

Spring 2019

Louisiana Folk

Official Newsletter of the Louisiana Folklife Center

The 40th Annual Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival
July 26-27, 2019

The Festival will be held in air-conditioned Prather Coliseum on the North-western State University campus in Natchitoches. The 2019 festival theme is "Vive la Louisiane!" The festival theme celebrates the ways in which so many outstanding artists young and old are tapping into the power and artistry of the old ways, revitalizing and reimagining tradition as they make it their own.

The festival will include a wide variety of traditional crafts, folk foods, Kidfest, three stages with live music, narrative sessions, and music informances. In addition, the annual Louisiana State Fiddle Championship will be held in Magale Recital Hall on the afternoon of July 27.

The 2019 festival will include folk music of the region, ranging from Cajun, Zydeco, bluegrass, country, blues, and gospel. Featured musicians will include blues artist Tab Benoit, Cajun artists the Bruce Daigrepoint Cajun Band, traditional Americana musicians the Rayo Brothers, Celtic music by the Kitchen Session Band and Creole la la by Goldman Thibodeaux and the Lawtell Playboys. Bruce Daigrepoint and Jamie Berzas will conduct a workshop on the Cajun accordion.

Cajun and Zydeco dance lessons will be offered. Additionally, the Louisiane Vintage Dancers will perform accompanied by the Kitchen Session band.

Regional material culture crafts, such as beadwork, quilts, spinning and weaving, Native American baskets, Czech Pysanky eggs, along with demonstrations by the craft persons working on site will be included.

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Join us at the 2019 Folk Festival for a true celebration of Louisiana's Folklife as we welcome many incredible crafts persons and musicians who find their inspiration in traditional roots and where the past meets the present!

We're Going Paperless!

We are transitioning to an electronic version of the folk festival newsletter. The paper-based version will no longer be printed and mailed out. A digital copy will be available on our website.

<https://louisianafolklife.nsula.edu/2019-natchitoches-nsu-folk-festival/>

We will also email it to anyone interested in receiving it.

If you would like to be on our email list, please send your name and email address to folklife@nsula.edu.

After submitting your email address, please keep us updated and let us know if it changes.

Hall of Master Folk Artists 2019 Inductees

Tab Benoit, Honorary Chair
Jamie Berzas, musician
John Oswald Colson, filé maker
Bruce Daigrepoint, musician
Vanessa Niemann, singer

**Induction ceremony will be Saturday, July 27th at 11:00 am
on the Main Stage inside Prather Coliseum**

What To Know Before You Go

Location: The Festival will be held July 26th & 27th in comfortable, air-conditioned Prather Coliseum located at **220 South Jefferson Street**, on the campus of Northwestern State University in historic Natchitoches, LA.

Directions: To Reach the Coliseum, take **Exit 138** (the Natchitoches exit) from I-49. From Shreveport, turn left; from Alexandria, turn right onto Hwy. 6/University Pkwy. Continue driving for approximately 4 miles and turn right onto South Jefferson. Prather Coliseum is on the right, just past the President's house and the tennis courts.

Advance ALL-EVENTS wristbands are available at a discounted price until July 20, 2019.

***Pricing for Advance all-events wristbands:**

\$13.00 per person, *Price includes sales tax and is subject to change**

FREE for children 12 and under

Advance ALL-EVENTS wristbands will not be available after July 20th 2019.

Advance ALL-EVENTS wristbands can be purchased:

- At the Louisiana Folklife Center located in Room 213 of Kyser Hall on the campus of NSU in Natchitoches, LA. during the following hours: Monday-Thursday, 8 am-5 pm; Friday 8 am-10 am.
- Tickets are also available for purchase by mail. Send a check or money order made payable to Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival to the following address:
Northwestern State University, LA Folklife Center, NSU Box 3663, Natchitoches, LA 71497

AFTER JULY 20TH:

**WRISTBANDS CAN BE PURCHASED THE DAY OF THE FESTIVAL, JULY 26 & 27TH, AT THE TICKET BOOTH
LOCATED AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF PRATHER COLISEUM.**

TICKET BOOTH OPENS AT 4:30 PM ON JULY 26TH AND AT 8:00 AM ON JULY 27TH.

Ticket Booth will accept CASH ONLY!!

Wristband prices day of the festival:

Friday night only, \$6.00 per person

Saturday, all day, \$10.00 per person

Saturday, after 5 pm only, \$6.00 per person

FREE for children 12 and under

Admission Prices, include sales tax and prices are subject to change

For more information about the Festival or the LA State Fiddle Championship, contact the Louisiana Folklife Center at (318) 357- 4332 or folklife@nsula.edu.

