

NORTHERN INDIANA BLUEGRASS ASSOC., Inc.

2016

ANNUAL FESTIVAL GUIDE



NAME	DATE	LOCATION	PROMOTER	E-MAIL	WEB ADDRESS
Florida Bluegrass Classic	02/24-28	Brooksville, FL	Ernie Evans 904-886-8378	----	evansmediasource.com
Winter Bluegrass Weekend	03/04-06	Minneapolis, MN	MBOTMA 800-635-3037	info@minnesotabluegrass.org	minnesotabluegrass.org
Buckeye Dulcimer Festival	03/09-13	Ashley, OH	Shari Wolf 937-295-5253	buckeyedulcimer@yahoo.com	tinyurl.com/ykzbl2s
Big Thaw Bluegrass Festival	03/12	Mequon, WI	Linda Sandersen 414-961-0660	bbma@badgerlandbluegrass.org	badgerlandbluegrass.org
Suwannee Springfest	03/17-20	Live Oak, FL	386-364-1683	plevine21@gmail.com	suwanneespringfest.com
Southern Ohio Indoor Music Festival	03/18-19	Wilmington, OH	SOMUSICFEST 937-372-3504	info@somusicfest.com	somusicfest.com
Withlacoochee River Bluegrass Festival	03/18-19	Dunnellon, FL	Dave Elliot 352-472-2703	tinroofshack@gmail.com	tinroofshack.com
Sertoma Spring Bluegrass Festival	03/23-27	Brooksville, FL	Ernie Evans 904-886-8378	----	evansmediasource.com
Bluegrass in the Park	04/02	Ocala, FL	----	tinroofshack@gmail.com	tinroofshack.com
Stringbreak Music Fest	04/07-10	Brooksville, FL	Mitch Lind 863-984-8445	riverhawk1@lindentertainment.com	lindentertainment.com
Cabin Fever Festival	04/15-17	Duluth, MN	MBOTMA 800-635-3037	info@minnesotabluegrass.org	minnesotabluegrass.org
Fort Cooper State Park BG Music Festival	04/16	Inverness, FL	Tin Roof shack Produc. 352-726-0315	----	tinroofshack.com
Appalachian Festival	05/06-08	Cincinnati, OH	Ron Simmons 513-623-5373	info@appalachianfestival.org	appalachianfestivalcincinnati.org
Bluegrass Gathering	05/19-22	Hart, MI	231-742-0202	bluegrassgathering@gmail.com	bluegrassgathering.org
SEMBA's May Bluegrass Festival	05/20-22	Houston, MN	Darrell Ottman 507-864-8109	darrbarr1962@gmail.com	semba.tv
Tri-State Bluegrass Festival - 40 th Annual	05/26-29	Kendallville, IN	Northern IN BG Assoc. 260-918-4790	FG16@nibga.com	BluegrassUSA.net
John Hartford Memorial Festival	06/01-04	Bean Blossom, IN	John Holtze 314-315-3670	johnholtze@sbcglobal.net	johnhartfordmemfest.com
Niles Bluegrass Festival	06/02-05	Niles, MI	Tom Majerek 269-861-6220	tommajerek@aol.com	----
Bluegrass Pickin' Weekend	06/03-05	Nashport, OH	Peggy Joseph 740-453-4377	peggy.joseph@dnr.state.oh.us	ohiostateparks.org (Resv.)
Minnesota Homegrown Kickoff	06/03-05	Richmond, MN	MBOTMA 800-635-3037	info@minnesotabluegrass.org	minnesotabluegrass.org
Bluegrass in the Hills	06/08-11	Hopedale, OH	Calvin Mickey 740-946-5631	mickeys@eohio.net	mickeysmtn.com
Blue OX Music Festival	06/09-11	Eau Claire, WI	715-839-7500		blueoxmusicfestival.com/
Festival of the Bluegrass	06/09-12	Lexington, KY	AnnaMarie Cornett 859-253-0806	info@festivalofthebluegrass.com	festivalofthebluegrass.com
Wakarusa Bluegrass Festival	06/10-11	Wakarusa, IN	Ellie Tom 574-862-1688	elliev2004@gmail.com	wakarusabluegrassfestival.com
