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Welcome

The 47th Annual Newfoundland & Labrador Folk Festival is poised to be another incredible weekend of entertainment for the whole family! Spread out over three exciting days, the Festival is the coming together of community, province, and culture – our province is renowned for its contributions to the musical fabric of Canada and we do all we can to wave that flag high and proud.

Operated by The Newfoundland & Labrador Folk Arts Society with a host of volunteers, sponsors, and partners, the Festival is a summertime tradition that has been shared by thousands.

Our Mission

The Newfoundland & Labrador Folk Arts Society celebrates, preserves, and promotes the traditional and contemporary folk arts of our province at home and away, through public outreach and events, including our annual Folk Festival.

**NOTE: The festival site closes from 4:30-6:30 on
Saturday & Sunday for Festival Maintenance**

Message from the Board

Welcome to the 47th annual NL Folk Festival presented by Equinor Canada! We're thrilled to have you all back at the park this year for this special weekend of music, food, workshops, crafting, education, and more.

We want to thank our sponsors who make it possible for the NL Folk Arts Society to bring these fabulous musicians to our stage. First, our presenting sponsor Equinor Canada - their steadfast support saw us through these last shaky years and will carry us through the years to come. What fun we had with the team this year! Next, the Canadian Automobile Association, or CAA as we all know them...these good folks took a chance on helping us bring the NL Ponies and the "Neighbours Helping Neighbours" campaign into the park. Horwood Law Group, Canadian AV, First Fence, Le Gaboteur, VOCM, Quidi Vidi, Atlantic Lottery, and all the rest of our Festival sponsors - we thank each of you.

And hats off to our government supporters who help keep ticket prices down so that you can enjoy the Festival: Canadian Heritage, ArtsNL, the City of St. John's, NL's Community Economic Development Program - your faith in us helps keep us going and the music flowing. Thank you!

Finally, the staff at the NL Folk Arts Society and our volunteer board do everything we can to make our Festival memorable, educational, and worthy of calling itself one of your traditions. If you need anything while you're with us, ask a volunteer, staff person, or board member - we're all here to make sure you have a wonderful weekend.

Land Acknowledgement

We respectfully acknowledge the land on which we gather as the ancestral homelands of the Beothuk, whose culture has now been erased forever. We also acknowledge the island of Ktaqmkuk (Newfoundland) as the unceded, traditional territory of the Beothuk and the Mi'kmaq. And we acknowledge Labrador as the traditional and ancestral homelands of the Innu of Nitassinan, the Inuit of Nunatsiavut, and the Inuit of NunatuKavut. We recognize all First Peoples who were here before us, those who live with us now, and the seven generations to come. As First Peoples have done since time immemorial, we strive to be responsible stewards of the land and to respect the cultures, ceremonies, and traditions of all who call it home. As we open our hearts and minds to the past, we commit ourselves to working in a spirit of truth and reconciliation to make a better future for all.

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Main Stage Schedule

Friday, July 7th

6:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Shana Brown
7:00 pm - 7:35 pm - Opening Ceremonies with
Kilautiup Songuninga
7:45 pm - 8:30 pm - Jim Payne & Fergus Byrne
8:45 pm - 9:30 pm - Sechile Sedare
9:45 pm - 10:30 pm - The Burning Hell
10:45 pm - 11:45 pm - Kellie Loder

Saturday, July 8th

1:00 pm - 1:20 pm : Jing Xia
1:30 pm - 1:50 pm: Baraka
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm: Dave Penny with Daunt Lee
2:45 pm - 3:30 pm: Jeremy Fisher
3:45 pm - 4:30 pm: Été
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm: Michael Park
7:15 pm - 8:00 pm: Kitchinparti
8:00 pm - 8:15 pm: Lifetime Achievement Award
8:15 pm - 8:30 pm: Mackenzie Critch
8:45 pm - 9:25 pm: Silver Wolf Band
9:40 pm - 10:25 pm: Dumai Dunai
10:45 pm - 11:45 pm: Amelia Curran

