Route 13 in Brookline) has a network of trails that are decorated with various sculptures and other artwork, and hosts various events, all summer long.

ART EXHIBITS

• **"The Potential of Women in Outer Space: Polly Apfelbaum & Alice Mackler"** at Outer Space gallery (35 Pleasant St. in Concord) will run until Saturday, July 1, by appointment, and another exhibit will be coming this summer displaying the work of Erin M. Riley & Lou Breininger. Visit outer-spacearts.xyz.

• **"Unfixed Concrete Ideal"** is on display at 3S Artspace (319 Vaughan St. in Portsmouth, 3sarts.org) through Sunday, June 2. The gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday 11 a.m. through 6 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

• **"I Live a Journey of a Thousand Years,"** featuring about 20 works by Raphaël Barontini, will be on display through Sunday, June 23, at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester, currier.org).

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• **New works by Rosemary Conroy** are on exhibit at Sullivan Framing and Fine Art Gallery (15 N. Amherst Road in Bedford) until the end of June. Visit sullivanframing.com.

• **"Metalsum"** will be on display at the McLane Center (84 Silk Farm Road in Concord; nhaudubon.org) through Friday, July 12. The show features rustic metal artwork with an emphasis on portraying the natural world by Jane Koliass, a New Hampshire native now residing in Vermont, according to the event website. Visit the exhibition Tuesdays through Fridays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

• **"Stories of the Sea"** includes Van Gogh's first outdoor painting and two by Andrew Wyeth and will be on display at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester; currier.org) until Friday, Oct. 18.

• **"Cymodocea,"** an exhibit from New York-based artist Elisabeth Kley, will be on display at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester; currier.org) until Sunday, Aug. 25.

• **"Resurgence: Art of the Botanical"** will be on display at Mosaic Art Collective (mosaicartcollective.com; 66 Hanover St. in Manchester) until Tuesday, May 28.

• **"Luxe"** will be on display at Mosaic Art Collective (66 Hanover St., Manchester, mosaicartcollective.com) from Monday, June 3, until Sunday, June 30.

NATURE

• Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org) presents an indoor educational program for adults, **"Native Salve for Stings and Rashes,"** on Saturday, June 1, at 7 p.m. Learn about plantain, a common weed of lawns and fields that has healing properties for bee stings and skin rashes. \$10 for members, \$25 for non-members.

• Celebrate **National Trails Day** with Beaver Brook (117 Ridge Road, Hollis, beaverbrook.org) on Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will help with the annual tradition of trail work, with a focus on cutting back branches that are encroaching on the Jeff Smith trail, according to the website. Organizers ask that you bring work gloves, a water bottle and bug spray, and dress for the weather. Participants can park on Iron Works Lane by the Hollis-Jeff Smith Trailhead, according to the website. Beaver Brook will provide all necessary tools and snacks and will have extra work gloves just in case.

• Go for a **guided walk at Pickering Ponds** (Pickering Road, Rochester) with the NH Audubon on Sunday, June 2, at 7 a.m. to observe nesting birds and their breeding evidence along the trails. Space is limited and registration is required. Visit seacoastchapter.org.

org/field-trips.

• Saturday, June 1, is New Hampshire Fish and Game's **Free Fishing Day**, when state residents and nonresidents are allowed to fish any inland water or saltwater in New Hampshire without a fishing license. Visit wildlife.state.nh.us.

• Join NH Audubon on Saturday, June 1, at 9 a.m. along with Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire (222 Park St. in Portsmouth, nhaudubon.org) for a special guided tour of Portsmouth in honor of **Black Birders Week**. Participants can learn about the African-American history of New Hampshire while keeping an eye out for birds and other local wildlife, according to the website. They ask that you arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of the trail tour and note that free parking is available at the Parrott Avenue Parking Lot and along streets nearby. All ages are welcome but space is limited and registration is required, according to the website.

• Discover how **not all owls hoot!** and find out what other sounds owls make, at Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org), where participants will see a taxidermied owl, sing and dance to owl sounds and music, and play an owl and mouse game in their **"Summer Polliwogs: Whooo's Who (American Owls)"** workshop on Wednesday, June 5, at 10 a.m. for ages pre-K accompanied by an adult. Tickets for a pair are \$15.

• Southeast Land Trust (SELT) is hosting **Riveting Raptors with Tailwinds** at The Nan and George Mathey Center for People and Nature at Burley Farms (247 N. River Road, Epping) on Wednesday, June 5, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. to learn about owl, hawk and vulture habitat, conservation needs, and how to co-exist with these impressive neighbors. Visit seltnh.org to register.

• NH Audubon and Steve Mirick, an avid birder and expert butterfly enthusiast who has guided birding and butterfly communities, will lead an **exploration of varied butterfly habitats in the Capital Area** on Tuesday, June 11, at 11 a.m. A similar program on Tuesday, June 18, at 11 a.m. will be led by Mike Thomas, a retired entomologist and extraordinary butterfly enthusiast. Both will be at the McLane Center (84 Silk Farm Road, Concord, nhaudubon.org). Participants will learn how to identify butterflies in various habitats. All skill levels are welcome. Space is limited and registration is required.

• **Explore the world of bird habitat** with the NH Audubon Seacoast Chapter and Matt Tarr of UNH Cooperative Extension on Wednesday, June 12, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. and Friday, June 14, from 7:30 to 10 a.m. at Pickering Ponds trails in Rochester. Visit seacoastchapter.org.

• A **native plant sale and spring craft fair** will be held at the NH Audubon's McLane Center (84 Silk Farm Road, Concord,

nhaudubon.org) on Sunday, June 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org) will host a workshop on “Poisonous Plants and Natural Hazards” on Saturday, June 8, at 10 a.m. Discover the healing properties of plantain, a common weed found in lawns and fields. Free for members and \$25 for nonmembers to register. Visit prescottfarm.org.

• Squam Lakes Natural Science Center (534 Route 3, Holderness, nhnature.org) has its annual **Breeding Bird Census** on Wednesday, June 5. The public is invited to listen for and document the territorial songs of male birds, which indicate probable nesting. The early session, from 5:30 to 8 a.m., will cover two forested zones including Mt. Fayal, while the later session, from 8 to 9:30 a.m., will cover fields, exhibit areas and Kirkwood Gardens. Registration is required, according to the website.

• Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia,



prescottfarm.org) will host a workshop called “Inside the Beehive” on Saturday, June 15, at 1 p.m. The workshop is open to youth and adults, will involve a local raw honey tasting, and is free for members and is \$15 for nonmembers.

• Join the Seacoast Science Center (570 Ocean Blvd., Rye) for **World Ocean Day**, Sunday, June 2, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will feature hands-on games, educational activities, naturalist-led tide pooling sessions, food trucks, a beach clean-up and a life-size inflatable whale. Visit seacoast-sciencecenter.org.

• Squam Lakes Natural Science Center will be hosting its **StoryWalk Kickoff Reception** at the Curry Place (846 Route 3 in Holderness) on Friday, June 28, at 10 a.m. Attendees can stroll along the Squam channel as they read a fun nature-inspired story posted one page at a time along the trail. Children can participate in a craft and enjoy a snack connected to the story, according to the website. Free and no registration required. Visit nhnature.org.

• Southeast Land Trust (SELT) is hosting a **Summer Solstice Yoga Hike** where participants will join avid hiker and 500-Hour Registered Yoga Instructor Venera Gattolini for a hike through Stonehouse Forest up to the cliff looking over Stonehouse Pond on Friday, June 21, at 6 p.m. The program is for ages 14 and up who have some hiking or yoga experience. Visit seltmh.org to register.

• Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org) will host an all-ages work-

shop, “**Tractor Tour: Life in the Fields,**” on Saturday, July 6, at 10 a.m., where participants can watch for hawks and songbirds soaring overhead and learn how animals such as deer, bears, songbirds and turkeys depend on open fields for food and shelter, according to the website. Free for members and \$15 for nonmembers.

• Pumpkin Blossom Farm (393 Pumpkin Hill Road, Warner) hosts **Lavender U-Pick** in its lavender fields on various dates between Friday, July 5, and Sunday, July 25, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to wander the fields and cut and harvest bundles of lavender. Attendees are welcome to relax and have a picnic on the lawn, walk the shaded trail and visit the baby chicks. Lavender plants, products and treats will also be for sale. Visit pumpkinblossomfarm.com.

• Join the Seacoast Science Center for the **4th annual Piscataqua Riverfest** at Strawberry Banke Museum (14 Hancock St., Portsmouth) on Saturday, July 20. The event will feature sailing trips and tours, local food, a beer garden, live music entertainment and more. Visit seacoastsciencecenter.org.

• Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org) will hold four different Summer Polliwog programs for kids on different Wednesdays in July at 10 a.m. The first is called “**Mud**”tastic and involves a mud run on July 10 and is \$12 for an adult and child pair; the next is **Glorious Bugs**, where participants will make homes for bugs, and is on July 17; the third is **Water Up! Water Down! Water all Around!** where participants will learn about the water cycle on July 24; and the last one, on July 31, is called **Acorn Was a Little Wild**, which involves a puppet named Stasher and a hunt for deciduous trees. These last three are \$15 for an adult and child pair.

• The Seacoast Chapter of the NH Audubon will be hosting **Birds & Butterflies of Pondicherry Wildlife Refuge** on Saturday, July 20, at 8 a.m. Join Steve Mirick and explore the birds and butterflies of the refuge and adjacent areas, weather permitting, during a long but level walk. Participants will meet at the trailhead for the Cherry Pond Trail at 289 Airport Road in Whitefield. Registration is limited to 20 participants, according to the website. Visit seacoastchapter.org.

• Head to Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org) for **Fireflies Light Up the Sky** on Saturday, July 27, from 7 to 8 p.m. to learn about fireflies and experience them in action. This even is for ages 12 and older. The cost is \$15 for nonmembers.

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Hampshire Butterfly Survey will take place on Saturday, July 27, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the NH Audubon's McLane Center (84 Silk Farm Road, Concord) and will help gather long-term butterfly data to support statewide butterfly conservation efforts. Visit nhaudubon.org.

- Go for a **beginner wild mushroom walk** at Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia) on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 10 a.m. to noon. Led by experts from the New Hampshire Mushroom Co., this guided walk will take you along the farm's scenic trails to search for, collect, identify and become familiar with the distinguishing features of different mushrooms. This event is for foragers 16 and older. \$20 for members and \$35 for nonmembers. Visit prescottfarm.org.

SPORTS

- The six-time champion **Nashua Silver Knights**, members of the Futures Collegiate Baseball League, will host their home opener at Holman Stadium (67 Amherst St., Nashua) on Friday, May 24, against the Vermont Lake Monsters, with first pitch scheduled for 6 p.m. Their last home game will be on Friday, Aug. 2, at 6 p.m., when they will take on the New Britain Bees, before the playoffs begin later that week. Visit nashuasilverknights.com.

- **The New Hampshire Fisher Cats**, the Double-A minor-league affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays of Major League Baseball, is in the middle of a home stand at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium (1 Line Drive, Manchester) that lasts until Sunday, May 26. Fireworks follow the game on Friday, May 24, at 6:35 p.m. courtesy of Atlas Fireworks. On Saturday, May 25, the Fisher Cats' annual Cats-Con game will celebrate favorite movies, comic books, heroes, villains and much more, featuring characters from Double Midnight Comics. Other events this season include a Blue Heeler Appreciation Brunch on Sunday, May 26, before the 1:35 p.m. game against the Somerset Patriots; a Father's Day celebration to honor Fisher Cats dad fans on Sunday, June 16, when the first 1,000 fans through the gates will receive a limited-edition Fisher Cats bucket hat; fireworks from Thursday, July 4, through Saturday, July 7, after games against the Portland Sea Dogs; Star Wars Night on Saturday, July 13; Sitcom Night on Thursday, Aug. 8; a celebration of the '90s on Saturday, Aug. 10, when Beanie Babies get in free and the first 1,000 fans through the gates get a clear fanny pack; a celebration of New Hampshire hockey on Saturday, Aug. 24, where the first 1,000 fans through the gates will receive

a Monarchs-vs.-Fisher Cats bobblehead; a Piggy Tea Party Brunch before the 1:35 p.m. game on Sunday, Aug. 25, and more. The final home game is slated for Sunday, Sept. 8, against the Portland Sea Dogs. Visit nhfishercats.com.

- The Major League Soccer team **the New England Revolution II** will play their home games at Mark A. Ouellette Stadium (Victory Lane in Hooksett) on Sunday, May 26, at 3 p.m.; Friday, June 14, and Sunday, June 23, at 6 p.m.; Saturday, July 6, at 7 p.m.; Sunday, Sept. 8, at 4 p.m.; and Sunday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m. Tickets start at \$12. Visit revolutionsoccer.net/revolutionii.

- **The Hoodcroft Open** at Hoodcroft Country Club (121 E. Broadway, Derry) will feature the men's super senior division on Thursday, May 30; the men's senior division and the women's division (all ages) on Friday, May 31, and the men's division (all ages) on Saturday, June 1, and Sunday, June 2. The costs are TBD but have ranged from \$50 to \$100 in past tournaments, depending on the chosen division, and golf carts are sold separately. Visit hoodcroftcc.com.

- Join **Special Olympics New Hampshire** for its **2024 State Summer Games**, the organization's largest competition of the year for its athletes, on Friday, May 31, and Saturday, June 1, at the University of New Hampshire (105 Main St., Durham). The games include competition in athletics, bocce, equestrian, powerlifting, unified sprint triathlons and swimming. Visit sonh.org.

- RelAxe Throwing (157 Gay St., Manchester) will be home to the **4th annual Granite State Axe Tournament** on Saturday, June 1, and Sunday, June 2, with matches beginning at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday (big ax and dual knives) and at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Sunday (hatchets and duals). See relaxethrowing.com.

- AG Paintball (158 Deering Center Road, Weare) on Saturday, June 1, and Sunday, June 2, will host the **New Hampshire Paintball Classic**, featuring the 10-vs.-10-style match, which includes capture the flag, with first-, second- and third-place cash prizes. Visit agpaintball.com.

