

**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Ontario's Cottage Country Set to Rock This Summer with Live Music  
Session Muskoka & Coleman Turtle Music Festival Will Be Among the High Notes**

**BRACEBRIDGE, Ont. (June 23, 2015)** –Summer fun in Ontario's cottage country will be hotter than ever with an incredible line-up of musicians set to perform on stages, patios and docks throughout the popular vacation spot this July and August.

Incredible rock, blues and folk artists are scheduled to appear at multiple venues over nine weeks, including Our Lady Peace, I Mother Earth, David Wilcox, 5440, The Strumbellas, Monster Truck, Blue Rodeo, The Jim Cuddy Band, Joel Plaskett Duo, Robin Zander of Cheap Trick, The Arkells, The Trews, and the Blind Boys of Alabama.

"Live music is a huge part of summer vacationing in this area," said James Murphy, executive director of the regional tourism organization known as Explorers' Edge. "Across the region, at venues like the iconic Kee to Bala and the unique blues "garage," Peter's Players, and at major events like the August long weekend's Session Muskoka Craft Beer Festival and the Coleman Turtle Music Festival, music fans will have a huge range of performances to choose from to make their getaways even more memorable."

Not into rock or blues? Try the Festival of the Sound on Georgian Bay to hear some of the world's best classical musicians at the Charles W. Stockey Centre for the Performing Arts. There is plenty of Jazz to look forward to as well, including at the annual Jazz Weekend presented by the Huntsville Festival of the Arts.

**For a partial list of performances in the Explorers' Edge region of Ontario IN SUMMER 2015, see below.**

**Festivals:**

**[Huntsville Festival of the Arts](#): Huntsville, July & August**

**[Festival of the Sound](#): Parry Sound, July 18-August 9**

**[Session Muskoka Craft Beer Festival](#): Bracebridge, August 1  
Featuring *The Strumbellas, Lighthouse and Madison Violet* [and more](#).**

**[Coleman Turtle Music Festival](#): Parry Sound, August 1-2  
Featuring *over 20 bands including Our Lady Peace, I Mother Earth, Hollerado, Great Lake Swimmers, Alert The Medic, Brothers of the North, The Mohrs* and [more](#).**

**By Venue:**

**ALGONQUIN THEATRE - HUNTSVILLE**

[Leisa Way & The Wayward Swing Band](#): July 2

[The Good Lovelies](#): July 18

[Jim Cuddy Band](#): July 23

[Leahys in Song](#): July 24

[Buffy Sainte Marie](#): July 29

[David Clayton Thomas](#): July 30

[Toronto All Star Big Band](#): July 31

[Molly Johnson](#): August 1

[Pavlo](#): August 6

[Amy Wallace](#): August 8

[Lunch at Allen's](#): August 13

[Matt Andersen](#): August 19

**CHARLES W. STOCKEY CENTRE - PARRY SOUND**

[Blue Rodeo](#): June 26

[Festival of the Sound](#): July 18 – August 9

[Chris Mapstone](#): August 14

[Blue Eyes Meets Basie](#): August 15

[Whiskey Jack – The Songs & Stories of Stompin' Tom](#): August 27

**GRAVENHURST OPERA HOUSE**

[Mudmen](#): June 27

**THE KEE TO BALA**

[Colin James](#): June 28

[54-40](#): July 4

[Tim Hicks](#): July 11

[Arkells](#): July 18

[David Wilcox](#): July 25

[Monster Truck](#): July 31

[The Trews](#): August 2

[Brett Kissel](#): August 15

**PETER'S PLAYERS - GRAVENHURST**

[Pretzel Logic](#): June 12

[Paul Reddick Band](#): June 20

[Southern Hospitality](#): July 4

[Rick Vito & the Lucky Devils](#): July 10  
[Ronnie Baker Brooks](#): July 11  
[Buckwheat Zydeco](#): July 19  
[Blind Boys of Alabama](#): July 22  
[Wide Mouth Mason](#): July 30  
[Brass Transit](#): July 31  
[Robin Zander of Cheap Trick](#): August 4  
[Albert Lee](#): August 11  
[Doyle Bramhall II](#): August 17  
[Matt Andersen](#): August 18  
[Joel Plaskett Duo](#): August 20  
[Great Lake Swimmers](#): August 21  
[Zach Deputy](#): August 22  
[David Myles](#): August 23

**About Explorers' Edge:**

Explorers' Edge (RTO12) is the regional tourism organization for Algonquin Park, the Almaguin Highlands, Loring-Restoule, Muskoka and Parry Sound funded by the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture & Sport. With some of Canada's most iconic natural landscapes within its borders, including those that inspired the Group of Seven painters, and recognized as one of the most popular travel destinations in the province, Explorers' Edge promotes travel to the great Canadian wilderness just north of Toronto in all four spectacular seasons.

More information is available at [www.explorersedge.ca](http://www.explorersedge.ca)

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