

W.C. HANDY FESTIVAL 2017 updated 07-27-17

PRE-FESTIVAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, JULY 14

BAND BATTLE AT THE BREWERY!!!

6 until **Singin' River Brewing and Winery**
Cost: Free. Dollar votes for favorite performers!
Featuring: Competing Bands and Singers! Win studio recording time, and a chance to perform during the Handy Festival!
Info: See www.WCHandyMusicFestival.org or Find Singin' River Brewery on Facebook!
Emcee: Jimmy Oliver, Big River Broadcasting
Judges: Michelle Jones, Singin' River Brewing & Winery; Cody Simmons, Nutthouse Recordings; Suzanne Bolton, Amylase Events; Randy Bruce, Nothing Like It Music Publishing & Production
Sponsored by: Singin' River Brewing and Winery * Music Preservation Society, Inc. * W.C. Handy Music Festival

THURSDAY, JULY 20

LAMB JAM!

6-9 pm **Sweetwater Depot, Florence**
Cost: Dinner tickets \$15 advance, \$20 at the door/ \$6 children ages 5-11 / free children under 5
Featuring: Locally raised lamb and beef prepared by Chef Alan Phillips
Music by: The Midnighters
More info: 256-383-1446, MLeighRCD@gmail.com or 909 George Wallace Blvd, Suite C, Tuscumbia
Sponsored by: Northwest Alabama RC&D * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

FESTIVAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, JULY 21

MOVIE: ST. LOUIS BLUES

10 am **Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, Tuscumbia**
Featuring: *St. Louis Blues*, the movie starring Nat "King" Cole as W.C. Handy
Sponsored by: Alabama Music Hall of Fame * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
10 am **Sheffield Library, 316 North Montgomery Avenue, Sheffield**
Cost: Free – especially for kids!!!
Special Guest: Microwave Dave
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older
Sponsored by: Shoals Solid Waste Authority * Keep the Shoals Beautiful * Shoals Earth Month, Inc.

SWAMPFEST – BEHIND THE MUSIC

11 am **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Q&A Session: Swampers David Hood & Jimmy Johnson
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism * Crazy Chester Music * Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #1

2 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Presentation by: James LeBlanc & Dylan LeBlanc
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism * Crazy Chester Music * Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5-7 pm **Swampers, Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Hayden Scott
6-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** – Big Mike Griffin
6:30-9:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Rewind of the Shoals

COURTIN' THE BLUES PARADE

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER - FREE EVENT
Parade on Court Street, Florence
On-Line Registration www.wqilt.com/events * For additional info, contact Big River Broadcasting: 256-764-8121.
6 pm Line-up on North Pine Street across from Norton Auditorium/UNA
7 pm Parade begins
Sponsored by: Big River Broadcasting

W.C. HANDY BASKETBALL/VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Deshler High School Gym, 200 N. Commons East, Tuscumbia
6 pm Ladies' Volleyball game: Deshler vs. Muscle Shoals
7 pm Men's Basketball game: Deshler vs. Muscle Shoals
Cost: \$10 Adults
Sponsored by: Distinguished Productions, Nu Look Barber Shop * Shoals City TV * Theus & Daleisha Rowell, Realty South *
Kandid Beauty Hair Boutique

BILLY REID PRESENTS LILLIE MAE

6-8 pm **Billy Reid, 114 N. Court St., Florence**
Cost: Free with Complimentary food and drinks
Featuring: Lillie Mae (solo artist, and a member of Jack White's band!)
Sponsored by: Billy Reid

KO PRESENTS THE W.C. HANDY COMEDY KICKOFF

6:30 pm **Shoals Theater, Florence**
Featuring: Tyler Craig, HBO Def Comedy Jam & BET Comic View; comedienne Tresha "Ms. L-O-L"; and comedian Tiny;
hosted by Joel Byars
Music by: DJ Doc
Cost: \$15 advance/\$20 at the door (for ages 21 and over only)
Sponsored by: Kenn Orr Productions

FIRST METRO BANK'S "SAX IN THE CITY"

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER - FREE EVENT
7:30 pm **Wilson Park, Florence (in case of rain, this event will be moved to the Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum)**
Featuring: The Midnighters
Sponsored by: First Metro Bank

SINGIN' RIVER BREWING AND WINERY PRESENTS: THE LOVELL-SLEDGE BAND

8 pm **Singin' River Brewing and Winery, Florence**
Music By: The Lovell-Sledge Band
Sponsored by: Singin' River Brewing and Winery

THE DICK AND JANE PROJECT

8 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ), Florence**
Music By: JORT (Just Over The Rainbow Theater) of Hattiesburg, MS
Cost: \$10
Sponsored by: The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ)

MOOSE LODGE PRESENTS: ANTLERS AND ALE

8-11 pm **Moose Lodge, 4270 Chisholm Rd, Florence**
Featuring: A full bar where smoking is allowed (Proceeds go in part to benefit orphans and retirees)
Music By: Johnny Collier & The Misbehavers
Sponsored by: The Moose Lodge

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8:30 pm **Shoals Theater, Florence**
Featuring: Tyler Craig, HBO Def Comedy Jam & BET Comic View, hosted by Joel Byars, comedienne Tresha "Ms. L-O-L",
and comedian Tiny
Music by: DJ Doc
Cost: \$15 advance/\$20 at the door (for ages 21 and over only)
Sponsored by: Kenn Orr Productions

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** - Southern Breeze Band
7-10 pm **306 Barbeque** - Christian Turner
Legends - Steve Cothren Trio (Jazz Standards)
7-11 pm **Ricatonis, Florence** - Julia Rich & Jazz Allstars
8 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** - Decoys with Christine Ohlman
8-11 pm **Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence** - Brandon Whyde & The Devil's Keep
9 pm-1 am **Singing River Bar & Grill (Radisson Hotel), Sheffield** - DJ SciClone
9:30 pm-1:30a **On The Rocks, Florence** - The Shags
10:30pm-1:30am **Flobama, Florence** - Johnny Holland & The Bama Jammers

SATURDAY, JULY 22

33rd ANNUAL MID-SUMMER CLASSIC THREE-STATE BIKE RIDE N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT McFarland Park, Florence (Rain or shine)

Package Pick-up and Pre-Registration on Friday, July 21st at Academy Sports. Info and Pre-registration at www.Handy100.com. Pre-registration also at Shoals Cycling Club, POB 3851, Muscle Shoals Alabama 35661.
6 am On-site registration (includes t-shirt, aid stations, map, food and refreshments after the ride)
7 am-4pm Bike Ride

Cost: \$45 per rider until July 2nd/ \$55 if postmarked after July 2nd (Proceeds to benefit Music Preservation Society, Inc.)
Sponsored by: Pepsi * Academy Sports * Primal * Blue Cross Blue Shield * Boy Scouts * The Spinning Spoke Cycle Club * Logan's Roadhouse * Singin' River Brewing and Winery * Water Street Communications * Shoals Cycling Club * Shoals Radio Group * YMCA of the Shoals * Cardiovascular Institute of the Shoals * Holt's Pest Control * Hardin County Veterinary Hospital * Epicurean Day Spa * North Alabama Wellness School of Massage

SHOALS CAR AND TRUCK SHOW

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER - FREE EVENT

Wilson Park, Florence (in case of rain, moved to the parking deck on Pine Street)

8 am-2pm Show time (registration 8 am-noon)
Cost: Registration \$20 per vehicle (Mail to: POB 3672 Muscle Shoals, AL 35662 or 1307 Southwest 11th Street, Sheffield, AL 35660)
Deadline: July 9th for Pre-registration fee of \$18
Information: Terry Mashburn 256-366-0564 or Ronnie James 256-381-3536 or www.shoalscarandtruckclub.com
Sponsored by: Shoals Car & Truck Club * Advance Auto Parts Highway 72, Florence * Astro Tops * B & L Transmissions * Bob's Tire & Service Center * Coca-Cola Bottling Company * Designers Graphics * Detail Supply * Extreme Auto Design * First Choice Chiropractic * First Southern Bank * Holt's Radiator * Holt's Upholstery * Legend's Steakhouse * Oakley's NAPA * O'Reilly Auto Parts * Ronnie Gist Excavating * Shoals Distributing * Shoals Pest Control * Shoals Tire & Wheel * Tires Only * Singing River Dentistry * Supreme Beverage Company