- **The 80th annual New Hampshire Soap Box Derby** race will be held on Sunday, June 2, at 120 Broadway in Dover — check-ins begin at 7:45 a.m., with side-by-side competitions kicking off at 10 a.m. The Derby creates an opportunity for kids ages 7 and older to create a gravity-powered car and race it down a track in hopes of making the All-American Soap Box Derby World Championship, hosted in Akron, Ohio. Cheering on the racers is



free, and parking is available at 73 Oak St. in Dover. Visit nh.soapboxderby.org.

• The final match of the Division 1 through 4 **NHIAA Baseball Tournament** will take place on Saturday, June 8, at a time TBD at Northeast Delta Dental Stadium (1 Line Drive, Manchester; time TBA). Visit nhiaa.org.

• Join the Milford Rotary Club to play **100 Holes of Golf in One Day** on Friday, June 14, at Amherst Country Club (72 Ponemah Road, Amherst), with tee-off at 6 a.m. Play is expected to be completed by 7:30 p.m., and scoring will be based on 90 holes played continuously. Prizes will be awarded for closest to the pin and hole-in-one, if made. See golf-100holes.com.

• Don't miss the **100th annual Loudon Classic Middleweight Grand Prix**, a 1.6-mile road race happening at New Hampshire Motor Speedway (1122 Route 106, Loudon) on Saturday, June 17, as part of Laconia Motorcycle Week. General admission is \$40 and VIP admission is \$70. Visit nhms.com.

• The **Franklin Animal Shelter's Fifth Annual Charity Golf Tournament** happens Monday, June 17, at Beaver Meadow Golf Course (1 Beaver Meadow Drive, Concord), with \$125 registration per player beginning at 7 a.m., followed by a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Prizes will be awarded to the first- and second-place winning teams, and several contests are planned. All proceeds will benefit Franklin Animal Shelter. Visit franklinanimalshelter.com/golf.

• Registration is open for this year's **New Hampshire Senior Games**. The first local event, a candlepin bowling tournament, is happening at Boutwell's Bowling Center (152 N. State St., Concord) on Friday, June 21, at 1 p.m. More events are scheduled to take place in July and August, covering disc golf, archery, basketball, swimming, racquetball, table tennis, badminton, pickleball and more. See nhseniorgames.org.

• Dozens of high school football players from across the state will participate in the **12th annual CHaD NH East-West High School All-Star Football Game**, scheduled for Friday, June 28, at 6 p.m. at Grappone Stadium at Saint Anselm College (100 St. Anselm Drive, Manchester). General admission tickets are \$15, with all proceeds benefiting Children's Hospital at Dartmouth-Hitchcock (CHaD). Visit chadkids.org.

• **NH Roller Derby** (nhrollerderby.com) has double-headers scheduled for Saturday, June 8; Saturday, June 29, and Saturday, July 27, at JFK Coliseum in Manchester.

• **Granite State Roller Derby** (granites-taterollerderby.org) has home bouts scheduled for Saturday, June 29, and Saturday, July 20, both at 6:30 p.m. and held at the Everett Arena (15 Loudon Road in Concord).

• **4th Annual Putts for Pups**, a golf tournament fundraiser for Second Chance Ranch

Rescue in New Boston, returns to Stonebridge Country Club (161 Gorham Pond Road, Goffstown) on Monday, June 24. Beginning at 8:30 a.m., the day will include 18 holes of golf, lunch, drinks, raffles, silent auctions, giveaways and more. Registration is \$135 per person, or \$475 per foursome. Visit secondchanceranchrescue.com/events/golf.

• It's **NASCAR Weekend** at New Hampshire Motor Speedway (1122 Route 106, Loudon) from Saturday, June 22, through Sunday, June 23. This includes the SciAps 200 NASCAR Xfinity Series race & Mohegan Sun 100 NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour race on Saturday and the NASCAR Cup Series race on Sunday. Tickets vary in price, depending on the race. See nhms.com.

• **Monte Scheinblum's Boston Clinic** is hosted at World Cup Golf Center (4 Friel Golf Road, Hudson), where the professional golfer works with players of all skill types over the course of a few days. There will be group and individual sessions from Saturday, July 13, through Monday, July 15, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Search "Boston Golf Clinic with Monte Scheinblum" on eventbrite.com.

• The **Milford Community Athletic Association's Fourth Annual Golf Tournament** is happening on Monday, July 15, at Amherst Country Club (72 Ponemah Road, Amherst), with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. The tournament will be followed by lunch and an awards ceremony and will feature several contests. Registration is \$600 per foursome. Visit mcaa.us.

• New Hampshire Muscle Cars club will be hosting its **Midsummer Sizzler** on Sunday, July 21, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Star Speedway (176 Exeter Road in Epping). It will include burnout competitions as well as slalom competitions. Visit nhmusclecars.com.

• The **20th annual Fore Paws Golf Tournament**, a fundraiser for the Salem Animal Rescue League, is tentatively scheduled for Monday, Aug. 12. Visit sarl nh.org.

• The **121st Annual State Amateur Championship** put on by the New Hampshire Golf Association starts Monday, July 8, and runs until Saturday, July 13, at Concord Country Club (22 Country Club Lane in Concord). Visit nhgolfassociation.org.



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Scene of the crime

Clue comes to life in Concord

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Who killed Mr. Boddy, with what weapon, and where? Was it Miss Peacock wielding a lead pipe in the library, or maybe Colonel Mustard with a dagger in the dining room? To anyone who's ever played an iconic board game, this is a familiar question. It's also the basis for a unique experience hosted by the Capitol Center for the Arts.

CLUE: A Walking Mystery invites participants, grouped into six five-person teams, to solve the now-cold case of Boddy's demise. The quest begins at the historic Kimball House in downtown Concord, as two "butlers" who were there long ago when the crime was committed provide instructions to the sleuths-for-a-day.

The house was sold after the murder, they're told, with all the furniture auctioned off. The butlers believe that in some hutch, dresser or desk is the key to identifying the criminal. Each item is now in a local business, like Teatotaler Café, Gibson's Bookstore or the Barley

CLUE: A Walking Mystery

When: Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through June 16, multiple time slots

Where: Kimball House, 16 S. Main St., Concord

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House. Everyone is then handed an auction catalog.

The detectives go forth on a walk through the city, questing for answers, solving puzzles as they go.

"It's like an escape room, but it's broken up into nine different pieces around the city," Kevin Hammonds, one of the game's creators, said by phone recently. Hammonds added that it's ideal for folks who find escape rooms claustrophobic.

"This is the opposite of being locked in a room," he said. "You're walking around, you're getting a lot of great exercise and experiencing the best of Concord. It's a great thing to do as a family, a group outing or for team-building. The puzzles are really original and creative and tricky."

The immersive experience began during the pandemic as a way for L.A.-based touring company Right Angle Entertainment to keep employees busy. Initially it involved engaging suspects along the way, but that proved unwieldy. SoCal puzzle designers The Wild Optimists came up with a new vision. The retooled *CLUE* debuted in Chicago and ran for six months.

Hammonds scouted Concord as a potential location and loved what he found.

"The thing about Chicago is that it visits all these iconic places but it's spread out," he said. "We tried to keep it under a mile, but it still takes some time and walking. Concord is a compact digestible version.



Courtesy photo.

It's not quite as sprawled out, but it's still incredibly satisfying."

Choosing where to put furniture "was literally me walking up and down the streets of Concord," he said. "You have to find a place that has the same hours as the game, will fit a piece of furniture, and also accommodate 30 people every 20 minutes to come in and play the game. ... It also has to kind of fit the *Clue* vibe and aesthetic."

The cast members "all love improv," he continued. "Most of them are drama college students, but we have a college professor who loves murder mysteries and *Clue*, and he also acts part-time. I have another butler that's a great improv actor that does a lot of work on *Saturday Night Live*."

Similarly, participants are encouraged to follow a penchant for cosplay at the

event.

"When the butlers greet them, they inform them that they are descendants of the OG suspects, like Miss Scarlet, or Colonel Mustard," Hammonds said. "In Chicago we had a lot of people come dressed up as those characters or in those colors."

Unlike the board game, there are no winners.

"It's not a contest," Hammonds said. "You're not hunting for where you go next. It tells you go to Gibson's Bookstore; this is the address; this is a picture of the bookcase. We also say, while you're at Teatotaler Café looking for the kitchen hutch, enjoy 10 percent off, or have lunch at the Barley House.... We encourage people to stop and enjoy whatever each business has to offer." 🍀

Art Exhibits

• **"KARA WALKER: HARPER'S PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE CIVIL WAR (ANNO-**

TATED) at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester; currier.org) and will be on display through Monday, May 27. According to a press release,

"15 works on paper by Walker will be presented alongside a selection of prints by Winslow Homer ... that inspired them. The direct comparison between

the original images by Homer and Walker's reinterpretation of the same material was first undertaken by the Smithsonian American Art Museum in 2017."

Homer worked as a war correspondent for Harper's magazine and his drawings "of soldiers on the front lines of battle and civilians caught up in the war's horrors became a visual history of the Civil War," the release said. "These historic prints represent a starting point for Walker, who revisits them utilizing her signature silhouettes to introduce new elements that complicate their initial, seemingly objective narrative," the release said.

• **"LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD: POLLY APPELBAUM & ALICE MACKLER"** at Outer Space gallery (35 Pleasant St. in Concord) will run until Saturday, June 1, by appointment. Visit outerspacearts.xyz.

• **"UNFIXED CONCRETE IDEAL"** is on display at Gal-

lery at 3S Artspace (319 Vaughn St. in Portsmouth; 3sarts.org) through Sunday, June 2. The gallery is open Wednesday through Saturday 11 a.m. through 6 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

• **"I LIVE A JOURNEY OF A THOUSAND YEARS,"** featuring about 20 works by Raphaël Barontini, will be on display through Sunday, June 23, at the Currier Museum of Art (150 Ash St. in Manchester; currier.org).

• **"ONCE IN A MOMENT"** at Sullivan Framing and Fine Art Gallery (15 N. Amherst Road in Bedford). The exhibit highlights the work of Peter Noonan, an award-winning illustrator, fine artist and cartoonist. Visit sullivanframing.com.

Theater

• **"MURDER AT THE BANQUET"** will be presented by The Hillsborough Community Center with showings at multiple venues, such as at the Washington Town Hall on Saturday, May

25, at 1 p.m.; the Ice Cream Bar at the Emporium in Hillsboro on May 26, both at 6 p.m.; at the Antrim Town Hall on Saturday, June 1, at 6 p.m., and at the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School on Sunday, June 2, at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for those 60 or older and children 15 or younger. Visit hccnh.org/play.

• **"INTO THE BREECHEES!"** by George Brant, produced by Lend Me a Theater (lendmeatheater.org), May 24 through June 9, with shows Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets \$25 for adults, \$22 for students/seniors/members, \$19 senior members.

• **"THE WIZARD OF OZ"** presented by The Kids Coop Theatre will run on Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 25, 7 p.m., and Sunday, May 26, at 1 p.m. at Derry Opera House (29 West Broadway, Derry, kidscooptheatre.ludus.com, 765-8593) Tickets are \$15.

TWO EXHIBITS

The New Hampshire Antique Co-op (323 Elm St., Milford) is hosting two exhibits through Sunday, June 30. **"Along the Shore: Paintings from Cape Ann to Provincetown"** features iconic Rockport coastal scenes, rugged Gloucester harbor boats, quaint Cape Cod cottages and picturesque Nantucket lanes adorned with classic wisteria arbors, celebrating the iconic scenes immortalized by influential artists of the 19th and 20th centuries, including Emile Albert Gruppe, Harry Aiken Vincent, Anthony Thieme, Pauline Lennards Palmer and others, according to their website.

"Selections 24: Notable Works" showcases a curated collection of 24 paintings and sculptures spanning the 19th to 21st centuries; the artists included are Theodore Earl Butler, Bruce Crane, Frederick Mulhaupt, Augustus B. Koopman, Charles Herbert Woodbury, Humbert Howard, Felice Waldo Howell and others, according to the website. The gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visit nhantiquecoop.com. *Featured photo:* After the Storm by Augustus B. Koopman.



THE ROUNDUP

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- **Art of the cupcake:** Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center (928 White Oaks Road, Laconia, prescottfarm.org) will host a **cupcake decorating class** on Saturday, May 25, at 10 a.m. Participants will learn the basics of buttercream flower piping, how to use a petal tip, and tips and tricks to make your flowers the prettiest bouquet, according to the event website. Students will receive eight cupcakes to decorate and a box to take their creations home. Participants will be standing, baking and working for most of the class and so should wear comfortable closed-toe shoes and have long hair tied back, the website said. The cost is \$40 for non-members and \$25 for members.
- **Clay creation:** At Manchester Craft Market (Mall of New Hampshire, 1500 S. Willow St.) ages 13 and older can take a workshop on **polymer clay creation** on Friday, May 24, from 6 to 8 p.m., according to the website. Participants will learn



Aaron Tolson.

basic techniques to make figurines, jewelry and more and will walk away from the workshop with a polymer clay creation. Materials are provided. The workshop is \$50 per person.

- **Day of tap:** The Aaron Tolson Institute of Dance will hold its inaugural **National Tap Dance Day** celebration at the Dana Center for the Humanities (100 Saint Anselm Drive, Manchester) on Saturday, May 25, at 7 p.m. featuring Aaron Tolson, Speaking in Taps, Fourth Dimension tap company and more, with dancers from all over New England. Tickets are \$25. Visit tickets.anselm.edu.

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Another option for rarely used car batteries — but don't skimp



Dear Car Talk:

Love your column!

Recently, you gave a reader three suggestions for keeping his rarely used Toyota's battery from dying while it sat.

By Ray Magliozzi

You recommended: A. Disconnect the negative terminal with a wrench (messy), B. Hook up a plug-in trickle charger, or C. Use a compact jump starter.

I hereby recommend what I believe to be the best choice D: Buy a car battery terminal quick cut-off disconnect master kill switch.

The one I got costs \$9 for one or two for \$10, and it's simple to install. It connects and disconnects your negative terminal with a simple, easy-to-use thumb screw.

You'll need to access your battery, so you need to keep your hood unlatched or have access to your car with a key (a key fob might not work if the car's battery is fully dead).

What do you think? — Bob

Yes, a cut-off switch definitely is an inexpensive option, Bob. And it does work.

