

49TH ALASKA FOLK FESTIVAL

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Egan Room, Centennial Hall *Thursday, Friday, Saturday* 6:00 - 9:30 pm



WELCOME!

Every year I have the pleasure and privilege to write a welcome message to all of our Alaska Folk Festival attendees and I must say, I have been waiting a very long time to write this one. 2024 is the year that I get to welcome everyone back to a full, week-long festival, with dances, in-person, and back in our regular and beloved venue of Centennial Hall — which has a brand new sound system... and hopefully, no volcanic eruptions! 2019 was the last festival that was the full, unabridged, in-person AFF in our customary venue. This year's return to Centennial Hall has been a long time coming and we're so happy to be back!!

Each year as I sit down to write these messages, it's a welcome time to reflect on all of the things that I love about our festival. And while that list is very long, this year our amazing Treasurer, Dylan Proudfoot, opened my eyes to something I had never really given much thought to. Soon after the application period opened, we noted at a board meeting that nearly 100 applications had already come in. Dylan remarked how wonderful it was to think that there were already 100 excited people or groups, gearing up for the festival, picking their songs to perform, thinking about what they'll wear on the main stage, making plans to rehearse, maybe getting a little nervous, but definitely getting very excited for their big moment on the main stage. It was great to envision our wide musical community building enthusiasm, excitement, and energy toward our favorite week of the year. It's moments like these that make all the hard work of putting together the festival completely worth it.

We have seven evenings and two full days of performances, three evenings of dances, and loads of workshops and jamming planned for you. You're not going to want to miss a minute of the music!! Thankfully, even when you can't be present in the hall, you can still catch the performances broadcast by our friends at **KRNN 102.7 FM**, or streamed online at **KTOO.org**. Every main stage performance (including weekend afternoons) will be live-streamed online!

We're so excited to bring you this year's Guest Artist — Laurie Lewis with her band The Right Hands. Laurie is a California legend who has a long and distinguished history in Bluegrass and Americana music. For nearly four decades, Laurie has gathered fans and honors for her powerful and emotive voice and her versatile, dynamic songwriting. She has shown how a Californian can appeal to traditional bluegrass audiences, as well as winning acclaim in the worlds of Americana and folk music. A powerful female voice in a field that was traditionally the realm of male singers, Laurie has been an inspiration, role model, teacher and mentor to many of the top women on the folk, Bluegrass and Americana scenes of today. We're so glad to have her here and we know you'll enjoy her music!

Additionally, this year we also have a fantastic Guest Dance Band all the way from Louisiana — **The Daiquiri Queens**. They play traditional Cajun music with an electrifying energy. They'll play two dance sets as well as teaching a variety of workshops – including a Cajun dance workshop. Don't miss it!

We also have a guest dance caller all the way from Brasstown, NC — **T-Claw Crawford**. "The Johnny Appleseed" of square dancing, T-Claw has instigated his enthusiastic brand of community music and dance get-togethers far and wide. Be sure to catch his dance workshops and called dances!

Juneau artist **Jacqueline Tingey** created this year's festival artwork. Stop by the merchandise table to pick up a shirt, sweatshirt, or poster with this beautiful design, and while you're there, please renew or become a member. **AFF members receive 10% off all merchandise**. And, as a reminder, you are now able to sign up for **automatic renewal** of your AFF membership!

We're all so happy to be back in Centennial Hall for the 49th Alaska Folk Festival. Thank you so much for joining us — Have a great week!!!

Andrew Heist, AFF President

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49th AFF LAURIE LEWIS Guest Artist:

We are thrilled to announce that the Guest Artist for the 49th Alaska Folk Festival will be Laurie Lewis!

She will be coming to Juneau with her Bluegrass Band, The Right Hands. Grammy winning artist Laurie Lewis is a California legend who has a long and distinguished history in Bluegrass and Americana music. For nearly four decades, she has gathered fans and honors for her powerful and emotive voice and her versatile, dynamic songwriting. Laurie's singing style brings new life to the classic bluegrass vocal trio, and her talents extend to other genres. Her work on fiddle has captured the strength and grit of the early bluegrass musicians, and earned the appeal of traditional bluegrass audiences, as well as winning acclaim in the worlds of Americana and folk music.

Although she has played roots music since her teenage years and performed in various bands from her early 20s, it wasn't until she was 36 that Laurie decided to venture out on her own. Her solo

recording, Restless Rambling Heart, introduced the national music audience to Laurie's talents and versatility. The CD, produced by Tim O'Brien, features seven originals and showcases her stunning vocal range and control. Since that time, Laurie has twice been named Female Vocalist of the Year by the International Bluegrass Music Association, and won Song of the Year for her rendition of the now-standard "Who Will Watch the Home Place?" She has collaborated on numerous other award-winning recordings. While steeped in the bluegrass tradition, Laurie's songwriting demonstrates her ability to surpass the limitations of that genre. Her works reflect her wide range of influences: from old time and country to Tin Pan Alley, jazz standards and early rock 'n roll.

Throughout her lengthy and varied career, Laurie has been an inspiration and a groundbreaker – across genres, across geography and across gender barriers. We are so proud to welcome her to The Alaska Folk Festival.





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2024 Guest Dance Instructor: T-CLAW

T-Claw is a professional dance caller and musician with 20 years of organizing experience. He's a passionate communitydriven instigator for traditional music and dance, frequently employing unorthodox methods for maximum engagement. Growing up in Brasstown, NC, he played mostly punk and jazz, all the while fighting for human rights, social justice, and better biscuits. In college, he crowd-surfed his way into an old-time barn storm and dove into strengthening networks of American social music and dance. Touring all of the lower 48 states and abroad he can boast a near perfect record for getting people to hold hands with strangers, laugh, and let go. With T-Claw, everyone is always invited. He dances in the kitchen with his wife and two girls every day and works to gather community for a healthier, happier world.