Noreastr' Music & Arts Festival	06/10-12	Mio, MI	Craig Carrick 810-845-7344	carrickhome1@aol.com	noreastr.net
Gebhard Woods Dulcimer Festival	06/11-12	Morris, IL	708-756-3567	MarileaZ@aol.com	gebharddulcimer.org
Bean Blossom, Annual Bill Monroe	06/11-18	Bean Blossom, IN	Bill Monroe Park 812-988-6422	beanblossombg@hotmail.com	beanblossom.us
Charlotte Bluegrass Festival	06/16-18	Charlotte, MI	Wes Pettinger 269-832-5519	charlottebluegrass@gmail.com	charlottebluegrassfestival.com
Tottenham Bluegrass Festival	06/17-19	Tottenham, ON	Peter Deveau 613-965-0890	pc.deveau@hotmail.com	tottenhambluegrass.com
ROMP (River of Music)	06/22-25	Owensboro, KY	Katie Keller 270-926-7891	katie@bluegrassmuseum.org	rompfest.com
Western Michigan BMA JuneGrass	06/24-25	Lowell, MI	Lee Strassburger 616-914-4282	president@wmbma.org	wmbma.org
Crazy Horse Campground Festival	06/24-26	Ashland, IL	Andy Egolf 217-243-3159		crazyhorsecamp.com
Indiana Fiddler's Gathering	06/24-26	Battle Ground, IN	Kirk Hallman 765-742-1419	fiddlers@dcwi.com	indianafiddlersgathering.org
Tippecanoe & Bluegrass Too	07/02	Lafayette, IN	Steve Jackson 765-296-2863	----	----
Bean Blossom Gospel Jubilee	07/07-09	Bean Blossom, IN	Bill Monroe Park 812-988-6422	beanblossombg@hotmail.com	beanblossom.us
Norwalk Music Festival	07/07-10	Norwalk, OH	Kurt Hickman 440-213-8358	norwalkmusicfestival@gmail.com	norwalkmusicfestival.com
Sheridan Bluegrass Fever	07/08-09	Sheridan, IN	Brenda Bush 317-758-5845	----	sheridanbluegrassfever.net
Frankfort Bluegrass Festival	07/09-10	Frankfort, IL	Steve Haberichter 815-469-6321	frankfortbluegrassfestival@gmail.com	frankfortbluegrassfest.com
Ewart Dulcimer Festival	07/14-17	Ewart, MI	Sharon Skaryd 989-781-0849	jodofitz@aol.com	dulcimers.com
Marshall Bluegrass Festival	07/17-23	Marshall, MI	Jeremie Cole 269-788-2597	marshallbluegrassfestival@gmail.com	marshallbluegrassfestival.com
Musicians Against Childhood Cancer	07/20-23	Lockbourne, OH	Darrel Adkins 740-548-4199	macc@musiciansagainstchildhoodcancer.com	bluegrassclassic.com
Hiawatha Traditional Music Festival	07/22-24	Marquette, MI	Susan Divinel 906-226-8575	info@hiawathamusic.org	hiawathamusic.org
*Central Ohio Bluegrass Festival	July	Croton, OH	Arlin Bradford 614-547-2110	centralohiobluegrass1@gmail.com	centralohiobluegrass.com
Milan Bluegrass Festival	08/04-06	Milan, MI	KC Campground 734-439-1076	----	kccampgroundmilan.com
Old Fiddler's Convention	08/08-13	Galax, VA	Tomk Jones 276-236-8541	tomjones@embarqmail.com	oldfiddlersconvention.com
Buckeye Bluegrass Festival	08/11-13	Greenwich, OH	Larry Efaw 330-645-1542	bluegrassmusic@sbcglobal.net	bluegrassmountaineers.net
Minnesota BG & Old-Time Music Festival	08/11-14	Richmond, MN	MBOTMA 800-635-3037	info@minnesotabluegrass.org	minnesotabluegrass.org
Creekside Hootenanny	08/12-14	Cassopolis, MI	Korie Blyveis 269-506-8334	bluegreener@gmail.com	----
SEMBA's May Bluegrass Festival	08/18-21	Houston, MN	Darrell Ottman 507-864-8109	darrbarr1962@gmail.com	semba.tv

