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WELCOME TO MIDSUMMER!

Welcome to the 41st Annual Midsummer Festival! We are thrilled to have you join us for this celebration of community, creativity, and music.

This festival would not be possible without the efforts of our amazing past and present volunteers. This year, with over 250 regular volunteers and 30 coordinators, our volunteers' dedication and hard work have once again brought this event to life. We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to our generous sponsors as well, who have provided us with the resources needed to organize an event of this magnitude. We are also grateful to the talented performers and artists who have come together to entertain and inspire us. Most importantly, we want to acknowledge you, our wonderful audience!

Thank you for being here to share in the magic of the Midsummer Festival with us. Your presence and participation are what make this event truly special.



The Festival Crew, Coordinators and BVFMS Board



Midsummer
2023

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FESTIVAL MAP

MAIN
GATE

QUIET
CAMPING

MARKETPLACE

KIDS'
STAGE

VOLUNTEER
CENTRE

4H STAGE

PERFORMER AND
VOLUNTEER CAMPING

STAGE 3

FOOD
VENDORS

FOOD
VENDORS

MAIN
STAGE

BVFS
BOOTH

JAM
ZONE

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FAMILY
CAMPING

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WASHROOMS

LOST AND FOUND IS LOCATED AT THE BVFMS BOOTH

FRIDAY SCHEDULE

| | Main Stage | Stage 3 | 4-H Stage | Kids' Stage | Jam Zone |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------|
| 7:00 PM | Valley Youth Fiddlers | Chesterfields | Don't Call Me Debbie | | |
| 8:00 PM | Valdy | Train Wrecks | Ragged Company | | |
| 9:00 PM | 9:20 Christine Tassan et les Imposteures | 9:20 Ruby Singh's kraKIN | Melophile | | |
| 10:00 pm | 10:40 Major Funk | 10:40 Urchin | Sombre Seas | | |
| 11:00 PM | | | Coastal Drifters | | |
| 12:00 midnight | Ski Burns | Zanna and the Zigzags | | | |

SATURDAY SCHEDULE

| | Main Stage | Stage 3 | 4-H Stage | Kids' Stage | Jam Zone |
|----------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 11:00 AM | 'Ewk Hiyah Hozdli | Ringtones | Emerging Artists | Pop Up Puppets | Songwriting with Theresa Bromley |
| 12:00 noon | Songwriters Showcase 1 | Soundscapes | Moss Possums | Write a Song with Will | |
| 1:00 PM | Scout's Honour | JJ Sway | Blindspots | | Gypsy Jazz Masterclass |
| 2:00 PM | Elijah Quinn | Jo 'n Zak 'n Co | Vagabond | Instrument Petting Zoo | |
| 3:00 PM | Ruby Singh's kraKIN | Late Night on Air | Facundo y los Gringos Salvajes | | Fiddle Jam |
| 4:00 PM | Will's Jams | Dr. Fishy | | | |
| 5:00 PM | Hillbilly Scrabble | Smithers Community Band | | | |
| 6:00 pm | | | | | |
| 7:00 PM | Pony Gold | Liam Cullen and the Fireweeds | Elyszium | | |
| 8:00 PM | Dan Mangan | Major Funk | DJ Alvalanche | | |
| 9:00 PM | 9:20 Ranger Smash | 9:20 Shannon Matter | DJ Abomb | | |
| 10:00 PM | 10:40 Celeigh Cardinal | 10:40 The Infirmary | Si Fi | | |
| 11:00 PM | | | DJ Gobe | | |
| 12:00 midnight | Dream Heavy | Blue Dream Valley | | | |



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

| | Main Stage | Stage 3 | 4-H Stage | Kids' Stage | Jam Zone |
|----------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 11:00 AM | Songwriters Showcase 2 | Keith Cummings | Spirit of the Spoken Word | Hoop Workshop with Margot | Gospel |
| 12:00 PM | Horn | Flutation | Ben Hallman | Will's Jams | Harmony with the Ringtones |
| 1:00 PM | Dan Mangan | Barrel Scrapers | All in Down and Out | | |
| 2:00 PM | Celeigh Cardinal | | Calm of Last Summer | | |
| 3:00 PM | Christine Tassan | | | | |
| 4:00 PM | Valdy | | | | |



VOLUNTEER WITH US!