Sunday, July 9th

1:00 pm - 1:20 pm : Louise Gauthier
1:30 pm - 1:50 pm: DanceNL, Dolya Dance Company
2:00 pm - 2:30 pm: School of Rock
2:45 pm - 3:30 pm: À La Souche
3:45 pm - 4:30 pm: Andrew Smith
6:30 pm - 7:00 pm : Paige Penney
7:15 pm - 8:00 pm: Blue Star Juniper
8:15 pm - 9:00 pm: Valmy
9:15 pm - 10:15 pm: Iris Dement
10:15 pm - 10:30 pm: Zealya
10:45 pm - 11:45 pm: Rum Ragged
11:45pm - 11:50 pm: Dave Penny with Daunt Lee
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Patterns available for purchase all weekend at the "All Your Folk Needs" Folk Arts General Store, and Shirley will be in the General Store from 1:30 to 2:30 on Saturday afternoon to sign your copy. She'll even help you with your knitting issues! She's our knitting rockstar!

Partner Stage

Saturday, July 8th

10:00 am - 10:45 am: Sarfest, SeanT
Le Savant

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Tuck & Roll Trad
Squad with Tonya Kearley

12:00 pm - 12:30 pm: Louise Gauthier
- Réseau culturel francophone de
Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm: Ti-Jardin -
Réseau culturel francophone de
Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador

Sunday, July 9th

10:00 am - 10:45 am: Sound Bath by
Nicki Temple-Delisle

11:00 am - 11:45 am: DanceNL,
Newfoundland Waltz taught by Jim
Russell

12:00 pm - 12:15 pm: Juliette Mini -
Réseau culturel francophone de
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12:15 pm - 12:30 pm: Laura Penney -
Réseau culturel francophone de
Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador

12:30 pm - 12:50 pm: Port-Aux-
Poutines - Réseau culturel
francophone de Terre-Neuve-et-
Labrador

Traditional Stage

Saturday, July 8th

10:00 am - 10:45 am: Heave It Out Of
Ya - Join Jean Hewson, Maddy
Mouland, Dave Penny and Daunt Lee
for a sing-along featuring some of
Newfoundland and Labrador's
greatest hits.

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Jeremy Fisher
presents: A Jeremy and Jazzy
Singalong

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm: Songs From
Home with Sechile Sedare, Silver Wolf
Band, Mathias Korn and Jenina
MacGillivray

Sunday, July 9th

10:00 am - 10:45 am: Music from
Quebec, Acadia, Newfoundland and
Beyond with À La Souche and Été

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Accordion
Session with Jim Payne, Ti-Jardin,
Fergus O'Byrne, Jean Hewson, Dave
Penny and Shana Brown

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm: Trad Meets Old
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Saturday, July 8th

10:00 am - 11:00 am: Cassandra
Ingram, Makeda Klucowicz, Olive

Eve Fortune and the Brunettes

11:00 am - 11:20 am: Charla
Woodford

11:20 am - 11:40 am: Zealya

11:40 am - 12:00 pm: Allison Walsh

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm: Andrew
Tavenor and Ty Simms

Sunday, July 9th

10:00 am - 10:30 am: Trinity
Sound

10:30 am - 11:30 am: Maia
McKeown, The Fiddlers Greene,
and Juliette Mini

11:30 am - 12:00 pm: Emmajane
Donnan

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm: Alex Taylor
and Brett Crane

Craft Daytime Tent

Saturday, July 8th

10:00 am - 10:45 am:
Introduction to Tapestry Weaving

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Knitting and
Spinning with Beth Howley

Sunday, July 9th

10:00 am - 10:45 am:
Introduction to Rug Hooking

11:00 am - 11:45 am: Knitting
and Spinning with Beth Howley

Festival After Hours

Thursday, July 6th

Nuit Francophone - The Ship Pub
9:00 pm, \$15 at the door

Friday, July 7th

Katie Baggs Band & Darcy Scott
11:00 pm, \$10 at the door

Saturday, July 8th

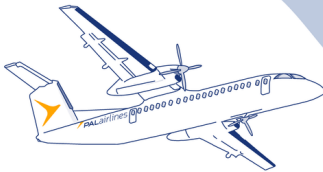
Secret Lineup
11:00 pm, \$10 at the door

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For all of our Festival shoppers, we have a variety of artisan and handmade items from local consignment vendors, as well as 47th Annual Newfoundland & Labrador Folk Festival branded merch.