BOOK SIGNING & PRESENTATION: *PROMISES TO KEEP*

10 am **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Featuring: *Promises to Keep*, presented by Tom McDonald, a collection of short Southern stories dedicated to William Lindsey McDonald.
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism & Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

BLUES + BREWS + BRUNCH @ THE FACTORY

11 am-1 pm **The Factory Café @ The Factory, 462 Lane Dr., Florence**
Featuring: Will and Janet McFarlane
Sponsored by: Alabama Chanin

WATERMELON WINE: THE POETRY OF AMERICANA MUSIC

11 am-12:30 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence**
Cost: Free
Featuring: Performances and readings celebrating the literary value of songwriting
Special Guests: Frye Gaillard and Anna E. DeChant
Sponsored by: Friends of the Library

HANDY LUNCH

Noon-3 pm **Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence** – Mitch Mann
11:30 am-1 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Big Mike Griffin

SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #2

2 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Performers: Buzz Cason & Russell Mefford
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism * Crazy Chester Music * Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

4-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** – Tosha Hill Band * Truitt Williams Band
5-9 pm **On the Rocks, Florence** – Jacob Brock
6:30-9:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Daryl Aldridge

SHOALS SCHOLAR DOLLARS BIDS AND BLUES AUCTION

5 pm **Marriott Conference Center, Florence**
Cost: \$30 (includes bid paddle, food, and soft drink)
Proceeds to fund scholarships to Northwest Shoals Community College and University of North Alabama
Featuring: Wildwood Ruminators
Sponsored by: Shoals Scholar Dollars Foundation, Inc. * University of North Alabama * Northwest Shoals Community College * TNT * North American Lighting * Florence Mayor Steve Holt * Florence City Councilman Andy Betterton * Tom & Mary White

HANDY AT HIGHLAND MUSIC FESTIVAL

5-7 pm **HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH NORTH PARKING LOT, 219 Simpson Street, Florence**
Featuring: The UNA Jazz Combo, The Swinging River Jazz Band, the HBC Ministry of Praise, and Dr. Eric Kirkman
Featuring: Free concessions and homemade ice cream while they last! Inflatables for children! Bring lawn chairs! Register for giveaways! (For more info, visit the facebook event at <http://bit.ly/handyathighland>)
Sponsored by: Highland Baptist Church

W.C. HANDY BASKETBALL/VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Deshler High School Gym, 200 N. Commons East, Tuscumbia
6 pm Ladies' Volleyball game: Bradshaw vs. Coffee
7 pm Men's Basketball game: Bradshaw vs. Coffee
Cost: \$10 Adults

Sponsored by: Distinguished Productions * Nu Look Barber Shop * Shoals City TV * Theus & Daleisha Rowell, Realty South *
Kandid Beauty Hair Boutique

DOCTORS AND TEACHERS IN HARMONY

6-8 pm **Medical Associates of the Shoals, 1120 S. Jackson Highway, Sheffield (Helen Keller campus)**
(In case of rain, event will move to the Keller Wellcare Center)
Special feature: Free give away of special bundle of classroom supplies for teachers in Colbert, Franklin, and Lauderdale Counties
Cost: Free (treats from Kona Ice available)
Featuring: Déjà Vu
Sponsored by: Medical Associates of the Shoals

MUSIC IN THE PARK

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
7-10 pm **Wilson Park, Florence**
Featuring: Rewind of the Shoals
Sponsored by: CB&S Bank

THE DICK AND JANE PROJECT

8 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ), Florence**
Music By: JORT (Just Over The Rainbow Theater) of Hattiesburg, MS
Cost: \$10
Sponsored by: The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ)

MOOSE LODGE PRESENTS: ANTLERS AND ALE

8-11 pm **Moose Lodge, 4270 Chisholm Rd, Florence**
Featuring: A full bar where smoking is allowed (Proceeds go in part to benefit orphans and retirees)
Music By: Lovell-Sledge Band
Sponsored by: The Moose Lodge

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence – Josh & Judy Alison**
7-10 pm **Legends, Florence – The Midnighters**
7-11 pm **City Hardware, Florence - Julia Rich & Friends**
Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence - Tosha Hill Band
8 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals – Travis Wammack & Snakeman Band**
8-11 pm **Swampers/Marriott Shoals– Trent Beaver**
9 pm-1 am **Singing River Bar & Grill (Radisson Hotel), Sheffield – Dixie Mafia**
On the Rocks, Florence – CBDB
10:30pm-1:30am **Flobama, Florence – Sean Rivers Band**

SUNDAY, JULY 23

12th ANNUAL HANDY CHAMPAGNE JAM AT THE SHOALS

11 am-2 pm **Robert Trent Jones Golf Course Clubhouse, Muscle Shoals**
Cost: \$16.95
Featuring: Ray Reach, Chuck Redd & The Jazz Allstars

BLUE NAVIGATORS

11 am **Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Shoals, 1332 N. Pine St., Florence**
Featuring: Blue Navigators
Sponsored by: Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Shoals

ARTWORKS: An Exhibition of Current Works by Tennessee Valley Art Association Member Artists

1-3 pm **Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, 511 N. Water St., Tuscumbia**
Cost: Free admission
Music by: Doctors, Lawyers & Such
Sponsored by: Northwest Shoals Community College * Shoals Solid Waste Authority Recycling * Bank Independent * Sheffield Utilities

SUNDAY JAZZ AT 306 BARBEQUE

1-4 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence**
Featuring: Robert Dickson & the Jazz Allstars
Sponsored by: 306 Barbeque

CC JAGS @ WESLEY CHAPEL UMC

2 pm **Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, Florence**
Featuring: CC Jags
Sponsored by: Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church

NOTHING BUT HANDY AT HANDY'S CHURCH: FEATURING THE LEGEND'S MUSIC

3 pm **Greater St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, Florence**

Featuring: The Heart & Soul Handy Choir, directed by Dr. Eric Kirkman & the Huntsville Spiritual Chorale, directed by Brenda and William Davis
Sponsored by: Greater St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, Florence

AFTERNOON MUSIC: SHOALS CONCERT BAND

3 pm **First Presbyterian Church, Florence**
Music by: Shoals Concert Band
Sponsored by: First Presbyterian Church, Florence

HANDY AFTERNOON

4-8 pm **Ricatonì's Italian Grill, Florence** – Julia Rich & Jazz Allstars
4-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** –Truitt Williams Band * Travis Wammack & Christine Ohlman
6-10 pm **City Hardware, Florence** – Kent DuChaine
On The Rocks – Big Mike Griffin

SINGING RIVER WORSHIP NIGHT

6 pm **HIGHLAND PARK BAPTIST CHURCH, 503 South Wilson Dam Road, Muscle Shoals**
Featuring: Highland Park Worship Ministry and Friends
Sponsored by: Highland Park Baptist Church

OPENING CEREMONIES

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER- FREE EVENT
6:30- 8:30pm **W.C. Handy Home & Museum Front Lawn, College St., Florence**
Rain location: Mt. Moriah PB Christian Life Center, Florence
Featuring: Javen Davis * Shelly Williams * Pastor Trevor Crenshaw * Renewed * Marcus Stewart & Encounter * Dorothy Cole's Tribute to Mahalia Jackson * Andrea Brown * Rod Fuqua * Dr. Eric Kirkman
Sponsored by: City of Florence * Firestone Building Products * Shoals Democratic Club * Casey Eggleston * WZZA Radio * Keep the Shoals Beautiful * W.C. Handy Home & Museum * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

