

Thursday

	1 WATSON	2 CABIN	7 PICKIN' PLACE	8 DANCE STAGE
				
2:30 PM 2:45 PM			2:30p-8:30p Jammin' at the Pickin' Place	
3:00 PM 3:15 PM 3:30 PM 3:45 PM	3:00p-3:45p Presley Barker			
4:00 PM 4:15 PM 4:30 PM 4:45 PM	4:15p-5:00p Tejon Street Corner Thieves	3:45p-4:15p Roy Book Binder		
5:00 PM 5:15 PM 5:30 PM 5:45 PM	5:30p-6:30p Tommy Emmanuel	5:00p-5:30p Jam Camp w/ Pete Wernick		
6:00 PM 6:15 PM 6:30 PM 6:45 PM		6:30p-7:15p Banknotes - Bill Young Tribute		
7:00 PM 7:15 PM 7:30 PM 7:45 PM	7:15p-8:15p Little Feat			
8:00 PM 8:15 PM 8:30 PM 8:45 PM		8:15p-9:00p Joshua Ray Walker		
9:00 PM 9:15 PM 9:30 PM 9:45 PM	9:00p-10:30p Brothers of a Feather w/ Chris & Rich Robinson of the Black Crowes			
10:00 PM 10:15 PM				10:00p-11:30p Opening Night Dance w/ Donna the Buffalo

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	1 WATSON	2 CABIN	3 CREEKSIDE	4 LITTLE PICKERS	5 "B" TOWNES AMERICANA	6 TRADITIONAL	7 PICKIN' PLACE
							
11:00 AM		11:00a-11:30a	11:00a-11:45a	11:00a-11:30a		11:00a-11:45a	11:00a-10:00p
11:15 AM		Andy Cohen	Jim Lauderdale w/ Songs From the Road Band	InterACTIVE Theater of JEF		Laura Boosinger & Josh Goforth	Jammin' at the Pickin' Place
11:30 AM	11:30a-12:15p				11:30a-12:15p		
11:45 AM	Rob Ickes & Trey Hensley				Nigel Wearne		
12:00 PM		12:15p-12:45p	12:15p-1:00p	12:00p-12:30p		12:30p-1:15p	
12:15 PM		Todd Albright	Henhouse Prowlers	The Biscuit Eaters		Chris Jones & The Night Drivers	
12:30 PM							
12:45 PM	12:45p-1:30p				12:45p-1:30p		
1:00 PM	Miko Marks			1:00p-1:30p	Bee Taylor		
1:15 PM				Taylon Hope			
1:30 PM		1:30p-2:00p	1:30p-2:30p				
1:45 PM		Lightnin' Wells	Pete Wernick's FLEXIGRASS Jam				
2:00 PM	2:00p-2:45p			2:00p-2:30p	2:00p-2:45p	2:00p-2:45p	
2:15 PM	The Brothers Comatose			The Brothers Young	The Waybacks	Wayne Henderson & Friends	
2:30 PM				2:40p-2:55p			
2:45 PM		2:45p-3:15p		Meet & Greet w/ Flattop			
3:00 PM		Songs From The Road Band	3:00p-3:45p	3:00p-3:30p	3:15p-4:00p		
3:15 PM	3:15p-4:00p		Kruger Brothers	InterACTIVE Theater of JEF	Laney Lou & The Bird Dogs	3:30p-4:15p	
3:30 PM	Scythian					Songs of Doc Watson w/ Mitch Greenhill	
3:45 PM							
4:00 PM	4:00p-4:45p	4:00p-4:45p		4:00p-4:30p			
4:15 PM	BREAK	BREAK		Presley Barker			
4:30 PM			4:15p-5:00p		4:30p-5:15p		
4:45 PM		4:45p-5:30p	Woody Platt & Shannon Whitworth		John Paul White		
		Dom Flemons					