It is a point of pride that the Midsummer Festival, as well as all the other projects of the Bulkley Valley Folk Music Society run on vast amounts of volunteer energy. We are a diverse group of people working together to create musical opportunities for both performers and audiences in the Bulkley Valley.

Some of the volunteer roles:

Board members / Festival coordinators / Coffeehouse organizers / Publicity / Social media / Sound technicians / Carpentry / Sign painting / Graphic design / Hospitality / Billeting / Guitar camp crew

We invite you to join us as we work to build the vibrant artistic life of the Bulkley Valley. To find out how you can contribute, come and visit the Volunteer Booth (behind the main stage bleachers) or the BVFMS booth, or talk to the many festival coordinators (in co-ordinator T-shirts).





MASTER OF CEREMONIES



| Name | Description | Location and Time |
|------------------|---|--|
| Steve Little | Bounce 590 Radio Host | STAGE 3 SATURDAY NIGHT 7 PM - 1 AM MAIN STAGE FRIDAY 9:30 PM - 1AM MAIN STAGE SUNDAY 11AM -3:00PM |
| Lynnda McDougall | BV Concert Association, and BC Touring Council | MAIN STAGE FRIDAY 7PM - 9:30 PM MAIN STAGE SATURDAY, 11 AM - 6 PM |
| Taylor Bachrach | Member of Parliament, Skeena-Bulkley Valley | MAIN STAGE SUNDAY 3 PM - CLOSING |
| Gladys Atrill | Smithers Mayor | MAIN STAGE SUNDAY 3 PM - CLOSING |
| Richan Greenlees | Smithereen | 4H STAGE FRIDAY 7 PM - MIDNIGHT STAGE 3 SUNDAY 11 AM - 3 PM |
| Shaneen Robinson | Program Director and Morning Host of CFNR FM Radio, previously with CTV News Winnipeg, named a National Aboriginal Role Model by the Governor General of Canada | MAIN STAGE SATURDAY, 7 PM - 1 AM |
| Logan Flint | Moose FM Radio News Reporter and Announcer | 4H STAGE SATURDAY 7 PM - MIDNIGHT 4H STAGE SUNDAY 11 AM - 3 PM STAGE 3 FRIDAY 7 PM - 1 AM |
| Christine Bruce | Food Security Coordinator at Smithers Community Services Association | KIDS STAGE SUNDAY, 11 AM - 2 PM |
| Dana Grant | CICK 93.9 fm Radio Host | STAGE 3 SATURDAY 11 AM - 6 PM |
| Ed Preto | Smithereen | KIDS STAGE SATURDAY, 11 AM - 3 PM |
| Glen Ingram | CICK 93.9 fm Radio Station Manager | 4H STAGE SATURDAY 11 AM - 4 PM |

PERFORMERS

ALL IN DOWN AND OUT (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Sunday 1:00 pm

Original jam band style with folk, rock and funk.

Norah Bowman / Tess Wellington / Faith Fehr (winner of Marshall Boucher award!)

BARREL SCRAPERS (SMITHERS)

Stage 3 Sunday 1:00 pm

Sass, skills and stunning harmonies.

Joanne Archer / Scott Atchison / Gord Urban / Richard Jenne / Leah Sells

BEN HALLMAN (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Sunday 12:00 noon

Plucky country rhythms, heartfelt originals and gratuitous humour.

Bell Hallman

BLINDSPOTS (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Saturday 1:00 pm

A tribute to the vocal jazz of the 30s 40s and 50s, influenced by the Mills Brothers, Louis Armstrong and the singing cowboys of the times.

George Stokes / Richard Jenne / Chris Luther / Gord Urban

BLUE DREAM VALLEY (TERRACE, KISPIOX)

Stage 3 Saturday 12:00 midnight

An uplifting wall of sound stitched together by four young men all very in love with the most amazing piece of our world: The Skeena Watershed!

Oscar Carlick / Brennan McKinnon / Waddy Robinson / Matthew Bavis / Simon Stockner



CELEIGH CARDINAL (EDMONTON)

Main Stage Saturday 12:00 noon

Celeigh Cardinal owns a stage and captivates audiences by seamlessly blending humor and vulnerability in her performances. She has achieved

Main Stage Saturday 10:40 pm

chart success on the Indigenous Music Countdown and has been recognized with awards and nominations from prestigious organizations such as the JUNO Awards, CBC Music Awards, and Western Canadian Music Awards. In addition to her thriving music career, Celeigh is carving a path as a radio host, further solidifying her presence and influence in the Canadian music scene.

