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Bloomin'Days
Planting Seeds for Downtown Kenosha

Bloomin' Days Returns June 5 – 6!

Celebrate Summer and MUSIC at Unique Downtown Festival

May 5, 2009 (Kenosha, WI) – Kenosha's Downtown & Harborside area will be in full bloom June 5th and 6th as the third annual Bloomin' Days festival celebrates the coming of summer and all things summer-inspired. This FREE family-friendly festival brings tons of live music, art, flowers, bicycles, and so much more to this bustling lakeshore community. The main festival site is located at 54th Street & 6th Avenue in downtown Kenosha, and the hours are Friday 5:00pm to 10:00pm and Saturday 11:00am to 10:00pm. And just when we thought it couldn't get any bigger... it did. This year, there are nearly 300 musicians performing on FOUR stages and throughout the streets and sidewalks of downtown Kenosha.

Providing the warm up for the weekend's festivities, Friday night's Bloomin' Days will feature a Community Drum Circle (5-6pm) and two fabulous Main Stage acts that will rock Kenosha's lakefront. Regional favorite 89 Mojo will appear at 6pm, and a one-night reunion show by the renowned Radioactive Squirrels hits the stage at 8pm. Friday night will also feature food vendors and a beer and wine garden.

Saturday's festivities begin with the popular Bloomin' Bike Parade. Kids can gather in Library Park at 9:00am to adorn their bikes with decorations, balloons, and old-fashioned bicycle bells courtesy of Heim's Downtown Toy Store. At the same time and place, 200 children's bicycle helmets will be provided free while supplies last, courtesy of Habush, Habush & Rottier, S.C. (children must be present to receive a helmet). The Kenosha Police Department will also be on hand during this time offering free bicycle registration. At 10:30am, the Bloomin' Bike Parade heads off down 6th Avenue to the Bloomin' Days main festival site at 6th Avenue & 54th Street where the festival will officially open at 11:00 am.

At this site, families will enjoy specialty vendors and exhibits such as the Racine Zoo, Kenosha Conservatory of Music Instrument Petting Zoo, children's obstacle course and games, hands on activities for kids and adults, and more. Also enjoy great food and beverage at the event's Taste of Downtown food garden, and beer and wine garden.

The music lineup for Saturday is without doubt the main attraction and guests will find a multitude of different genres to suit any style, age or taste. Four music stages will start the day off with young talents such as *Macyn Taylor*, *Tallan Latz* (the world's youngest performing blues artist), *Stockwood* (the world's youngest Beatles tribute band), *Kenosha Conservatory of Music Student Rock Bands*, *Our Own Syndrome* and more. All in all, 24 fabulous acts will take to the stages of downtown, along with hundreds of musicians dispersed along 6th Avenue to entertain as you explore the shops, eateries and

other businesses in the neighborhood. Enjoy drum sessions, jazz trios, and a multitude of other live musical acts, as well as talented artists creating works of art right before your eyes.

Kenosha HarborMarket will move to 6th Avenue between 55th & 56th Streets during Saturday's Bloomin' Days festival. From 9am to 3pm, shop the European-inspired open-air market featuring locally grown, organic produce, meats, cheeses, scrumptious baked goods, delicious ready to eat foods, chef demonstrations, handmade crafts and jewelry, and more.

On the south end of 6th Avenue – on 6th Avenue 'A' – visit "Green Street", featuring exhibits, workshops, games and activities focused on living a greener lifestyle. Merchants throughout the district will also offer Bloomin' Days specials and fun activities like arts & crafts, princess hair styling and others. Visitors can also pick up a free Bloomin' Days Coupon Book at the Bloomin' Days Info Tent on Saturday (beginning at 11am; while 2,000 last).

Bloomin' Days is produced by Kenosha's Lakeshore Business Improvement District (BID). Proceeds will benefit district beautification projects such as *BID Blooms*, the program responsible for the flowers adorning the Downtown & Harborside neighborhood. Bloomin' Days 2009 is also supported by corporate sponsors and partners including Snap-on, Inc., Kenosha News, Best Western Harborside Inn, Raymond James Financial Services, Affiliated Foods Midwest, City of Kenosha and Kenosha Area Convention & Visitors Bureau.

For a full schedule of activities and times, visit www.KenoshaBloominDays.com.