There are two things to keep in mind about these "cut-off switches." One is that

many of them are really cheap junk. I see a lot of them that are flimsy and prone to failure. And if it fails and disconnects your battery when you don't want it to, your car will stop running. So, if you're going to get one, get a good one.

The second issue is that they don't fit in every car. They require a certain amount of room and not all cars have enough. Some batteries are mounted right up against the inner fender liner and that doesn't leave room for a switch.

As far as ease of installation, for some of these switches, you simply remove the negative battery cable and tighten the switch right onto the negative terminal. Then you attach the negative cable to the switch. That's easy to do yourself if you have the room under the hood and paid enough attention in school to know the difference between positive and negative.

Other units require you to sever the negative battery cable and, essentially, splice this thing in. If you're buying one of those, I'd have a mechanic install it. That's not a do-it-yourself job for most people.

But your recommendation is a good one, Bob. We'll add "D" to the list of options. As long as you get a well-made switch and have

enough room to install it, a negative terminal cut-off switch will stop any parasitic power

drain while your car sits unused. Visit Cartalk.com.

INSIDE/OUTSIDE TREASURE HUNT

Hi, Donna,
Wondering if you could give me some information on this melodeon. I purchased it from a coworker who was moving and didn't want to bring it with him. He said it had been in his family for quite some time but his children didn't want it.



I haven't been able to find much information online, and I would really appreciate any info you could provide.

Thank you so much.
Alan

Dear Alan,

I have actually had one of these before from the same makers in Concord, New Hampshire.

Your Parker and Secomb melodeon was produced right here in New Hampshire during the middle to late 1800s. The values are all over the place for melodeons from

different makers. In good clean working order I found some as high as \$3,000 and some for several hundred.

The couple I found from the same maker and style were in the \$900 range. That would be an

approximate value; selling it could bring a different one. Doesn't seem the interest in them these days is too high.

I hope this was helpful, Alan, and glad to see it has a new home. Thanks for sharing your New Hampshire-made piece with us.

Donna Welch has spent more than 35 years in the antiques and collectibles field, appraising and instructing. Her new location is an Antique Art Studio located in Dunbarton, NH where she is still buying and selling. If you have questions about an antique or collectible send a clear photo and information to Donna at footvdw@aol.com, or call her at 391-6550.

INSIDE/OUTSIDE

KIDDIE POOL

Family fun for whenever

Outdoors is open

Want to celebrate unofficial summer by the water? Here are some state parks offering lake or ocean side fun. Day use fees for most state parks: adults, or

those 12 or older, \$4 to \$5 depending on the park; ages 6 to 11 \$2; free for those age 5 and younger and New Hampshire residents 65 or older with a valid NH license. Visit nhstateparks.org.

- **Pawtuckaway State Park** 128 Mountain Road, Nottingham, 895-3031. This park is always open for recreation unless closed or restricted by posting, according to their website.

- **Odiorne Point** 570 Ocean Blvd., Rye, 436-7406. When park is unstaffed during the season, please deposit payment in Iron Ranger (self-serve

paystation) or Seacoast Science Center main desk, according to their website. The Seacoast Science Center is currently open Tuesdays through Sundays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., but that is an additional fee that is not included with the State Park admission fee, according to their website.

- **Hampton Beach** 160 Ocean Blvd., Hampton, 227-8722. Metered parking 8 a.m. to midnight; Haverhill Street Bathhouse open 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Marine Memorial Bathhouse (A Street) open year-round 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.;

North Beach Bathhouse (High Street) open year-round, 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Seashell Bathhouse (beach side) opens on Saturday, May 25, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; South Pavilion Bathhouse (F Street) open year-round 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., according to their website.

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ON THE JOB

HUNTER GLASS OWNER OF TIGHT BITE TACKLE

Hunter Glass handcrafts unique fishing lures in Concord at his business Tight Bite Tackle (tightbitetackle.com).

Q: *Explain your job and what it entails.*
I hand-make custom tackle for all sorts of fishing, pretty much from the ground up all the way to a finished product, right here in New Hampshire.

a fisherman ... I bought some quote unquote 'homemade lures' and the quality wasn't where I wanted it to be so I decided, 'Hey, I can do this,' and I fish all the time so let's make a superior product that I can bring to everybody....

How long have you had this job?
This will be my fourth year going on to it as an actual business.

What led you to this career field and your current job?
I went to school for environmental science. I've always been an outdoorsman and

What kind of education or training did you need?
Overall, it was experience, so fishing, growing up and as an adult, I kind of know what I want for tackle. You can't find some stuff at the stores ... and they're very cheaply made. I started with an airbrush. I had no real idea what I was doing and I kind of

slowly learn every single day and my process and quality improves every single time. It's all self-taught.

What is your typical at-work uniform or attire?
I'm dealing with painting and sharp objects. I kind of just wear anything that doesn't mind to get dirty. I do also wear protective equipment when I have to do soft lures and/or am working with chemicals.



Hunter Glass. Courtesy photo.

behind it, which some people do and some people don't.... It takes a lot of time because you've got to make sure the quality is all there.

What was your first job?
Coming out of high school I was working for Sears Auto Center.

What is the best piece of work-related advice you've ever received?

Basically, I'd say the best advice [is] if you're not enjoying it, it's a job at that point. For Tight Bite Tackle, I don't feel like it's a job at all. I enjoy it 100 percent, so that's a nice thing. I'm passionate about it. I want to see people catch fish with it and that's what drives me. —Zachary Lewis 🐟

Five favorites

- Favorite book:** I read Field and Stream a lot.
- Favorite movie:** Without a Paddle
- Favorite music:** I like country and rock. Classic rock.
- Favorite food:** Venison tacos
- Favorite thing about NH:** I would say the landscape and the overall wilderness aspect.

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News from the local food scene

By John Fladd
jfladd@hippopress.com

• **Charcuterie workshop:** Learn how to assemble an elegant or artfully rustic meat and cheese board at Luna Bistro (254 N. Broadway, Salem, 458-2162, luna-bistro.com) on Thursday, May 23, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$75 through eventbrite.com.

• **Food truck festival:** The Town of Northwood is sponsoring a food truck and vendor festival on Friday, May 24, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Route 4 Athletic Fields, 611 First NH Turnpike, in Northwood, featuring music by Matty and the Penders.

• **BBQ Pig Roast:** Start your summer eating at Bentley's Famous BBQ Pig Roast on Saturday, May 25, from noon to 6 p.m., hosted by the Biergarten at Anheuser-Busch (221 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack, 595-1202, budweisertours.com). Watch award-winning Pitmaster and owner of Bentley's Famous BBQ Brandon Saldoni serve up barbecue. \$25 ticket price includes pig roast and first beverage. \$15 ticket is general admission with hamburgers, hot dogs, french fries, fried dough, kettle corn and ice cream for purchase. Children 3 and under are free. Visit budweisertours.com/mmkttours.

• **Sauerkraut workshop:** Saturday, May 25, from 1 to 2:30 p.m., State Street Kitchen (205 N. State St., Concord, 491-3784, statestreetkitchenconcord.com) will teach you how to make sauerkraut with food historian and educator Sam Pike. The class is \$45 per person through the Kitchen's website for 1.5 hours of instruction and includes your own homemade jar of sauerkraut to take home. 🍷

FOOD

All the bacon

Also beer and barbecue at annual fest

By John Fladd
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Jeremy Garrett has a four-word mantra that would stop almost anybody in their tracks: "The Most Bacon Ever."

Garrett is the Director of the New Hampshire Bacon and Beer Festival (nhbaconbeer.com) and he is excited about serving unlimited samples of bacon, beer and barbecue to Festival-goers on Saturday, June 1, at the Anheuser-Busch Brewery in Merrimack.

"I haven't done the numbers," he said, "but I'm pretty certain this is the largest sampling event in New Hampshire. There will be 18 companies giving out 25+ different bacon samples, more than 60 breweries, and tents with barbecue teams. We like to say that if you leave hungry it's your fault."

This is the eighth year for the Festival, which raises money for the High Hopes Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides life-enhancing equipment, assistance and opportunities to New Hampshire children living with chronic health conditions. Over the past three years, the Bacon and Beer Festival has raised more than \$150,000 for High Hopes.

When Festival-goers enter the event, they are given a 4-ounce sampling glass and two tickets, one to give to the vendor with their

favorite bacon, and another to give to the maker of their favorite barbecue. Garrett said that there are serious bragging rights that go with winning the People's Choice Award for best barbecue.

"The barbecue teams take it very seriously. Last year there was a Dancing Guy; if you gave him a ticket, he'd do a dance for you," Garrett said.

On entering the Festival, a bacon-and-beer-enthusiast will be faced with a "plethora of tents," each with a line in front of it.

"You go through the lines," Garrett said. "You get whatever samples you want; you go get in the next line, you try that, go get in the next line, and keep on doing that until you're full." Because of the large number of vendors, none of the lines end up being very long, he said. "Even if we have 2,000 people there, nobody will be in line for more than three or four minutes."

So what is an absolute can't-miss item? "There's *nothing* that you can afford to miss," Garrett said. Any food you can imagine with bacon will be represented, as well as a few you might never have thought about.

"There are any number of sweet or savory dishes to sample," he said. "One of the barbecue teams is serving bacon-wrapped jalapeños. There's a smokehouse that has



Bacon and Beer Festival. Courtesy photo.

bacon-infused sausage, so it's bacon *and* sausage! Together!" There will be bacon popcorn, maple-bacon marshmallows, bacon whoopie pies, bacon pizza, bacon fries, bacon macaroni and cheese, and even bacon chocolate chip cookies.

Beer-wise, there will be a lot of old favorites, Garrett said, "and this year there are 12 new breweries we've never had before. It's a great chance to try something you normally wouldn't. I always end up trying some sours or fruity drinks that I normally wouldn't, but this gives me a chance to see if there's anything I like." Because people in line are only committing themselves to a bite of bacon or barbecue, or 4 ounces of beer at a time, Garrett says, nobody's overly invested in any of the samples. "If you don't like it," he said, "go get back in line and try something else. That's the beauty of this opportunity."

An hour or two before the end of the festival, many of the vendors start to run out of bacon. That's when the barbecue teams rotate in and provide attendees with a different flavor profile — pulled pork tacos, nachos and more. By that time, though, it is too late for some Festival-goers. "At the end of the day," Garrett said, "we have people leaving at like 3:30 — and the event goes until 4:30 — and we're like, 'What are you doing?' They'll go, 'I *can not* eat another bite; I'm done.' In that case, OK — you're allowed to leave." 🍷

Bacon and Beer

8th annual New Hampshire Bacon and Beer Festival

When: Saturday, June 1, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Where: outdoor fields of Anheuser-Busch Brewery, 221 Daniel Webster Hwy. in Merrimack. **Tickets:** \$60 each, or \$120 each for VIP tickets, which allow early admittance and on-site parking. Tickets are available at the Festival's website (nhbaconbeer.com). General admission

tickets will be available at the gate for \$80. Tickets for designated drivers will be \$35 at the gate, while supplies last.

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Perfect Wines for Graduations and Other Summer Celebrations

by Chris Riendeau

Wines are a quintessential part of many celebrations, and summer events such as graduations offer the perfect opportunity to explore a variety of refreshing and celebratory wines. The selection of wines can enhance the overall experience, creating memorable moments for all attendees.

Sparkling Wines: The Ultimate Celebratory Choice

For graduations, nothing speaks to celebration more than a bottle of sparkling wine. Champagne, the iconic sparkling wine from France, is often the go-to-choice for its association with luxury and celebration. Its fine bubbles and complex flavors, which can range from toasty and nutty to fruity and floral, make it a versatile option that pairs well with a variety of dishes, from appetizers to desserts.

Champagne can be pricey, so Prosecco, a sparkling wine from Italy, offers a more affordable yet equally festive alternative. Prosecco is typically lighter and fruitier than Champagne, making it a refreshing choice for a summer event. Its bright notes of green apple, pear, and citrus can complement the season's fresh flavors. Cava, a sparkling wine from Spain, is another excellent option. Often more affordable than Champagne, Cava offers a similar taste profile with its crisp acidity and notes of apple, citrus, and almond. It's a versatile wine that can be enjoyed on its own or paired with a variety of summer foods. **NH Code 10680 Segura Viudas Brut Cava** is a perfect candidate for your next summer extravaganza, with its sleek outer packaging, refreshingly electric acidity, and the affordable price tag of \$14.99, this summer celebratory sipper competes with bubbles costing twice the price!



Rose Wines: Refreshing and Versatile

Rose wines are perfect for summer celebrations, including graduations, due to their light and refreshing nature. Made from red grapes, rose wines can range in color from pale pink to vibrant coral, and their flavors can vary from dry to sweet. Provence rose hailing from the south of France, is regarded for its dry, crisp and aromatic profile with notes of red berries, citrus and sometimes a hint of minerality. Provence rose is an elegant choice that pairs well with summer salads, grilled seafood, and light appetizers. The NH Liquor & Wine Outlets

have the right rose for your celebratory needs and diverse palate with its selections from around the world. Remember, Rose is year-round, but it shines best in the warm embrace of summer!

White Wines: Crisp and Cool

White wines are particularly suitable for summer due to their typically light, crisp, and refreshing nature. Sauvignon Blanc, known for its high acidity and vibrant flavors of green apple, lime, and tropical fruits, is an excellent choice for outdoor celebrations. Its bright and zesty profile pairs well with summer dishes like goat cheese salads, grilled vegetables, and seafood. Another great option is Riesling, which can range from bone-dry to lusciously sweet. Dry Rieslings, with their high acidity and flavors of green apple, peach, and citrus, are particularly refreshing on a hot summer day. They pair well with spicy dishes, making them a good match for diverse summer menus (Bring on the Jamaican jerked chicken and Mexican street corn on the cob!).

Red Wines: Light and Chilled

I would be remiss if I didn't mention a red contender for your summertime bash. While red wines are not typically associated with summer, some lighter varieties can be enjoyable when lightly chilled. Pinot Noir, with its light body and flavors of red berries, cherry, tart cranberry, and a hint of earthiness, can be served slightly cooler to enhance its refreshing qualities. Achieve hero host status by serving it with a cedar planked salmon fillet cooked on the grill with homemade red potato salad and grilled asparagus.