Main Stage Sunday 2:00 pm

Celeigh Cardinal / Brennan Cameron / JJ Miller / Jess Dollimont / Reid Thiel / Barry Mason

CALM OF LAST SUMMER (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Sunday 2:00 pm

Emergent, improvised and ambient.

Colin Maskell / Mark Thibeault



THE CHESTERFIELDS (SMITHERS)

Stage 3 Friday 7:00 pm

Classic rock covers with an energetic, happy vibe.

Keith Cummings / Monique Wells / Mel Coulson / Ted Bryant / Hans Zantingh / Wade Zeiler



CHRISTINE TASSAN ET LES IMPOSTEURS (MONTREAL)

Main Stage Friday 9:20 pm

Jam Zone Saturday 1:00 pm

Main Stage Sunday 3:00 pm

With nearly 20 years of performing their special blend of Gypsy jazz, Christine Tassan et les Imposteures are

pioneers in a domain usually reserved for men. This quartet led by guitarist Christine Tassan continues to reinvent the timeless music popularized by Django Reinhardt in the 1930s and '40s, while integrating new ideas and influences with originality and flair.

Christine Tassan / Martine Gaumond / David Meunier-Roy / Jeff Moseley

COASTAL DRIFTERS (KITSELAS)

4-H Stage Friday 11:00 pm

An exuberant, high energy Garage rock band.

Oscar Carlick / Alvin Seymour / Waddy Robinson / Brandon Seymour

DAN MANGAN



DAN MANGAN (VANCOUVER)

Main Stage Saturday 8:00 pm

Smithers-born Dan Mangan is a two-time JUNO award winning & three-time Polaris Music Prize listed

Main Stage Saturday 12:00 noon

Main Stage Sunday 1:00 pm

musician and songwriter. He has toured around the globe, played Jimmy Kimmel Live, collaborated with Dave Grohl and scored acclaimed soundtracks for Netflix, AMC, CBC and feature film. He is also a co-founder of Side Door, a community marketplace platform for the arts where any space is a venue.

Dan Mangan

DJ ABOMB (SMITHERS)

Deep, melodic, funky, house/electronic music.

Adin Bennett

4-H Stage Saturday 9:00 pm

DJ ALVALANCHE (SMITHERS)

Throw back remixes of house, funk and disco.

Alvin Henry

4-H Stage Saturday 8:00 pm



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DJ GOBE (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Saturday 11:00 pm

Gigantic Oscillated Bass Explosions. Rattle your ribcage and vibrate your nostrils.

Ben Anderson

DON'T CALL ME DEBBIE (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Friday 7:00 pm

Music that crosses genres and generations, and there will be some yodelling involved.

Janet Walford / Brenda Zantingh

DR. FISHY (TERRACE)

Stage 3 Saturday 4:00 pm

Original songs that celebrate Northwest BC.

James Powell / Greg Linton / Mark Fleming / Daniel Talstra / John Krisinger

DREAM HEAVY (DUNSTER)

Main Stage Saturday 12:00 midnight

A sonic and visual explosion of unique, original, fearless World Folk Metal.

Seth Macdonald / Shara Gustafson / Liam Randall / David McKillican / Scott Duncan

ELIJAH QUINN (SMITHERS)

Main Stage Saturday 2:00 pm

Deep lyrical themes, great songwriting and a killer band; chicken soup for a music lover's soul.

Elijah Larsen / Simon Stockner / Geoff McFarlane / Ian Olmstead

ELYSZIUM (QUICK)

4-H Stage Saturday 7:00 pm

Layers of eclectic world instruments take the crowd on a journey around the world.

Freya Giles

'EWK HIYAH HOZDLI (WITSET)

Main Stage Saturday 11:00 am

Traditional Wet'suwet'en drum and dance group strive to normalize and integrate traditional songs and stories into everyday lives. The name means 'It's coming back to life'.

Dynamic ensemble of rotating artists

FACUNDO Y LOS GRINGOS SALVAJES (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Saturday 3:00 pm

Cumbia and milonga to moody, gritty, dreamy, wild; poetic music with Spanish lyrics.