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2009 BLOOMIN' DAYS MUSIC LINEUP



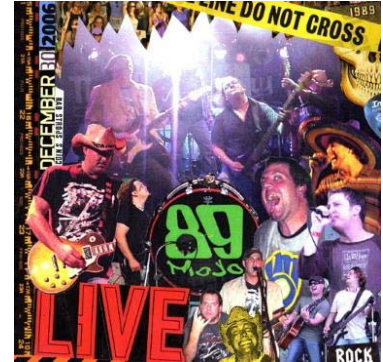
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**All acts and times subject to change. Eff. 05/01/09.*

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2009

SNAP-ON MAIN STAGE (54th Street & 6th Avenue)

6:00pm – 89 Mojo – Ever since forming in 1999, 89 Mojo has been one of the area's favorite rock 'n roll party bands, earning them praise as "the perfect festival band." Being both a DIY indie band as well as a hard-working cover band has provided the group its successful niche. It's what works for both the band and any fan of melody-driven rock and pop music. 89 Mojo's fun, energetic live show has built them a great fan base. With an ever-growing catalog of over 50 original songs and another 50 covers, each show is unique and entertaining. The band has also found success on many online music-related sites, including having a couple songs being named the "Power Pop track of the week" at Garageband.com and another chosen as "Editor's Pick" on Rolling Stone Magazine's website. www.89mojo.com



8:00pm – Radioactive Squirrels – With music by the Doors, Rolling Stones, Tom Petty and their signature punk versions of oldies and classic rock tunes. Radioactive Squirrels will reunite for this one show! This Kenosha-based band is known for its unique, fuel-injected versions of oldies and classic rock songs. They've opened for regional favorites like Pat McCurdy and Catfight and shared the stage with the legendary Peter Tork of the Monkees. The Squirrels performed over 300 shows and developed a following rarely seen by a Kenosha-based band. They also received press for their Doors tribute shows (complete with Morrison poetry) and were the 1st Place Winners of Austin's 2006 Headliner Competition in Libertyville, IL. The Squirrels headlined at the Brat Stop, The Cubby Bear in Chicago, Famous Freddie's in Mount Prospect and 115 Bourbon Street in Merrionette Park, IL. They've also performed at local festivals such as Harborfest, Woofstock and Bloomin' Days. www.myspace.com/radioactivesquirrels



SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2009

SNAP-ON MAIN STAGE (54th St. & 6th Ave.)

11:00am – Kenosha Conservatory of Music Student Rock Bands – Five bands comprised of kids from the Kenosha Conservatory of Music Rock Band class will kick off the music on Saturday. The bands performing include: Small Fries Band, Two Sisters and a Brother, Hotwire, Luminas and Disfunktional System. The Rock Band Class teaches students how to play in a band or group. All the students are enrolled in private lessons and come in for an additional class to play in a band. The students are grouped together according to age and skill level. Each student gets to pick a song that he or she wants to play and all students are required to play songs from different styles such as: Rock, Jazz, Blues etc. Each Rock Band Class is required to perform at seasonal recitals and also have opportunities to perform at local events such as the 2009 Bloomin' Days. www.kenoshaconservatory.com



12:30pm – Our Own Syndrome – Our Own Syndrome began back in 2003 as a group of friends getting together to jam in one another’s garages. As they got older, the music came together, and the band you know today was formed. A few line-up changes have occurred over the years, but Our Own Syndrome has been operating with its current nine-member ensemble for about a year now. They’ve played nearly a hundred shows to date, and are always looking to play a few more when asked or prompted, or even bribed (wink, wink).

<http://www.myspace.com/OurOwnSyndrome>



2:00pm – Tallan Latz – International superstar Tallan Noble Latz and his band will perform music from Jimi Hendrix, Stevie Ray Vaughan and more. Tallan is only 9 years old, but plays electric guitar like an old blues veteran. Tallan (aka: The T-Man) is a guitar player/singer/songwriter that seems to be destined for the big stage. He has been playing music since the age of 3, picking up the guitar for the first time at 4 and finally getting serious about the guitar at age 5.

