

'Backroads Blues Festival' featuring Buddy Guy, Kenny Wayne Shepherd & Christone 'Kingfish' Ingram coming to Artpark Aug. 16

The "Backroads Blues Festival," featuring Buddy Guy, Kenny Wayne Shepherd and Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, is coming to the Artpark Amphitheater at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16. Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday.

The title of Guy's latest album says it all: "The Blues Is Alive and Well." The legendary blues artist's 18th solo LP showcases what his team called a "raw and unadulterated sound."

"I got children and grandchildren who didn't know who I was, but nowadays we can play outdoor concerts and see kids that are 8, 9, 12 years old coming to me and saying, 'I didn't know who you was, but I read what Eric Clapton said about you,' " Guy said when discussing his mindset on the new record. "I'm always trying to make an album that someone

accidentally plays where some kid hears it, picks up a guitar, and helps keep the blues alive."

He is a Rock and Roll Hall of Fame inductee; a major influence on rock titans Jimi Hendrix, Eric Clapton and Stevie Ray Vaughan; a pioneer of Chicago's fabled west side sound; and a living link to the city's halcyon days of electric blues. His honors include multiple Grammy Awards, the Billboard Magazine Century Award for distinguished artistic achievement, a Kennedy Center Honor, and the Presidential National Medal of Arts.

The Louisiana born Shepherd, an axeman and songsmith, has sold millions of albums while throwing singles into the Top 10, shining a light on the rich blues of the past and forging ahead with his own modern twist on a



classic sound he has embodied since his teens. In fact, it's been said there are few artists whose

names are synonymous with one instrument and how it's played in service to an entire genre. Since

the release of "Kingfish," his Grammy-nominated 2019 Alligator Records debut, guitarist, vocalist and songwriter Ingram has quickly become a defining blues voice of his generation. From his hometown of Clarksdale, Mississippi, to stages around the world, the now 23-year-old has already headlined several national tours. In January 2021, Ingram was simultaneously on the covers of both Guitar World and DownBeat magazines, and graced the cover of Living Blues in late 2020.

Tickets will be available at the Artpark box office at 450 S. Fourth St., Lewiston; and online at ticketmaster.com.

Visit artpark.net for more information or a full listing of upcoming events.

Old Fort Niagara celebrates National Laundry Day

Most Americans think of April 15 as tax day; the date has another, more obscure designation, however.

April 15 is also National Laundry Day, a time to reflect on the mundane task of doing laundry, to teach someone how to do laundry, and to review our choice of detergents.

On Saturday, April 16, Old Fort Niagara will show visitors how laundry was processed in the 18th century, long before the invention of the automatic washer and dryer. Living history interpreters will

demonstrate laundry techniques over an open fire and discuss textiles and their production. Visitors will learn how clothing was repaired and how military tailors ensured that uniforms fit the soldiers in the garrison. The program will also explore Native American clothing and how it differed from garments worn by Europeans.

Other activities include:
 ✓ Stain removal science – Explaining what actually happens when a stain is removed and demonstrating some real 18th century techniques for removing various

stains from different kinds of fabrics.

✓ Fiber science – An in-depth look at why certain fibers are used for certain things, how they work, and what their various properties are.

✓ Getting dressed in the 18th century – With two models, visitors will see how all the pieces of 18th century clothing fit together for men and women.

✓ How does soap work? – This program looks at how soap is made and how it works in the past and the present.

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IN THE NEWS

Niagara Pride's scholarship for WNY LGBTQ+ youth accepting applications

Niagara Pride is accepting applications for its 2022 Niagara Pride LGBTQ+ youth scholarship.

The program was established in 2021 and consists of an annual \$500 award to help aid in the costs of pursuing educational opportunities beyond high school. This scholarship is aimed primarily at benefiting those LGBTQ+ young adults, and allies, who have demonstrated a commitment to advancing social justice, reducing inequities, and increasing the overall health of their community.

Niagara Pride invites all students who meet the following criteria to apply:

✓ Must be 18 years of age, or able to provide parental consent to apply for the scholarship;

✓ Currently a senior in high school with a minimum grade-point average of 2.5 or a minimum B average;

✓ Must be pursuing full-time registration for the fall semester of the 2022-23 school year at an accredited community college, four-year public or private college or university, certificate program, or vocational/technical/trade program;

✓ Identify as LGBTQ+ and/or has demonstrated support of the LGBTQ+ community; and

✓ Reside in Western New York.

To apply, visit www.niagarapride.org/scholarship. The application deadline is May 1.

Once the application window closes, the Niagara Pride scholarship committee will review all submissions. The scholarship recipient will be notified by June 1, and a public announcement will be made by June 15.

For more information, contact the scholarship committee at scholarship@niagarapride.org.

Niagara Pride is an independent, 501(c)(3) organization serving LGBTQ+ individuals and families in Niagara County and the surrounding Western New York area.

Niagara County Youth Bureau applications for summer food service

The Niagara County Youth Bureau will return as a sponsor for the 2022 summer food service program (SFSP). This program ensures that children who are economically disadvantaged continue to receive nutritious meals during summer vacation. Meals are comparable to the national school breakfast and national school lunch programs throughout the school year.

The SFSP is a federally funded program (funded by USDA and administered by the New York State Education Department) that provides free meals to all children at approved SFSP sites. Meals (including breakfast and/or lunch) are provided to children ages 18 and under.

Applications are now being accepted from prospective SFSP sites. Approved sites will receive

meals during the program, which plans to run from June 27 to Aug. 26. Site requests are individualized, including meals needed and program dates.

If an organization, summer day camp or youth program is interested in serving as a SFSP site, contact Youth Bureau Director Benjamin Bunker at 716-278-6872 for more information. Deadline for site application is Friday, April 22.

NT: Tylec announces April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month

The Erie/Niagara Sunrise Exchange Club, in collaboration with Mayor Austin Tylec, are recognizing the month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month with the lighting of City Hall in blue for the entire month. They are encouraging all individuals and organizations to play a role in making the Tonawanda's a better place for children and families.

A press release stated, "The Erie/Niagara Sunrise Exchange Club believes we can help prevent child abuse and neglect by creating strong and thriving children, youth and families in our communities, by ensuring that parents have the knowledge, skills and resources they need to care for their children."

Tylec said, "We need to recognize the importance our community can play in protecting children and strengthening families. Everyone's participation is critical."

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