Check out his workshops:

Dance Calling: Saturday 12:00 - 1:20 @ the JACC

Old-time Banjo: Saturday 3:00-4:20 @ Hickel Room



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Jacqui Tingey is a self-taught artist based in Juneau, AK, where she gathers inspiration from her surroundings and explores with her

husband and daughters. She has always had a love for creating in many forms and enjoys finding new ways of expressing herself. Mostly working in watercolor, acrylic, ballpoint pen, and sometimes embroidery, Jacqui combines different mediums and techniques to create lively and interesting pieces. Jacqui has this to say about the 2024 Poster Art:



Coming up with the concept for the Alaska Folk Festival design felt pretty easy for me. I love Alaska, and I especially love the moun-

tains here — they sing to me! So I knew I wanted mountains to be the main feature of the design. The woman playing is coming forth from and is one with the peaks and valleys. She is playing to the earth around her and her songs fill the air and I hear them as I sit on a rocky peak.

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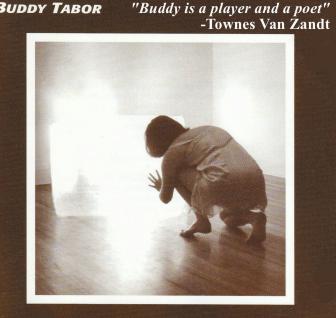
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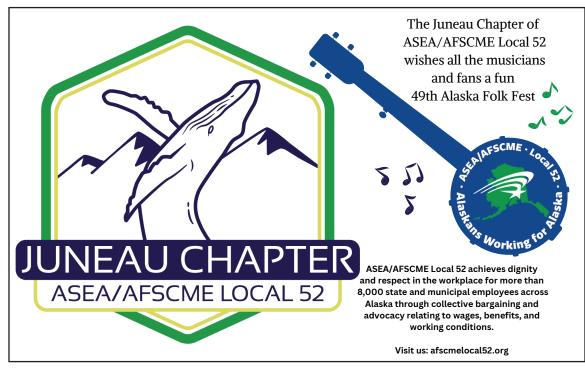
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- **6:45 Mike Truax Juneau, Alaska** *Three chords and a capo.*
- 7:00 Tramwreck Gustavus, Alaska Tania Lewis, Jamie Marks, Heidi Johnson, Dave Kovach, TJ Lazar, Sergei Morosan, Colin Osterhaut Savory as smoke-fired king salmon and enticing as an ice-cold Rainier, Tramwreck serves up tasty tunes to feed your hungry heart.
- 7:15 Cello Pudding Juneau, Alaska Greg Albrecht, Eliza Albrecht, Oliver Albrecht Original songs from the Albrecht family band. Warning: pudding contains cello, guitar, drums... and nuts.
- 7:30 The Soggy Joggers Juneau, Alaska Hannah Wilson, Julius Adolfsson, Matt Kern, Aldyn Brudie Slogging through a few more tunes, back by popular demand.
- 7:45 Andy Miller Juneau, Alaska Holiday favorites from Andy's new album.
- 8:00 Carpe Diem Juneau, Alaska Justine Bishop, Martha Stey, Jim Stey An eclectic ensemble of music to warm your heart--dedicated to my late mother, Elizabeth M. Bishop.

- 8:15 Johnny Negotiable Juneau, Alaska Jane Hale. Just me and my guitar.
- 8:30 Brent & Madeline Tingey Juneau, AK Daddy/Daughter duo performing some Neil Young classics.
- 8:45 The Goetz Who Juneau, Alaska Jeff Goetz, Fisher Goetz, Stella Goetz A log rock with a couple of little folks.
- 9:00 Lame Dog Haines, Alaska Ryan Irvin, Nora Zimmerly *Music for Rusty Cowfolk*
- **9:15** An Alaskan Traveler Juneau, Alaska Max Blust Ukulele songs about mental health and supports, and a song promoting the 988 hotline.
- **9:30** Marc Mintz Juneau, Alaska More heart than smart.
- 9:45 Good Frets Juneau, Alaska Odin Brudie, Frankie Pillifant We always sound best in our living room.
- 10:00 Make Way For Ducklings Juneau, AK Elizabeth Ekins, Wendy Byrnes Two Juneau girls back to sing some more duets.

Emcee: Grace Elliott

Stage Manager: Sarah Wallace



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Tuesday Evening - Concert

6:30 Ursa Major • Juneau, Alaska Amelia Farrell, Anika Linstid, Cate Rosson, Clayton Marks, Cora Soboleff, Eleanor Davis, JR Becker, Maelee Lawrence, Oscar Lamb, Rachel Rosson, Rowan Hightower, Sachiko Marks, Tayt Whiteley, Jacquelyn Davis, Hugo Rank, Koji Rank, Arlo Carlton, Eliza Albrecht, Jacinda Skeek, Zev Levine, Kiana Twitchell, Evelyn Thomas, Melody Morford Youth String Ensemble performs movie, fiddle & folk tunes. Led by Guo Hua Xia.

6:45 Abbey Lee • Hoover, Alabama

Singer-songwriter from Birmingham, AL with bluegrass influences who was lucky enough to call Juneau home for a year.

7:00 Q and Company • Juneau, Alaska

Quinton Woolman-Morgan, Dylan Hulbert, Dave Sheakley We will play a combination of originals and cover songs. On vocals and rhythm guitar is Quinton and he will be joined by Dylan and others!

7:15 Whiskey Sours • Juneau, Alaska

Lisa Puananimohala'ikalani Denny, Travis Smith. Love is folked. Sometimes it's a rocky road, and even whiskey sours. But we're pretty sweet.

7:30 The Good Friendlys • Juneau, Alaska Katie Henry, Martha DeFreest, Hiram Henry, Dan DeSloover, Mike Janes, Kelly Henriksen Originals and favorites from Henry Kitchen kin and neighbors.

7:45 The Unzickers • Juneau, Alaska Isaiah Unzicker, John Unzicker Some songs from some musicians for you.

8:00 Chanelle Kanani • Volcano, Hawaii Original aloha folk music from the heart.

8:15 John Palmes • Juneau, Alaska I've been missing you! Will be good to be home again. Come sing with me: Twisted Carter Family, Child Ballads and Atom bombs.

8:30 Spindrift • Seward, Alaska

Jim Pfeiffenberger, Stephanie Robertson Acoustic folk-rock duo singing originals and covers featuring tight vocal harmonies, brought to you from the shores of Resurrection Bay.

8:45 The Empty Oil Barrel Band • Douglas, AK

Ed Schoenfeld, Riley Woodford, Maggie Schoenfeld, Jayne Andreen Satire and parodies making fun of prominent people, places and things. It's been more than 40 years at festival, but we never run out of material.