There's lots of new options to choose from this year, so make sure you stop by and get a few souvenirs and treasures to help you remember this year's festival!



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The Newfoundland Pony Society is back at the Newfoundland & Labrador Folk Festival. You'll want to stop by their corral for a nose pet – it'll brighten your whole week! Plus, if you want a photo with a pony (and who wouldn't!), we'll be accepting non-perishable food items and hygiene products to share between Bridges to Hope, Stella's Circle, and The Gathering Place. Join in the community spirit!

2023 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



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KELLY



Kelly Russell was born at 1 Stoneyhouse Street in St John's to Ted and Dora Russell. The influence of his father, the legendary story teller and king of recitations is obvious but it was his mother who taught him piano at a young age that started off his lifetime musical journey. Popular music came calling and so did his insatiable appetite for the fiddle.

As his obsession grew it turned Kelly into a rare form of musician. The fiddle being so ingrained in him that playing it is like breathing or moving a limb. It's completely automatic. Kelly is able to communicate to his audience feelings and passion that most musicians struggle to convey. He has passed that ability on to generations of Newfoundland & Labrador musicians. There isn't a fiddler in the province that hasn't been influenced or taught by Kelly either personally or playing with him in a session. In fact most weekends you will find Kelly hunting down these sessions to play and share his passion. Revelling in learning new material. Coaxing the young and the shy to join in. There is always a chair for you at one of his sessions.

Behind his Order Of Canada, awards, decades of shows, countless albums, sessions, teachings and charming demeanour - he is just Kelly. A lifetime of joy in doing what he loves that has given us an irreplaceable cultural gift. One that will live on. One we couldn't possibly reciprocate. One he has personally taken to the world.

Congratulations Kelly on your 2023 Folk Arts Society Lifetime Achievement Award!



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The Newfoundland & Labrador Folk Festival strives to make our festival inclusive and accessible to all patrons. We are proudly partnering with InclusionNL again this year and sincerely thank them for their efforts!

This year's features include:

- Designated accessible parking
- Free entrance to attendant with City-issued attendant's pass and accompanied by a ticket-holder.
- Designated Blue Zones in the audience.
- Accessible washrooms.

In the Inclusion Tent:

- Inclusion Crew - happy to assist in any way they can!
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It goes without saying – We can't do anything with our volunteers. The annual festival is, to put it lightly, a huge undertaking.

Our volunteers are right at the heart of making everything come together & helping the event become the one we all know and love.

From everyone on the NLFAS Board, and from all the staff and crew, THANK YOU to all our present and past volunteers. You are an integral part of making the Folk Festival a success year after year, and we appreciate every minute you choose to spend with us.

We'd also like to send a special shoutout to Cathy Best & her tireless commitment as Volunteer Coordinator!

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FAQ

- The Folk Festival will take place RAIN or SHINE.
- Children ages 12 & under get free admission when accompanied by an adult and must be reserved in advance at the time of Adult/Senior purchase. Limit of two free children's tickets per Adult/Senior ticket holder.
- ALL SALES ARE FINAL – Ticket sales close one hour before the end of each session and only those with valid tickets will be admitted after that time.
- Only service animals are allowed onsite – no pets.
- Bring your own lawn chair for seating in the concert area, but please note the areas designated for low-rise lawn chairs, standing, and dancing.
- We prefer Visa/MasterCard/Debit for Festival admission and drink tickets. Payment methods within the site vary according to each vendor, though there is no ATM on site.
- Alcohol may not be brought on site, and security may inspect bags upon entry. Please do feel free to bring a picnic lunch and any non-alcoholic beverages.
- Upon arrival at the festival site, we encourage you to take note of the applicable exits and First Aid locations. Please be advised that in the case of site evacuation, patrons are to exit via the nearest exit to the Muster Point located at the Moo Moos parking lot.

