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Blissfest Music Festival Presents Stellar Lineup:

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HARBOR SPRINGS — Blissfest Music Festival returns again this summer with three days of live music, workshops, food trucks, a juried craft show, and family activities. The 42nd annual Blissfest Music Festival is slated to take place July 12-14 with a lineup including The Wood Brothers, Sarah Jarosz, Donna the Buffalo, John Craigie, Amythyst Kiah, and Vieux Farka Touré. Weekend, Saturday, and Sunday tickets are on sale now.

“We are thrilled to bring you this lineup of artists for a weekend in beautiful Northern Michigan. We consider ourselves a true discovery festival; to do that, we must mine talent through the state of Michigan, across the country, and around the globe. What has turned up this year are some true gems! All the artists we present are real masters of their craft, even if their names might be new to you. We can’t wait for you to be ‘wowed’ by all the talent to be found in three short days across ten performance areas.” says Caroline Barlow, Artistic Director of Blissfest Music Organization.

Headlining on Friday evening is four-time Grammy Award-winner Sarah Jarosz, Texas-born singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist. The recent release of her seventh album, *Polaroid Lovers*, infuses Jarosz’s output—her finely wrought lyricism, ravishing vocal work, and virtuosic yet unfettered musicality. Preceding Sarah Jarosz on stage is Blissfest fan favorite Donna the Buffalo, who continues to draw on a range of musical influences, from country and rock ‘n’ roll to bluegrass and old-time fiddle, as well as Cajun and Zydeco. The Wood Brothers, John Craigie, John Doyle Band, and Amythyst Kiah are



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featured on Saturday night. For the better part of two decades, The Wood Brothers have cemented their reputation as freethinking songwriters, road warriors, and community builders, creating a catalog of diverse music and a loyal audience who've grown alongside them through the years. John Craigie has been described as "*the lovechild of John Prine and Mitch Hedberg with a vagabond troubadour edge.*" by *The Stranger*. John Doyle, from the highly acclaimed super group Solas, took the folk and Celtic music worlds by storm, in no small part due to John's powerhouse rhythmic guitar style and innovative arrangements. He's regarded as the master of Irish guitar. Amythyst Kiah is a Chattanooga-bred singer/songwriter expanding on the uncompromising artistry she's displayed as a member of Our Native Daughters—an all-women-of-color supergroup whose Kiah-penned standout "Black Myself" earned a GRAMMY nomination for Best American Roots Song and won Song of the Year at the Folk Alliance International Awards.

Caroline recognizes how fortunate Blissfest is to highlight Michigan acts: "We would also like to give a grateful nod and recognition to all the Michigan artists on our lineup this year. Michigan music fans are so supportive and loyal that they will be happy to see first-time acts like Full Cord, Desmond Jones, and Kait Rose & The Thorns. Returning favorites include The Go Rounds, May Erlewine, and K. Jones & The Benzie Playboys. This list only scratches the surface, which makes us even more lucky!"

Blissfest is not just about the incredible music; it's about creating a diverse and exciting experience for you. We've carefully curated a range of activities to cater to all interests. From healing arts activities to a hands-on kids tent, crafting folkschool to musical workshops, a late-night silent disco to over 60 craft and food vendors, and a Blissfest store filled with logo apparel, merchandise, and camping essentials. The festival is yours to explore and enjoy!

The 42nd annual Blissfest Music Festival takes place July 12-14. Links to musicians, ticket sales, camping, and festival details can also be found online at blissfestfestival.org.