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Winding Creek Bluegrass Festival	08/18-21	Russiaville, IN	Duane Davis 765-438-1050	info@windingcreekbluegrass.com	windingcreekbluegrass.com
Lakes Bluegrass Festival	08/24-28	Pine River, MN	Tim Roggenkamp 218-568-5559	roggecpa@gmail.com	LakesBluegrassFestival.com
Brown County Bluegrass Festival	08/25-27	Georgetown, OH	Don Morgan 606-593-7010	drmorgan@prtcnet.org	browncountybluegrass.com
Bluegrass in the Pines	08/27-29	Rosholt, WI	Art Stevenson 715-884-6996	artstevenson@hotmail.com	highwatermusic.com
Sugar Maple Festival	08-05-06	Madison, WI	Bob Batyko 608-227-8685	foullakesmusic@gmail.com	sugarmaplefest.org
Earl Park Fall Festival	09/02-04	Earl Park, IN	Kenny Stone 219-730-8003	kennystone@sbcglobal.net	earlparkfestival.com
Samjam Bluegrass Festival	09/02-04	Piketon, OH	Sam Karr 812-699-0962	coach_k34@hotmail.com	samjambbluegrass.com
Chet Kingery Memorial Bluegrass Festival	09/03	Arthur, IL	Terry Schlabach 217-578-3868	mackvillebluegrass@gmail.com	mackvillebluegrass.com
Metamora Old-Time Music Festival	09/03-04	Metamora, IN	Gail Ginther 765-647-1212	metamoramusica@gmail.com	metamoramusica.wix.com/metamorafestival
Tri-State Bluegrass Festival - 40th Year	09/03-06	Kendallville, IN	Northern IN BG Assoc. 260-918-4790	FG15@nibga.com	BluegrassUSA.net
Laughing Waters Bluegrass Festival	09/05	Minneapolis, MN	Alan Jespersen 612-727-2489	alanjesp@gmail.com	mcsb.com/minnehaha.htm
Wheatland Music Fest. (adv. tks required)	09/09-11	Remus, MI	Lola Tyler 989-967-8879	wmo.office@wheatlandmusic.com	wheatlandmusic.org
Parade of Stars Bluegrass Festival	09/10	Auburn Hills, MI	Brian Marzolf 248-370-9353	bmarzolf@auburnhills.org	auburnhills.org
Poppy Mountain Bluegrass Festival	09/13-17	Morehead, KY	Tina Tackett 606-784-2277	poppymtn@yahoo.com	poppymountainbluegrass.com
Walnut Valley Festival	09/14-18	Winfield, KS	Rex Flottman 620-221-3250	news@wvfest.com	wvfest.com
Mohican Bluegrass Festival	09/15-17	Glenmont, OH	Ken Wobbecke 740-599-6741	wilderness@ecr.net	mohicanwilderness.com
Bean Blossom, BG Hall of Fame & Uncle Pen Days	09/21-24	Bean Blossom, IN	Bill Monroe Park 812-988-6422	beanblossombg@hotmail.com	beanblossom.us
Threshermen's Bluegrass Festival	09/22-24	Pontiac, IL	Doyle Hurd 815-674-3559	dijhreh@gmail.com	threshersbluegrass.com
Union County Covered Bridge Bluegrass Festival	09/23-25	N. Lewisburg, OH	Union Co. Conv & Visitors Bur 937-642-6279	tknotts@unioncounty.org	coveredbridgefestival.com
IBMA World of Bluegrass	09/27-10/01	Raleigh, NC	IBMA 888-438-4262	info@ibma.org	ibma.org
Annual Bluegrass 101 Festival	10/15	Shepherdsville, KY	Pamela Waldridge 502-252-9004	blue101@bardstown.com	bluegrass101.com
WBMA Fall Fest & Jam Camp	10/16-17	Lowell, MI	Lee Strassburger 616-914-4282	president@wbma.org	wbma.org
Riverhawk Music Fest	11/10-13	Brooksville, FL	Mitch Lind 863-984-8445	riverhawk1@lindentertainment.com	lindentertainment.com
Southern OH Indoor Music Festival	11/11-12	Wilmington, OH	SOMUSICFEST 937-372-5804	info@somusicfest.com	somusicfest.com
Withlacoochee River BG Festival	11/18-19	Dunnellon, FL	Dave Elliot 352-472-2703	tinroofshack@gmail.com	tinroofshack.com
Harvest Jam Acoustic Music Experience	11/18-20	St Louis Park, MN	MBOTMA 800-635-3037	info@minnesotabluegrass.org	minnesotabluegrass.org
Thanksgiving Bluegrass Festival	11/26-28	Brooksville, FL	Lynda 828-265-9929	info@sertomayouthranch.org	sertomayouthranch.org
*SPBGMA Nat'l Band Contest	02/02-05/2017	Nashville, TN	Chuck Steerman 660-665-7172	info@spbgma.com	spbgma.com
*Chicago Folk Fest	02/2017	Chicago, IL	Collin Lapinsky 617-671-9683	upfcfolk@gmail.com	uotctfolk.org