Facundo Gastiazoro / Richard Jenne / Jake Jenne / Patrick Williston / Nicole L'Orsa / Mark Thibeault / Ian Olmstead / Craig Soby

FLUTATION (SMITHERS)

Stage 3 Sunday 12:00 noon

Flute choir plays a variety of genres, from classical and jazz to contemporary favourites.

Gail Olsen / Laine Cotton / Ali Elliott / Hilary Bradnam / Jill Dunbar

HILLBILLY SCRABBLE (SMITHERS)

Main Stage Saturday 5:00 pm

Northwestern swing combined with a funky New Orleans sensibility.

Richard Jenne / Jake Jenne / Ian Olmstead / Mark Thibeault / Colin Maskell / Scott Atchison / Craig Soby / Warren Olmstead

HORN (SMITHERS)

Main Stage Sunday 12:00 noon

Landscapes of sound, funky grooves, intriguing melodies and rhythms.

Colin Maskell / Jake Jenne / Geoff McFarlane / Clint Pelletier / Ian Olmstead

THE INFIRMARY (SMITHERS)

Stage 3 Saturday 10:40 pm

Punk-rock band that brings sauce and chaos in equal measure.

Brennan McKinnon / Sandy Morrison / Jason Taylor / Maximus Perestrelo

JO 'N ZAK 'N CO (SMITHERS)

Stage 3 Saturday 2:00 pm

Jo is a powerful and talented singer, and her boys are her band!

*Jo Ward / Zak Windle / Kyle Windle / Luke Windle / Sharon Carrington***JJ SWAY (PRINCE RUPERT)**

Stage 3 Saturday 1:00 pm

Mix of originals, reggae, blues and cover tunes.

*Jewel Jerstad / Joe Marvici / Thom Barker / Dave Wilson / Charles Justice***KEITH CUMMINGS FIELD OF PSYCHDELIC DREAMS (TELKWA)**

Stage 3 Sunday 11:00 am

Original poetic songs, gentle ambient rhythmical soundscapes, played on several synthesizers.

Keith Cummings**LATE NIGHT ON AIR (TERRACE)**

Stage 3 Saturday 3:00 pm

Songs that passionately explore the human condition and celebrate life in our amazing little piece of the planet.

*Jordan Beblow / Kenny Giesbrecht / Daniel Talstra / Gary Maltin***LIAM CULLEN AND THE FIREWEEDS (TELKWA)**

Stage 3 Saturday 7:00 pm

Original songs about ramblin gambling and hard times in the north.

Liam Cullen / Michelle Beauregard / Dan Ragula**MAJOR FUNK (WHITEHORSE)**

Main Stage Friday 10:40 pm

High energy bass-led grooves, soaring vocals, and a tight horn section; this isn't what you'd expect from

Stage 3 Saturday 8:00 pm

a band coming from the Yukon. Locals may recognize Toby Moisey, a renowned flutist from Smithers who has appeared in many bands of widely-ranging musical styles over the last 20 years. He returns to the valley with this dance powerhouse of a band,

*Adrian Burrill / Étienne Girard / Selina Heyligers-Hare / Brent Gallant / Anders Grasholm / Toby Moisey***MARGOT'S HOOP FLOW (SMITHERS)**

4-H Stage Sunday 11:00 am

A unique expressive performance fusing contemporary dance and flow arts. Margot will collaborate with various musicians throughout the weekend, including The Calm of Last Summer on Sunday, and a Hoop Workshop on Sunday at 11:00.

4-H Stage Sunday 2:00 pm

*Margot Kimmel***MELOPHILE (KITWANGA)**

4-H Stage Friday 9:00 pm

Young rockers put a unique spin on familiar songs, as well as writing striking original material.

Ezra Beaton / Amri Ouellette / Cole Milton / Isaiah Smith-Halliday

MOSS POSSUMS (SMITHERS)

4-H Stage Saturday 12:00 noon

A unique mix of traditional and creative fiddle music.

Wren Williston / Finlay Beedle / Dorian Rath Jenne / Jaden Apperloo / Fynn Stasiuk

PONY GOLD (VICTORIA)

Main Stage Saturday 7:00 pm

Timeless and refreshing songs about escapism, purpose, love and loss.