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	8 DANCE 	9 AUSTIN STAGE at Mayes Pit (Cohn Auditorium) 	10 THE PLAZA 	11 HILLSIDE 	12 WALKER CENTER 
11:00 AM		11:00a-11:45a Banjo Workshop	11:00a-4:00p Open Mic hosted by The Local Boys	11:00a-11:45a Laney Lou & The Bird Dogs	
11:15 AM					11:30a-12:15p J2B2 (John Jorgenson Bluegrass Band)
11:30 AM					
11:45 AM	11:45a-12:30p School Day Dance w/ Scythian				
12:00 PM		12:15p-2:00p Doc & Merle Watson Performing Arts Showcase		12:15p-1:00p Kruger Brothers	
12:15 PM					
12:30 PM		12:20p-12:35p Bill Mathis			12:45p-1:30p Alison Brown
12:45 PM		12:40p-12:55p Carol Rifkin			
1:00 PM		1:00p-1:15p T. Michael Coleman		1:30p-2:15p Yasmin Williams	
1:15 PM	1:15p-2:00p AJ Lee & Blue Summit	1:20p-1:35p Presley Barker			
1:30 PM		1:40p-2:00p Joe Smothers			2:00p-2:45p Henhouse Prowlers
1:45 PM					
2:00 PM		2:30p-3:15p Thumbpicking Workshop			
2:15 PM					
2:30 PM					
2:45 PM	2:45p-3:30p Miko Marks			2:45p-3:30p Alison Brown	
3:00 PM					3:15p-4:00p Chris Jones & The Night Drivers
3:15 PM					
3:30 PM					
3:45 PM					
4:00 PM		4:00p-4:45p Anatomy of a Guitar w/ Wayne Henderson		4:00p-4:45p Donna the Buffalo	
4:15 PM	4:15p-5:00p Ben Chapman				
4:30 PM					4:30p-5:15p Peter Rowan
4:45 PM					






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	1 WATSON	2 CABIN	3 CREEKSIDE	4 LITTLE PICKERS	5 "B" TOWNES AMERICANA	6 TRADITIONAL	7 PICKIN' PLACE
							
5:00 PM							
5:15 PM							
5:30 PM	5:30p-6:30p		5:30p-6:30p			5:00p-5:45p	11:00a-10:00p
5:45 PM	The Black Opry Revue		Rob Ickes & Trey Hensley		5:45p-6:30p	J2B2 (John Jorgenson Bluegrass Band)	Jammin' at the Pickin' Place
6:00 PM					AJ Lee & Blue Summit		
6:15 PM						6:15p-7:00p	
6:30 PM		6:30p-7:15p				Dom Flemons	
6:45 PM		John Paul White					
7:00 PM							
7:15 PM	7:15p-8:15p						
7:30 PM	Marcus King						
7:45 PM							
8:00 PM							
8:15 PM		8:15p-9:00p					
8:30 PM		Bee Taylor					
8:45 PM							
9:00 PM	9:00p-10:30p						
9:15 PM	The Avett Brothers						
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5:00 PM					
5:15 PM		5:15p-6:45p Acoustic Kids with Andy May		5:15p-6:15p Sunset Sessions w/ The Jerry Douglas Band	
5:30 PM					
5:45 PM					
6:00 PM					
6:15 PM					
6:30 PM					
6:45 PM					

AUTOGRAPH SCHEDULE

(autograph sessions take place near the red caboose)






Sponsored by 

7:00 PM		
7:15 PM	7:15p-8:15p Laney Lou & The Bird Dogs	
7:30 PM		
7:45 PM		
8:00 PM		
8:15 PM		
8:30 PM		
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9:15 PM		
9:30 PM		
9:45 PM		
10:00 PM	10:00p-11:30p Friday Night Dance w/ The Brothers Comatose	
10:15 PM		
10:30 PM		
10:45 PM		
11:00 PM		
11:15 PM		
11:30 PM		
11:45 PM		
12:00 AM		

Date	Set Time Begin	Set Time End	Artist Name
Thursday	5:00PM	5:30PM	Presley Barker
Thursday	6:00PM	6:30PM	Tejon Street Corner Thieves
Thursday	8:30PM	9:00PM	Tommy Emmanuel
Friday	12:30PM	1:00PM	Laney Lou & The Bird Dogs
Friday	1:15PM	1:45PM	Rob Ickes & Trey Hensley
Friday	2:00PM	2:30PM	Bee Taylor
Friday	3:00PM	3:30PM	AJ Lee & Blue Summit
Friday	4:00PM	4:30PM	Alison Brown
Friday	5:00PM	5:30PM	Chris Jones & The Night Drivers
Friday	6:00PM	6:30PM	Kruger Brothers
Friday	7:00PM	7:30PM	Black Opry Revue + Miko Marks + Yasmin Williams
Friday	8:00PM	8:30PM	John Paul White
Saturday	12:30PM	1:00PM	The Local Honeys
Saturday	1:15PM	1:45PM	Donna the Buffalo
Saturday	2:00PM	2:30PM	Lori McKenna
Saturday	4:15PM	4:45PM	Taylor Rae
Saturday	5:00PM	6:00PM	Scythian
Saturday	6:30PM	7:00PM	Stillhouse Junkies
Saturday	7:30PM	8:00PM	Tommy Prine
Saturday	8:30PM	9:00PM	Della Mae
Saturday	9:30PM	10:00PM	Sam Bush Band
Sunday	12:30PM	1:00PM	The Po' Ramblin' Boys
Sunday	1:30PM	2:00PM	Compton & Newberry
Sunday	2:30PM	3:00PM	High Road
Sunday	3:30PM	4:00PM	Bella White

