

New England Arts & Entertainment

Newsletter March 2011

Greetings from Mike, Walter and George and welcome to the FIRST newsletter (hopefully of many to come) from New England Arts & Entertainment. While we began planning long ago, our business opened in January of this year. Our first endeavor is the Inaugural New England Jazz and Blues Festival which happens June 18 & 19 at Quassy Amusement Park in Middlebury CT.



This event is geared towards music lovers and families. Quassy Amusement Park is a long time landmark in the area, and tickets to this music festival includes rides for all ticket holders, children and adults.

We have targeted several charities to donate to and hope you'll be there to help us in our cause.

There are plenty of food and beverages available making it a great destination for the entire family.

There are both lawn and tent seats available depending on your preference. The tent seats approximately 2000 people with general admission seating. There's also a special UP FRONT section (called the VIP section) for those that prefer seeing the show up close.

And of course, there's the music. Each day features five incredible acts from around the country. There are both newcomers and legends, and there's something for everyone.

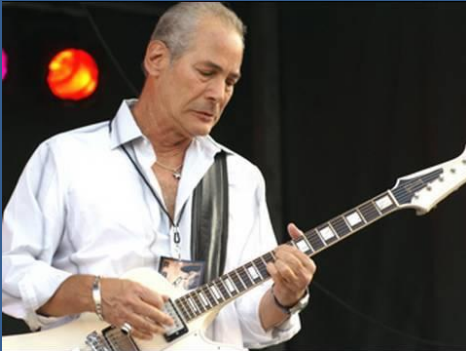
On both evenings, following the show, join us at our sponsor hotel for the After Party. Everyone is invited to the Southbury Crowne Plaza as artists from the show and some of our friends join together for a jam session. The party is hosted by vocalist Nicole Zuraitis and is free to the public.

It will be a party you won't want to miss. I hope to see you there.

Saturday June 18



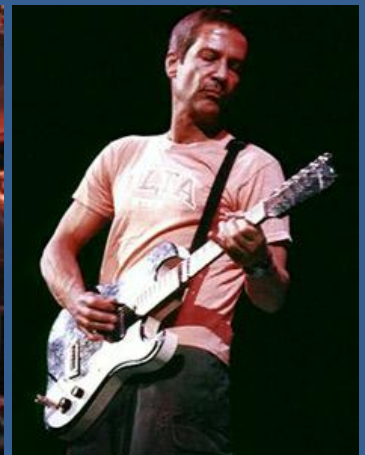
The day kicks off at 1:00 PM with the Nicole Zuraitis Group followed by Chris Brubeck and Triple Play. And the entertainment never stops. Between each act there's music happening on our B Stage featuring some of the great up and coming acts.



The afternoon continues with Kal David & The Real Deal followed by Dave Samuels and The Caribbean Jazz Project. There's time to explore the park, ride the rides, and have a bite to eat .



Saturday evening wraps up with The James Montgomery Band & The Uptown Horns with Special Guests James Cotton and Billy Squire.



Sunday June 19



The second day begins again at 1:00 PM with the Ali Ryerson Quintet featuring an all-star band fresh from the recording studio. We then shift gears to blues and “Party ‘Till The Cows Come Home” with the great Elvin Bishop. And the entertainment never stops. Between each act there’s music happening on our B Stage featuring some of the great up and coming acts.



The afternoon continues with The Trio of OZ featuring Rachel Z and Omar Hakim. Their unique take on contemporary hits with artistic arrangements will have you in awe.

Once again, there’s time to explore the park, ride the rides, and have a bite to eat .



And the party continues on with New England blues legends Roomful of Blues. With a recording career that spans over 40 years, they have toured virtually non-stop, hitting cities from coast to coast, and traveling abroad to Spain, Italy, France, Portugal, Switzerland, Turkey and Russia.

And Sunday evening wraps up with The Fabulous Thunderbirds featuring Kim Wilson. For over 30 years, The Fabulous Thunderbirds have been the quintessential American band. The group’s distinctive and powerful sound, influenced by a diversity of musical styles, manifested itself into a unique musical hybrid.