Tallan has been featured on CBS’ Rachael Ray TV Show, WGN’s Morning Show, Fox’s Morning Show, CBS’ Early Show, FOX News: Studio B with Shepard Smith, The Bonnie Hunt TV Show, CNN, NBC’s Today Show with Meredith Vieira, NBC’s Today Show with Kathy Lee and Hoda, Chicago’s WLS TV Morning Show and Almost Live with Johnny B TV Show are just a few. He’s been talked about on news broadcasts and radio programs all over the country and the world, Tallan was featured on the BBC. His story has appeared in every major newspaper, worldwide. He was even the feature story on Yahoo’s Homepage. www.tallanlatz.com



4:00pm – Stockwood – The world’s youngest Beatles’ tribute band will perform tons of great songs made famous by Britain’s greatest rock n’ roll band. Formed in April 2004, Stockwood started as an act for an elementary school talent show. At that time, much like the real Beatles, there were five musicians. Shortly thereafter the fifth member left the group and the other four original members remain to this day.

The recipients of the 2006 and 2007 “Battle of the Beatle Bands” at Chicago Fest, Stockwood is the “world’s youngest Beatles tribute band”. At an amazingly young age, these lads bring together their musical proficiency to entertain audiences of varying ages with music that transcends time. People often ask, “Do the boys lip sync?” or “Do they play a CD in the background to help them out?” The answer to both is a resounding NO! All four boys sing and play their musical instruments without accompaniment from anyone or anything. They are friends offstage and have a musical connection in their admiration of The Beatles.

<http://www.stockwoodrocks.com>



6:00pm – Orphan – For over 30 years, local legendary band Orphan has developed generations of fans throughout southeastern Wisconsin. Orphan is an “old school” classic rock band with great harmonies, electrifying guitar work and a solid rhythm section. Since 1974, lead guitarist and front man Jeff Kemen remains as the band’s only original member. In the mid-80s, Jeff also performed in Hollywood, California with Willie Aames (from TV series “Eight Is Enough”). Orphan’s rhythm section includes veteran musician Jimmy LeRose on bass guitar. Jimmy LeRose is also a songwriter with his own CD of original music and has performed his solo act at Summerfest and other venues throughout the area. Steve DeAngelis has been Orphan’s drummer for the past 15 years.

With a deep repertoire of great tunes from the 60’s to current, Orphan will perform hits from U2, David Bowie, Peter Frampton (with the signature talk box!), Bruce Springsteen, Jackson Browne, Tom Petty, John Mellencamp, Matchbox 20, Third Eye Blind and more. This veteran band promises to deliver a great performance that shouldn’t be missed.

8:00pm – 3D –Performing all the great “summer” hits from Journey, Boston, Toto, The Outfield, Survivor and more. 3D is a pop rock, vocal harmony filled, acoustic cover band playing all the hits from yesterday and today. With a history of music lineage, these three brothers bring instrumental precision along with heavenly vocals to all the songs they play. Gracing the stages of Summerfest, Wisconsin State Fair and a multitude of other Wisconsin bars and festivals, these guys have also shared the stage with such legendary acts as Loverboy, The Outfield, Survivor, Taylor Dayne, Phil Vasser and Blackhawk.

<http://www.myspace.com/3DBrothers>



🎵 Please note that the following Stage and Street Musician Schedules are for Saturday, June 6th only:

BEST WESTERN HARBORSIDE STAGE (5125 6th Ave.)

11:00am [Macyn Taylor](#)
12:00pm [Jerome In The Sky](#)
1:15pm [Taken The Coast](#)
2:30pm [Shortstop from Tokyo](#)
3:45pm [The Green Tangerines](#)
5:00pm [LEO](#)

RAYMOND JAMES STAGE (6th Ave. 'A' & 59th St.)

11:00am [Jason Kent's Flying Circus](#)
12:15pm [Paul Emersun](#)
1:30pm [Ethan Keller](#)
2:30pm [Sleepwell Sweetheart](#)
3:45pm [The Andes](#)
5:00pm [Tim Korry](#)

RHODE CENTER FOR THE ARTS (514 56th St.)

11:00pm [John Petty and All Good Things](#)
12:00pm [Leviathan's Choir](#)
1:15pm [Loose Change](#)
2:30pm [American Folk](#)
3:45pm [Everett Thomas](#)
5:00pm [The Lonely Ninjas](#)

STAGE EMCEES

John Schuld
Jim Selovich
Vincent Cook
Larry Zamba

STREET MUSIC SCHEDULE

Location #1: Common Grounds (6th Ave. & 52nd St.)

11:00am [Saved By Grace](#)
12:00pm [Actually](#)
1:00pm [Undercover Organism](#)
2:00pm [Tenant Parking Only](#)
3:00pm [eYE\(S\)](#)
4:00pm [Maybe Tomorrow](#)
5:00pm [Zero 2 Jeff](#)

Location #2: Veteran's Park Fountain (5270 6th Ave.)

11:00am [Loose Change](#)
12:00pm Fiddlin' Jim Sullivan
1:00pm [The Lonely Ninjas](#)
2:00pm [One Ton Banana](#)
3:00pm [The Ecolimes](#)
4:00pm [Big Leaf Linden](#)
5:00pm [Thomas Dioguardi](#)

Location #3: Harbor Anchor (5310 6th Ave.)

11:00am [Chronic Detour](#)
12:00pm [Rick Kokan](#)
1:00pm [Optimism at Large](#)
2:00pm [Nick Schlick](#)
3:00pm [Tony Crivello](#)
4:00pm [SAMB.K](#)
5:00pm [Joshua Patterson](#)

Location #4: Mo's Lounge (5537 6th Ave.)

11:00am [Dave Byron](#)
12:00pm [One Ton Banana](#)
1:00pm [Blue Edge of the Prairie](#)
2:00pm [Mandy Z & Rural Route One](#)
3:00pm [Rick Kokan](#)
4:00pm [Keith Minikel](#)
5:00pm [All Too True](#)

Location #5: Wine Knot (5611 6th Ave.)

11:00am [Darci Bazan](#)
12:00pm [Patti Michaels](#)
1:00pm [Matt Mills](#)
2:00pm [Anna Lisa Ohnstad](#)
3:00pm [Optimism at Large](#)
4:00pm [Fadeback](#)
5:00pm [Dylan Yates](#)

Location #6: Summers Garden (5617 6th Ave.)

10:00am [Larry Wimmer Band](#)
11:00am [Indigo Drifter](#)
12:00pm [Floog](#)
1:00pm [Lucrezio](#)
2:00pm [Chris Dolan](#)
3:00pm [Leviathan's Choir](#)
4:00pm [Cody Cummings](#)
5:00pm [Building A Better You](#)

Location #7: Social Security Building (5624 6th Ave.)

10:00am [Schoettler Saxophone Ensemble](#)

11:00am [Jude Kinnear](#)
12:00pm [Big Wish](#)
1:00pm [Greg Culp](#)
2:00pm [Jerimiah Bohn](#)
3:00pm [Kenosha Ramblers](#)
4:00pm [Tenant Parking Only](#)
5:00pm [Jamey Buencamino](#)

Location #8: The Nook (5703 6th Ave.)

9:00am [Tom Ceschin](#)
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11:00am [Anna Lisa Ohnstad](#)
12:00pm [The Jill Plaisted Band](#)
1:00pm [Macyn Taylor](#)
2:00pm [Mark Hubing & Friends](#)
3:00pm [All Too True](#)
4:00pm [The Drought](#)
5:00pm [Nick Schlick](#)

Location #9: Forever Christmas (5721 6th Ave.)

10:00am [Nate Johnson](#)
11:00am [Julia Hare](#)
12:00pm [Chris Dolan](#)
1:00pm [Maybe Tomorrow](#)
2:00pm [Chris Boyden and the Craftsmen](#)
3:00pm [89 Mojo](#)
4:00pm [Sevastopol](#)
5:00pm [Mathew Haeffel](#)

Location #10: Something Different (5716 6th Ave.)

10:00am [Mike Basa](#)
11:00am [Tony Crivello](#)
12:00pm [Bill Robbins](#)
1:00pm [Donoma](#)
2:00pm [Tim Korry](#)
3:00pm [Mathew Haeffel](#)
4:00pm [Jason Kent](#)
5:00pm [The Blackberries](#)

Location #11: Frank's Diner (508 58th St.)

11:00am [Folkswagon](#)
12:00pm [Chris Boyden and the Craftsmen](#)
1:15pm [Union Pulse](#)
2:30pm [Real Deal](#)
3:45pm [Poor Boy Rebellion](#)
5:00pm [Evan Priday Band](#)

Location #12: Olive Tree Restaurant (5800 6th Ave.)

10:00am [Stuart Bisbee](#)
11:00am [Mark Hubing & Friends](#)
12:00pm [Brian Genevich](#)
1:00pm Bruce Henne
2:00pm [Roxie Beane](#)
3:00pm [Macyn Taylor](#)
4:00pm [Terry n' the Front](#)
5:00pm [Jason Kent](#)

Roaming Performers: [The Dairy Statesmen](#) @ 1pm