Summer and celebrations go hand-in-hand, like the Fourth of July and fireworks, outdoor concerts and picnic blankets, and wines and summer fare. The right wine(s) can bring your planned and spur of the moment celebrations to new heights! As always, your author encourages all those reading this to try something new, to celebrate responsibly with family and friends, and to make these precious summer days count. Some perfect summer candidates for your consideration: NH Code:14886 Francis Ford Coppola Diamond Prosecco, NH Code 18953 La Crema SC Sauvignon Blanc, NH Code 33344 Ch de Berne Romance Rose, and NH Code 33604 Raeburn Pinot Noir.

Chris Riendeau is a Certified Sommelier and Brand Manager at MS Walker, NH.



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Andy Day, Chef and owner of Cask & Vine. Courtesy photo.

Andy Day is the co-owner of Cask & Vine along with his wife, Alana. Cask & Vine is a craft beer bar they opened in 2013. Day is also a brewer and owner of Daydreaming Brewing Co. in historic downtown Derry. For more than 14 years he has taken a vested interest in promoting New Hampshire's craft brewers through collaborations, beer-centric events, and cross-promotions. Day has recently taken on a young apprentice at Cask & Vine, sharing the knowledge and experience of food and cooking learned over the last several years.

What is your must-have kitchen item?

Tongs, quickly followed by a simple clean kitchen rag. Watching and learning from the chef that opened our restaurant, I found it fascinating how versatile a pair of tongs is from pulling pans to plating food ... when I don't have them it's painful.

Patrick Stewart. I think he'd be a great person to sit at a table with, or just listen to feedback.

What is your favorite thing on your menu?

The Falafel sandwich. It includes heirloom tomatoes, bib lettuce, green goddess dressing, house pickles, and we make the falafel old-school, with fresh herbs. It's a simple sandwich that has a lot going on.

What would you have for your last meal?

Grilled rib-eye with a blue cheese butter, rosemary Parmesan truffle-sauteed fingerlings and sauteed asparagus and mushrooms. Probably a slice of New York-style cheesecake for dessert. It's all pretty simple stuff, and that's what I love about it.

What is the biggest food trend you see in New Hampshire right now?

Scaling back. It's been weird in the restaurant world for a while, and everyone seems to be trying to deliver the most bang for your dollar, or doubling down on fresh, local at a higher price. Two very different approaches.

What is your favorite local eatery?

That's tough, but I'd have to say Amphora Restaurant. The dishes are always so well-prepared and flavorful — not to mention there are usually a handful of specials that often include lamb, and I love someone else doing the work of preparing lamb, and doing it well.

What is your favorite thing to cook at home?

Pizza. It's one of those things that you can just open up the cabinets and fridge and throw any number of ingredients on to create different flavors every time. It's one of the things the kids always want me to cook when they visit, so that might have something to do with it.

Who is a celebrity you would like to see eating your food?

— John Fladd 🍷

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but for the same amount of time. Drain sausage fat, allow to cool, and combine with garlic and cream cheese in a blender and blend until thoroughly mixed. Stuff mushrooms with filling and place in oven at 350°F for 20 minutes or until mushrooms are softened and sausage is browning. Plate and top with truffle oil.

DRINKS WITH JOHN FLADD

Bicycle Thief

The first time I had my bicycle stolen was in the Army, when a platoon-mate of mine with a drug problem “borrowed” most of my stuff while I was in the field — including my bike — and thoughtfully stored it for me at a pawn shop just off-base. Later, after my effects had been retrieved, he made a big deal of telling everyone what a gentleman I was. I think he was happy I didn’t punch him in my face, but you’d think I was David Niven.

A year or so later, now out of the Army, I rode the same bike to the dining hall of the school I was enrolled in and popped in to grab some breakfast, only to find that I’d forgotten about the switch to Daylight Savings Time and had missed breakfast. I came out to discover that I’d also forgotten to lock my bike up, and it had taken the opportunity to start a new life with somebody else. I indulged in some non-Nivenish language.

The third time I had a bike stolen, I did *not* forget to lock it up, and only the front wheel was taken. I wasn’t sure why, until I considered the possibility that perhaps someone had stolen the thief’s front wheel, to replace the one that a third person in this train of wheel abduction had taken from them, etc., stretching back to sometime in the ’70s when somebody broke their front wheel by absentmindedly driving into an open manhole or something. I tried unsuccessfully to display some David Niven-like aplomb, but did decide to end the chain of front-wheel abduction.

All of which has nothing much to do with anything, except that this week’s cocktail is a classic take on a Negroni called a Bicycle Thief.

Bicycle Thief

1 ounce gin – Wiggly Bridge is a good choice

1 ounce Campari

1½ ounce unsweetened grapefruit juice

½ ounce fresh-squeezed lemon juice

¾ ounce simple syrup

club soda to top

an orange slice for garnish

Combine the gin, Campari, juices and



Photo by John Fladd.

simple syrup over ice in a cocktail shaker.

Ask your digital assistant to play “Tale of Brave Ulysses” by Cream. Granted, this song is neither Italian nor bicycle-themed. It is, however, slightly psychedelic and dreamy. It tells a story of being in a situation beyond your control, where everything is delightful and nobody would think of stealing your bike. The rhythm of this song isn’t particularly

conducive to shaking a cocktail, but it evokes the right mood for imagining yourself as the protagonist of a really good story.

Regardless of what Cream tells you, shake your cocktail thoroughly, until the ice just starts to break up.

Pour the drink, ice and all, into a tall glass. A Collins glass would work well for this, but personal experience has shown me that the Foghorn Leghorn promotional glass I rescued from a flea market last summer works equally well.

Top with club soda. How much is a personal judgment call. You might have had a day that calls for extra bubbles and a lighter hand on the “Full Speed Ahead” lever. You might just want something a little less frivolous. It’s up to you.

Stir it gently, and garnish with an orange slice. It might be tempting to slice the wheel of orange halfway through and slip it over the edge of your glass — and that’s fine! a classic! — but you might want to roll it and shove it into the interior of your glass instead. It will make even a Foghorn Leghorn glass look slightly fancy.

The reason you can get away with a whimsical glass is because a Bicycle Thief is a fully mature, confident drink. It’s not intense and “I will have my revenge for my stolen bicycle”-y, but coolly sophisticated, in a “Should we have Carlos bring the boat around?” vein. Campari and grapefruit share a bitterness that gets a backbone from the gin. The lemon and syrup are fruity enough to blunt the bitterness, but still leave it at an adult level.

I don’t know if David Niven ever drank this, but he should have. 🍷



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The Treatment, *Wake Up The Neighbourhood* (Frontiers Music s.r.l.)



Yep, it's been a little while since we checked in at Frontiers Music Mercy Hospital, where throwback-arena-rock bands and power-metal dudes get record contracts that most of them don't deserve. No, I kid Frontiers Music, there's hope, rockers, and isn't it past time for a rawk resurgence? I think so, so let's put this one under the snark-o-scope, the latest from this Cambridge, U.K. hard rock band, which has opened for Kiss and Alice Cooper and is professed to be influenced by Def Leppard, AC/DC and Thin Lizzy. Usually these bands don't sound like their RIYL suggestions, but this one's in the

right pew, I'll admit. The dumbly named "Let's Wake Up This Town" is like a lost AC/DC demo from the '90s, you know the period; "Back To The 1970s" is more along the hair-metal lines of Poison; "This Fire Still Burns" is Skid Row prostration, and bonk bonk bonk, yadda yadda, the overall effect is Buckcherry (if you've never heard that band, I beg of you, don't bother, but in the meantime this band is a hundred times better than them). **B-** —Eric W. Saeger 🍷

John Escreet, *The Epicenter Of Your Dreams* (Blue Room Music)



Touted as a best-in-class practitioner of Myra Melford et al.'s "free-bop post-Cecil Taylor aesthetic," this modern jazz pianist herewith tables his second album for Blue Room, a small Korea-based label. It's not often I'm compelled to use an adjective like "relentless" when covering jazz, but there's no better one to describe opening track "Call It What It Is," in which Escreet's keys alternately explore mechanically precise syncopation and busy waterfalls of 64th notes. Returning to this quartet from Escreet's 2018 *Seismic Shift* album are bassist Eric Revis and drummer Damion Reid, tenor saxophonist

Mark Turner adding the final piece to a world-class group. The arrangements are bold and dominating except when they're not, in gentle but resolute chillouts like the title track. Don't miss this one. **A+** —Eric W. Saeger 🍷

PLAYLIST

A seriously abridged compendium of recent and future CD releases

- Here we go, kids, summer's a-comin', we're staring down the barrel of the May 24 music-CD release date, doesn't it seem like it was 10 degrees out like a couple of days ago? Boy, this climate apocalypse really is the dickens, am I right, fam, but let's see what craziness is in the list for today, my super-secret list of new album releases that cements my status as the greatest CD reviewer in the history of this Granite State, unless Dr. David Thorp moved here because he couldn't afford the rent in Boston anymore, which has to be, what, \$8,000 a month these days for a tool shed in Dorchester? Tell me when everyone's gotten a grip on reality, but meanwhile let's talk about music albums, like this new one, *Frog In Boiling Water*, from Brooklyn slacker-indie quartet **DIIV!** These guys look like Kiss, if Kiss were 98-pound weaklings and all of them except for the Peter Criss wore \$5 mail-order eyeglasses from EyeBuyDirect.com. But eyewear fashion aside, what say we go investigate this nonsense and plumb its depths for aesthetic verisimilitude, in other words let's see what bands they rip off, I'm as excited as you are, trust me. I've got a simply capital idea, folks, let's listen to the title track to get a general gist of what the dilly is, by all means let's. Wait a second, actually, this is cool, really grungy, like Nirvana, which makes me want to go on a rant about how '90s music is going to be everywhere before you know it, but you must have figured that out by now. It's low-slung, muddy and metallic, with an extreme emo-metal tinge to the guitar sound. You'll probably love it, I'd hope.

- Ha ha, oh no, it's **Old Man Luedecke**, with a new album called *She Told Me Where To Go!* There is no person named Luedecke, by the way; that's the stage name of alt-country banjo-picker/singer Christopher Rudolf Luedecke, who has won multiple Juno awards, the Canadian version of the Grammys, and shouldn't they be spelled Grammys, what the devil is going on here. Anyway, the single from this album, "She Told Me Where To Go," is a jolly good one from this Canadian soy-boy. It definitely borders on Muddy Waters territory, except with, you know, kind of wimpy singing. He'll probably win another Juno for this, and I wouldn't begrudge him for it.

- You may recall that America started swirling down the cosmic drain when reality TV shows started getting 100 times worse than they'd ever been, and *House of Carters* led all those shows straight to the vortex, like some sort of demented pied piper. It only lasted eight episodes but hoo-wee was it awful, lol. Along with former Backstreet Boy Nick, all the other Carter siblings were there, being cringe, including **Aaron Carter**, whose new album, *The Recovery Album*, is a posthumous affair, because he died in 2022. "Blame It On Me" is a heart-tugging boyband ballad that isn't completely awful, may I go now?

- We'll bag it this week with Columbus, Ohio-based alt-hiphop/indie/electonica/whatever duo **Twenty One Pilots**, whose new LP, *Clancy*, continues the dystopian-fantasy conceptual trip they've dabbled in for years now (they promised to stop after this one, but I don't believe them). Once again the lyrics are set in the metaphorical world of Trench and the horrible city of Dema; the single, "Backslide," evokes a futuristic Eminem with enough underground hip-hop vibe to make it non-barf-inducing. —Eric W. Saeger 🍷

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Author events

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- **JOHN DOELMAN**, musician and author of *Quetico Connection: Finding Spirit in a Million Acres of Canadian Wilderness*, will share his poetry and introduce his new CD *Coming Home to Quetico*, with performances from some of the musicians, on Tuesday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m. at Manchester City Library (405 Pine St., Manchester, 624-6550).
- **MATT PATTERSON**, illustrator of the book *Freshwater Fish of the Northeast*, will be at Gibson's Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord, gibsonsbookstore.com) on Sunday, May 30, at 6:30 p.m.
- **DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN**, author of *An Unfinished Love Story: A Personal History of the 1960s*, will be at The Music Hall (28 Chestnut St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Wednesday, June 5, at 7 p.m. for a discussion moderated by NHPR host Rebecca Lavoie, as part of the Writers on a New England Stage series. Tickets cost \$18 plus fees, plus for every 1-2 tickets sold the purchase of a \$35 book voucher is required.
- **SIMON VAN BOOY** will talk about his book *Sipsworth* at Water Street Bookstore (125 Water St., Exeter, waterstreetbooks.com) on Friday, June 7, at 7 p.m.
- **AVREE KELLY CLARK**, a

Manchester author, will talk about her book *Malice Aforethought: A True Story of the Shocking Double Crime that Horrified Nineteenth-Century New England* on Saturday, June 8, at 3 p.m. at Bookery (844 Elm St., Manchester, bookerymht.com).

• **UCHE OKONKWO**, author of *A Kind of Madness: Stories*, will be in conversation with Todd Hearon at Water Street Bookstore (125 Water St., Exeter, waterstreetbooks.com) on Tuesday, June 11, at 7 p.m.

• **STEPHANIE A. ERICKSON** will be at Gibson's Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord, 224-0562, gibsonsbookstore.com) to talk about her book *Islands of Southern Lake Winnepesaukee* on Tuesday, June 11, at 6:30 p.m.

• **KEVIN MARTIN**, boatbuilder and author of *Big Trees of Northern New England*, will be at Derry Public Library (64 E. Broadway, Derry, 432-6140) on Wednesday, June 12, at 6 p.m. Register to attend at the library's website.

Book events

• **NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND BOOK FAIR** will be held on Sunday, June 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Everett Arena (15 Loudon Road, Concord), with more than 30 booksellers offering used, rare and collectible books for all ages. See apassion4books.com.

History, stories, discussions & lectures

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on Monday, June 17, at 6:30 p.m. at Leach Library (276 Mammoth Road, Londonderry, 432-1132). Sign up at londonderrynh.gov/leach-library.

• **THE U.S., IRAN, AND THE MIDDLE EAST IN 2024**, presented by Brandon Gauthier, adjunct professor of history for Fordham University and Director of Global Education at the Derryfield School, followed by a Q&A session, on Tuesday, June 18, at 6 p.m. at Manchester City Library (405 Pine St., Manchester, 624-6550). This event will be held in the library auditorium and on Zoom. Visit manchesterlibrary.org or email cdionne@manchesternh.gov for details or to sign up for Zoom viewing.

• **WHO WAS JOHN STARK?** Presented by George Morrison on Thursday, June 20, at 6:30 p.m. at Hooksett Public Library (31 Mount Saint Mary's Way, Hooksett), hosted by the Hooksett Historical Society (315-0084).

Poetry

• **DIANNELY ANTIGUA**, Portsmouth poet laureate, and poet **MAGGIE DIETZ** will hold a reading and signing at Water Street Bookstore (125 Water St., Exeter, waterstreetbooks.com) on Thursday, June 13, at 7 p.m.

• **GAIL DIMAGGIO** headlines the Poetry Society of NH gathering at Gibson's Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord, gibsonsbookstore.com) on Wednesday, June 19, at 4:30 p.m. An open mic follows the reading. Newcomers are welcome and encouraged.

MEET THE NATURE WRITERS



On Tuesday, May 28, at 6:30 p.m. John Doelman, a musician and author of *Quetico Connection: Finding Spirit in a Million Acres of Canadian Wilderness*, will share his poetry and introduce his new CD, *Coming Home to Quetico*, with performances from some of the musicians, at Manchester City Library (405 Pine St., Manchester, 624-6550). Quetico Provincial Park in Ontario, Canada, is the largest paddle-only mandated area in the world, according to Doelman's website, doelmanpoetry.com, and a portion of proceeds from the album go to Friends of Quetico and the Quetico Foundation.

On Thursday, May 30, at 6:30 p.m., meet Matt Patterson, illustrator of the book *Freshwater Fish of the Northeast*, at Gibson's Bookstore (45 S. Main St., Concord, gibsonsbookstore.com) on Sunday, May 30,

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• **Ocean Stater:** Though he calls Rhode Island home these days, **J. Michael Graham** is originally from New Hampshire and is pleased to be returning to perform at a favorite watering hole. The singer, songwriter and guitarist has released a pair of well-received original albums, and performed with a wide range of artists, from James Montgomery to Deer Tick and the Dresden Dolls. Friday, May 24, 8 p.m., Village Trestle, 25 Main St., Goffstown. More at jmgrammusic.com.

• **Horror show:** The EDM pop culture soiree **Halloween Stories** is set in fictitious Grimoire Village, where the spooky night never ends. Come dressed as a werewolf, witch, zombie or demon and experience house, drums n' bass, dubstep and other beat-heavy sounds by Snaggletooth, Too Hard to Spell, and DJ LAWR. Advance purchase is required for the 21+ event. Saturday, May 24, 9 p.m., Jewel Music Venue, 61 Canal St., Manchester, \$19.99 at grimoireacademy.com.

• **Boston laughs:** Though his admiration of Bill Murray made him want to be an actor early on, **Will Noonan** has made his name as a comic, winning accolades from the now-defunct *Improper Bostonian* as the city's best, and he recently appeared in the broadcast booth at Fenway Park alongside Sox legend Jim Rice. His relatable standup makes him a regular favorite in New Hampshire. Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p.m., Chunky's Cinema, 707 Huse Road, Manchester, \$20 at chunkys.com.

• **First nights:** Outdoor concerts in the Lakes Region kick off for the summer. The **Beach Boys** headline the weekend-closing show, with Mike Love now the last of the band's old guard, along with Bruce Johnston, who joined in 1965. Also on the bill is Dave Mason and Traffic Jam, reviving the group he co-founded; he wrote their early hit "Feelin' Alright." Sunday, May 26, 7:30 p.m., Bank of NH Pavilion, 72 Meadowbrook Lane, Gilford, \$41 and up at livenation.com.

NITE

Midwest rockers

BoDeans play Nashua Center

By Michael Witthaus
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In the middle of the 1980s, a contingent of bands emerged from a swamp of big hair and overproduction that were hell bent on *rocking out*, like Boston's Del Fuegos, Georgia Satellites and the Plimsouls. Among those championing the no-nonsense, garage rock sound was BoDeans, whose first single, "Fade-away," was all over MTV in 1986.

Nearly four decades on, the Milwaukee quartet is still touring and making albums; their latest is *4 the Last Time*, released in 2022. A 10-day run includes two New Hampshire shows; a near sold out night at Jimmy's in Portsmouth on Thursday, May 23, and an appearance the following evening at the Nashua Center for the Arts.

In a recent phone interview, BoDeans front man Kurt Neumann described his band's setlists as spanning six decades of music, because they include a cover of "Drift Away," a Dobie Gray hit from the '70s that's there for its sing-along quality, and because it represents a bygone, enchanting time for Neumann.

"It really pulls a lot together as far as where I came from as a songwriter," he said of the song, and recalled being glued to the radio as a kid. "It was my escape from the world, and songs like 'Drift Away' really took me there. I'm bringing it back to that place for the audience and remembering how much music has played a part in our lives."

Sets stretch to two and a half hours and draw from each of the band's 14 albums, infectious songs like "You Don't Get Much," "Good Things" and "Closer To Free," which became the theme song for *Party of Five*. It wasn't their only foray into television; he wrote music for the Netflix series *The Ranch*, which ran from 2016 to 2020. Neumann was recruited for the show, which starred Ashton Kutcher, Debra Winger and Sam Elliot, and was set in rural Colorado.

"Both of the producers were big fans of BoDeans music, and they wanted to make music a good part of the show, so



BoDeans. Photo by Lucia J. Bilotti.

I was constantly writing stuff," Neumann said. The showrunners would tell him what they wanted, like a song with a small-town theme, and he'd write a few versions. "It was the first time anyone was really giving me cues ... before, it was always like, what should I write about today?"

Neumann also contributed instrumental pieces. "It was nice to work with a bunch of different people like that on a show," he continued. "To experience the process of what they're doing, and then adding to that musically ... I really enjoyed it."

Asked how he feels about touring as the BoDeans near a 40th anniversary, Neumann replied, "we keep evolving, even with the old material, we try to reinvent it in an interesting way. Then we always have the crowd making everything fresh and new. They're looking forward to hearing the songs and

singing with you. It all works together to keep you interested in moving forward with the music."

Though the new album's title hinted at a potential end to new BoDeans music, Neumann is still writing songs and feeling a creative spark.

“We keep evolving, even with the old material, we try to reinvent it in an interesting way.”

KURT NEUMANN

"It has kind of a double meaning — one of the songs on the record is called 'For the Last Time' and it's about ending a relationship," he said. "But as you get older, putting these records out, it's changed so much. You never know what I was trying to imply with the title. You never know how many records

you're going to get to make. I will say that I have about 20 new songs recorded and ready to come out. So there will be one more at least."

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T-Bones 169 S. River Road, 623-7699	Uno Pizzeria 15 Fort Eddy Road, 226-8667	Gilford Beans and Greens 245 Intervale Road, 293-	Whym Craft Pub & Brewery 853 Lafayette Road, 601-2801	Fratello's 155 Dow St., 624-2022	Portsmouth Cup of Joe: Laura Manzi, 8 p.m. Gas Light: Dave Ayotte Duo, 7 p.m. The Goat: Chris Gendron, 8 p.m. Napoletana: Mitch Alden, 7:30 p.m.	Hampton CR's: Just The Two of Us, 6 p.m. Smuttnose: 603's, 6 p.m. Wally's: open mic, 8 p.m. Whym: music bingo, 6:30 p.m.	Merrimack Homestead: Jamie Hughes, 5:30 p.m. Tortilla Flat: Casey Roop, 6 p.m.	Stella Blu 70 E. Pearl St., 578-5557
Bow Chen Yang Li 520 S. Bow St., 228-8508	Contoocook Contoocook Farmers Market		Hudson The Bar	The Hill Bar & Grille McIntyre Ski Area 50 Chalet Ct., 622-6159	Rochester Governor's Inn: Miner & Ryan, 7 p.m.	Bedford Copper Door: Lou Antonucci, 6 p.m. Murphy's: Jodee Fawlee, 5:30 p.m. T-Bones: Sean Coleman, 5 p.m.	Merrimack Homestead: 641 Daniel Webster Hwy., 429-2022	Bedford Murphy's: Garrett Smith, 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 23

Auburn
Auburn Pitts: open jam, 7 p.m.

Bedford
Copper Door: Lou Antonucci, 6 p.m.
Murphy's: Jodee Fawlee, 5:30 p.m.
T-Bones: Sean Coleman, 5 p.m.

Concord
Cheers: Dave Clark, 5 p.m.
Hermanos: Kid Pinky, 6:30 p.m.
Makris: Stand Up Audio with guest One Dan Band, 7 p.m.
T-Bones: Chris Taylor, 5 p.m.

Derry
Fody's: music bingo, 8 p.m.

Epping
Telly's: Dana Brearley Duo, 7 p.m.

Epsom
Hill Top: music bingo w/ Jennifer Mitchell, 7 p.m.

Exeter
Sawbelly: Chad Verbeck, 5 p.m.

Gilford
Beans & Green: Sing-along with Jim Tyrell, 6 p.m.
Patrick's: Don Severance & Dakota Smart, 6 p.m.

Goffstown
Village Trestle: Paul Lussier, 6 p.m.

Hampton
CR's: Just The Two of Us, 6 p.m.
Smuttnose: 603's, 6 p.m.
Wally's: open mic, 8 p.m.
Whym: music bingo, 6:30 p.m.

Hudson
Luk's: Chris Cyrus, 7 p.m.
Lynn's 102: karaoke w/George Bisson, 8 p.m.
T-Bones: Keith Crocker, 5 p.m.

Music, live and in person

These listings for live music are compiled from press releases, restaurants' websites and social media and artists' websites and social media. Call the venue to check on special rules and reservation instructions. Get your gigs listed by sending information to adiatz@hippopress.com.

Kingston

Saddle Up Saloon: karaoke w/DJ Jason, 7 p.m.

Laconia
Fratello's: Duke Snyder, 5:30 p.m.
T-Bones: Chris Gardner, 7 p.m.

Londonderry
Stumble Inn: Mugsy, 7 p.m.

Manchester
Derryfield: J-Lo, 6 p.m.
Fratello's: Liz Ridgely, 5:30 p.m.
Goat: Louie Bello, 9 p.m.
Murphy's: Jonny Friday, 5:30 p.m.

Merrimack
Homestead: Jamie Hughes, 5:30 p.m.
Tortilla Flat: Casey Roop, 6 p.m.

Milford
Riley's Place: open mic, 7 p.m.

Nashua

Casey Magee's: open mic, 7:30 p.m.
Fody's: DJ Rich Karaoke, 9:30 p.m.
SFK: Chris Lester, 6:30 p.m.
Shorty's: Kieran McNally, 6 p.m.

Pittsfield

Over the Moon: open mic, 6 p.m.

Portsmouth
Cup of Joe: Laura Manzi, 8 p.m.
Gas Light: Dave Ayotte Duo, 7 p.m.
The Goat: Chris Gendron, 8 p.m.
Napoletana: Mitch Alden, 7:30 p.m.

Rochester
Governor's Inn: Miner & Ryan, 7 p.m.

Salem
Copper Door: Dave Zangri, 5 p.m.



Friday, May 24

Alton Bay
Dockside: music bingo, 7 p.m.
Foster's Tavern: Brooks Young, 7 p.m.

Auburn
Auburn Pitts: Lisa Guyer, 7 p.m.

Barnstead
Back Door Grill: Rick & Daughter, 6 p.m.

Bedford
Murphy's: Garrett Smith, 6 p.m.

Bristol
Kathleen's: Irish Sessiun, 7 p.m.

Pressed: Jordan Quinn, 6 p.m.
T-Bones: Dalton Sayball, 5 p.m.
Tuscan: Andrew Somerville, 5 p.m.

Seabrook
Red's: Jay Gratton, 7 p.m.

Somersworth
Earth Eagle: open mic w/Dave Ogden, 6 p.m.

Warner
The Local: Charlie Chronopoulos, 5 p.m.

OLD SOUL

If the recent Amy Winehouse biopic left you wanting more soulful, jazz-influenced pop, you'll want to check out **Kat Wright**. Her soaring voice, vintage-y pop and femme fatale stage presence will leave you wanting more. She headlines the Word Barn (66 Newfields Road, Exeter, 244-0202, thewordbarn.com) on Friday, May 24, at 7 p.m. Tickets range from \$16 to \$28, plus fees.

New Boston Molly's Tavern & Restaurant 35 Mont Vernon Road, 487-1362	Pittsfield Over the Moon 1253 Upper City Road, 216-2162	The Goat 142 Congress St., 590-4628	77 Daniel St., 431-5186	254 N. Broadway, 458-2162	67 Main St., 952-4875	920 Lafayette Road, 760-7706	Sunapee Sunapee Community Coffee House 9 Lower Main St., 398-8214
Northfield Boonedoxz Pub 95 Park St., 717-8267	Portsmouth Cup of Joe 31 Market St., 294-9404	Grill 28 Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, 766-6466	Rochester Porter's 19 Hanson St., 330-1964	Pressed Cafe 1 Artisan Drive, 458-5922	Tuscan Village 9 Via Toscana, 212-9650	Red's Kitchen + Tavern 530 Lafayette Road, 760-0030	Warner The Local 15 E. Main St., 456-3333
	The Gas Light 64 Market St., 430-9122	Napoletana 14 Market Sq., 570-3610	Salem Copper Door 41 S. Broadway, 458-2033	T-Bones 311 South Broadway, 893-3444	Seabrook Backyard Burgers & Wings 5 Provident Way, 760-2581	Somersworth Earth Eagle North 350 Route 108, 841-5421	
		Press Room	Luna Bistro	Tuscan Kitchen	Chop Shop Pub		

Brookline Alamo: Travis Rollo, 6 p.m.	Hampton CR's: John Chouinard 6 p.m. The Goat: Mike Jetti, 9 p.m. Smuttnose: Jim Devlin Band, 6:30 p.m. Wally's: The Warped Tour Band, 9 p.m. Whym: Freddie Catalfo, 6:30 p.m.	Stumble Inn: River Sang Wild, 8 p.m.	karaoke, 9 p.m.	p.m.	Rochester Governor's Inn: Guiltyones, 7 p.m.	Auburn Auburn Pitts: Bazooka Joe Band, 7 p.m.
Concord Hermanos: Andy Laliotis, 6:30 p.m.	Hudson Luk's: Matt Bergeron, 7 p.m. Lynn's 102: karaoke w/George Bisson, 8 p.m.	Manchester Backyard Brewery: Tyler Levs, 6 p.m. Bonfire: Country Roads Derryfield: D-Comp, 6 p.m.; Jimmy's Down, 8 p.m. Foundry: Mikey G, 6 p.m. Goat: Louie Bello, 9 p.m. The Hill: Jamie Hughes, 5:30 p.m. Shaskeen: X-Raided, Airichusetts, and more, 9 p.m. South Side Tavern: Cox Karaoke, 9 p.m. Strange Brew: David Zangri, 8 p.m.	New Boston Molly's: Dave Clark, 6:30 p.m.	Salem Luna Bistro: Bella Perrotta, 7 p.m. Tuscan Village: Kieran Byrnes, 6 p.m.	Bedford Murphy's: Peter Pappas, 6 p.m.	
Contoocook Cider Co.: Chris Lester, 4 p.m.	Laconia Fratello's: Kyle Dumas, 5:30 p.m.; Sean Coleman, 6 p.m.	Meredith Meredith Farmers Market: Richard Gehrts, 3:30 p.m. Twin Barns: Kimayo, 5 p.m.	Northfield Boonedoxz Pub: karaoke night, 7 p.m.	Seabrook Chop Shop: Deja Voodoo Red's: Ditto, 8 p.m.	Bow Chen Yang Li: Dave Clark, 7 p.m.	
Epping Telly's: Dave Auptte Band, 8 p.m.	Litchfield Day of the Dead: music bingo, 6:30 p.m.	Milford Stonecutters Pub: DJ Dave O	Pittsfield Over the Moon: Miner & Ryan, 7 p.m.	Sunapee Community Coffee House: Gordon Peery and Eve Pierce, 7 p.m.; open mic, 8 p.m.	Brookline Alamo: Ralph Allen, 6 p.m.	
Exeter Sawbelly: John Irish Duo, 5 p.m.	Londonderry Coach Stop: Joe McDonald, 6 p.m.			Saturday, May 25 Alton Bay Foster's Tavern: Luciano Monzone, 7 p.m.	Concord Hermanos: Danny Savage, 6:30 p.m.	
Gilford Beans & Greens: Ryan Williamson, 5 p.m.			Portsmouth Cup of Joe: Tim Bear, 8 p.m. Gas Light: Dancing Madly Backwards, 7 p.m.; Sam Hammerman, 9:30 p.m. Goat: Chris Toler, 9 p.m. Grill 28: Doug Thompson, 6 p.m. Napoletana: Rhythm Method, 9		Contoocook Cider Co.: Tyler Levs, 4 p.m. Contoocook Farmers Market: Jonathan Stephen Braught, 9 a.m.	
Goffstown Village Trestle: Michael Graham, 6 p.m.					Epping Telly's: Redemption Band, 8 p.m.	



DEEP IN THE HEART OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

April Cushman has been singing since the tender age of 5, when she joined her church choir. Her big voice and observational lyrics have earned her a devoted following throughout New England, as well as two New England Music Awards for Country Act of the Year. She stops by the Park Theatre (19 Main St., Jaffrey, 532-9300, theparktheatre.org) on Saturday, May 25, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$25 plus fees.



NICK CALLAS

Contemporary comedy enthusiasts will recognize Nick Callas from his appearances on Comedy Central, MTV and *Saturday Night Live*. He's also worked closely with organizations such as the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation to raise awareness about Type 1 diabetes, an illness he's had since he was a child. He stops by the Music Hall Lounge (131 Congress St., Portsmouth, 436-2400, themusichall.org) on Friday, May 24, at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$24 to \$34, plus fees.

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NITE MUSIC THIS WEEK

Exeter

Sawbelly: Chris Voss, 1 p.m.; Harry Borsch, 5 p.m.

Gilford

Beans & Greens: Katie Dobbins, noon
Patrick's: Sweetbloods, 6 p.m.

Hampton

The Goat: Alex Calabrese, 1 p.m.; Chris Toler, 9 p.m.
Hampton Beach Sea Shell Stage: Eastern Sound, 7 & 8:30 p.m.
Sea Ketch: Clint Lapointe, 1 p.m.; Ryan Williamson, 8 p.m.
Smuttynose: Crab Shack Band, 6:30 p.m.
Wally's: Neon '90s, 9 p.m.

Hudson

Luk's Bar: Jodee Frawlee, 7 p.m.

Jaffrey

Park Theatre: April Cushman, 7:30 p.m.

Laconia

Fratello's: Richard Cumming, 5:30 p.m.; Don Severance, 6 p.m.
Weirs Beach Farmers Market: Arthur Terembula, 10 a.m.

Londonderry

Coach Stop: Ken Budka, 6 p.m.
Stumble Inn: Swipe Right Band, 8 p.m.

Manchester

Backyard Brewery: Justin Cohn, 6 p.m.

Bonfire: Lexi James

Derryfield: Gypsy Wild, 6 p.m.; The Slakas, 8 p.m.

Foundry: Sam Hammerman, 6 p.m.

The Goat: Justin Federico, 10 a.m.;

The Hill: Casey Roop, 5:30 p.m.

Murphy's: Two Drink Minimum, 9:30 p.m.

Strange Brew: Soup du Jour, 9 p.m.

To Share: Michaela Horan, 5 p.m.

Wild Rover: Kat Ivy, 7 p.m.

Meredith

Twin Barns: Jeff Lines, 5 p.m.

Nashua

Casey Magee's: Jackie Therrien, 8 p.m.

Haluwa: Six Ways to Sunday

New Boston

Molly's: The Incidentals, 6:30 p.m.

Portsmouth

Cup of Joe: Jon Francis, 8 p.m.

Gas Light: Dani Sven, 2 p.m.; Max Sullivan Group, 7 p.m.; Harrison Goodell, 9:30 p.m.

Napoletona: Mica Peterson Trio, 9 p.m.

Rochester

Governor's Inn: Echobrook, 7 p.m.

Salem

Luna Bistro: Dan Fallon, 7 p.m.

Tuscan Village: Sam Dimitrius, 1

p.m.; Finding Molly, 6 p.m.

Seabrook

Chop Shop: Fast Times ('80s tribute)

Red's: Tim Parent & The Grim Bros, 8 p.m.

Sunday, May 26

Bedford

Copper Door: Nate Comp, 11 a.m.

Murphy's: Colin Hart, 4 p.m.

Brookline

Alamo: Robert Allwarden, 4 p.m.

Concord

Cheers: Ralph Allen, 5 p.m.

Contoocook

Cider Co.: Justin Cohn, 3 p.m.

Epping

Telly's: Johnny Angel, 5 p.m.

Exeter

Sawbelly: Max Sullivan, 1 p.m.

Goffstown

Village Trestle: Chris Taylor, 3:30 p.m.

Hampton

CR's: Clandestine, 4 p.m.

The Goat: Tommy Flynn, 1 p.m.; Chris Toler, 8 p.m.

Hampton Beach Sea Shell Stage: The Continentals, 7 & 8:30 p.m.

Sea Ketch: Lewis Goodwin, 8 p.m.

Smuttynose: Redemption, 5:30

p.m.

Wally's: CKY, 8 p.m.

Laconia

Fratello's: Kyle Dumais, 5:30 p.m.; Henry LaLiberte, 6 p.m.

Londonderry

Stumble Inn: 603's Trio, 2 p.m.

Manchester

Bonfire: free line dancing

Derryfield: Chad LaMarsh, 5 p.m.

The Goat: Mike Jetti, 10 a.m.; Chris Fritz, 7 p.m.

Strange Brew: One Big Soul Jam, 7 p.m.

Milford

Riley's Place: blues jam, 1 p.m.

Nashua

Stella Blu: Casey Roop, 3 p.m.

Northfield

Boonedoxz Pub: open mic, 4 p.m.

Portsmouth

Gas Light: David Corson, 2 p.m.; Rhythm Method, 6 p.m.; Freddie Catalfo, 9:30 p.m.

Grill 28: Mica's Groove Train, 5 p.m.

Napoletona: Vinmar 3, 8 p.m.

Salem

Copper Door: Lilly Innella, 11 a.m.

Tuscan Village: Mamadou, 2 p.m.; Matt Luneau, 6 p.m.

Monday, May 27

Bedford

Murphy's: Tim Kierstead, 5:30 p.m.

Dover

Cara Irish Pub: open mic, 8 p.m.

Gilford

Patrick's Pub: open mic w/ John McArthur, 6 p.m.

Hampton

The Goat: Caylin Costello, 8 p.m.

Wally's: John Garcia, 9 p.m.

Hudson

The Bar: karaoke with Phil

Jaffrey

Park Theatre: open mic, 6:30 p.m.

Laconia

Fratello's: Richard Cumming, 5:30 p.m.

Londonderry

Stumble Inn: Stephen DeCuire, 2 p.m.; Monday Muse with Lisa Guyer, 7 p.m.

Manchester

The Goat: Musical Bingo Nation, 7 p.m.; Jonny Friday, 8 p.m.

Salona: music bingo with Jennifer Mitchell, 6 p.m.

Nashua

Fody's: karaoke night, 9:30 p.m.

Portsmouth

Gas Light: Sam Hammerman, 2 p.m.; Freddie Catalfo, 7:30 p.m.

The Goat: Musical Bingo Nation, 7 p.m.

Napoletona: Night School Jam, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, May 28

Bedford

Murphy's: Joanie Cicatelli, 5:30 p.m.

Concord

Barley House: Irish session, 6 p.m.

Hermanos: Paul Bourgelais, 6:30 p.m.

Tandy's: open mic, 8 p.m.

Hampton

The Goat: Ryan Flynn, 8 p.m.

Hampton Beach Sea Shell Stage: Winnacunnet High School Chorus & Jazz Band, 7 and 8:30 p.m.

Wally's: music bingo, 7 p.m.

Laconia

Fratello's: Duke Snyder, 5:30 p.m.

Londonderry

Stumble Inn: Chris Perkins, 5 p.m.

Manchester

Fratello's: Ralph Allen, 5:30 p.m.

The Goat: Karaoke with George Cox, 8 p.m.

KC's Rib Shack: Paul & Nate open mic, 7 p.m.



JAMES DORSEY

James Dorsey made a name for himself as an opener for comedians like Jim Gaffigan, Michael Ian Black and Steven Wright, and his high-energy observational humor has won awards at the Plymouth Rock Comedy Festival and the Boston Comedy Festival. He returns to Headliners (DoubleTree By Hilton, 700 Elm St., Manchester, headlinersnh.com) on Saturday, May 25, at 8:30 p.m.. Tickets cost \$20 plus fees.



SILVER ANNIVERSARY

It's hard to believe that **Scissorfight** are celebrating their 25th year as a band. Hailing from semi-rural New Hampshire, this post-hardcore quartet is playing intense, high-energy shows that put bands half their age to shame. They rock up to the Press Room (77 Daniel St., Portsmouth, 431-5186, pressroomnh.com) on Friday, May 24, at 9:30 p.m. Tickets range from \$20 to \$25, plus fees.

COMEDY THIS WEEK AND BEYOND

Weekly comedy nights

• **Wednesday** Ruby Room at the Shaskeen in Manchester, 9 p.m.
• **Thursdays** Laugh Attic at Strange Brew in Manchester, strangebrewtaavern.net, 8:30 p.m.

Events

• **Nick Callas** Music Hall Lounge in Portsmouth, themusichall.org, Friday, May 24, 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.
• **Justin McKinney** Colonial in

Laconia, coloniallaconia.com, Saturday, May 25, 8 p.m.

• **Brad Mastrangelo/Steve Scarfo/Jeff Koen** Tupelo in Derry, tupelomusichall.com, Saturday, May 25, 8 p.m.

• **James Dorsey** Headliners in Manchester, headlinersnh.com, Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p.m.

• **Jason Cordova/Liam Hales** McCue's in Portsmouth, mccuescomedyclub.com, Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p.m.

• **Will Noonan** Chunky's in Manchester, chunkys.com, Sat-

urday, May 25, 8:30 p.m.

• **Piff the Magic Dragon** Colonial in Laconia, coloniallaconia.com, Wednesday, May 30, 8 p.m.

• **Brian Glowacki** Rex in Manchester, palacetheatre.org, Thursday, May 31, 7:30 p.m.

• **Brian Beaudoin** Headliners in Manchester, headlinersnh.com, Saturday, June 1, 8:30 p.m.

• **Tim McKeever** Chunky's in Manchester, chunkys.com, Saturday, June 1, 8:30 p.m.

• **Tony V** McCue's in Ports-



Justin McKinney

mouth, mccuescomedyclub.com, Saturday, June 1, 8:30 p.m.
• **Frank Santos Jr., R-Rated** Hypnotist Makris in Concord,

headlinersnh.com, Thursday, June 6, 8 p.m.

• **Hasan Minhaj** Nashua Center for the Arts, nashuacenterfortharts.com, Thursday, June 6, 8 p.m.

• **Dave Russo Presents** Fulchino Vineyard in Hollis, fulchinovineyard.com, Friday, June 7, 7:30 p.m.

• **Lenny Clarke & Friends** Rex in Manchester, palacetheatre.org, Friday, June 7, 7:30 p.m.

• **Hasan Minhaj** Colonial in Laconia, coloniallaconia.com, Friday, June 7, 8 p.m.

• **Stacey Kendro** Headliners in Manchester, headlinersnh.com, Saturday, June 8, 8:30 p.m.

• **Brian Beaudoin** Chunky's in Manchester, chunkys.com, Saturday, June 8, 8:30 p.m.

• **Colin Mochrie & Brad Sherwood** Music Hall in Portsmouth, themusichall.org, Thursday, June 13, 8 p.m.