SINGIN' RIVER BREWING AND WINERY PRESENTS: ROBERT EARL KEEN

Singin' River Brewing and Winery
8 pm Concert Begins (Doors open at 7pm)
Cost: \$30 Advance / \$35 at the Door
Featuring: Robert Earl Keen
Sponsored by: Singin' River Brewing and Winery

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – Kenny Tengal (featured on *The Voice*)
7 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Big Shoes
8-11 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** –Tim Cannon

MONDAY, JULY 24

CHECK OUT THE BLUES

11 am-1 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence**
Cost: Free (Lunch available for purchase at Bookmarks Café in the Library)
Featuring: Mel Deal & Jazz Allstars
Sponsored by: Friends of the Library

HANDY LUNCH

11 am-1 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Denise Thimes & Jazz Allstars
11 am-2 pm **Ricatonì's Italian Grill, Florence** – Julia Rich & Jazz Allstars
11:30 am-2:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Max Russell

SCOPE LIVE ON HELTON DRIVE

11:30 am-1 pm **Scope 310, 4129 Helton Dr., Florence**
Featuring: The Midnighters
Sponsored by: Scope 310 Authority

GROOVIN' AT THE MUSCLE SHOALS SENIOR LIVING CENTER

12:30-2 pm **Muscle Shoals Living Center, 994 Gattman Park Dr., Muscle Shoals**
Featuring: Back On Track
Sponsored by: Muscle Shoals Senior Living Center

JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
2 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence**
Cost: Free – especially for kids!!!
Special Guest: Microwave Dave
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older
Sponsored by: Florence Recycling Center * Florence-Lauderdale Public Library * Keep the Shoals Beautiful * Shoals Earth Month, Inc.

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5-7 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Ashley Klein
5:30-8:30 pm **On The Rocks, Florence** – Kenny P
6-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** – Jazz Allstars featuring the Redds
Legends, Florence – Steve Cothren Trio (Jazz Standards)
6-10 pm **City Hardware, Florence** – Mitch Mann
Pie Factory, Florence – Drumb & Drummer

MUSIC AT THE MICHAEL CENTER

5:30-7:30 pm **Michael Community Center, 1001 17th Street, Sheffield**
Featuring: Dorothy Cole as "Tina Turner"
Sponsored by: Sheffield Redevelopment Authority * Logan Foundation

DETERMINED: Celebrating The Life of W.C. Handy (stage play written by Dolores Swoopes Nash)

6 pm **Shoals Theatre, Florence**
Featuring: Dr. Eric Kirkman, accompanied by Mr. Kimbell Funchess * The Orr Sisters * local actors
Cost: \$10.00
Sponsored by: City of Florence * BrooksvilleVoice.com * Rhoda P's Catering

AN EVENING WITH WILL AND JANET McFARLANE

6-8 pm **Shoals Gold Record Room**
Music by: Will and Janet McFarlane
Sponsored by: Lyons Human Resources

OH!HANDY AT OH!BRYAN'S

6-9 pm **Oh!Bryan's Family Steakhouse, Tuscumbia**
Featuring: Denise Thimes & Jazz Allstars
Sponsored by: Oh!Bryan's Downtown * The Pace Family

AT SUNDOWN

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
6-9 pm **Wilson Park, Florence**
Featuring: Off The Chain
Sponsored by: Lauderdale County Commission * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

HANDY NIGHT AT THE SUMMIT

6:30-7:30 pm **Mitchell-Hollingsworth Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Florence**
Featuring: Justice Storm & Daniel Bryson
Sponsored by: Hospice of North Alabama * Champion Rehab * Felder Services

LYMAN MITCHELL'S SHOALS BIG BAND

6:30 pm **The Mane Room, Pine Street, Florence**
Featuring: The Shoals Big Band
Sponsored by: Music Preservation Society Inc. * Florence Ophthalmology, Dr. P. Keith Thompson

CELEBRATE ON SEMINARY

First United Methodist Church, 415 N. Seminary Street, Florence
7 pm Concert in Sanctuary
Featuring: First United Choir & Friends
Sponsored by: First United Methodist Church Florence

NEIGHBORHOOD LEMONADE PARTY

7 pm **Westminster Presbyterian Church, Florence**
Featuring: Thompson Trio
Sponsored by: Westminster Presbyterian Church

HANDY ON THE BRIDGE

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
7-8:30 pm **Old Railroad Bridge Ashe Boulevard (over the Tennessee River), Sheffield**
Featuring: Kent DuChaine
Sponsored by: Lewis Electric * Phil Wigginton, State Farm Insurance * Jimmy Gardner, Singing River Dentistry * Jim Holland Investments * Bob's Tire & Alignment * Tennessee Valley Authority Community Credit Union

ROCK 'N SOUL ON MOBILE PLAZA

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
7-9 pm **Mobile Plaza, Florence**
Featuring: CC Jags
Sponsored by: K&S Tree Service * Cornerstone Flooring * Country Financial-Vic Porter * SEC Roofing & Construction * Lewis Electric * Burger Depot

A SPOON FULL OF SUGAR: THE LADIES OF MUSCLE SHOALS MUSIC CELEBRATE SPOONER OLDHAM

7-9 pm **Full Moon Theater at Cypress Moon Studios, 1000 Alabama Avenue, Sheffield**
Performers: Presented by Tonya Holley, hosted by Christine Ohlman, and featuring Donna Jean Godchaux McKay, Carla Russell, Angela Hacker, Marie Lewey, Cindy Richardson Walker, Shonna Tucker, Krista Sparks, Tosha Hill, and more. Plus an all-star band led by Kelvin Holly and including NC Thurman, Shonna Tucker, and Michael Dillon.

Cost: \$25 (call 256-335-6961 for more info or VIP Tickets)
Sponsored by: Cypress Moon Studios

SINGIN' RIVER BREWING AND WINERY PRESENTS: CARVER COMMODORE

8 pm **Singin' River Brewing and Winery, Florence**
Music By: Carver Commodore
Sponsored by: Singin' River Brewing and Winery

DETERMINED: Celebrating The Life of W.C. Handy (stage play written by Dolores Swoopes Nash)

8 pm **Shoals Theatre, Florence**
Featuring: Dr. Eric Kirkman, accompanied by Mr. Kimbell Funchess * The Orr Sisters * local actors
Cost: \$10.00
Sponsored by: City of Florence * BrooksvilleVoice.com * Rhoda P's Catering

CONNECTION CABARET (performances by Shoals area high school students)

8 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ), Florence**
Cost: \$10 (suggested)
Featuring: FAVA Students * Local Talent
Sponsored by: Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ)

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Bob & Etta Britt
7-10 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Pine Hill Haints
Flobama, Florence – Déjà Vu
7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – Lovell-Sledge Band
7-11 pm **Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence** – John Blummer & The Late Blummers
8-11 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Dave Anderson
9 pm -1 am **On The Rocks, Florence** – Defiance
10:30pm-1:30am **Flobama** – Billy Allen & Dusty French

TUESDAY, JULY 25

MOVIE: ST. LOUIS BLUES

10 am **Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, Tuscumbia**
Featuring: *St. Louis Blues*, movie starring Nat "King" Cole as W.C. Handy
Sponsored by: Alabama Music Hall of Fame * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

KIDZ JAMM

10 am **First Presbyterian Church, Sheffield**
Featuring: Shoals Area piano students with drummer James Counts and bassist Bob Wray
Sponsored by: Shoals Area Piano Teachers Forum

JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
10:30 am **Rogersville Public Library, Rogersville**
Cost: Free – especially for kids!!!
Special Guest: Microwave Dave
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older
Sponsored by: Rogersville Public Library * Keep the Shoals Beautiful * Shoals Earth Month, Inc.