9:00 The Geoff Kirsch Experience Experiment Projeqt feat. Margie McWilliams & Chris Dionisio • Goodwin, Alaska For those about to folk-rock, we

salute you!

9:15 Destany Kahlstrom • Juneau, Alaska Just an Alaska girl and her guitar.

9:30 The Jig's Up • Juneau, Alaska Heather Parker, Carl Schrader, Tony Yorba, Chris Meade From County Sligo to County Juneau, these jumpin' jigs will reel you in!

9:45 Sunny Porch • Juneau, Alaska Melanie Brown, Marcus Beckmann Acoustic Duo

10:00 Out of the Living Room • Juneau, AK Craig Smith, Kathy Ensor Folk and easy listening, playing the music of our squandered youth.

Emcee: Taylor Vidic

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Wednesday Evening - Concert

- 6:30 Juneau Community Chorus (JCC) • Katherine Andrews, Bobbi Mitchell, Susan Lummis, Andrea Petersen, Jenny Smith, Naomi Hartmann, Stephanie Kohlhase, Anjanette Barr, Jane Hale, McKensie Smith. Rebekah Benner. Gloria Merry, Marsha Buck, Sharon Denton, Randall Wolfenberger, Andrea Florendo, Chrissy Van-Sickle, Jean Butler, Phyliss Scott, Leora Houtary, Cora Barr, Katie Henry, Acacia Poulson-Edwards, Martha DeFreest, Lydia Rail, Jacque Farnsworth (accompanist), Missouri Smyth (artistic director) *ICC* is made up of people from the community ages 12+ who LOVE TO SING! The chorus sings repertoire that his varied, eclectic and FUN!
- 6:45 Code Red Juneau, Alaska Dennis Hoffman, Mark Knight, John Lager, Judy Mitchell American Country and Folk
- 7:00 Harmiddler Brothers Douglas, AK Bob-o Bell, Grant Dermody, Bob Banghart. Into the realm of the unknown where breath, bow and banjo meet.
- 7:15 Owl Scarey Seattle, Washington One player, I play the accordion and sing original songs.
- 7:30 Toss the Salmonberries Juneau, AK Beth Leibowitz, Steve Winker, Anne Sutton, Cecily Morris. All Irish, all the time--with a little help from our friends.
- 7:45 Shanks Mare Juneau, Alaska Greg Higdon, Ben Higdon. That old time feeling. Like that old grey cat in the winter keeping its back to the wall.
- 8:00 The Off-The-Hook Honeys present Costa's Poets, Thieves, & Liars • Juneau, Alaska

Collette Costa, Caleb Wylie, Jason Caputo, Jason Hort, Jason Messing, Doug Bridges, Michael Stanley, Jill Taylor *Frivolity is the species' refusal to suffer.*

- 8:15 Taking Care of Bluegrass Juneau, AK Jeremy Kane, Andrew Heist, Josh Fortenbery, Lindsay Clark, James Cheng Hard-driving traditional bluegrass.
- 8:30 Galvin Family Band Anchorage, AK Sean Galvin, Alyse Galvin, Bridget Galvin, Camden Galvin, Miles Allen, Ryan Mclaughlin A lifelong dream was to climb in a family van and start a band. Next best, making it altogether for 3 tunes for Alaska Folk Festival!
- 8:45 Ken Burch Olympia, Washington Back with more originals- because it's not actually possible to write covers.
- **9:00** Nico & Pepe Ride Again! Spokane, WA Joe Quintana, Nick Lemrise Bringing an acoustic and Bluegrassy bent to some old classics! A riproarin' good time!
- **9:15** Alexander Hodgins Whitehorse, YT Strumming, picking, harmonica wailing, 70s folk rock inspired original music. Painting Yukon vignettes that capture a desire to escape societal conventions.
- **9:30 Bob Sinaiko Sausalito, California** Bob Sinaiko, Olivia Sinaiko *3 songs, first with banjo, second with guitar, third with piano.*
- 9:45 John & Sally with Friends Port Townsend, Washington Sally Burch, John Bruns Circling the wagons with friends.
- **10:00 Popcorn Princess Fairbanks, Alaska** Carey Seward, Cherie Bowman A duo from Fairbanks covering pop hits on acoustic guitar.

Emcee: Mark Ridgway

Stage Manager: Dan Kirkwood

Thursday Evening - Concert

- **6:30** Shonti Elder and Friends Wasilla, AK New original songs and tunes from the many times Alaska State Fair fiddle contest winner.
- 6:45 NaMee and Avery Juneau, Alaska NaMee, Avery Stewart Guitar and spoken word. NaMee's blend of poetry, storytelling, and love letters is layered with Stewart's original, rhythmic riffs.
- 7:00 Chris Thompson & Friends Anchorage, AK

Chris Thompson, Rolfe Buzzell, Harrison Jennings, Rebecca Bingham, Don Rudolph

Singer/songwriter tunes that touch the heart. Love, loss, and concerns for the future are featured in this talented ensemble.

- 7:15 Full Circle Mary DeSmet, Greg Burger & Don Rudolph • Juneau, AK Powerful harmonies, hot licks and great tunes artfully selected from folk, country and roots music.
- **7:30** Mike Gamble Juneau, Alaska Local musician playing a couple of songs. I hope you like it.
- 7:45 Muskeg Collective Juneau, Alaska Annie Bartholomew, Josh Fortenbery, Andrew Heist, Erin Heist, Taylor Vidic Juneau's own songwriting collective.
- 8:00 Laurie Lewis and the Right Hands Sacramento, California * AFF 49 GUEST ARTIST *
- 8:45 Caitlin Warbelow New York, New York Fairbanks-born, NYC-based fiddler is honored to return to her favorite festival in the whole wide world for tons of tunes with the best of friends.

- **9:00** J. Althea Santa Rosa, California PIANO: Ragtime, Honky Tonk, & Roaring 20's.
- 9:15 P.O. Tigers Seattle, Washington Reeb Willms, Ethan Lawton, Hailey Pexton A West coast song writing collective.
- 9:30 Fiona Rose and the Show Ponies Anchorage, Alaska Fiona Rose, Logan Bean, Kat Moore, Matt Roberts

Whimsical tunes written for the folks!