Autograph Times Subject to Change.
PLEASE CHECK MERLEFEST APP FOR THE LATEST SCHEDULE UPDATES

Saturday Morning






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11:00 AM			11:00a-11:45a	11:00a-11:30a		11:00a-11:45a	11:00a-10:00p
11:15 AM		11:15a-12:00p	Memories of The Watson Family hosted by T. Michael Coleman w/ Watson Family Friends	InterACTIVE Theater of JEF		Banknotes	Jammin' at the Pickin' Place
11:30 AM		The Local Honeys			11:30a-12:15p		
11:45 AM					Scythian		
12:00 PM	12:00p-12:45p			12:00p-12:30p		12:15p-1:00p	
12:15 PM	MerleFest Veterans Set w/ Jack Lawrence, Jerry Douglas, Joe Smothers, Peter Rowan, Sam Bush, & T. Michael Coleman		12:15p-1:00p	The Brothers Young		Laura Boosinger & Josh Goforth	
12:30 PM			"Mitchology" The Songs of Mitch Greenhill	12:35p-12:50p			
12:45 PM		12:45p-1:15p		Meet & Greet with Flattop	12:45p-1:30p		
1:00 PM		Taylor Rae		1:00p-2:00p	Ali McGuirk		
1:15 PM	1:15p-2:00p			Open Mic for Kids 12 and Under w/ Larry Skipper			
1:30 PM	Della Mae		1:30p-2:30p			1:45p-2:30p	
1:45 PM			Mando Mania hosted by Tony Williamson			The Burnett Sisters Band w/ Colin Ray	
2:00 PM		2:00p-2:30p			2:00p-2:45p		
2:15 PM		Anna Lynch			The Youngers		
2:30 PM	2:30p-3:15p			2:30p-3:00p			
2:45 PM	Ali McGuirk			Holt & Cabe			
3:00 PM			3:00p-3:45p		3:15p-4:00p		
3:15 PM		3:15p-3:45p	Terry Baucom's Dukes of Drive		Taylor Rae	3:15p-4:00p	
3:30 PM		Acoustic Kids Ambassadors		3:30p-4:00p		Compton & Newberry	
3:45 PM	3:45p-4:30p			Scythian - Cake For Dinner!			
4:00 PM	Donna the Buffalo						
4:15 PM			4:15p-5:00p				
4:30 PM			Jeff Little Trio		4:30p-5:15p		
4:45 PM	4:30p-5:15p BREAK	4:30p-5:15p BREAK		4:30p-5:00p Southbound 77	Cole Chaney	4:45p-5:30p Tony Williamson	

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	8 DANCE  Our Passion Makes Us Different	9 AUSTIN STAGE at Mayes Pit (Cohn Auditorium)  Inspired Performance Technology™	10 THE PLAZA 	11 HILLSIDE  Skyline National Bank	12 WALKER CENTER 
11:00 AM	11:00a-12:30p Acoustic Kids Showcase w/ Andy May	11:00a-12:00p Learn To Jam w/ Pete Wernick	11:00a-3:30p MerleFest 2023 Band Competition w/ Host Mark Bumgarner	11:00a-11:45a Tommy Prine	11:30a-12:15p Kruger Brothers
11:15 AM					
11:30 AM					
11:45 AM					
12:00 PM		12:30p-1:15p History of MerleFest w/ "B" Townes	11:15a-11:30a Reedy River String Band	12:15p-1:00p Lori McKenna	12:45p-1:30p Stillhouse Junkies
12:15 PM					
12:30 PM					
12:45 PM					
1:00 PM	1:00p-1:45p Tejon Street Corner Thieves	1:45p-5:15p The Greatest Acoustic Blues Show On Earth	12:45p-1:00p The Greenliners	1:30p-2:15p Jim Lauderdale	
1:15 PM					
1:30 PM					
1:45 PM					
2:00 PM	2:30p-3:15p The Po' Ramblin' Boys	1:45p-2:05p Welcome & Brief History of Acoustic Blues Show	1:45p-2:00p Colin Cutler	2:00p-2:45p The Local Honeys	
2:15 PM					
2:30 PM					
2:45 PM					
3:00 PM		2:05p-2:35p Charles Welch	3:15p-3:30p Ashes & Arrows	3:00p-4:30p Album Hour w/ The Waybacks	3:15p-4:00p Docabilly Blues Blowout w/ Mitch Greenhill & Friends
3:15 PM					
3:30 PM					
3:45 PM					
4:00 PM	4:00p-4:45p Stillhouse Junkies	4:50p-5:15p Roy Book Binder	4:00p-4:15p Band Contest Winner Announced	4:30p-5:15p My Name is Merle: A MerleFest Documentary Screening	
4:15 PM					
4:30 PM					
4:45 PM					
			4:15p-5:00p Presley Barker		

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5:00 PM							
5:15 PM		5:15p-5:45p					11:00a-10:00p
5:30 PM		The Po'	5:30p-6:15p				Jammin' at the
5:45 PM		Ramblin' Boys	Mark Bumgarner		5:45p-6:30p		Pickin' Place
6:00 PM	5:45p-6:45p						
6:15 PM	Doc's 100th					6:15p-7:00p	
6:30 PM	Birthday Jam w/					Terry Baucom's	
6:45 PM	Kruger Brothers					Dukes of Drive	
7:00 PM		6:45p-7:15p					
7:15 PM		Cole Chaney					
7:30 PM	7:15p-8:45p						
7:45 PM	Sam Bush Band						
8:00 PM							
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8:30 PM							
8:45 PM		8:45p-9:30p					
9:00 PM		Lori McKenna					
9:15 PM							
9:30 PM	9:30p-11:00p						
9:45 PM	Maren Morris						
10:00 PM							
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5:00 PM					
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5:30 PM	5:30p-6:15p			5:15p-6:15p	
5:45 PM	The Youngers	5:45p-7:15p		Sunset Sessions	
6:00 PM		Acoustic Kids w/ Andy May		w/ Della Mae	
6:15 PM					
6:30 PM					
6:45 PM					
7:00 PM					
7:15 PM	7:15p-8:15p				
7:30 PM	Donna the Buffalo				
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10:00 PM	10:00p-11:30p				
10:15 PM	Saturday Night Dance w/ Scythian				
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	1 WATSON	2 CABIN	3 CREEKSIDE	4 LITTLE PICKERS	5 "B" TOWNES AMERICANA	6 TRADITIONAL	7 PICKIN' PLACE
							
11:00 AM		11:00a-11:30a Andy May	11:00a-11:30a Sunday Morning Devotions w/ Roy Dobyns & Jeff Little	11:00a-11:30a Holt & Cabe		11:00a-11:45a Shaped Note Singing w/ Laura Boosinger	11:00a-4:30p Jammin' at the Pickin' Place
11:15 AM							
11:30 AM	11:30a-12:15p The Po' Ramblin' Boys		11:30a-12:00p		11:30a-12:30p Sunday Blues w/ Roy Book		
11:45 AM							
12:00 AM		12:15p-12:45p Compton & Newberry	Gospel Songs of Doc Watson w/ Jeff Little Trio & Friends	12:00p-12:30p InterACTIVE Theater of JEF	Binder featuring Charles Welch, Andy Cohen, Todd Albright, & Lightnin' Wells		
12:15 AM							
12:30 AM			12:30p-1:30p Gospel Hour with High Road	12:40p-12:55p Meet & Greet w/ Flattop		12:30p-1:15p Pete & Joan Wernick	
12:45 AM	12:45p-1:45p						
1:00 AM	Peter Rowan's Bluegrass Band				1:00p-1:45p I Draw Slow	Traditional Jam	
1:15 AM				1:00p-1:30p Sing-A-Long w/ JEF & Laura Boosinger			
1:30 AM							
1:45 AM		1:45p-1:50p Silent Auction Winners					
2:00 PM		1:50p-2:35p Bella White		2:00p-2:30p 12 Note Map		2:00p-2:45p Wayne Henderson & Friends	
2:15 PM					2:15p-3:00p Anna Lynch		
2:30 PM	2:35p-3:35p Tanya Tucker						
2:45 PM							
3:00 PM				3:00p-3:30p Southbound 77			
3:15 PM							
3:30 PM		3:35p-4:20p Jim Lauderdale			3:30p-4:15p Donna the Buffalo	3:30p-4:15p Women Who Sing & Play Traditional	
3:45 PM							
4:00 PM							
4:15 PM	4:20p-4:25p MerleFest 2023 Wrap Up Video						
4:30 PM							
4:45 PM	4:25p-6:00p Nickel Creek						
5:00 PM							
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Sunday

	8 DANCE 	11 HILLSIDE 
11:00 AM		11:00a-11:45a
11:15 AM		Band Contest Winner
11:30 AM		
11:45 AM	11:45a-12:30p	
12:00 AM	Pretty Little Goat	
12:15 AM		12:15p-1:00p
12:30 AM		The Local Boys
12:45 AM		
1:00 AM		
1:15 AM		
1:30 AM	1:15p-2:00p	
1:45 AM	The Game Changers	1:30p-2:15p
2:00 PM		
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2:30 PM		
2:45 PM		2:45p-3:30p
3:00 PM	3:00p-3:45p	Pretty Little Goat
3:15 PM	I Draw Slow	
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