Theresa Bromley (Pasalusko) / Matt Bromley / Jake Jenne / Ian Olmstead

POP UP PUPPET CO (SMITHERS)

Kids Stage Saturday 11:00 am

Old and new stories are brought to life using puppetry and imagination

Norma Stokes / Clare Gordon

RAGGED COMPANY (TERRACE/KITIMAT)

4-H Stage Friday 8:00 pm

Songs about living in small towns and songs of Scotland (pink Floyd meets Scottish rock).

Steve Little / Mike Jacobs / Sandy MacIntosh / David Hardwicke

RANGER SMASH (VANCOUVER)

Main Stage Saturday 9:20 pm

Tight harmonies, intricate arrangements and a ton of sound from just two people.

Zak Windle / Teo Saefkow

RINGTONES (SMITHERS)

Stage 3 Saturday 11:00 am

A capella octet singing in at least four part harmony.

Patty Spicer / Jay MacLeod / Barbara Luther / Katie Alexandre / Andrea Dunbar / Ben Weinstein / Richard Jenne / Alex Loschberger

**RUBY SINGH'S KRAKIN (VANCOUVER)**

Stage 3 Friday 9:20 pm

Ruby Singh's creativity crosses the boundaries of music, poetry, photography and film engaging with

Stage 3 Saturday 12:00 noon

mythos, memory, justice and fantasy. Singh is an artist

Main Stage Saturday 3:00 pm

whose work is informed by sound found all around us, from the whirling planets and stars of distant galaxies to percussion of an umbrella under coastal rains, to the perpetual moving birdsong of the dawn chorus, constantly circling the globe. His latest work, kraKIN, is a more-than-human collaboration that brings together a boom-bap menagerie of banging westcoast flora, fauna, and fungi. Singh believes in art's ability to reimagine futures, to repurpose aesthetic freedoms toward civil and environmental justice.

Ruby Singh / Michael Datura

SCOUT'S HONOUR (SMITHERS)

Main Stage Saturday 1:00 pm

A playful performance of folksy kids songs old and new.

Lauren McKay / Lindsay McKay / Heather McKay / Brennan Anderson / Pam Haasen / Sharon MacGregor / Bart Newman



SHANNON MATTER AND THE ELECTRIC COMETS

Stage 3 Saturday 9:20 pm

(QUESNEL)

Heartfelt, upbeat, futuristic, thought provoking and fun-loving original music.

*Shannon Matter / Frank Diggins / Grant Deachman / Robert Hanson***SI-FI (SMITHERS)**

4-H Stage Saturday 10:00 pm

High energy mixes with BIG BASSlines and funky grooves.

*Simon Walford***SKI BUMS (SMITHERS)**

Main Stage Friday 12:00 midnight

Northwest BC's premier ski bum jank-sleaze-jam-folk-rock band

*Bill Crosson / Chris George / Ian Olmstead / Taylor Poffenroth / Dan Ragula***SMITHERS COMMUNITY BAND (SMITHERS)**

Stage 3 Saturday 5:00 pm

This year the band has amped up their repertoire to include jazz, funk and swing tunes.

Dance your bobby socks off!

*Katie Alexandre / Jaden Apperloo / Kirsten Aurbo / Danika Arbi / Bryan Bowman / Jordys Bowman / Norah Bowman / Laine Cotton / Ekaterina Daviel / Jordan Daviel / Mike Doogan-Smith / Francoi Depey / Faith Fehr / Juel Gould / Dawn Grasmeyer / Will Johnson / Anais Labonte / Virginia Ma / Melina Morin-Louie / Brett Pierce / Marian Rose / Tiya Sahay / Gord Urban / David Vega / Patrick Williston / Laura Witt***SOLO COURTNEY (BURNS LAKE)**

4-H Stage Saturday 11:00 am

Teen songstress playing cover songs accompanied by her guitar.

*Courtney Wainwright***SOMBER SEAS (PRINCE RUPERT)**

4-H Stage Friday 10:00 pm

Cosmic disco space rock ready to funk up your life!

*Shadoc Dansereau / Jackie Goetz / Devereaux Enns / Jay Hughes***SPIRIT OF THE SPOKEN WORD (SMITHERS)**

4-H Stage Sunday 11:00 am

Poetry that celebrates the life and beauty of the Bulkley Valley, accompanied by original harp music.