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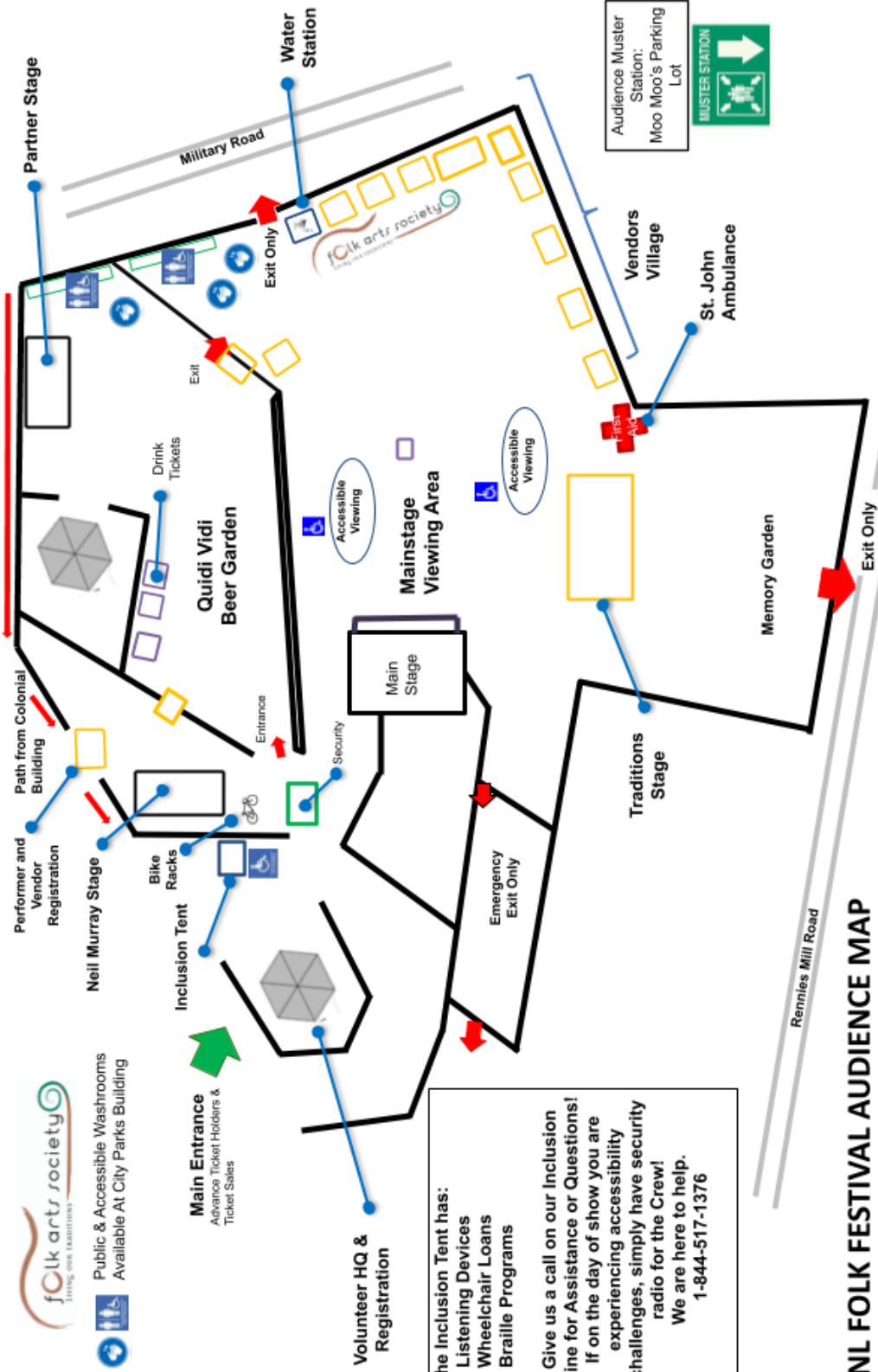


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