- **9:45** Jason & Rachel Overby Sutton, AK Brother and sister duo from Sutton Alaska leaning on traditional harmony and a unique fingerpicking/flat picking guitar styling.
- 10:00 The Strongbacks Kodiak, Alaska Evan Coombs, Tim Borden, Brendan Best, John Lauber

Blending curated sea songs and shanties from the traditional to the contemporary with rich harmonies that brings the sea right to your ears (not literally).

10:15 Tom Begich and Sarah Sledge • Anchorage, Alaska

New album in the works, new songs to play, tracing memories and almost chances. It's time to get back to Juneau for the Alaska Folk Festival and our friends.

10:30 Naked Mabel • Anchorage, Alaska Ian Wahl, Matt Faubion, Harrison Jennings, Caroline Raiford After seven years, Naked Mabel returns to the stage bringing a variety of original songs written by Ian Wahl, Matt Faubion and Harrison Jennings.

Emcee: Collette Costa

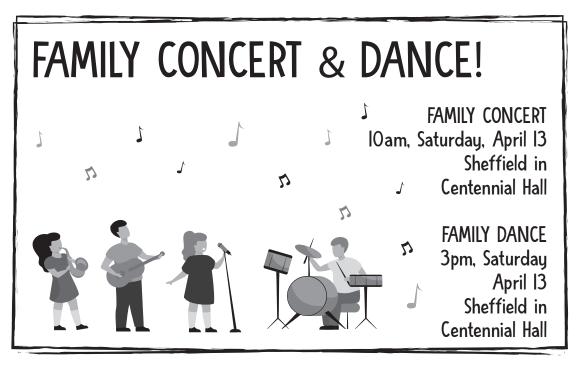
Stage Manager: Ian Putnam

Thursday Evening - *Dance*

Juneau Arts & Culture Center (JACC)

- **9:00 9:50** The Outsiders Jackson, Michigan Caller: Tom Paul John Hatton, Steve Nordeen, Chuck Dineen, Laura Skovlin, Howie Meltzer, Judy Lungren, Bruce Shwartz, Terry O'Hara, Brian Curtis, Pete Bowers, Lori Prime Once again coming in with irresistible old time dance tunes to move the masses.
- **10:10 11:00** The Stinging Nettles Juneau, Alaska Caller: Guest Caller T-Claw Emma Carr, Devin Tatro, Seth Hooper, Dan Kirkwood Voted best looking old time string band from the Flats two years running playing tunes that will stick in your ear.
- 11:20 12:10 The Carolina Rowdies Corbett, Oregon Caller: Caroline Oakley Caroline Oakley, Danny Constenstein, Jay Marvin, Sergei Morosan Old-time square dances.

Dance Emcee: Craig Hendricks





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Friday Evening - Concert

- **6:30 Honey Duo Juneau, Alaska** Heather Parker, Karen Larson Commonly spotted playing by a campfire at North Douglas Beach, the Honey Duo brings tight harmonies, smokin' fiddle breaks, and the sounds of home.
- 6:45 Super Bear Douglas , Alaska Travis Croteau, Callahan Croteau, Dylan Hulburt Super Bear's back, with a set of songs by Nick Drake.
- 7:00 Tucker Tunes Chugiak, Alaska Natalie Tucker, Tim Tucker TuckerTunes are a husband and wife singer/songwriter duet specializing in twisted covers, clever originals, and delicious harmonies for 4098 days and counting!
- 7:15 Andrew Sablon Kodiak, Alaska A mix of original music and unique covers
- 7:30 Caitlin Frye Fairbanks, Alaska Caitlin Frye, George Gianakopoulos, Beth Chrisman, Jason Norris Caitlin will bring her expressive vocals, acoustic guitar, and a few of her talented Alaskan friends to the stage for an Americana-based set of original tunes.
- 7:45 Lois Weston- Shady Lo Pop & guest singer Lisa Denny • Galion, Ohio 2 new Alaska inspired songs-Shaman Island and Up on the Yukon and old favorite Juneau -with guest singers and chorus parts for audience to sing along.
- 8:00 Craig Hendricks Mentone, Alabama Award winning solo acoustic singer/ songwriter, performing Country music in the style of South Eastern U.S, country roots.

- 8:15 The Chrisman Sisters Fairbanks, AK Tara Starlight, Beth Chrisman, Kat Moore Beth Chrisman and Tara Starlight live about 4,000 miles apart and when they finally get together it's all about magical sister harmonies and country music fun.
- 8:30 Misner & Smith Davis, California Megan Smith, Sam Misner Northern California-based unclassifiable duo Misner & Smith feature breathtaking vocal harmonies, masterful songwriting, and incredibly dynamic arrangements.
- 8:45 Burl Sheldon and Nancy Berland Haines, Alaska
 - Back, again. All original songs.
- **9:00** Marian Call Juneau, Alaska Songwriter Marian Call is joined by friends and family at AFF to celebrate her twentieth year living in Alaska.
- **9:15** Caleb Tomlinson Whitehorse, Yukon Lyrically-driven alt country ballads weave love stories through landscapes, echoing John K. Samson, Josh Ritter, and Fred Eaglesmith.
- **9:30** Hannah Corral Ester, Alaska Leaving the late nite low lit bar gig life and dusting off the ol' private collection of heartfelt love songs... packed in the stompy suitcase drum kit.
- **9:45 Paul Clements Sitka, Alaska** Last seen at the 1983 Alaska Folk Festival. Has he learned anything since? Hope so; looking forward to sharing some of it this go-round.

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Friday Evening Concert

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10:00 DUNCH • Skagway, Alaska Zac Hudson, Lucas James McCain, Coop Briody Presenting a lighter shade of DUNCH. This will be an acoustic set geared towards people who don't enjoy what DUNCH normally is.

10:15 Yesterday in Spenard • Homer, Alaska

Laurence Blakely, Jenny Baker Both transplanted Spenardians and former B-49s bandmates, crafted a few songs together over zoom just for Juneau Folk Fest!

10:30 Sound Crew • Juneau, Alaska Mark Alton, Derek L, Theresa

Reynolds Just a Juneau sound guy and his trusty crew playing some country tunes.

Emcee: Kelsey Riker

Stage Manager: Koren Bosworth



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Friday Evening - Vance

Juneau Arts & Culture Center (JACC)

7:00 - 7:50 Wharf Rats • Juneau, Alaska • Caller: Odette Edgar Tom Paul, Jack Fontanella, Chris Meade, Hot Bass Player Fresh from summer on the docks, playing tunes that have made 1.6 million tourists rate Juneau their favorite old time music destination.

- 8:10 8:30 Cajun Dance Primer with The Daiquiri Queens Lafayette, Louisiana Learn some basics of Cajun dance with the featured dance band, The Daiquiri Queens, before their first performance.
- 8:30 9:30 The Daiquiri Queens <u>FEATURED DANCE BAND</u> Lafayette, Louisiana Miriam McCracken, Jamie Lynn Fontenot, Blake Miller, Kelli Jones, Adam Cormier *Gleaning inspiration from early Cajun and Creole dance music, their sound draws you in with fiery accordion, twin fiddling and Cajun French vocals.*
- 9:50 10:40 Hugh Joergen & the Polkamatics Juneau, Alaska Dale Wygant, Alan Young, Russell Strandtmann, Beth Leibowitz, Katie Giorgio, Quinn Tracy, Steve Tada, Ken Guiher, Hugh Joergen, Brian van Kirk Kick up your heels and Polka, Waltz, Schottish and Laendler like a barbarian. Bavarian.

11:00 - 11:50 The Planktonics • Juneau, Alaska

Riley Woodford, Ian MacDougall, Carter Johnson, Kyle Neumann, Isani Howell, the crowd of all ages dancers *A dozen great songs you can really dance to. All of you. Tonic from the epipelagic zone - The Planktonics.*

Dance Emcee: Jane Hale



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Saturday Workshops

Main Stage

Sat. 10 - 11:30AM Stagecraft Workshop for Musicians

Lucy Peckham, Rick Miller, Mike Sakarias

Learn how to use the stage equipment, mics, monitors, to your best advantage as a performer.

	Hammond Room	Hickel Room	Egan Room
10:30 - 11:50	Ukulele for Everyone!		How to Get the Most Out of a Song
	Carole Marie Downing Designed for folks who are new to the ukulele and want to learn a few		Laurie Lewis - AFF49 Guest Artist We will delve into basic performance
10:3(basics and walk away knowing a song or two.		and how to make what it is you do have a greater impact on the listener/watch- er. Though geared toward the singer, these are aspects that can enhance your performance instrumentally.
		How To Go Places With	Old Time Fiddle
Noon - 1:20		Your Art Ken Waldman	Carter Bancroft
		In 1985 he could barely fiddle and had never written a poem. By 1995, he was Alaska' Fiddling Poet. Former Juneau, Sitka, Nome resident, he has 12 CDs, 20 books, tours nationally, and will share what he knows.	I'll teach you a new fiddle tune with a focus on Old Time bowing techniques. We'll also cover topics in musicianship and how to go about learning this tradition on your own.
	Doghouse Bass Q&A	Banjo as Rhythm Instrument	BLUEgrass Fiddle
1:30 - 2:50	Haselden Ciaccio - Laurie Lewis & The Right Hands	George Guthrie - Laurie Lewis & The Right Hands	Brandon Godman - Laurie Lewis ଝ The Right Hands
	String choice, string changing, instrument set-up and maintenance, different types of pick ups + amplification and	Explore the broader role of the banjo as a rhythm instrument in the bluegrass ensemble, as well as my	This workshop will focus on ways to put the blue in your bluegrass fiddling. We will fiddlosophize about
	more!	approach to playing lead.	breaks, kick-offs, and backup.
3:00 - 4:20	Blues Licks in E	Old Time Banjo - Beginning	Louisiana Twin Fiddling
	Burl Sheldon	Guest caller T-Claw	Kelli Jones and Blake Miller (The Daiquiri Queens)
	Helping developing players learn basic Blues and Boogie-Woogie licks and how to extend the	Banjo with a claw-hammer approach. Learn how to make fun rhythmic music with a little right hand technique	Louisiana twin fiddling in the style of Dennis McGee and
	acoustic guitar's dynamic range and strengthen the Blues Feeling. The workshop will mostly focus on the Key of E.	and minimal left hand dexterity. Bring a banjo if possible!	more- bowing, chords, rhythmic seconding and counter melodies.

Saturday Workshops

Part of our mission at AFF is to encourage and support both non-professional and professional musicians. Workshops provide an amazing opportunity to get first-hand experiences with other musicians and practitioners. We've heard many stories of how a workshop experience at AFF, or another festival, proved the spark or inspiration to learn a new instrument or dance, or helped a musician improve their craft and get to that "next level" of playing. We encourage everyone, especially those who have never attended our workshops, to set aside some time to go to one or more of these fun, informative sessions!

10:30 - 11:50	Sheffield Ballroom Family Concert Geoff Kirsch, Shona Osterhout, Ed Schoenfeld Bring the kids and the wiggles!	Become an AFF member today at: AKFOLKFEST.ORG Cultural Center (JACC)
Noon - 1:20	Couple Dance John Laskey A chance to improve on waltz, polka,etc. in a non-didactic setting.	Dance Calling Guest Caller T-Claw Want to learn to call square dances at parties, street festivals and other dance-worthy occasions? Well, we're hosting a workshop led by Brasstown, NC-based T-Claw, one of today's most talented and creative young callers!
1:30 - 2:50	English Country Dance Odette Edgar Dance the historic dances of the English countryside and city ballrooms. Move to the delightful tunes of live music.	Louisiana Partner Dance THE DAIQUIRI QUEENS Learn two-step, zydeco, and dancehall waltz. No experience necessary .
3:00 - 4:20	Family Dance Caroline Oakley The focus is on Simple easy-to-learn dances that every age can enjoy. Live Band!	Zimbabwean Marimbas Betsy Sims and/or Jesse Larson Come learn a song on the Zimbabwean marimbas. There will be room for about 20 people to play. If we fill up, you can still come and listen :-)





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Saturday Afternoon - Concert

- 12:00 Ursa Minor Singers • Juneau, Alaska Callie Conerton, Noelle Shanley, Greta Thompson, Abby Auerswald, Addie Ford, Adelaide Ljungberg, Winter Merrell, Benji Sears, Caisa Spickler, Dylan Dubois, Ember Giant, Hazel Wilburn, Nels Lapenter, Keaton Nakamura, Daryl Lagundino, Nora Johnson, Lilly Ingraham, Martin Carpenter, Petra Hatch, Aurora Apango, Devlin Dalman, Swanee Burdick, Jun Hwang, Neeka Liska 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders from the Ursa Minor Classroom at Montessori Borealis Public School singing some favorite songs with their teacher!
- 12:15 Lauralee & Friends Anchorage, AK Laurale Honkola. From tales of lonesome love to rowdy outlaws Lauralee has got a song for you!
- 12:30 Dennis and Dona Townsend Tacoma, Washington

No volcano is gonna stop us this time! Back with a few folk and 60's tunes.

- **12:45 Crescent Harbor Gals Sitka, Alaska** Lione Clare and Allie Porkosh will play a few tunes on fiddle and mandolin. They're excited that attending this Folk Fest inspired them to rekindle playing!
- **1:00 Broken Feet Silverton, Oregon** Heather Tonga, Martha Stey Clawhammer banjo player and physician associate with original songs about healthcare.
- 1:15 The Second to Last of the Juneaucorns • Juneau, Alaska Sonia Kumar, Harper Gunn "What do you expect from Juneaucorns?"
- 1:30 Fu Bao and Friends Juneau, Alaska Fu Bao Hartle, John Hartle, Clare Pavia, Joe Emerson, Keith Heller, Joyce Lavine. Old timey fun for all!

- 1:45 The Wittones Seattle, Washington Mark Wittow, Anna Wittow, Tom Kizzia Original, treasured, and timeless songs of travel, adventure & the Klondike.
- 2:00 Uncle Ned and the Harp Unstrung Fairbanks, Alaska

Ned Gaines

One man and his harmonica playing songs from around the world.

2:15 Coldstring Drifters • Anchorage, AK Ryan McLaughlin, Sean Galvin, Miles Allen Reunited on stage for the first time since 2014! Full throttle grass just like

their mommas taught them.

2:30 Gunnysack Annie & JD Mason • Fairbanks, Alaska

> Annie Hopper, Jeff Mason Rising from the Eastern Alaska Range, Annie & Jeff play folk rock & homemade songs, in an easy playful style. The Lodge at Black Rapids is their home stage!

2:45 The Volcano Listening Project • Eugene, Oregon

Leif Karlstrom, Jacob Groopman, Carter Bancroft

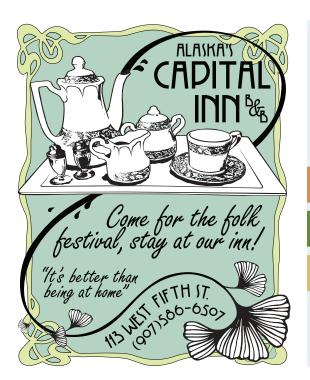
The Volcano Listening Project, led by Leif Karlstrom, turns scientific data from volcanoes into sound. This data inspires improvisation and musical structure.

3:00 Maridon Boario • Juneau, Alaska

3:15 Proudfoot Mountain Farm • Juneau, AK David Proudfoot, Cindy Proudfoot, Dylan Proudfoot Lettuce saw the fiddle fern, beet on the banjo, and sow some rhythmic G tunes from West Virginia and beyond.

Emcee: Margeaux Ljungberg & Christy Ciambor

Stage Manager: Sally Burch





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Saturday Evening - Concert

8:30

6:30 Powell Brothers and Friends • Juneau, Alaska

Jim (local) & Doug Powell (Maine), with help from a few local players, bring folk & country tunes to you. Harmonizing with mandolin, banjo, violin, & guitar.

- 6:45 Seasons of Love Juneau, Alaska Allison Waid, Margeaux Ljungberg, Salissa Thole, Shona Osterhaut, Taylor, Rob Cohen Iconic women's showtunes about friendship, Iove, and dreams.
- 7:00 MC² Petersburg, Alaska

Alec McMurren, Nicole McMurren Nicole and Alec will bring you aboard and weave modern day fish tales and tunes about the crests and troughs of fishing for a living.

- 7:15 Witty Youngman Anchorage, Alaska Witty Youngman, Sara Anderholm Original setlist of indigenous issues, love, and setbacks.
- 7:30 Jet Set Betties Sitka, Alaska Kayla Boettcher, Matthew Turner Multi-instrumental rock-a-Beatles duo that will Everly-Brothers a joyful noise and get you out of your seat.
- 7:45 'The Ice Worm Serenaders with Sam and Ella' • Pleasant Lake, Michigan John Hatton, Terry O'Hara, Brian Curtiss, Bruce Shwartz Deep in the glacial highland of the Chugach Mountains, Ice Worms flourish as nature's annual phenomenon. A guild of fine musicians, Ied by Sam and Ella, emerged.

8:00 Ken Waldman & The Wild Ones • Anchorage, Alaska

Ken Waldman, one pal might be Jack Fontanella, one pal might be Tom Paul, one pal might be Peter Johnson, one pal might be George Sleichter, one pal might be Beth Chrisman, one pal might be Caitlin Warbelow, one pal might be Bob Banghart, one pal might be Johnse Ostman, pals joining me depends on schedule time and availability Alaskan Fiddling Poet & Pals. Original and traditional fiddle tunes + smart spoken word. Here with novel partially set in Juneau: NOW ENTERING ALASKA TIME.

- 8:15 Reeb Willms & Caleb Klauder Eastsound, Washington Original songs & tunes.
 - Brigitte Jardin Whitehorse, Yukon Brigitte, Ryan, Ellorie With a tribute to the classic country sound, Brigitte Jardin paints a diverse palette of carefully crafted lyrics set to the rhythm of a Honky Tonk night.
- 8:45 The Improbabillies Homer, Alaska Grant Dermody, Forrest Gibson, Scott Meyer We'd like to bring you some bluesy old-time tunes and some old-time country blues.
- 9:00 The Lucky Ones Family Band Carcross, Yukon

Ryan West, Ryan McNally, Sarah Hamilton

The Lucky Ones Family band will perform as a trio (guitar, fiddle, banjo), playing a selection of original material and Northern Canadian fiddle standards.

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9:15 Sloughgrass • Anchorage, Alaska Rion Schmidt, Mike Mickelson, Rob Collins, Aaron Lang, Jason Norris, Peter Hamre

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- **9:30** Kim Beggs Whitehorse, Yukon More dark songs from two new albums (6th & 7th) released since the last time I was there in 2019. I can't believe its been that long! So happy to be back!
- 9:45 Hot Biscuit String Band Whitehorse, Yukon

Cedric Thuya, Ryan McNally, Lina Halimi Hot Biscuit String Band is a trio from Montreal who perform Old Time Fiddle music, country and bluegrass.

- **10:00** Lance Mitchell Juneau, Alaska Using backing tracks pop hip hop.
- **10:15** Howie's Hoedown Bishop, California Howie Schwartz hails from Bishop, CA, home of neo-trad stringband, Hay Blackbird. He sings and flatpicks oldtime on a roundneck resonator in a most unique style.
- 10:30 Todd Beasley and Friends San Diego, California Acoustic Folk

Emcee: Alicia & Kirsa Hughes-Skandjis

Stage Manager: Tom Fletcher



Saturday Evening - Dance

Juneau Arts & Culture Center (JACC)

7:00 - 7:55 Njuzu Marimba Band • Juneau, Alaska

Betsy Sims, Deb Groves, Sheli Delaney, Axel Gillam, Emily Kane, Ren Scott, Clem Taylor Roth, Grace Newman, Arne Ellefson-Carnes, Jesse Larson, Clay Good, Todd Hunt

Marimbas, drums, rumor has it maybe even some horns. Just how many people and instruments can fit onto the JACC stage? You'll just have to show up to find out!

8:10 - 9:00 not the legs of jake • Anchorage, Alaska • Caller: Guest Caller - T-Claw

Johnse Ostman, Peter Johnson, George Sleichter, Boom Boom, Jason Bent *A monkey and the engineers drive the train!*

9:20 - 10:20 The Daiquiri Queens — FEATURED DANCE BAND • Lafayette, Louisiana

Miriam McCracken, Jamie Lynn Fontenot, Blake Miller, Kelli Jones, Adam Cormier Gleaning inspiration from early Creole and Cajun dance music, their sound draws you in with fiery accordion, twin fiddling and Cajun French vocals.

10:40 - 11:30 Sorry in Advance • Douglas, Alaska • Caller: Tom Paul Sergei Morosan, Amelia Budd, Nicole Lantz, Miguel Rohrbacher, Dylan Proudfoot *Boot scootin' dance tunes. If you don't swing and dance, we are Sorry in Advance.*

11:50 - 12:40 Skunk Cabbage Fever • Juneau, Alaska Robert Bowles, Liz Rao, Craig Wilson, John Lager, Jeffrey Trout We are a very eclectic band. Some country, some rock and..?

Dance Emcee: Kevin D'mello



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Sunday Workshops

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10:30 - 11:50	Hammond Room Communal Singing/ Art-Making Abu Oobi (Yona Davidson) This workshop will teach a new type of Shape Note & choreographic "Shape Dance" form to facilitate social singing & dancing- -creating and immersive participatory communal art-enacting experience for participants.	Hickel Room Kundalini Yoga 4 Music & Creativity Heather Stewart Drawing from the philosophy and practice of Kundalini Yoga, Heather will lead a series of movement, breathing and vocalization exercises to relax the body, quiet the mind, and connect with your inner artist.	Egan Room French Ballad Singing Minnie McCracken, Jamie Lynn Fontenot, Kelli Jones Also known as 'house music', learn about the tradition of unaccompanied singing in Louisiana with The Daiquiri Queens. We'll listen to some recordings and learn a few of our favorite songs.	Sheffield Ballroom Dancing with the Spirit Kids Music Belle Mickelson and other DWTS staff Sing and learn to play guitar, fiddle, mandolin and ukulele with colored dots and fiddle tab just as we have been teaching in village schools for 18 years!. Bring your own instruments and/or try ours!
Noon - 1:20	Vocal Playground Carole Marie Downing Discover the magic of making music in the moment with vocal improvisation! Through a series of vocal play exercises, participants will learn how to create music together in a fun and lighthearted environment.	Having Fun with Flat Keys Michael Gray One more time everyonethis is gonna be the year! We will explore the fabulous world of flat keys on the fiddle. There might be few whale beachings but we will have fun!	Writing Lyrics that Want to Sing Marian Call Learn specific tools, tricks, and ways to toy with language so that your song lyrics will elevate your music and resonate with your listeners.	
1:30 - 2:50	Robert Johnson/Delta Blues Guitar Mark Heard A look at 3 Robert Johnson tunes and exploring his Delta Blues style on acoustic guitar.	Crooked Tunes for all instruments John Hatton At least four fun crooked fiddle tunes in the keys of A, C, D, and G.	The Best Songwriting Tools: Your Ears Robin Hopper We'll explore how to listen and create memorable lyrics.	

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Sunday Afternoon - Concert

- 12:00 Pointy and the Birds • Sitka, Alaska 1:30 Jeannie Jay, Lori Whitmill, Mary Chambers, Beth Caffrey, Wendy Alderson, Marg Parsons, Phyllis Hackett, Sherie Mayo Three or four contemporary, folk, or pop songs sung by eight women along with their ukuleles! 1:45 12:15 Maia Rush • Sitka, Alaska Maia Carter Includes newly written folky sonas surrounding love, friendship, doubt and travel. Simple songs for simple hearts. 2:00 12:30 Pineapple Jam • Juneau, Alaska Peter Anderegg, Cathy Anderegg, Bruce Simonson, Stephen Cline 2:15 This Hawaiian inspired kanikapila will bring the songs and hula of Hawai'i to the festival stage through the evocative sounds of 'ukulele & guitar. 2:30 12:45 Dancing with the Spirit Village School Music Program • Cordova, AK Belle Mickelson, Rion Schmidt, Mike Mickelson. Dancing with the Spirit is celebrating 18 years of traveling to 56 village schools with fiddles, 2:45 quitars, and uke--and we want to share the fun we have with you! 1:00 Spit Shake • Anchorage, Alaska Chris Bieri, Nichole Campanale
 - Chris Bieri, Nichole Campanale Husband/wife duo singing original songs, from ballads to bangers.
 - **1:15** Lisa Temcov Music Anacortes, WA Armed with her acoustic guitar and country soulful vocals, Lisa enchants audiences across WA counties, Whatcom, Island, Skagit, Snohomish & even Oregon.