*Valerie Laub / Jean Christian***SUMMER LOVING (SMITHERS)**

4-H Stage Saturday 11:00 am

Two teens playing cover songs by their favourite artists.

*Macey Nisbet / Soleil Brookes***TRAIN WRECKS (SMITHERS)**

Stage 3 Friday 8:00 pm

Sharing a love of music and merriment after more than a decade of camaraderie.

*Damian Jones / William Elliott / Don Morgan / Regan Fielding / Shelley Worthington / Ted Nugent / Mike Dunbar***URCHIN (SMITHERS)**

Stage 3 Friday 10:40 pm

Original ear candy to tickle your internal groove organ.

*Jonathan Hartman / Kyle Thibeault / Ben Brookes / Dave McTavish***VAGABOND (FRASER LAKE)**

4-H Stage Saturday 2:00 pm

Alt and classic inspired original rock music, based on indigenous experiences and folklore.

Mike Ketlo / Adam Patrick / Coltin Wilson



VALDY (SALTSPRING ISLAND)

Valdy, one of Canada's most influential songwriters has been part of the fabric of Canadian pop and folk music for almost 40 years and has made several appearances at Midsummer during that time. We are delighted to welcome him back this year!

Valdy

Main Stage Friday 8:00 pm

Main Stage Sunday 11:00 am

Main Stage Sunday 4:00 pm

VALLEY YOUTH FIDDLERS (BULKLEY VALLEY)

VYF will present excerpts from their recent year-end concert entitled Aurora Radio.

More than 60 fine musicians!

Main Stage Friday 7:00 pm



WILL'S JAMS (VANCOUVER)

Will Stroet of Will's Jams is a JUNO-nominated musician, nationally recognized educator and former CBC Kids TV star. His high-energy rock-pop music in English and French is full of witty wordplay and sing-along choruses, inspiring kids to be active, creative, caring and community-minded. Will and the band perform hits from his 12 albums, which are masterpieces of creativity and fun, further cementing him as the ultimate star of children's rock 'n' roll.

Will Stroet / Kevin Romain / Elliot Langford

Kids' Stage Saturday 12:00 noon

Main Stage Saturday 4:00 pm

Kids' Stage Sunday 12:00 noon

ZANNA AND THE ZIGZAGS (BULKLEY VALLEY)

Original covers of dancey recognizable songs.

Anna Ziegler / Meghan Brady / Jaap Kalkman / Dave Ziegler / Cheryl Leona / Gary Miles

Stage 3 Friday 12:00 midnight



KIDS' STAGE

POP UP PUPPET CO

Saturday 11:00 am

Old and new stories are brought to life using puppetry and imagination

Norma Stokes / Clare Gordon

WRITE A SONG WITH WILL

Saturday 12:00 noon

Young songwriters and their parents are invited to write a song with Will Stroet.

Will Stroet

INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO

Saturday 2:00 pm

An introduction to the instruments of the concert band – brass, woodwind and percussion. You may even be able to try playing one!

Jordan / Ekaterina Daviel

WILL'S JAMS

Sunday 12:00 noon

This high-energy rock-pop music in English and French is full of witty wordplay and sing-along choruses, inspiring kids to be active, creative, caring and community-minded.

Will Stroet / Kevin Romain / Elliot Langford

HOOPING WORKSHOP

Sunday 11:00 am

Come and learn the magic of dancing with a hoop. Margot will show you how to make it look easy. Bring your own hoop if you have one.

Margot Kimmel



KIDS' ACTIVITY AREA

You are invited to come and explore the kids' activity area (behind the bleachers near the Kids' stage), where you will find materials for colouring, painting, crafts, and the ever-popular rope web.

Times for special activities such as puppet making will be posted on a board.

As always, we ask that you supervise your children – those aged 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Please be respectful of the space and the supplies which have been generously donated by community organizations.

SHOWCASE SESSIONS

EMERGING ARTISTS

Young musicians stepping out on stage.

Macey Nisbet / Soleil Brookes / Courtney Wainwright

4-H Stage Saturday 11:00 am

SONGWRITERS SHOWCASE #1

Accomplished songwriters from different musical genres demonstrate their craft.