MUSIC AT LUNCH

11:30 am-1 pm **Hospitality House, Northwest Shoals Community College**
Cost: Free (lunch available for purchase)
Featuring: Doctors, Lawyers & Such
Sponsored by: Northwest Shoals Community College * Superior Print Solutions

SWINGING WITH LIFE WISE SENIORS

11 am-1 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum, Florence**
Music by: Off The Chain
Cost: \$5 lunch, all are welcome (call for lunch reservations 256-768-8056)
Sponsored by: North Alabama Medical Center * Shoals Hospital * Florence Parks & Recreation Department

HANDY LUNCH

11 am-1 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Jim Ferguson & The Jazz Allstars
11 am-2 pm **Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence** – Renee Stamps
11:30am-2:30pm **Flobama, Florence** – Michael Curtis

W.C. HANDY: JAZZ MELODIES

1 pm **Brookdale (formerly Merrill Garden), 3275 CR47, Florence**
Featuring: Thompson Trio
Sponsored by: Brookdale, Florence

ABCs OF BLUES, JAZZ & BEYOND

1:30 pm **Mount Moriah Church, Florence**
Featuring: Jazz Allstars
Sponsored by: Dr. Felice Green * Dinah Phillips * Ryerson & Associates, DMD

CHILLIN' WITH THE CRAMER CHILDREN BLOCK PARTY

N HARMONY WITH NATURE
2-6 pm **Cramer Children's Center, 404 West Tennessee Street, Florence (between Locust and Cedar Streets)**
(In case of rain, event will be rescheduled. See www.WCHandyMusicFestival.org for updates!)
2 pm Kidz Idol Winners
2:30 pm Mary Mason Band
4 pm The Midnighters
Featuring: Games, food, treats, and family friendly activities. (Bring chairs and quilts.)
Sponsored by: Florence Housing Authority * Cramer's Children's Center * Well Fargo * Shoals Pest Control * Bank Independent

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5-7 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence – Lucero**
5:30-8:30 pm **On The Rocks, Florence – Travis Wammack**
6-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield – Mojo Mixers**
Legends Steakhouse, Florence– Kent Duchaine
6-10 pm **Pie Factory, Florence – Gary Nichols**
City Hardware, Florence – Tosha Hill Band
6:30-9 pm **Flobama, Florence – Fathers & Sons**

CAPSTONE REALTY 4th ANNUAL HANDY EVENT

6-8 pm **Capstone Realty, 4050 Helton Drive, Florence**
Featuring: 3 Lanes Crossing
Sponsored by: Capstone Realty

ST. FLORIAN MUSIC IN THE PARK

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
6-8 pm **St. Florian Park, St. Florian**
Featuring: Pine Hill Haints
Sponsored by: Town of St. Florian

COTTAGE FRONT PORCH "SWING!"

6-8 pm **Columbia Cottage Assisted Living, 2373 Roberts Lane, Florence (Event moved inside if inclement weather)**
Seating on the lawn, bring chairs and quilts. Hot dog supper and drinks provided.
Featuring: Rusty and the Relics
Sponsored by: Columbia Cottage Assisted Living * Kindred Home Health and Hospice

ROCKIN' THE ROUNDHOUSE!

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
6-9 pm **Tuscumbia Depot & Roundhouse, Tuscumbia**
Featuring: The Decoys
Sponsored by: Shoals Solid Waste Authority * Colbert County Commission * City of Tuscumbia * Tuscumbia Parks & Recreation

UNA NIGHT ON NORTH COURT STREET MEDIAN

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
6-9:30 pm **North Court Median, Florence**
Featuring: Kidz Idol Winners * and starring the Kirkman Combo
Sponsored by: University of North Alabama

CAJUN AT THE CREDIT UNION

6:30 pm **Alabama Central Credit Union, 1902 Bruin Drive, Florence**
Cost: Free, with giveaways! Face painting for the kids! Fun for the family!
Featuring: Big Al & the Heavyweights
Sponsored by: Alabama Central Credit Union

COUNTING ON THE MUSIC

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
6:30-8:30 pm **Patterson , Prince & Associates, 475 S. Seminary St., Florence**
6:30 pm Goose Gossett
7 pm Iron Horse Band
Sponsored by: Patterson, Prince & Associates, CPA

RUBY TIGGS 5TH ANNUAL GOSPEL CELEBRATION

7 pm **Christ Chapel, 3051 Cloverdale Road, Florence**
Cost: Admission is free (Free will offering accepted)
Featuring: Celebration Ensemble with special guests Jamel Strong * Desiree Cole * Andrea Lindsey Crayton * PJ Winston
Directed by: Pastor Shane Rainer * Marcus Stewart * LaTresha Davidson Woods * Joey Richey
Sponsored by: Chenaniah Music

SWINGING RIVER JAZZ

7 pm **Magnolia Church of Christ, 2650 Vulcan Avenue, Florence**
Featuring: Swinging River Jazz Band
Sponsored by: Magnolia Church of Christ

SUNSET SERENADE IN THE PARK

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER- FREE EVENT
7:30-10 pm **Riverfront Park, Sheffield**
Featuring: Déjà Vu
Sponsored by: City of Sheffield * Zoey Belle's * The Rock * Medical Center Pharmacy

AN ELEGANT EVENING OF ELLA FITZGERALD

8 pm **Shoals Theatre, Florence**
Featuring: W.C. Handy Jazz Allstars, directed by Scott Silbert
Cost: \$10 advance / \$15 at the door
Sponsored by: Music Preservation Society Inc. * Jazz Loving Friends of the Festival

SINGIN' RIVER BREWING AND WINERY PRESENTS: THE JOSH BRANNON BAND

8 pm **Singin' River Brewing and Winery, Florence**
Music By: The Josh Brannon Band
Sponsored by: Bank Independent

WILDWOOD RUMINATORS AT THE ZODIAC

8 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ), Florence**
Cost: \$10
Featuring: Wildwood Ruminators
Sponsored by: Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ)

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Stacy Mitchhart
7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – P.F. Groove
7-10 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Winston Ramble
7-11 pm **Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence** –Mary Mason Band
8-11 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – The Skeleton Krew
9 pm-1 am **On the Rocks, Florence** – Microwave Dave
10:30 pm-1:30 am **Flobama, Florence** – Casey Thrasher Band

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

DOCUMENTARY PREMIER: *MR. HANDY'S BLUES* &

BOOK SIGNING: *FATHER OF THE BLUES*

10 am **Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, Tuscumbia**
Featuring: "Mr. Handy's Blues": Showing of documentary by producer/director Joanne Fish, with Q&A
Featuring: "Father of the Blues", the Autobiography of William C. Handy, presented by Dr. Carlos R. Handy, President & CEO of Handy Brothers Music and grandson of William Christopher Handy
Sponsored by: Alabama Music Hall of Fame * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
10 am **Muscle Shoals Public Library, Muscle Shoals**
Cost: Free – especially for kids!!!
Special Guest: Microwave Dave
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older
Sponsored by: Shoals Solid Waste Authority * Keep the Shoals Beautiful * Shoals Earth Month, Inc.