Prather Coliseum and CAPA Annex/Magale Recital Hall are wheelchair accessible.

Alcohol is not allowed or sold on the site. Ice chests, outside food & drinks are prohibited.



Friday, July 26, 2019

Ticket Booth & Doors Open at 4:30pm

Tentative Music Schedule

West Stage	Main Stage	East Stage
5:00-5:45 Joyful Sounds	5:00-6:00 Cajun Dance Lessons by Cajun French Music Association Dance Troupe	5:30-6:15 Ed Huey
6:00-7:15 50 Man Machine	6:15-7:45 Gal Holiday & the Honky Tonk Revue	6:30 - 7:45 Cane Mutiny
7:30-9:30 Open Jam with Max & Marcy	8:00-10:00 Bruce Daigrepoint Cajun Band	

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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Saturday July 27, 2019 , 8am - 5pm Only

<u>Exhibits & Demonstrations</u>	<u>KidFest</u>	<u>Outside Demonstrations</u>
<p>Association for the Preservation of Historic Natchitoches Cammie G. Henry Research Center Cane River Creole National Historical Park Creole Heritage Center Fort St. Jean Baptiste State Historic Site Louisiana Folk Roots Mansfield SHS</p>	<p>Kidfest is an area dedicated to child-friendly activities and is a fun way for children to examine their own cultural and family traditions as well as those from around the state. Kidfest will be available on Saturday ONLY from 8:30am to 4:00pm.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Smokey Bear will make an appearance at the festival!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">T.R.E.E. House Children's Museum</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mr. Danny's Magic</p>	<p>Red River Smiths, Blacksmithing</p> <p>Central LA Dutch Oven Cookers of the LA. Dutch Oven Society</p> <p>W. Baton Rouge Museum, interactive "Wash Day" demonstration</p>

Silent Auction

A Silent Auction will be held **July 27th from 9 am-3 pm** in Prather Coliseum. Items for the Auction will be donated by various craft people. Revenue from the Auction will be used to pay for some of the many festival expenses.

****Must be 18 years or older to bid and must be present to win****

Louisiana State Fiddle Championship

Saturday, July 27, 2019, 1:00- 4:00 pm

The Louisiana State Fiddle Championship will be held in Magale Recital Hall which is housed in the CAPA Annex located at 140 Central Avenue. Fiddlers from around the state will compete for cash prizes and ribbons in two general divisions of play: Non-Championship Division and Championship Division. Participants may play in either the Non-Championship or Championship Division (**not both**). All Fiddlers may also enter the Twin Fiddles category.

Those who enter the Championship Division will compete for the Grand Champion title. The two top fiddlers from each group in the Championship Division — ages 0-21, 22-59, 60 and above — will compete for cash prizes and the opportunity to be recognized as the state's best fiddler.



Clancey Stewart, 2018 LA State Fiddle Champion; photo by Chris Reich

Fiddle Championship Schedule

- * 12:00-1:00 pm Magale Recital Hall, 1st floor, CAPA Annex
Late Registration
- * 12:00-1:00 pm The Stewart Family & Friends Bluegrass Band
- * 1:00-4:00 pm LA. State Fiddle Championship,
Magale Recital Hall
- * 4:30 pm Grand Champion will perform on the Festival's main
stage in Prather Coliseum

For more information visit our website at

<http://louisianafolklife.nsula.edu>, or email us at: folklife@nsula.edu

YOU keep the Fiddle Championship alive!

The Fiddle Championship needs your support to remain an ongoing event!

- _____ \$50 Supporter, 2 passes (all events)
- _____ \$100 Friend, 4 passes (all events), 1 t-shirt
- _____ \$250 Patron, 8 passes (all events), 2 t-shirts & Stage Signage
- _____ Other Amount, \$ _____



In addition, you will receive recognition from the stage, listing in the Festival Program and on the website, and the opportunity to present a prize.

Make checks payable to: **NSU Foundation** and write "**Fiddle Championship**" on the memo line.