Dan Mangan / Celeigh Cardinal / Facundo Gastiazoro / Elijah Quinn

Main Stage Saturday 12:00 noon

SONGWRITERS SHOWCASE #2

Accomplished songwriters from different musical genres demonstrate their craft.

Valdy / Shara Gustafson (Dream Heavy) / Theresa Bromley (Pony Gold) / Joanne Archer (Barrel Scrapers)

Main Stage Sunday 11:00 am

SOUNDSCAPES

Creative exploration of sound, visual evocation of music.

Ruby Singh / Calm of Last Summer

Stage 3 Saturday 12:00 noon

PARTICIPATORY WORKSHOPS

WRITE A SONG WITH WILL

Young songwriters and their parents are invited to write a song with Will Stroet.

Kids' Stage Saturday 12:00 noon

SONGWRITING WORKSHOP

Come and try your hand at writing a song in a fun, collaborative atmosphere, in the capable hands of Theresa Bromley.

Jam Zone Saturday 11:00 am

GYPSY JAZZ MASTERCLASS

Come and get to know the musicians of Christine Tassan et les Imposteures. In this unique opportunity to dip into the fascinating world of Gypsy Jazz, participants will be introduced to techniques and rhythms as well as the history of the genre. Limit of 15 participants – sign up in advance at the BVFMS booth.

Jam Zone Saturday 1:00 pm

INSTRUMENT PETTING ZOO

An introduction to the instruments of the concert band – brass, woodwind and percussion. You may even be able to try playing one! Hosted by Jordan and Ekaterina Daviel (Smithers Community Band)

Kids' Stage Saturday 2:00 pm

FIDDLE JAM

Jigs, reels, polkas, waltzes and more led by Laura Hols-Wimbush and Marian Rose.

Jam Zone Saturday 3:00 pm

SING GOSPEL

A tradition worth continuing; old time gospel, new gospel and everything in between. Come and raise your voices. Hosted by Janet Walford and Brenda Zantingh.

Jam Zone Sunday 11:00 am

HOOPING WORKSHOP

Come and learn the magic of dancing with a hoop. Margot will show you how to make it look easy. Bring your own hoop if you have one.

Kids' Stage Sunday 11:00 am

HARMONY SINGING WITH THE RINGTONES

Freshly back from the Festival of Voices, the Ringtones will teach you couple of 3-part a capella songs that celebrate life and singing. Easy and fun way to experience harmony singing.

Jam Zone Sunday 1:00 pm



JAM ZONE



The Jam Zone is a space designed for more casual sessions in which everyone is encouraged to participate. This year we are back in the Roost (behind the BVFMS booth). During times when there is no jam session scheduled, feel free to start your own!

Why the Roost?

The building that houses the BVFMS booth and the Jam Zone is traditionally used as a poultry barn at the Bulkley Valley Exhibition and, for the first years of the Midsummer Festival, served as the hospitality area where performers and volunteers were fed. It has been the scene of some epic jam sessions over the years, and we are thrilled to be back jammin' there again!