*Dates Not Confirmed

Particulars on these festivals will be given in the NIBGA newsletter for the month in which they fall. These festivals were taken from many published sources and from flyers. NIBGA has taken great effort to insure their accuracy but festivals change and are canceled. Check your monthly newsletter to verify dates and join NIBGA so you get the monthly newsletter! Fill out the form on the opposite side. NIBGA members receive a \$5 discount on a weekend ticket at the NIBGA Memorial & Labor Day weekend festivals. Many other associations also honor weekend discounts at their festivals with NIBGA memberships.

This festival guide may be reproduced and distributed in whole or in part provided NIBGA is acknowledged. Promoters send us your festival flyers so details can be included in monthly newsletters. BluegrassUSA.net will have additions and corrections.

Have a safe and enjoyable 2016 festival season.

Jim Winger — President, Northern Indiana Bluegrass Association, a 501(c)(3) organization

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2016 WORKSHOPS



NAME	DATE	LOCATION	PROMOTER / CONTACT
Augusta Heritage: Cajun/Creole / Early Country Music Week	07/10-15	Elkins, WV	Davis & Elkins College 304-637-1209 augusta@augustaheritage.com augustaheritagecenter.org
Blues & Swing Week	07/17-22		
- Irish Week	07/24-29		
- Bluegrass Week	07/31-08/05		
- Old Time / Vocal / Dance	08/07-12		
- Festival Weekend	08/12-14		
- Oct. Old-Time Week	10/16-21		
- Old Time Fiddlers' Reunion	10/21-23		
Bean Blossom Kids Boot Camp	06/12-14	Bean Blossom, IN	Sarah Wasson // 606-663-0600 youthbluegrassbootcamp@gmail.com / Beanblossom.us/bootcamp
Ashokan Workshops: - Scottish Fiddle	05/01-03	Kingston, NY	Jay Unger & Molly Mason 845-246-2121 office@ashokan.org / ashokan.org
--SOLD OUT-- Old Tims Rollick	04/01-03		
- Trad String Fling	04/29-05/01		
- Uke Fest	05/27-30		
- Western & Swing Week	06/26-07/02		
- Guitar Camp	07/11-15		
- Northern Week	07/17-23		
- Family Camp	08/08-12		
- Southern Week	08/14-20		
Allegheny Echoes Summer Wrkshps - (Various Old Time & Bluegrass)	06/19-24	Marlinton, WV	Mike Bing // 304-799-7121 muckle_h@hotmail.com // alleghenyechoes.com
Blue Ridge Old Time Music Week	06/05-10	Mars Hill, NC	Mars Hill College // 828-689-1167 conferences@mhc.edu mhu.edu/oldtimemusic
Midwest Banjo Camp	06/02-05	Olivet, MI	Ken Perlman // 781-316-5564 info@midwestbanjocamp // midwestbanjocamp.com
Music Camps North: - Guitar / Mandolin Camp North	04/15-17	Charlton, MA	Mike Kropp // 401-487-3536 info@musiccampsnorth.com // musiccampsnorth.com
- Banjo Camp North	05/13-15		
Pete Wernick's Bluegrass Jam / Banjo Camps / Classes	See Web	See Web	Pete Wernick // 303-652-8346 Pete@drbanjo.com or pwernick@aol.com / drbanjo.com
Steve Kaufman's Camps: -Old Time & Traditional	06/12-18	Maryville, TN	Steve Kaufman 800-352-8745 steve@flatpik.com / flatpik.com
-Bluegrass Week	06/19-25		
Nash Camp - Bluegrass	07/26-31	Nashville, TN	Cindy Sinclair / 615-952-4040 nashcamp@nashcamp.com / nashcamp.com
- Fiddle Camp	09/02-04		
- Banjo Camp	TBA		
Mark O'Connor - O'Connor Method Camp	08/01-05	New York City	summer@berklee.edu // markoconnor.com oconnorcharleston@gmail.com // connormethod.com
Swannanoa - Traditional Song Week	07/03-09	Asheville, NC	Warren Wilson College 828-298-3434 gathering@warren-wilson.edu // swangathering.com
- Celtic	07/10-16		
- Old Time Music & Dance	07/17-23		
- Contemporary Folk // Guitar	07/24-30		
- Mando & Banjo // Fiddle	07/31-08/06		
Rocky Mountain Fiddle Camp	07/24-31	Estes Park, CO	Mark Luther 303-596-9870 // mark@rmfiddle.com//rmfiddle.com
Suwannee Banjo Camp	03/18-20	Live Oak, FL	Ken Perlman / info@suwanneebanjocamp.com suwanneebanjocamp.com
The Foundation for Bluegrass Music - This site has an extensive listing of Programs // Camps // Workshops		Nashville, TN	615-256-3222 // Bluegrassfoundation.org