Mail to: Louisiana Folklife Center, NSU Box 3663 Natchitoches, LA 71497

The Louisiana Folklife Center is unable to officially endorse political candidates or parties

Saturday, July 27, 2019

Ticket Booth & Doors Open at 8:00 am
Tentative Music Schedule

West Stage	Main Stage	East Stage
<p>10:00-11:15 Goldman Thibodeaux & the Lawtell Playboys</p> <hr/> <p>11:30-12:30 50 Man Machine</p> <hr/> <p>12:45-1:45 Brandy Roberts</p> <hr/> <p>2:00-2:45 Canneci N'de Band of Lipan Apache</p> <hr/> <p>3:00-4:15 Wayne & Same Ol' 2 Step</p> <hr/> <p>4:30-6:00 Jamie Berzas & the Cajun Tradition Band</p> <hr/> <p>6:15-7:30 Celtic Music with the Kitchen Session of Baton Rouge</p> <hr/> <p>7:45-9:30 Open Bluegrass and Country Jam with Max and Marcy</p>	<p>10:00-10:45 Cajun Dance Lessons by the Cajun French Music Association Dance Troupe</p> <hr/> <p>11:00-11:30 Welcome Ceremony Festival Honorary Chair: Tab Benoit LA Folklife Hall of Master Folk Artists Inductees: Tab Benoit, Jamie Berzas, John Oswald Colson, Bruce Daigrepoint, Vanessa Niemann</p> <hr/> <p>11:30-11:45 Folklife Angel: James Christopher Callahan</p> <hr/> <p>11:45-1:30 Bruce Daigrepoint Cajun Band</p> <hr/> <p>1:45-2:45 The Louisiane Vintage Dancers and the Kitchen Session Band of Baton Rouge</p> <hr/> <p>3:00-4:00 Brandy Roberts</p> <hr/> <p>4:00-4:15 Silent Auction Winners Announced</p> <hr/> <p>4:30-5:00 Louisiana State Fiddle Champion</p> <hr/> <p>5:15-6:45 The Rayo Brothers</p> <hr/> <p>7:00-9:00 Tab Benoit</p> <hr/> <p>9:15-10:30 Jamie Berzas & the Cajun Tradition Band</p>	<p>10:00-11:00 The Stewart Family & Friends Bluegrass Band</p> <hr/> <p>11:15-12:30 The Rayo Brothers</p> <hr/> <p>12:45-1:45 Goldman Thibodeaux & the Lawtell Playboys</p> <hr/> <p>2:00-2:45 Line Dance Lessons by the Cajun French Music Association Dance Troupe</p> <hr/> <p>3:00-4:15 Gal Holiday & the Honky Tonk Revue</p> <hr/> <p>4:30-5:00 Canneci N'de Band of Lipan Apache</p> <hr/> <p>5:15-6:00 Zydeco Dance Lessons</p> <hr/> <p>6:15-7:30 Wayne & Same Ol' 2 Step</p> <hr/> <p>7:45-9:00 Hardrick Rivers & the Rivers Revue Band</p>

Invited Craftspeople — Saturday, July 27th, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm ONLY!!

Adams Apiary & Farm, honey, observation hive
Judy Allen, jewelry
Bearberry Farm, jellies, jams, pickles, salsa
Bonnie Boudreaux, chair caning
Judith Braggs, folk art quilts
Edgar Bush, Cannecei N'de Band of Lipan Apache Tribe items
Campti Historic Museum Quilters, interactive quilting
Bjorn Cavazos-Smith, hand forged knives & sheaths
Christy Benoit Castille, tatting
Chacha's Flags & Woodworking, handcrafted flags & other items
Lora Ann Chaisson, alligator jewelry & Houma baskets
Rex Childress, wooden toys/carvings
Chipalottas, flintknapping
John Colson, filé maker
R. V. Couch, handmade musical instruments
Penny Crawford, LA. watercolor prints
John & Scarlett Darden, Chitimacha basketry
Waylon White Deer, Choctaw artist
Deborah Domengeaux, chair caning
Bill Ellzey, walking sticks
Stephanie Madere Escude, Native American dolls & other items
Douglas Fazzio, Houma woodworking
Bill Fisher, Jena Choctaw woodcarvings
Kent Follette, pottery
Cindy Fuqua, pottery
Garden District Soapery, artisan soaps & candles
Tommy Gandy, scrollwork & wooden toys for children
Emily Garrett, crochet, rag rugs
Larry Garrett, handcrafted wooden serving spoons
Sharon Guillot/Oliomanna, handmade soaps & skin care products
Melvin Harper, carved walking canes
Cynthia Hernandez, homemade lye soap, bath bombs, bath salts
Marilyn & Cliff Hernandez, wood carvings
Susan Hill, handmade sock dolls
Sharon Dickerson Jackson, handmade brooms
Burley & Cynthia Johnson, fly ties, jams & jellies
Kenneth Kerry, turkey calls, knives, peach baskets
Jerry LaCaze, wood carvings, wood crafts, pyrography
Juanita Leonard, paintings, sculptures, folk art items

Kenneth Lindner, wood turner
Tammy Lloid, spinning & weaving
Louisiana Lagniappe Foods, jellies, jams, salsa, bread pudding
Ann Luster, Spanish moss dolls & other Houma crafts
Janie Luster, Houma Indian Baskets & crafts
Mamou Choctaw, cowhide chair covering; traditional crafts
Millard Mangrum, pottery & fleur-de-lis items
Kirk Martin, cooper
Juan Martinez/Indio Art, Texas Lipan Apache
Alfreda Mathieu, Cannecei N'de Band of Lipan Apache Tribe items
Shelton Meacham, handmade banjos
Janette Melton, Natchitoches Tribe, corn husk dolls & rag dolls
Becky Meziere, Choctaw baskets
Gladys Miller, dulcimers
Chris Moore, iron work, wreaths, birdhouses
Roy Parfait, Houma wood carvings
Doris Perkins, lye soap, quilling, wood burning
Winnie Perot, corn husk dolls & rag dolls
William "Billy" Phillips, handmade wooden decoys & carvings
Fred A. Pittman Jr., handcrafted knives
Clifton Ramin, gourd art
Riverside Pecan Co., pecans & pecan products
Carlene Robinson, LA Attakapas Eagle Tribe, beadwork
Margo Rosas, beading & leather work
Stan Routh, architectural drawings
Ken & Mary Royston, whittling, carvings, quilting
Barbara Seegraves, gourd art
Rachel Shaddox, handmade soaps
Shaw Design, custom woodworking
Rhoda Stevenson, paper mâché & paper clay
Ruth Stevenson, knitting & crochet
The Cajun Picasso, LLC, mixed media items
Gene Tomko, Louisiana Music Map
Frieda Tuma, pysanky eggs
Alice Tyler, Clifton-Choctaw beadwork
Alice Wallace, hand carved puppets & other items
Lacee Walters, dreamcatchers
Deborah West, Lipan Apache Tribe of Texas, dolls, moccasins, etc.
Myrna Wilson, Koasati (Coushatta) pinestraw baskets

Narrative/ Informance Sessions, July 27, 2019 Prather Coliseum N-Club Room

Tentative Schedule

9:00-9:45	The Musical Journey of Gal Holiday and the Honky Tonk Revue
10:00-10:45	Americana Songwriting with the Rayo Brothers
11:00-11:45	Louisiana Tall Tales with John Wilson
12:00-12:50	Culture and Costumes in 19th Century Louisiana
1:00-1:45	Tab Benoit: A Man and his Guitar
2:00-2:45	The Voice of the Wetlands Foundation with Tab Benoit
3:00-4:00	Cajun Accordion Workshop with Jamie Berzas and Bruce Daigrepoint
4:10-4:55	Choctaw Traditions with Margo Rosas and Waylon Gary White Deer

Book Signings, July 27, 8 am - 5 pm

Robert Bennett
Karren Bennett
Rebecca Moran

Cajun Accordion Workshop - July 27th from 3 pm to 4 pm

This workshop will be led by Jamie Berzas and Bruce Daigrepoint and is FREE for festival attendees. Bring your accordion and come out and learn to play! All skill levels welcome. Space is limited. If you're interested in participating, register by sending an email to folklife@nsula.edu or call 318-357-4332.

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41st Annual Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival, **July 24-25, 2020**

Mark your calendar for next year's festival!
 The 41st Annual Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival
 will be held July 24-25, 2020.

Join us for next year's festival theme,
 Celebrating Louisiana's French Cultures,
 featuring special guests Blake Miller and the Old-Fashioned Aces, Goldman Thibodeaux
 and the Lawtell Playboys, the Pine Leaf Boys, and Rusty Metoyer & the Zydeco Krush!
 Come dance with us!

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All funds received before June 1st 2019 will receive listing in the Festival Program and on our website. In addition, Benefactors, Grand Benefactors, Sustainers, and Folklife Visionaries will have their logo displayed on the Main Stage, and mentioned in news releases/advertising/social media.

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

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Funds received after June 1, 2019 may not be listed in the Festival Program.

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Thanks for supporting the Natchitoches-NSU Folk Festival!!!