BULKLEY VALLEY FOLK MUSIC SOCIETY (BVFMS) BOOTH

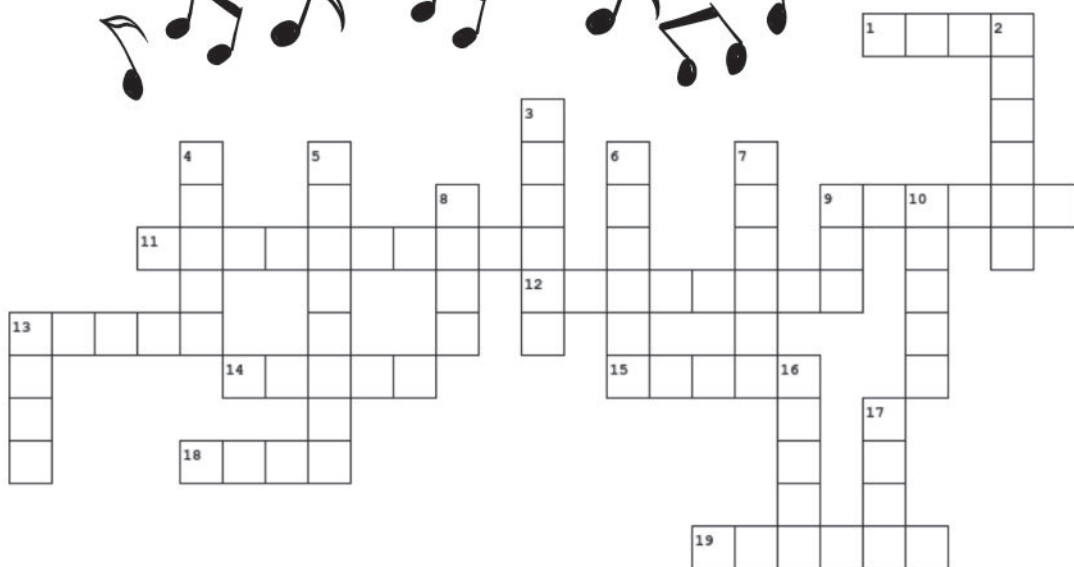


BVFMS is the parent organisation that is responsible for organizing Midsummer Festival, as well as Adult and Youth Guitar camps, coffeehouses the Marshall Boucher Memorial Award, and other events throughout the year. The booth is located not far from the bleachers in front of Main Stage. There you can find:

- Festival information
- Lost and Found
- Feedback forms
- Sign-up for Gypsy Jazz Masterclass
- BVFMS membership sign-up or renewal
- Photo albums from past festivals
- Friendly folks to chat with



MIDSUMMER 41 CROSSWORD



ACROSS

1. THIS MAJOR HAS COME A LONG WAY SOUTH
9. AVOID CALLING JANET OR BRENDA THIS
11. REASONS TO SHOULDER-CHECK
12. WHERE CELEIGH'S FROM
13. CHRISTINE'S KIND OF JAZZ
14. THREE GROUPS HAVE THIS IN THEIR TITLE
15. LOCATION OF THE JAM ZONE
18. LOCAL SPECIES OF POSSUMS
19. THREE BOYS AND THEIR MOM



DOWN

2. RUBY SINGH'S SHOW
3. HOME OF 'EWK HIYAH HOSDLI
4. GRAND-DADDY OF FOLK
5. THEY OPEN THE SHOW
6. CALM SEASON
7. FOUR OF THESE MAKE A CHOIR
8. MARGOT'S INSTRUMENT
9. CO-FOUNDER OF SIDE DOOR
10. SPONSORING SOCIETY (ACRONYM)
13. PRECIOUS HORSE COLOUR
16. LOCAL WRECKS
17. STAR OF CHILDREN'S ROCK 'N ROLL





To be presented to Faith Fehr at 1:45 pm Saturday on Main Stage

The BVFMS has as part of its mandate "to promote the development of music and musicianship in the Bulkley Valley". This award is intended to support and promote continued education in the performance arts, with preference given to a student intending to develop their musicianship.

The Bulkley Valley Folk Music Society (BVFMS) is pleased to announce an award in memory of Marshal Boucher, a Wet'suwet'en resident of the Bulkley Valley who was an active member of the local music community. Marshal was the type of person people liked to gather around; he loved everyone and easily brought people together around music and friendship. He was a beacon of positive influence and an incredibly talented musician, so to honor his memory, this award will give consideration to the character of the recipient. The Award is 100% funded by your Membership Fees.

THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS





GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK FOR A CHANCE TO WIN A PRIZE!



How to enter:

- 1. Write your Name and Contact Information below
(We can't give you the prize if we can't find you)*
- 2. Fill out the survey on the back of this page.*
- 3. When you're done, tear off this page.*
- 4. Take this page to the BVFMS booth or give it to one
of the festival coordinators (look for their t-shirt).*
- 5. We will do a prize draw after the festival is complete
and contact the winners!*

Name:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

SURVEY – HOW DID WE DO?

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Are you a (circle all that apply):

performer / audience / volunteer / vendor / other

kid / teen / young adult /not-so-young adult / older and wiser adult

Where do you call home?

How many times have you been to the Midsummer Festival?

First time! 2-5 times 5-10 times Too many to count!

What did you like most about the festival?

Ex: particular band, hospitality, vendors, camping, general atmosphere, quirky people

If you could change something about the festival, what would you do differently?

What would you add?

To join the gang of volunteers who will be organizing the next festival, provide your info here:

Name:

Phone number:

Email:

Position(s) of interest: