

Piedmont Blues Festival Returns To Greensboro

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The longest-running blues festival in the Southeast returns this May with a Carolina Soul theme. The Piedmont Blues Preservation Society (PBPS) will kick off NC Blues Week on Sunday, May 9th, 2021 with a special film screening followed by their signature event- the 35th Annual Carolina Blues Festival on Saturday, May 15th, 2021 at LeBauer Park, 208 North Davie Street in downtown Greensboro, North Carolina. Tickets are

available for both events at PiedmontBlues.org.

The Carolina Blues Festival will be downtown's first in-person live performance festival since lockdown orders were placed by Governor Ray Cooper in March 2020. The capacity for in-person attendees will be limited to 500 people and there will also be a virtual live stream available online. The in-person

festival will open its doors at 4pm on Saturday, May 15th and will have increased safety procedures with pre-entry temperature checks, health screenings, and sanitation stations throughout the festival grounds.

A special film screening will be presented by the Blues Equity Institute, PBPS's education program, on Sunday, May 9th, 2021 and will be held virtually on streaming platforms. A suggested donation of \$10 for access to the virtual film screening supports the Blues In The Schools programs ran by the Blues Equity Institute.

"As our families and communities begin to heal from the pandemic we are grateful for the opportunity to present in-person content once more on May 15th. We also recognize everyone is not able to be with us in person. For that reason, we are continuing to embrace technologies that will allow folk to support us virtually," said Atiba Berkley, president of the Greensboro, North

Carolina-based nonprofit.

PBPS is seeking vaccinated volunteers who are willing to wear a mask diligently for the duration of their time with the event. Ideal volunteers also fit in a low risk category so we can create the safest environment possible. Volunteers must be 18+ years and willing to sign a liability waiver. The event will be mask mandatory.

For more details, including this year's artist lineup, please visit PiedmontBlues.org and follow

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The 35th Carolina Blues Festival is sponsored by ArtsGreensboro, City of Greensboro, R.H. Barringer, and Greensboro Downtown Parks. For sponsorship opportunities, please contact Atiba Berkley at info@piedmontBlues.org.

2021 Festival Artwork

About the Piedmont Blues Preservation Society:

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