MASTER CLASS

10:30 am-Noon **Counts Brothers Music, Muscle Shoals**
Featuring: Norbert Putnam, interviewed by Sherry St. John. (Book signing to follow.)
Sponsored by: Counts Brothers Music

HANDY LUNCH

11 am-1 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Kirkman Combo
11 am-2 pm **Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence** – Michael "Supe" Granda (of the Ozark Mtn. Daredevils)
11:30 am-2:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Neal Starkey's Jazz Allstars

MUSIC AND MUNCHIN' IN MUSCLE SHOALS

11:30 am-1:30 pm **Gattman Park Recreation Center, Gattman Park Drive, Muscle Shoals**
Cost: Event is free (lunch available for purchase)
Featuring: CC Jags
Sponsored by: City of Muscle Shoals

MORNINGSIDE BLUES & BBQ

2-4 pm **Morningside of Sheffield, 413 Cox Blvd, Sheffield**

Featuring: Sue Matthews & the Jazz Allstars
Sponsored by: Morningside of Sheffield

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5-7 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Doc Dailey
5:30-8:30 pm **On The Rocks, Florence** – Drumb & Drummer
6-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** – Combo Kings
Legends, Florence – Jazz Allstars featuring Chuck & Robert Redd
6-10 pm **Pie Factory, Florence** – Aaron Blades Band
6:30-9:30 pm **UMI's, Florence** – The Midnighters
Flobama, Florence – James LeBlanc & Angela Hacker

NORTH WOOD ROCKS THE BLOCK

6-8 pm **N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT**
North Wood United Methodist Church, Florence
Bring your lawn chair or blankets * Food available.
Featuring: North Wood's own SALT & LIGHT
Sponsored by: North Wood United Methodist Church

GOSPEL & HYMN SING

6 pm **First Baptist Church Atrium, Florence**
Featuring: The congregation in harmony
Sponsored by: First Baptist Church, Florence

SINGIN' RIVER BREWING AND WINERY PRESENTS: CACTUS COWBOYS

6 pm **Singin' River Brewing and Winery, Florence**
Music By: Cactus Cowboys with special guest Caroline Webb
Sponsored by: Singin' River Brewing and Winery

RHYTHM AT RHODA P'S RESTAURANT

6-9 pm **Rhoda P's, Sheffield**
Music By: Off The Chain
Sponsored by: Rhoda P's * WZZA Radio

AT SUNDOWN

6-9 pm **N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT**
Wilson Park, Florence
Featuring: Déjà Vu'
Sponsored by: Rosie's Cantina * Music Preservation Society Inc.

LISTENING ROOM

7:30-9 pm **Mane Room, 310 N Pine St, Florence**
Featuring: Chris Burroughs, Ken Watters, Neal Starkey, Ray Reach, Sue Matthews
Sponsors: Friends of the Festival

THEZ CABARET NIGHTS

8 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ), Florence**
Cost: \$10
Featuring: Local Talent from various stages all over the Shoals
Sponsored by: Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ)

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Big Al & the Heavyweights
7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – J.D. Sellnut
7-10 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Microwave Dave
Singing River Bar & Grill (Radisson Hotel), Sheffield – The Harvey Thompson Jazz & Dance Band
7-11 pm **City Hardware, Florence** – Supe & The Sandwiches
8-11 pm **Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence** – The Pine Hill Haints
Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence – Kenny P
9 pm-1 am **On The Rocks, Florence** – Sonny Moorman Group
10:30 pm-1:30 am **Flobama, Florence** – Gary Nichols Band

THURSDAY, JULY 27

JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH

10 am **N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT**
Helen Keller Library, Tuscumbia
Cost: Free – especially for kids!!!
Special Guest: Microwave Dave
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older
Sponsored by: Shoals Solid Waste Authority * Keep the Shoals Beautiful * Shoals Earth Month, Inc.

HANDY LUNCH

11 am-1 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Tim Goodwin & Jazz Allstars

11 am-2 pm **Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence** – Christian Turner
11:30 am-1 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Combo Kings from South Carolina
11:30am-2:30pm **Flobama, Florence** – Drumb & Drumber

HANDY HOMES "SENIOR FUN"

11:45am-1:15pm **Handy Homes Community Room, 309-A Handy Homes (corner of Lincoln & Perry Streets), Florence**
Lunch will be provided
Featuring: Dorothy Cole as "Tina Turner"
Sponsored by: Florence Housing Authority * Carver Handy Homes Property Management Office

DOCUMENTARY PREMIER: MR. HANDY'S BLUES &

BOOK SIGNING: FATHER OF THE BLUES

1 pm **Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, Tuscumbia**
Featuring: *Mr. Handy's Blues*: Showing of documentary by producer/director Joanne Fish, with Q&A
Featuring: *Father of the Blues*, the Autobiography of William C. Handy, presented by Dr. Carlos R. Handy, President & CEO of Handy Brothers Music and grandson of William Christopher Handy
Sponsored by: Alabama Music Hall of Fame * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

LISTENING ROOM

12-1:30 pm **Mane Room, Florence**
Featuring: Ray Reach, Gary Wheat, Gary Lamb, Mark Lanter, Mel Deal, Robert Dickson
Sponsored by: Friends of the Festival * Selwyn Jones

FLORENCE/LAUDERDALE TOURISM PRESENTS: SUMMER SOLOS

2 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Music by: Lucero Adame
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism, Crazy Chester Music & Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

KEESTONE OF FLORENCE JAZZFEST

2 pm **Keestone of Florence, 201 N. Cedar St., Florence**
Cost: Free
Featuring: Thompson Trio
Sponsored by: Keestone of Florence

BLUES-N-BREAD PUDDING

3 pm **Sheffield Public Library, 316 N. Montgomery Avenue, Sheffield**
Featuring: Reddick Pernell Cunningham
Cost: Free
Sponsored By: Friends of the Sheffield Public Library

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5-7 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Drumb & Drumber
5:30-8:30 pm **On The Rocks, Florence** – Gary Nichols
6-9 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** – Max Russell Trio
6-10 pm **Cajun's Food Inc.** – BB & The King
Pie Factory, Florence – Kenny P
6:30-9:30 pm **UMI's, Florence** – Kozmic Mama
Flobama, Florence – Three Wheel Drive

CHURCHIN' DOWN THE STREET GOSPEL CONCERT

6-7 pm **St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 220 E. Alabama Street, Florence**
Featuring: Quad Cities Mass Choir Directed by Aaron Freeman * Pastor Marcus Davidson
Sponsored by: A & N Property Maintenance * CJ Entertainment * Colbert Farmer's Cooperative, Inc. * Divine Expressions Dentistry, the Rev. Dr. Laurentis Barnett * Gus Gerrard, State Farm Insurance * God's School of Medicine-Rev. Pat Smith * Dr. William A. McClanahan * Occupational Solutions Group, LLC * Pretty 1 Salon * Robbins LLC * St. Mark M.B. Church * Quad Cities Mass Choir

LISTENING ROOM

6-7:30 pm **Mane Room, Florence**
Featuring: Rene Koopman, Jim Ferguson, Bill Goodwin, Tom Wolfe, Scott Silbert
Sponsored by: Friends of the Festival * Selwyn Jones

AT SUNDOWN

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT

6-9 pm **Wilson Park, Florence**
Featuring: Kidz Idol Finalists * Singin' River Brewing & Winery Battle of the Bands Winner
Sponsored by: Rosie's Cantina * Music Preservation Society Inc. * Singin' River Brewing & Winery

SINGING RIVER DENTISTRY & TUSCUMBIA DOWNTOWN MERCHANTS PRESENT ST. JUDE AND THE BLUES

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT

6:30 until **Corner of Sixth and Main Streets, Tuscumbia**
(restaurants and businesses open with Handy Fest specials! Donations to St. Jude Hospital)
Featuring: Déjà Vu * Josh Brannon Band
Sponsored by: Singing River Dentistry - Dr. Jimmy Gardiner

BEALE STREET BLUES

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT

6:30-8:30 pm **Lewis Field, Florence (in case of rain, location moved to Burrell-Slater Gym)**
Featuring: Off The Chain
Sponsored by: Beale Street Committee * City of Florence

SHOALS CONCERT BAND

7 pm **Magnolia Church of Christ, 2650 Vulcan Avenue, Florence**
Featuring: Shoals Concert Community Band
Sponsored by: Magnolia Church of Christ