NIBGA MEMBERSHIP FORM

www.BluegrassUSA.net

2016-2017 dues are due April 30, 2016 Fill out form and mail with check to:

NIBGA, 5034 Wapiti Ct., Ft. Wayne, IN 46804-4946. (260) 918-4790 e-mail: FG16@nibga.com

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Vacation ideas before the Bluegrass Festival in Kendallville, IN

•Shopping:

- ❖ Walmart Plaza located 1.5 mile east of the fairgrounds.
- ❖ Shiphewana Flea Market & Auction: Shiphewana, IN, open (Mon. on holidays) Tues. & Wed. 8 am.-5 pm - Various interesting shops in town with regular hours. Antique auction: Wed. 8:00 am, 11 auction rings - 260-768-4129
- ❖ The Outlet Shops- Fremont, IN, I69 & Indiana Toll Road
- ❖ Das Essenhaus Amish Restaurant & Shopping area: Middlebury, IN - 574-825-9471

•Museums:

- ❖ Mid-America Windmill Museum: Kendallville, IN, 260-347-2334 732, S. Allen Chapel Rd.t-F 10-4, Sa 10-5, Sun 1-4
- ❖ Black Pine Animal Park, 1426W 300N, Albion, IN 45701, 260-636-7383
- ❖ Auburn-Cord-Duesenberg Museum: Auburn, IN, 1600 S. Wayne, St. 260-925-1444
- ❖ Fort Wayne Museum of Art: Fort Wayne, IN, 260-422-6467, 311 E. Main St. closed Mon. & holidays
- ❖ Fort Wayne Children's Zoo: Fort Wayne, IN, 260-427-6800, 3411 Sherman
- ❖ Science Central: Fort Wayne, IN, 1950 N. Clinton, 260-424-2400
- ❖ Garrett Historical Museum: Garrett, IN, 300 N. Randolph, 260-357-5575 by appointment
- ❖ Gene Stratton Porter House: Rome City, IN 260-854-3790
- ❖ Ligonier Historical Museum, S. Main Street, Ligonier, IN (260) 894-7580

•**Tour an RV Factory:** -- Industry figures show about 58 percent of all the nation's RVs are produced in Indiana, largely in Elkhart County. More than 100 different brands of RVs are produced within 25 miles of Elkhart, which bills itself as "RV Capital of the World." Elkhart is a short drive from Kendallville, IN. Call in advance before traveling to an RV factory. For more information and to find an RV manufacturer. Also check the Ultimate Guide to RVing Resources (www.tripbuzz.com/rving-guide)

•Visitors Bureaus:

- ❖ Noble County Convention and Visitors Bureau 260-599-0060 or 877-202-5761
- ❖ Kendallville, IN Chamber of Commerce: 260-347-1554
- ❖ Fort Wayne, IN Convention & Visitors Bureau - 800-767-7752 Arts & Attractions
- ❖ Elkhart, IN Visitors Center: 800-860-5949
- ❖ Angola, IN Tourism Bureau: 800-525-3101

•Recreation:

- ❖ Golf Course - Kendallville, IN, 260-349-1550

•Genealogy:

- ❖ Fort Wayne, IN, Allen County Public Library, 900 Webster St., 260-421-1200 (General) 260-421-1225 (Genealogy Dept.) The largest public genealogy research library in the country. They are one of 14 locations with the 1930 census.