Emcee: Dennis Townsend

Stage Manager: Anne Fuller

- 1:30 Abu Oobi Fairfield, Maine Abu Oobi (Yona Davidson), Erich Pachner, Sam Tenoff, Courtney Dowe Abu Oobi embraces the convivial fug of the sing-along...a ceremony, voices lifted in unison singing out our hopes & fears, a very old thing, made new again.
 - **1:45** Isani Howell Juneau, Alaska Singer/Songwriter transplant from the Appalachian Mountains sings and plays guitar and ukulele. Originals and covers. Bluesy, folksy, indy, and a little punk.
 - **2:00** Torah Zamora Ketchikan, Alaska Wake up all the colors.
 - **:15 Robin Hopper Chugiak, Alaska** Back again, with a new song or two in her pocket. Will she make you laugh or cry this year? We'll see....

2:30 Zansler • Juneau, Alaska

Zander Kotlarov • This singersongwriter-producer makes music that is honest, catchy pop music that taps into the joys and horrors of daily life.

2:45 Pajama Cat Sharks • Juneau, Alaska Krystal Rose, Landon Lake, Anthony Williams, Justin Miller Pajama Cats Sharks, an Acoustic Pop Rock Band, we take pop/rocks songs and create an original acoustic arrangements that are sure to get you grooving and moving.

3:00 The Raffertys • Tacoma, Washington Maffie Rafferty, David Rafferty With roots in Alhambra (CA) and Juneau, performing covers of Britpop and classic rock and original yacht rock.

3:15 Suzy Crosby • Wasilla, Alaska Hailing from the Mat-Su Valley, Suzy's "finger-pickin' good" guitar licks set the background for her original tunes, ranging from heartfelt to humourous.

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Sunday Evening - Concert

- 6:30 Frail Away Ladies Gustavus, Alaska Ellie Sharman, Kate Boesser, Heidi Kristenson, Erin Tilly, Devin Tatro, Emma Carr, Sally Donaldson, Katie Henry 8 women, 8 banjos, 3 towns, 3 sweet tunes.
- 6:45 Will Putman Fairbanks, Alaska A few songs that are among my earliest influences, protest songs from the great folk scare of the 1960s.
- 7:00 Lou Nathanson Anchorage, Alaska Lou Nathanson, Kat Moore, TBD, Tim Tucker, Natalie Tucker You've heard of artificial intelligence? Well come hear some natural idiocy!
- 7:15 The House Family Band Juneau, AK Tony Tengs, Michael Bucy, Doug Badilla Two new songs and a doozy written by the mighty Pat Henry.
- 7:30 A-TRAIN OF THOUGHT Juneau, Alaska

Intimate, unplugged, raw and vulnerable three song (15 minute) set performed by A-Train of Thought. Acoustic guitar + microphone, coffeehouse vibes.

- 7:45 Hank Alrich Greenville, California Hank Alrich, Shaidri Alrich A short set of engaging original compositions, performed by a veteran of the industry.
- 8:00 Jerry Skagway, Alaska Lucas James McCain, Zac Hudson, Coop Briody, Lee Thompson, Christian Jensen

Jerry is a folk rock band from Skagway AK. An ode to jam bands of the sixties, Jerry fuses powerful vocals and unique instrumentation into a groovy package.

- 8:15 Kennedy Kruchoski Juneau, Alaska Kennedy Kruchoski, Dan Kirkwood Sad girl songs from deep in The Valley.
- 8:30 Big Chimney Barn Dance Anchorage, Alaska Danny Consenstein, Carter Bancroft, Nate Williamson, Jay Marvin, Rachel Overby, Peter Hamre Anchorage Rockin Old Time String Band.
- 8:45 Volcano Pants Seattle, Washington Michael Sparky Gray, Bob Banghart, Forest Gibson Swing Fiddle
- 9:00 Laurie Lewis and the Right Hands Sacramento, California * Guest Artist *

Emcee: Ed Schoenfeld

Stage Manager: Riley Woodford





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AFF Legacy Giving

For many of us, we use the festival as a life marker, whether it's the start of a life-long friendship, a passion for music, or in a few cases, wedding anniversaries! We've seen children who first came on the stage as toddlers grow into musicians and volunteers. who have then brought their own children to perform at the Alaska Folk Festival. Over the years, we've had our members ask the festival to establish a legacy giving program. As a scrappy, small-scale non-profit, the Alaska Folk Festival is entirely volunteer run. So we knew that in order to accept gifts and ensure that our members' legacies are treated with the respect they deserve, we needed to work with a partner organization.

Two years ago we established the Alaska Folk Festival Legacy Fund with the Juneau Community Foundation (ICF). What we couldn't know was how meaningful establishing this fund would quickly become. By working with ICF, we've been provided with the security of knowing that we can honor our members' gifts by investing them smartly and responsibly with other organizations that share our values, and therefore ensure that our members' gifts will always support the community that you love. The festival has been honored to receive several gifts in these first two years, and they've already provided a measure of financial security that the festival has never before known.

When you choose to give the Alaska Folk Festival a legacy gift, be it through naming AFF in your will or designating the festival as one of your beneficiaries of your 401(k) account, you become an important part of keeping music beating in the heart of Alaska. We take these kinds of gifts very seriously, because in making them, you are treating the Alaska Folk Festival like family, which is the highest honor any organization can receive from one of its members. "Legacy Gifts" or "Planned Gifts" are donations made to an organization as part of an individual's estate planning, most commonly these gifts are made as part of an individual's will or through designating an organization as a beneficiary of a retirement or similar account.

It's incredibly easy to incorporate the festival into your planned giving simply by visiting the Juneau Community Foundation website (https://www.juneaucf.org/fund/ alaska-folk-festival-legacy-fund/), or by giving them a call at 907-523-5450 to discuss options. They're a wonderful organization and are happy to serve as a resource to our members and our community.

We hope you'll consider this kind of gift and please don't hesitate to reach out to our volunteer development coordinator, Erin Heist, if you'd like to learn more.

Legacy Program Email: Legacy@akfolkfest.org





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