EVENING AT THE ROXY WITH THE GREAT PRETENDERS

7 pm **The Historic Roxy Theatre, Russellville**
Cost: \$5.00
Featuring: Local Talent
Sponsored by: Franklin County Arts & Humanities * Franklin County Arts & Humanities * Sinclair-Lawrence Insurance * Lanny Norris State Farm * Sherry & Tim Trapp/Farmers Insurance * Happy Days * Murray's Tire * Hester Printing * Susie Hovater Malone * Debbie & William Nale * Mayor David Grissom * Foodland * Big Star * Green's Dependable Hardware * Dr. Alan Sherrill * BenchMasters Jewelers * Edward Jones Investment * Valley Health Care * Jon Oliver All-State Insurance * Brenda & Troy Oliver * David & Kim Palmer * Bedford, Rogers & Bowling * Audrey's Gifts * Probate Judge Barry Moore * Franklin County Times * Greg & Cheri McCain * Abstract & Appraisal-Wanda Myrick * Campbell Vision Center * Gary & Barbara Cummings * Thompson Drapery * Frosty Inn * Sibley Oil Company * Chase Sparks * Gault Signs * Strickland and Barksdale CPA * Franklin County Chamber of Commerce * Franklin Free Press/WGOL Radio * Wood Thompson Insurance * Family Pharmacy--Russellville/Littleville --Hometown Pharmacy

THE DECOYS FEATURING CHRISTINE OHLMAN

7:30 pm **Cypress Lakes Country Club, Muscle Shoals**
Featuring: The Decoys featuring Christine Ohlman, the Beehive Queen from Saturday Night Live!
Sponsored by: Shoals Solid Waste Authority * City of Muscle Shoals

SINGIN' RIVER BREWING AND WINERY PRESENTS: TYLER KINCHEN & RIGHT PIECES

8 pm **Singin' River Brewing and Winery, Florence**
Music By: Tyler Kinchen & The Right Pieces
Sponsored by: First Federal Mortgage

ERIC ESSIX IN THE SHOALS

8 pm **Shoals Theatre, Florence**
Cost: \$10 advance/ \$12 at the door (tickets available at TheShoalsTheatre.org, or call the theatre at 256-764-1700)
Featuring: Eric Essix
Sponsored by: Shoals Community Theater

RAY MILLER BUICK GMC PRESENTS THE VELCRO PYGMIES!

6:30 pm **Marriott Shoals Conference Center, Florence**
Cost: \$15
Featuring: Velcro Pygmies
Sponsored by: Ray Miller Buick GMC, Muscle Shoals Sound Studios, Sweet Tree Productions, Big River Broadcasting, Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa

HANDY NIGHTS

7 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Sonny Moorman Group
7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – Southern Breeze Band
7-10 pm **Legends, Florence** – Denise Thimes & the Jazz Allstars
306 Barbeque, Florence – Lamont Landers
7-11 pm **Singing River Bar & Grill (Radisson Hotel), Sheffield** – Mojo Mixers
Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence – Kent DuChaine
City Hardware, Florence – Microwave Dave
8-10 pm **Singing River** – Tyler Kinchen & The Right Pieces
8-11 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Dustin Richardson
9 pm-1 am **On The Rocks, Florence** – Big Al & the Heavyweights
10:30 pm-1:30 am **Flobama, Florence** – Justus Storm Band

FRIDAY, JULY 28

DOCUMENTARY PREMIER: *MR. HANDY'S BLUES* &

BOOK SIGNING: *FATHER OF THE BLUES*

10 am **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism Visitor Center Gallery**
Featuring: "Mr. Handy's Blues": Showing of documentary by producer/director Joanne Fish, with Q&A
Featuring: "Father of the Blues", the Autobiography of William C. Handy, presented by Dr. Carlos R. Handy, President & CEO of Handy Brothers Music and grandson of William Christopher Handy
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism * Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

HANDY LUNCH

11 am-1 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Bill Goodwin & Jazz Allstars
11 am-2 pm **Rosie's Cantina, Florence** – Thompson Trio
Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence – Christian Turner
11:30-2:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Microwave Dave

MUSIC ON THE LAWN AT CITY HALL

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT

11 am-1 pm **Front Lawn at Sheffield City Hall, Montgomery Ave. (In case of rain, inside City Hall)**
Featuring: Doctors Lawyers & Such
Sponsored by: City of Sheffield * Zoey Belle's * The Rock * Medical Center Pharmacy

MOUNT MORIAH HANDY FEST FISH FRY

11am-6 pm **Mt. Moriah P.B. Church, Florence**
Cost: Free to attend / \$10 Old Fashioned Fried Fish plates available for purchase
11 a-noon Mt. Moriah Choir and other musical guests!
Sponsored by: Mt. Moriah P.B. Church

LISTENING ROOM

12-1:30 pm **Mane Room, Florence**
Featuring: Sue Matthews & Jazz Allstars
Sponsored by: SunTrust * Friends of the Festival

SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #3

2 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Music by: Donnie Fritts & Scott Boyer
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism * Crazy Chester Music * Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

RIVERSIDE JAZZ

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER - FREE EVENT

5-10 pm **McFarland Park, Florence /Rain location Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum**
Featuring: Kids Idol Winners * Jalen Davis * Southern Soul * Porcelain Hill Band * Mary Mason Band * Clarence "Bluesman" Davis, Jock Webb, Sr. and Aretta Woodruff * Jazz Allstars * Dee Lucas * Aretta Hill * Off The Chain
Transportation: Free shuttle from Florence Parking Deck to McFarland Park
Sponsored by: City of Florence * Sutherland Sight & Sound

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5-7 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Will McFarlane
5-10 pm **Stephano's Southland, Sheffield** – Combo Kings, Deja' Vu
5:30-8:30 pm **On The Rocks, Florence** – Drumb & Drumber
6-9 pm **Rosie's Cantina, Florence** – Beth Bosheers
Legends, Florence – Lovell-Sledge Band
6-8 pm **Blue Coast Burrito** – Hollis Band
6:30-9:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Big Mike Griffin

9th ANNUAL MASSIVELY COOL AIR-CONDITIONED STREET FESTIVAL

6 pm **Marriott Shoals Conference Center, Shoals Ballroom, Florence**
Cost: \$15 with Barbeque Buffet, \$10 without buffet / (Tickets available at the door)
Featuring: Kerry Gilbert * Rewind of the Shoals
Sponsored by: Bentley Chevrolet Cadillac * Muscle Shoals Sound Studio * Big River Broadcasting * Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa

SOUTHERN GOSPEL QUARTET

6 pm **First Baptist Church**
Featuring: Unashamed
Sponsored by: First Baptist Church of Florence

SPRING VALLEY FIREFIGHTERS 4th ANNUAL RODEO

North Alabama State Fairgrounds, Muscle Shoals
Cost: \$15.00 for adults/ \$10.00 for kids ages 6-12/ free for kids 5 & under
6 pm Gates open
7:30 pm Rodeo begins
9 pm Southern Heat
Sponsored by: Spring Valley Firefighters

16th ANNUAL ROLLIN' ON THE RIVER

6-10 pm **Joe Wheeler State Park, Rogersville**
Featuring: Dorothy Cole as 'Tina Turner' * Local Entertainers
Sponsored by: Joe Wheeler State Park * Florence-Lauderdale Tourism

DAVIAN TALLEY'S NIGHT OF ART & SOUL MUSIC

7 pm until **Mane Room, Pine Street, Florence**
(Doors open at 6:30 pm)
Featuring: DJ C. Battle, Davian Talley, Deysha Garner, Thaddeus Rowell, Briana Tanner, Denisha Reed, Kabrina Isabelle, Benjamin Mastin, Jasmine Bone, Kennedie Casey, and acrylic painter Kerrigan Casey

Sponsored by: The Mane Room * Davian Talley * Something Elegant Florals & Gifts * Soul: Music & Wings * Theus & Daleisha Rowell, Realty South * Rhoda P's Catering * Dick Howell's BBQ * Dr. Thomas Calhoun

SHOALS PRAISE HANDY CELEBRATION

Woodmont Baptist Church (main auditorium), 2001 Darby Dr., Florence
7 pm (doors open at 6 pm)
Featuring: Ruby Tiggs * Deborah Nehemiah * David Russell
Sponsored by: Shoals Praise Choir * Woodmont Baptist Church

PARK 'N SOUL

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER-FREE EVENT
7-9 pm **Wilson Park, Florence**
Featuring: CC Jags
Sponsored by: Cook's Pest Control

BEST OF THE BAND BATTLE AT THE BREWERY!