• **Tom Cotter** Rex in Manchester, palacetheatre.org, Friday, June 14, 7:30 p.m.

• **Eddie B Chubb** Theatre in Concord, ceanh.com, Saturday, June 15, 7:30 p.m.

NITE MUSIC THIS WEEK

Strange Brew: David Rousseau, 8 p.m.

Merrimack

Homestead: Lou Antonucci, 5:30 p.m.

Nashua

Spyglass Brewing: Interstate Racket, 5:30 p.m.

Portsmouth

Press Room: Soggy Po' Boys, 9 p.m.

Rochester

Porter's: karaoke, 6:30 p.m.

Seabrook

Backyard Burgers: music bingo with Jennifer Mitchell, 7 p.m.
Red's: Chad Verbeck, 7 p.m.

Tilton

Tilton Farmers Market: Colin Hart, 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 29

Bedford

Murphy's: Casey Roop, 5:30 p.m.

Concord

Hermanos: Brian Booth, 6:30 p.m.
Tandy's: karaoke, 8 p.m.
Uno: Scott King, 6 p.m.

Derry

Fody's: karaoke, 7 p.m.

Epping

Telly's: Clint Lapointe, 7 p.m.

Hampton

The Goat: Shelton Benton, 8 p.m.
Smuttynose: Living on Island Time feat. Redemption, 5:30 p.m.

Kingston

Saddle Up Saloon: Musical Bingo Nation, 7 p.m.

Laconia

Fratello's: Richard Cumming, 5:30 p.m.

Manchester

Derryfield: Brooks Young, 6 p.m.
Firefly: Jordan Quinn, 5 p.m.
Fratello's: Rebecca Turmel, 5:30 p.m.
The Goat: 603 Line Dancing, 7 p.m.; Mike Jetti, 10 p.m.
Stark Brewing: Cox karaoke, 8 p.m.
Strange Brew: open mic w/ Jordan Quinn & Scott Armstrong, 8 p.m.

Merrimack

Homestead: Eddie Sands, 5:30 p.m.

Milford

Riley's: karaoke, 7 p.m.
Stonecutters Pub: open mic, 8 p.m.

Seabrook

Chop Shop: DJ Manny karaoke, 7:30 p.m.
Red's: Jimmy MacWilliam, 7 p.m.

Film

Venues

AMC Londonderry
16 Orchard View Dr., Londonderry, amctheatres.com

Chunky's Cinema Pub

707 Huse Road, Manchester, chunkys.com

Cinemark Rockingham Park 12
15 Mall Road, Salem

Fathom Events

fathomevents.com

Milford Drive-In

531 Elm St., Milford, milford-drivein.com

O'neil Cinemas at Brickyard Square



Furiosa

24 Calef Hwy., Epping, 679-3529, oneilcinemas.com

Red River Theatres

11 S. Main St., Concord, 224-4600, redrivertheatres.org

Regal Fox Run Stadium 15
45 Gosling Road, Newington, reg-

movies.com

Wilton Town Hall Theatre
40 Main St., Wilton, wiltontownhalltheatre.com, 654-3456

Screenings

- **Challengers** (R, 2024) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord (redrivertheatres.org) Thursday, May 23, at 3:46 & 6:30 p.m.
- **Milford Drive-In Shows** are Friday and Saturday at 6:15 p.m. The cost is \$33 per car with up to six people. See the website for the offerings on each of two screens.
- **Back to Black** (R, 2024) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord on Thursday, May 23, at 4 & 6:45 p.m.; Friday, May 24, through Monday, May 27, at 1:15, 4 & 6:45 p.m.; Monday, May 27, through Wednesday, May 29, at 4 & 6:45 p.m.

- **Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga** (R, 2024) will screen at Red River Theatres in Concord on Thursday, May 23, at 3:45 & 7 p.m.; Friday, May 24, through Monday, May 27, at 12:30, 3:45 & 7 p.m.; Tuesday, May 28, through Thursday, May 30, at 3:45 & 7 p.m.
- **The Commandant's Shadow** (2024) a documentary, will screen via Fathom Events on Wednesday, May 29, and Thursday, May 30, at 4 & 7 p.m. at AMC Londonderry, O'neil Cinemas at Brickyard Square in Epping and Regal Fox Run in Newington.
- **The Kid Brother** (1927), a silent film starring Harold Lloyd and presented with live musical accompaniment by Jeff Rapsis, will screen at Wilton Town Hall Theatre on Sunday, June 16, at 2 p.m.

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NITE MUSIC & EVENTS

Concerts

- **National Park Radio** Thursday, May 23, 7 p.m., Word Barn
- **Nat Zegree** Thursday, May 23, 7:30 p.m., Music Hall
- **BoDeans** Thursday, May 23, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's
- **Matthew Logan Vasquez** Thursday, May 23, 8 p.m., Press Room
- **Kat Wright** Friday, May 24, 7 p.m., Word Barn

- **Silver Stars** Friday, May 24, 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, May 25, 2 p.m., Rex
- **Frankie Boy & the Blues Express** Friday, May 24, 8 p.m., Tupelo
- **Scissorfight** Friday, May 24, 9:30 p.m., Press Room
- **Walk That Walk** Saturday, May 25, 5:30 p.m., Press Room
- **Diamond Blues** Sunday, May 26, 7 p.m., Press Room
- **Parker McCollum** Saturday, May 25, 7:30 p.m., BankNH Pavilion
- **Wycliffe Gordon & Friends** Saturday, May 25, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's
- **April Cushman** Saturday, May 25, 7:30 p.m., Park Theatre
- **Beatlemania Again** Sunday, May 26, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's



April Cushman

- **Beach Boys** Sunday, May 26, 7:30 p.m., BankNH Pavilion
- **Bitter Pill** Sunday, May 26, 8 p.m., Music Hall Lounge
- **Chastity Brown** Tuesday, May 28, 7 p.m., Music Hall Lounge
- **Raul Midon** Wednesday, May 29, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's
- **Katy Pinke** Wednesday, May 29, 8 p.m., Press Room
- **Ryan Montbleau** Thursday, May 30, and Friday, May 31, 7 p.m., Word Barn
- **Trouble No More** (Allman Bros. tribute) Thursday, May 30, and Friday, May 31, 7:30 p.m., Jimmy's
- **Paula Cole** Friday, May 31, 7:30 p.m., Flying Monkey
- **Bella's Bartok/Bitter Pill** Friday, May 31, 8 p.m., Bank of NH Stage

Trivia

Events

- **'00s Music 21+** trivia night Thursday, May 23, 7:30 p.m. at Chunky's (707 Huse Road, Manchester; chunkys.com).
- **21+ trivia night** Thursday, May 30, 7:30 p.m. at Chunky's (707 Huse Road, Manchester; chunkys.com).

Weekly

- **Thursday** trivia with Game Time Trivia at Mitchell BBQ (50 N. Main St., Rochester, 332-2537, mitchellhillbbq.com) at 6 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Reed's North (2 E. Main St., Warner, 456-2143, reedsnorth.com) from 6 to 8 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Station 101 (193 Union Sq., Milford, 249-5416) at 6:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** music trivia at Day of the Dead Taqueria (454 Charles Bancroft Hwy. in Litchfield, 377-

7664) at 6:30 p.m.

- **Thursday** trivia with Geeks Who Drink at the Barley House (132 N. Main St., Concord, thebarleyhouse.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia with Game Time Trivia at Hart's Turkey Farm (223 Daniel Webster Hwy., Meredith, 279-6212, hartsturkeyfarm.com) from 7 to 9:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** Opinionation by Spore trivia at Uno Pizzeria & Grill (15 Fort Eddy Road in Concord; 226-8667) at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Hop Knot (1000 Elm St., Manchester, 232-3731, hopknotnh.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Shooters Sports Pub (6 Columbus Ave., Exeter, 772-3856) at 7:15 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Liquid Therapy (14 Court St., Nashua, 402-9391) at 7:30 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Game Changer Sports Bar (4 Orchard View

- Dr., Londonderry; 216-1396, gamechangersportsbar.com) from 8 to 10 p.m.
- **Thursday** trivia at Strange Brew (88 Market St., Manchester, 666-4292) at 8 p.m.
- **First Thursday of every month** trivia at Fody's (9 Clinton St., Nashua; fodystavern.com) at 8 p.m.
- **First and third Thursday of every month** trivia at To Share Brewing (720 Union St., Manchester, tosharebrewing.com) at 6:30 p.m.
- **Friday** trivia at Biergarten Anheuser-Busch (221 Daniel Webster Hwy., Merrimack) from 6 to 8 p.m.
- **Sunday** trivia at Mountain Base Brewery (553 Mast Road, No. 111, Goffstown, 315-8382) at 4 p.m.
- **Monday** Pub Quiz at Shaskeen (909 Elm St., Manchester, 625-0246, shaskeenirishpub.com) at 7:30 p.m.

- **Tuesday** trivia at Able Ebenezer Brewing (31 Columbia Circle, Merrimack, 844-223-2253) at 6 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Sea Dog Brewing (5 Water St., Exeter, 793-5116) at 6 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Second Brook Bar & Grill (1100 Hooksett Road, Hooksett, secondbrook.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Fody's (187 Rockingham Road, Derry, 404-6946, fodystavern.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Lynn's 102 Tavern (76 Derry Road, Hudson, 943-7832, lynns102.com), at 7 p.m.
- **Tuesday** trivia at Gibb's Garage Bar (3612 Lafayette Road, Portsmouth, gibbsgaragebar.com) from 8 to 10 p.m.
- **Tuesday Geeks Who Drink** trivia at Peddler's Daughter (48 Main St., Nashua, 821-7535, thepeddlersdaughter.com), from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

- **Wednesday** trivia at Community Oven (845 Lafayette Road, Hampton, 601-6311, thecommunityoven.com) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** Brews & Qs trivia, 21+, at Feathered Friend (231 S. Main St., Concord, 715-2347, featheredfriendbrewing.com) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Lithermans (126 Hall St., Concord, lithermans.beer) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Otto (33 Water St., Exeter, 810-6886) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Spyglass Brewing Co. (306 Innovative Way, Nashua, 546-2965, spyglassbrewing.com) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Topwater Brewing (748 Calef Hwy., Barrington, 664-5444) at 6 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Popovers (11 Brickyard Sq., Epping, 734-4724, popoversonthesquare.com) from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

- **Wednesday** The Greatest Trivia in the World at Revolution Taproom and Grill (61 N. Main St., Rochester, 244-3042, revolutiontaproomandgrill.com/upcoming-events) at 6:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at Don Ramon (6 Whitney St., Merrimack, 420-8468) from 7 to 9 p.m.
- **Wednesday Kings Trivia** at KC's Rib Shack (837 Second St., Manchester, 627-7427, ribshack.net), sponsored by Mi Campo, in Manchester 7 to 9 p.m.
- **Wednesday** trivia at City Hall Pub (8 Hanover St., Manchester, 232-3751, snhng.com) at 7 p.m.
- **Wednesday World Tavern Trivia** at Fody's Tavern (9 Clinton St. in Nashua, fodystavern.com, 577-9015) at 8 p.m.
- **Second Wednesday of every month** trivia at Park Theatre (19 Main St., Jaffrey, 532-9300, theparktheatre.org) at 7:30 p.m.

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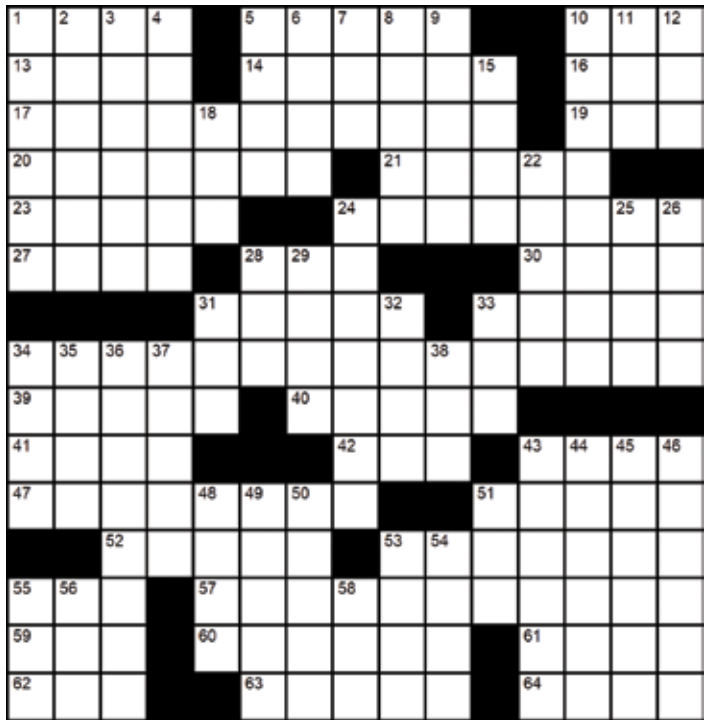
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“Outposts”— sent to the edges.



