

2018 SUMMER GAZEBO CONCERT SERIES

Presented by
Roscommon Metropolitan Recreation Authority

The Jazz Collective

June 6

This group of young artist are ages thirteen to eighteen which are students from Roscommon High School. Over the years they have made numerous award winning appearances at The NMU Jazz festival, The Alma College Jazz Festival, wowing audiences wherever they go with their high energy shows that run the gamut from Duke Ellington to Steely Dan. You are sure to enjoy this show that these young people put on!

Jill Jack Trio

June 20

Jill Jack's magical connection to her audience is the result of her musical gift. With a Bonnie Raitt or Sheryl Crow style, Jill sings Americana, folk rock with influences of pop, rock, country and blues. By combining her gifts as a conceptual visionary with a warm gathering of musical influences, Jill touches that secret hart of ours with her melodies and lyrics. Much of her charming stage presence and emotive songwriting is connecting and a measure of a true songwriter open to all of life.

Ray Kamalay and his Red Hot Peppers

July 11

In the early 1930's America enjoyed a heyday of small band jazz, the likes of which it has not seen since. This group is reminiscent of this peculiar era. With some of the finest players in the United States, they play this music with all the excitement and sentiment typical of the period. Ray has worked in association with many fine artists, including Joel Mabus, Johnny Frigo, James Dapogny, Betty Joplin, Jethro Burns, and Ralphe and Howard Armstrong. In 1997, Ray's work with Ralphe and Howard Armstrong was nominated for the W. C. Handy Award.

The Ol' MicroTones – formerly known as - I Ham Wes

July 25

A long time ago in northern Michigan there was a band called the Microtones. They had the dance floors packed to rockin' reggae and ska beats until they stopped touring and gigging in 1986. The two forming members Don Julin and Wes Ivan are back at again with a few of Traverse City's best musicians rounding out this reggae style jam band. Expect tight vocals, rock solid grooves, and long jams when The Ol' Microtones come to town.

Bob Hausler

August 8

Award winning singer, songwriter, guitarist, and entertainer Bob Hausler has entertained thousands of people in his career. He has opened for such artists as; Eric Church, the Mavericks, Neil McCoy, Sawyer Brown, Tracy Lawrence, Diamond Rio, Chris Cagle, and many more. As a session guitarist he has played on hundreds of recordings. An emotional singer, Bob loves to let the song come from the heart. At home in front of a crowd of thousands or in the intimate setting of a small club, he performs with energy and soul. Known for his high-spirited performance and endless energy, Bob reaches out to his audience in a very personal way.

Blues Mobile

August 22

Blues Mobile is focused on music born in the U.S.A., both original tunes and classics. Playing the blues with a nice mix of Motown, R&B, and a lean toward rock 'n roll, Blues Mobile creates an atmosphere of letting the good times roll while appealing to a diverse audience.

CONCERT INFORMATION

Concerts are at 7:00pm CRAF Center lawn, rain or shine, inside for inclement weather.

Concerts are FREE to the public but a goodwill offering is taken to meet incidental expenses. Refreshments are available.

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