8 until **Singin' River Brewing and Winery**
Cost: Free (alcoholic beverages available for purchase)
Featuring: The winning Band and Solo Act from the Competition!
Info: See www.WCHandyMusicFestival.org or Find Singin' River Brewery on Facebook!
Sponsored by: Singin' River Brewing and Winery * Music Preservation Society, Inc. * W.C. Handy Music Festival

ROCK THEZ

8 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse, Florence**
Cost: \$10 (suggested)
Featuring: Chieftain and Guests
Sponsored by: Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ)

CABARET!

9 pm-1 am **Listerhill Credit Union Auditorium, Muscle Shoals**
Featuring: Utopia R&B Band, Tullahoma, Tennessee
Cost: \$15 in advance / \$20 day of event (Age 25 and older only)
For Tickets call: 256-766-7642 or 256-412-0316 or 256-648-6412 or 256-412-6961
Sponsored by: BUDWEISER * Emmitt Jimmar * Fuller Heating AC & Plumbing * Tax Mart * Brian & Chiquita Suggs * Sherry & Myron L. Hughes, BlueRose Supply * C-N-D Hair Care * Glenda K. Williams * Simpson's Heating & Air, LLC * Nash Bar-B-Que

HANDY NIGHTS

7-10 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Tosha Hill Band
7-11 pm **City Hardware, Florence** – Pine Hill Haints
7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – Kessell Runners
8 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Fathers & Sons
8-11 pm **Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence** – Microwave Dave
Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence – Michael Curtis and Friends
8 pm-mid **Singing River Bar & Grill (Radisson Hotel), Sheffield** – The Midnighters
9 pm-1 am **On the Rocks, Florence** – Second Creek]
10:30 pm-1:30 am **FloBama, Florence** – The Springs

SATURDAY, JULY 29

DADOORUNRUN (5K) & FUN RUN (1 MILE) & WALK (1 MILE)

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER - FREE EVENT
W.C. Handy Home & Museum, Florence through beautiful and historic downtown Florence!
5:30-6:30 am Registration and packet pickup / race day * Pre-registration due July 22, 2017 (packet pickup and pre-registration at First Place Athletics on July 27 and 28 from 12 noon to 6 pm)
7 am 5K Run (Certified) AL01020JD* Events will be chip timed by Solid Rock Race Timing
8 am 1 Mile Run & Walk
Registration: 1 Mile Run/Walk \$10; 5K Run \$15; Both \$20; prices increase by \$5 after July 22, 2017
Online: www.DaDooRunRun.ItsYourRace.com before July 22 (\$2.50 add'l fee if paid on-line) *
Handy Headquarters: 217 E. Tuscaloosa St., Florence * Mail: P.O Box 1827, Florence AL 35631
Featuring: Mary Mason Band
Sponsored by: Abroms & Associates * Singin' River Brewing and Winery * Tennessee River Athletic Club (TRAC) * Ricaton's Italian Grill * City Hardware * All Sports Trophy * Anytime Fitness * Solid Rock Race Timing * First Place Athletics * Sam's Club * Plaxco Chiropractic * Ryerson & Associates, DMD

STREET STRUT & PARADE

N HARMONY WITH NATURE LITTER - FREE EVENT
10 am **Strut begins at Wilson Park, corner of Tuscaloosa and Seminary Streets, Florence**
(Rain location-Florence Mall) Route: Tuscaloosa to Court St., left; to College St, left; to Seminary St., left; back to Wilson Park)
Put on your dancing shoes and strut to festive music on the streets of downtown Florence! Grand Marshals Dr. Jimmy Shaw and Dr. Lynne Hice, and Deputy Grand Marshals Dr. Rod Sheppard and Ms. Connie Wallace

Cost: Free to participate in the parade, registration requested by calling Handy HQ at 256-766-7642, Gwen Woods at 256-412-0316 or e-mail gwenwoods02@comcast.net / Prizes given for the best Strutters!
Music by Thompson Trio * All Marching Bands are welcome!
Sponsored by: Music Preservation Society Inc.

ACAPPELLA: THE MUSICAL (A PRE-VIEW)

12 pm **Wilson Park, Florence**
Cost: Free! See what's coming in 2018!
Featuring: Singing Ensemble and Cast of *Acappella* the Musical
Sponsored by: Darryl Wormely, Art City Institute & Foundation in Residence at Alabama A&M University

TUNES IN THE TERMINAL

12-4 pm **Northwest Alabama Regional Airport, Muscle Shoals**
Featuring: Aaron Blades Band * Asleep By Ten
Sponsored by: Northwest Alabama Regional Airport Authority * Ricatoni's * City Hardware * Chicago Café * Ichiban * Pie Factory * Aunt Bea's Bakery * Buffalo Wild Wings

HANDY LUNCH

11 am-1 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Devere Pride Combo
11 am-2 pm **Rosie's Cantina, Florence** – Ken Watters & Jazz Allstars
Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence – All Star Jazz
City Hardware, Florence – Tosha Hill
12-3 pm **Legends, Florence** – Dorothy Cole as "Tina Turner"

3rd ANNUAL SHOALS BLUES CHALLENGE

1 pm until **The Mane Room, Florence**
Cost: Free
Featuring: Various Performers
Information: For more information about the Blues Challenge, call Dr. Bob Garfrerick at 256-765-4369
Sponsored by: University of North Alabama Dept. of Entertainment Industry * The Mane Room * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

LEARN TO LINE DANCE AND GROOVE TO CLASSIC R&B!

2-6p **The Michael Community Center, Sheffield**
Cost: Free! Classes for all ages taught by Luther Jarmon
Featuring: Off The Chain
2 pm Beginning Line Dance
4 pm Intermediate Line Dance
Sponsored by: City of Sheffield Councilwoman Penny Freeman * Shoals Solid Waste Authority * Sheffield Utilities * Sheffield Redevelopment Authority

HANDY AT THE TEMPLE - "A GIG AT THE GOGUE"

2 pm **TEMPLE B'NAI ISRAEL, 201 E. Hawthorne Street, Florence**
Cost: Free
Music by: Tunick-Whitehead Family Singers
Sponsored by: Temple B'nai Israel

ACOUSTIC BLUEGRASS GOSPEL JAM

2-4 pm **Shoals Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 2011 County Rd 41 & Cox Creek, Florence**
Free refreshments. Come to play, sing, or just listen. All playing levels welcome. Acoustic instruments only.
Featuring: Lidabell and the Slackers Bluegrass Band
Sponsored by: Shoals Seventh-Day Adventist Church

SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #4

2 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence**
Music by: The Songs of Stephanie C. Brown & Friends – Mark Narmore, Mitch Mann, Will McFarlane, Milton Sledge, & Mike Curtis
Sponsored by: Florence-Lauderdale Tourism * Crazy Chester Music * Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area

MUSIC AT THE MANSION

3-5 pm **Belle Mont Mansion, 1569 Cook Lane, Tuscumbia**
Cost: Music is free * Donations accepted * Oh!Bryan's Sweet Tea & Fried Pies for sale
Featuring: Ray Reach and his Dixieland Friends
Sponsored by: Colbert County Historical Landmarks Foundation * Oh!Bryan's Downtown * Friends of Belle Mont

LISTENING ROOM

3-4:30 pm **The Historic Zodiac Playhouse (TheZ), Florence**
Featuring: Gary Lamb, Robert Dickson, Mark Lanter, Ray Reach, Tom Wolfe
Sponsored by: Friends of the Festival

HANDY HAPPY HOURS

5:30- 8:30 pm **On The Rocks, Florence** – Fathers & Sons
6-9 pm **Rosie's Cantina, Florence** – The Decoys
Stephano's Southland, Sheffield – Rob Malone & Rob Aldridge
6-10 pm **Cajun's Food Inc.** – Travis Wammack
6:30-9:30 pm **Flobama, Florence** – Asleep By Ten

BACK TO SCHOOL CONCERT AND SCHOOL SUPPLY GIVE AWAY!