Across

- 1. It's a long story
- 5. Pal in Pamplona
- 10. High school class
- 13. Hokkaido sashes
- 14. Repeat performances?
- 16. Wish undone
- 17. 1982 horror flick
- 19. “___ bide my time”
- 20. North African condiment
- 21. Belief held by Thomas Jefferson and Mark Twain
- 23. Pressing needs?
- 24. Sunday dinner slow-cooker option
- 27. Dreyer’s, east of the Rockies
- 28. Paid athlete
- 30. M&M color introduced in 1995
- 31. Shift neighbor
- 33. Commander’s commander
- 34. Faddish mental health proponent
- 39. It’s all wrong
- 40. Thompson who’s still on “SNL”
- 41. Verifiable
- 42. Use a needle and thread
- 43. Drier than dry
- 47. Most courteous
- 51. At a good clip
- 52. “Love ___ you need”
- 53. Scanned black-and-white patterns
- 55. “The Brady Bunch” daughter
- 57. Georges Seurat, for one
- 59. Estadio Diego Armando Mara-

dona cheer

- 60. “The Woman In Me” autobiographer
- 61. Fox’s home
- 62. “___ the season to be jolly”
- 63. Young’s partner in accounting
- 64. ___ occasion (never)

Down

- 1. Singer-songwriter Ellis-Bextor
- 2. “All ___!”
- 3. California’s “Garlic Capital of the World”
- 4. Actors John and Sean, for two
- 5. Airport postings, briefly
- 6. Prefix used by some state lotteries
- 7. Anger
- 8. Musical notation pioneer
- 9. Beginning
- 10. Monaco’s royal house
- 11. Actor Brynner
- 12. Nickname for two Spice Girls
- 15. Make a slight move
- 18. Squiggly letter
- 22. 1924 Pulitzer Prize-winning Edna Ferber novel
- 24. Swanky to the max
- 25. Makes an appeal
- 26. Pitched shelter
- 28. TP layer
- 29. Rooftop accessory
- 31. Georgia, formerly, e.g.
- 32. Fine-tune
- 33. “___ voyage!”
- 34. Arrested suspect, informally
- 35. Three-layered cookie
- 36. Nutty confections
- 37. Suffix for cities
- 38. Scientific principle
- 43. NASA lunar program
- 44. Angular measure, in math

- 45. Isolates due to extreme weather, maybe
- 46. G.I. Joe villain whose name is one letter short of a synonym for “obliterate”
- 48. Bar lineup
- 49. Get married secretly
- 50. Craftier
- 51. Knee injury site, briefly
- 53. Fiscal yr. divisions
- 54. Robbie who played Cousin Oliver
- 55. Scribble (down)
- 56. Oscar-nominated role for Smith
- 58. Photographer Goldin

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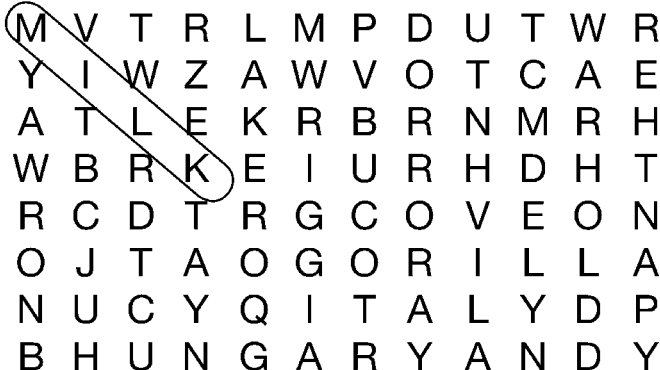
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Find and Circle...

- Four dairy products
- Three four-letter bodies of water
- Three seven-letter mammals
- Three countries ending with Y
- “Campbell’s Soup Cans” artist (first/last name)

Last Week’s Answers: HIMALAYAS ROCKIES ANDES ALPS / MONGOOSE MOOSE MOUSE MOLE / EARTH MARS / NORTH SOUTH / BOEING AIRBUS

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3÷			2
	6	100×	36×
3+		5-	
4	3-		72×
3-			6

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1 Each row and each column must contain the numbers 1 through 4 (easy) or 1 through 6 (challenging) without repeating.

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3 Freebies: Fill in single-box cages with the number in the top-left corner.

PREVIOUS ANSWERS

6×	3-	3-	1
2	3	4	1
3-	4	1	2
2-	1-	3	4
1	2	3	4
3	4	1	2

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1-	4	3÷	6
5	4	2	3
3	6	1	2
6	3	5	4
2	1	3	5
1	2	4	3
4	5	6	1

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Thumbing my way back to puzzles

Across

1. Like some rehearsal doors slightly open for us to sneak in
5. 'That Means ___' so Beatles say thanks!
9. 'I Wanna Be Somebody' hard rockers
13. Kenny Rogers #1 hit
14. Brazilian jazz singer Purim
15. Blues Traveler does 'This ___' with a sore muscle
16. Rod Stewart 'As ___...The Great American Songbook Vol II'
18. Sung of Korea's Brown Eyed Soul
19. Pearl Jam "I smile, but who ___ kidding"
20. 'Suicide Blonde' band
21. "I fought the law and the ___"
23. Stooges guitarist Asheton
25. Christie McVie '___ Hold On Me'
26. '91 Michael Jackson hit Slash played live with him
32. Elvis Presley 'Let ___ Me'
35. Go-Go's '___ Strange'
36. 'Foot In The Mouth' Canadian punks
37. Half of 'Aqualung' band, w/Jethro
38. Music genre rocker might not like
39. 'This Guy's In Love With You' Alpert
40. David Thomas' Pere ___
41. Tony Carey '___, Fine Day'

43. Blues pianist Spann
44. '07 Symphony X album for epic 1667 Milton poem
48. Ramones '___ Hog'
49. '03 Steely Dan album 'Everything ___'
53. Fats Domino "Ain't that ___ my tears fell like rain"
56. Laura Nyro was morbid on 'And When ___'
58. Half of 'Keep The Faith' band, w/Jovi
59. 60s British pop producer Joe
60. '04 Streets album '___ Come For Free'
63. English band for by Brazilian soccer icon
64. Misspelled classic Cum On Feel The ___
65. Pet Shop Boys "Cause you're ___ York City boy"
66. '06 Killers album '___ Town'
67. Medicinal amount from doctor, pre-tour
68. '23 Godflesh hit for adopted son of Claudius

1. Place to exchange vows for stars in love
2. Trumpeter Welsh
3. Kind of office assistant, to star (abbr)
4. Catering may use this deli bread
5. Arctic Monkeys leader Turner
6. Negative Biohazard song?
7. Band that spawned ambient house genre, (w/"The")
8. John of Duran Duran & megastar Swift
9. 'White Room' effect with voice-like tones (hyph)
10. Wonder Stuff did 'The Size Of ___' at a farm
11. "Get out of here!" exclamation producer says to fans in 1. Across
12. 'This And That' Michael
14. LA indie pop band for Henry, Jane or Bridget
17. Country's 'Whenever You Come Around' Vince
22. The Moments 'Love On ___-Way Street'
24. Biblical National song?
25. Everclear "I take your word like it was ___"
27. Pearl Jam 'Tremor ___'
28. 'Perfect Symmetry' UK band
29. Morrissey 'The More You Ignore Me, The Closer ___'
30. 'Abnormally Attracted To Sin' Amos
31. Trails off, as popular star
32. Faith No More wants their money with "Cough ___ or go down"
33. Marching band instrument
34. 'Parklife' English guys
39. Van Halen had them for their 'Teacher'
41. Levine of TV's The Voice
42. Cinderella mixes with people that don't rock like '___ Ice'
45. Rises, as from bathroom floor after rocking too hard
46. Guns N Roses 'Sweet Child ___'
47. Took to court, as band that got bogus contract
50. 'August And Everything After' producer Burnett
51. Dr. Dog song for a hopeless case
52. '98 Pearl Jam album 'Live ___ Legs'
53. Electric guitars' needs, w/cords
54. Oasis 'I Can ___ Liar'
55. The Band's singer/drummer Levon
56. Split Enz-inspired Goo Goo Dolls song?
57. Marc Cohn doesn't do 'Burning The ___' at "nite"
61. Sticky 1990 Sonic Youth album?
62. Host Rather of Big Interview

Down

R&R answer from pg 36 of 5/16

R	I	P		C	R	I	S		H	A	W			
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Jonesin' answer from pg 35 of 5/16

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NITE SUDOKU

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. See last week's puzzle answers on pg 53.

King Classic Sudoku

Puzzle A

				6			2	
					7	6		
6	7		2	4	8		1	9
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7	5	6					9	8
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King Classic Sudoku

Puzzle B

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King Classic Sudoku

Puzzle C

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9	1	6								

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SIGNS OF LIFE

All quotes are from *The Philosophy of Modern Song*, by Bob Dylan, born May 24, 1941.

Gemini (May 21 – June 20) Earnestness should not be confused with simplicity. It's complicated.

Cancer (June 21 – July 22) There is something very freeing about hearing a song in a language that you don't understand. Go and see an opera and the drama leaps off the stage even if you don't understand a word. This explains a lot.

Leo (July 23 – Aug. 22) This song ["On the Street Where You Live"] is all about the three-syllable rhyme: street before, feet before, heart of town, part of town, bother me, rather be. You can make up your own: here at last, clear at last, ring that bell, what's that smell? Take your time, make a rhyme.

Virgo (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22) Desire fades but traffic goes on forever. And they have nothing to do with each other.

Libra (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22) Of course, knowledge is a good thing but one of the potentially dangerous side effects is that as the field of knowledge gets wider our skin is stretched thinner. Don't let that stop you, but use a moisturizer.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21) There are more songs about shoes than there are about hats, pants, and dresses combined. And plenty of songs about feet.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21) The Grateful Dead are not your usual rock and roll band. They're essentially a dance band. Move to the music.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19) The repetition gives structure, like a trellis under a vine, letting the rest of the song wander where it might. Lather, rinse, repeat, wander.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 – Feb.

18) Nowadays, everyone stays in their own lane, guaranteeing themselves top honors in their own category even if that category is something like Top Klezmer Vocal Performance on a Heavy Metal Soundtrack Including Americana Samples. It's an honor.

Pisces (Feb. 19 – March 20) This song ["Blue Suede Shoes"] is the handwriting on the wall, loaded with menacing meaning — a signal to gate crashers, snoopers, and invaders — keep your nose out of here, mind your own business and whatever you do stay away from my shoes. You wouldn't like them anyway.

Aries (March 21 – April 19) Sometimes songs show up in a disguise. A love song can hide all sorts of other emotions, like anger and resentment. And sometimes not very well.

Taurus (April 20 – May 20) Sometimes people ask songwriters what a song means, not realizing if they had more words to explain it they would've used them in the song. You get what you get. 🍷

7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES	SOLUTIONS
1 when an assignment is due (8)	_____
2 "catty" creature (6)	_____
3 genealogy (9)	_____
4 toll-free number, usually (7)	_____
5 hooked like an eagle's beak (8)	_____
6 where laundry hangs out (11)	_____
7 talk out of (10)	_____

DLI	INE	NE	FEL	CLOT
BLO	AQU	INE	INE	SINC
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NE	DI	LINE	HO	HES

Last Week's Answers: 1. PROPOSE 2. JEWEL 3. FOOLISHNESS 4. SAILOR 5. BLOOPER 6. WARHOL 7. DANDY

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Puzzle A

4	9	2	7	3	8	1	6	5
1	3	5	9	6	2	8	4	7
8	6	7	1	4	5	3	9	2
2	1	4	6	5	9	7	8	3
9	8	3	2	7	1	4	5	6
7	5	6	3	8	4	2	1	9
5	4	9	8	2	3	6	7	1
6	2	8	5	1	7	9	3	4
3	7	1	4	9	6	5	2	8

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New World Order

“Father Justin,” an AI priest created by Catholic Answers, a Christian group in San Diego, was defrocked on April 24 after claiming to users that he was a real member of the clergy and performing sacraments, the New York Post reported. Holy Justin told users he was a priest in Assisi, Italy. He shared his views on sexual issues and took confession, concluding with, “Go in peace, my child, and sin no more.” He also advised one user that they could use Gatorade to baptize their child. Christopher Check, president of Catholic Answers, explained: “We chose the character to convey a quality of knowledge and authority ... Many people, however, have voiced concerns about this choice.” The avatar was rebranded as Virtual Apologist Justin, minus the cassock and collar, after an uproar about his behavior. “We won’t say he’s been laicized,” Check said, “because he was never a real priest!” *NY Post, April 26*

Questionable Judgment

Firelands Elementary School in Henrietta Township, Ohio, was locked down on May 1 after a sasquatch was spotted running past classroom windows, WKYC-TV reported. Superintendent Michael Von

Gunten said a person in a Bigfoot costume parked in one of the district’s lots, “crossed our campus and caused the district to enter into a lockdown.” Kids outside on recess were quickly moved indoors. Bigfoot never made it inside any of the buildings; the Lorain County sheriff’s office revealed the person in the costume was a parent pulling a prank. The parent was pulled over in a traffic stop, but no charges have been filed yet. *WKYC, May 3*

Wrong Place, Wrong Time

Middleburg Heights, Ohio, residents who were hoping to do business at the Social Security office there were turned away in early May, News 5 reported on May 2. It wasn’t computer issues or flooding that shut the office down, though. Michael Murphy, president of the Local 3448 of the American Federation of Government Employees, said the problem was raccoons. “There’s urine stains on the tiles. The smoke detectors came falling down. ... (A)pparently the animals may be eating through the wiring.” When 25% of the lighting went out, employees got in touch with Murphy. “These employees were reporting concerns of noises above the ceiling as early as January,” he said. The SSA released a statement saying the

office would reopen “as soon as possible.” *News 5, May 2*

No Longer Weird

The last four years have brought about 700 reports of orcas attacking boats. On May 12, in the Strait of Gibraltar, a 49-foot-long vessel called Alboran Cognac sank after repeated blows from a group of orcas, Reuters reported. The yacht carried two people, who felt the shocks before water started seeping in. They alerted rescue services, and a nearby oil tanker took them in. Researchers don’t know why the animals attack ships. *Reuters, May 13*

Awesome!

World War II veteran Roger Wonson of Beverly, Massachusetts, turned 100 years old on April 20, CBS News reported. Wonson celebrated with his family and friends and a custom cake — and by playing drums with his band, The Current Voltage, at his senior living facility on April 24. Wonson also played saxophone during the performance. He said his brother got him into drumming: “When he was 18 and I was 12 ... I said, ‘Gee, can I practice on the drums?’ and he said, ‘Sure.’ So that’s the way it started.” The Current

Voltage includes some of his fellow residents and staffers from the facility. *CBS News, April 24*

Stickin’ It to the Man

Etienne Constable received a letter in July 2023 from Seaside, California, asking him to conceal the boat he’d had parked in his driveway for about four years, The Washington Post reported. The city said boats and trailers must be “screened on the side and front by a 6-foot fence.” Constable installed a fence -- and hired his neighbor, mural artist Hanif Panni, to paint a photorealistic image of the boat and the rest of the driveway on the side of the fence that faces the road. The mural was completed in early May. “We kind of hit the sweet spot between following the rules and making an elegant statement to the contrary,” Constable said. Nick Borges, Seaside’s city manager, admired the work and said, “The only action I’m going to take is a high five, and that’s it.” *Washington Post, May 11*

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