6 pm **Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum, Florence**
Cost: Free (with free backpacks and school supplies)
Featuring: Gospel Singing * Gospel Rappers * Step Teams * Food, Games, Free School Supplies, and MORE!
For more info: contact Pastor Robert Turner Jr., at <https://www.facebook.com/NewBirthMinistriesFlorence>
Sponsored by: New Birth Ministries

SPRING VALLEY FIREFIGHTERS 4th ANNUAL RODEO

North Alabama State Fairgrounds, Muscle Shoals
Cost: \$15.00 for adults/ \$10.00 for kids ages 6-12/ free for kids 5 & under
6 pm Gates open
7:30 pm Rodeo begins
9 pm Skipper Grace, Nashville, TN
Sponsored by: Spring Valley Firefighters

WC HANDY FESTIVAL HEADLINER: THE SALT & PEPPER BLUES SERIES CONCERT

7 pm until **Norton Auditorium, University North Alabama Campus, Florence**
Featuring: Maxwell Russell * Jock Webb, Sr. * Clarence "Bluesman" Davis * Alabama Annie * 2 Blu Duo * Jontavious Willis
Cost: \$20 advance / \$25 at the door
Sponsored by: University North Alabama * Alabama Folklife * Dr. Robert Garfrerick * Russell Gulley * Dick Cooper * Music Preservation Society, Inc.

SHEFFIELD "BOTTOMS" BLOCK PARTY

7-9 pm **400 South Atlanta Avenue, Sheffield**
Cost: Free
Featuring: Thompson Trio
Sponsored by: Sheffield Councilwoman Penny Freeman * Helen Keller Hospital * Sheffield Redevelopment Authority

FONDA SKIPWORTH PRESENTS THE LEGENDARY R&B FUNK BAND MIDNIGHT STAR

8 pm **Shoals Theater, Florence** (doors open at 7 pm)
Cost: \$35 advance/\$40 at the door (Advance Tickets available at: Bunyan's Barbeque, The London Shop, Jamie's Cut & Style, Handy Headquarters) Food available for purchase.
Featuring: Orlando "Dee" Lucas * Midnight Starr
Sponsored by: Alabama Health Guidance * Allstate @ Long Lewis-Dealer Insurance Services Inc. * Alter Image * Terry Anderson * Bob's Tire & Alignment Co Inc. * Bohannon Services Pest Control * Boyd Auto Sales * Brooks Barbeque * Bunyan's BBQ * Car Tunes of the Shoals * Chandler Painting Company * Clay Bisque Studio * Cloth and Stone Boutique * Coats Clothing * Coldwater Mill Restaurant * Coldwell Banker Tenn Vall Realty * Cooper Market - Luke Stevenson Creative Jewelers * Crouch & Sons Plumbing * Curtis Micheal Simpson Atty * Curtis Jackson * CRC-Janet McLeary * CRC-Rosemary Thompson * Dandy's Discount Pkg Store * Dunagan Yates & Alison * Elgin Medical Center * Epicurean Day Spa * Executive Investments * First Heritage Credit * Ford City Pool Supply * Fuller Heating & Air * Glasgow Heating & Air Conditioning * Healthsource of Florence * Hickory Hills Dental Care - Bruce Evans, DMD * Holt Mussleman * Homeside Restaurant * Hope Church * Jody's Restaurant * Keestone of Florence Jazz Fest * Kids Club * LL Barnett Dental Solutions * Lovely Nails & Spa * Tonya & Spud Mitchell * Motor Credit * Oasis Deli * Tropical Snow * Patrick M Laney State Farm * Pete's Packing House * Pounders & Associates * Prestage Pawn & Auto * Puppy Love Pet Grooming * Quad Cities Carpets Inc. * Rancho Viejo * Seasons * Shoals Auto Glass * Shoals Distributing Inc./Budweiser * Shoals Southern Kitchen * Shotglass Guns * Smokin' On The Boulevard * Stells Sports Grille * Stephenson Tire & Alignment * Tan City * Tennessee Valley Authority * Valley Health Food Inc. * University CDJR * Watson Home Furniture * Wideman's - Mobil Lube Express/Hair Salon * Willows Day Spa * The Wood Floor * Workout Anytime * World Finance Loans * Yellow Hammer Roofing

HANDY NIGHTS

7-10 pm **306 Barbeque, Florence** – Mary Mason Band
7 pm until **Lil' Capone's, Florence** – Slightly Damaged / Bama Border
8 pm **Champy's, Muscle Shoals** – Lamont Landers
8-11 pm **Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence** – Josh Allison & The Corner Pocket
8-mn **City Hardware, Florence** – Christian Turner
9 pm-1 am **Singing River Bar & Grill (Radisson Hotel), Sheffield** – Dixie Mafia
On The Rocks, Florence – Bad Brad & The Sipsey Slims
9 pm-1:15 am **PJ's, Muscle Shoals** – The Midnighters
10:30 pm-1:30 am **Flobama, Florence** – Second Creek

HANDY JAM

9 pm-Until **Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence** – ALL-STAR JAZZ JAM

SUNDAY, JULY 30

WC HANDY & FRIENDS

11 am **Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Shoals, 1332 N. Pine St., Florence**
Featuring: Speaker Daphne Simpkins
Sponsored by: Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Shoals

COLLEGE STREET GOSPEL

2-4 pm **College Street Park, Southwest Corner of West College Street and Beverly Avenue, Florence**
(in case of rain, event will be moved to the Dwelling Place, 919 West College Street, Florence)
Featuring: Renewed * Orr Sisters * St. James Special Chorus * Carrine Thompson
Sponsored by: James Barnett * Dave Smith * Selwyn Jones * Cassie Barnett * Gina Smith * Kaytrina Simmons

HOT BLUES IN THE AFTERNOON

5-8 pm **Stephano's Southland, 1309 South Jackson Highway, Sheffield**
Featuring: Microwave Dave & Travis Wammack
Sponsored by: Suzanne Hamlin, Colbert Co. Tourism * Tom Heflin, Atty At Law * John VanSandt, Expert Oil Change

SWINGING RIVER JAZZ

6 pm **First Baptist Church, 209 N. Walnut Street, Florence**
Featuring: Swinging River Jazz Band
Sponsored by: First Baptist Church of Florence

NEW MUSIC NIGHT

6 pm **Woodward Avenue Baptist Church, Muscle Shoals**
(in case of rain, event will move to Woodward Avenue Baptist Church)
Featuring: Woodward Avenue Baptist Church Praise Team
Sponsored by: Woodward Avenue Baptist Church

W.C. HANDY AND PERCY SLEDGE (A GOSPEL MUSIC TRIBUTE)

6 pm **Galilee M.B. Church, Old Highway 20, Leighton**
Featuring: Howell "Flipper" Sledge and the Lovell-Sledge Band * Renewed * Christine Ohlman * Rev. Jerry Reeves & Galilee Church Choir * other special guests
Sponsored by: Friends and Family of the late Percy Sledge

HANDY NIGHT

8-11 pm **Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence – Nicki Scruggs**

POST-FESTIVAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 05

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

10 am-4 pm **Michael Community Center, Sheffield**
Cost: Free
Featuring: Bounce Houses and Other Activities for kids!
Sponsored by: City of Sheffield * First Missionary Baptist Church, Sheffield * Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8460 * Florence Flotilla Coast Guard Auxilliary * NAACP Tri County Branch * Logan Foundation