Music on Main Bio/Free Concerts

Music on Main Street was born out of the non-profit Woodbridge Arts Committee in late 2008 as an attempt to make Woodbridge Township into an "arts destination", making it a more vibrant community in which to live and do business. It was also envisioned to begin building a base of concert-going music lovers who would be necessary to support the Avenel Arts Village, at that time on the drawing board, but currently under construction.

The original five concert experiment has since evolved into a full summer of free outdoor concerts and a handful of indoor ticketed concerts in the colder weather. The Township refurbished the Theatre at Woodbridge Middle School for indoor ticketed shows and had a permanent stage constructed, as part of an Eagle Scout merit badge project, in Parker Press Park for the outdoor events. The cover for the outdoor stage was funded by a "Green Acres" grant.

From the beginning, the Music on Main Street mantra has been "quality and diversity". We've presented numerous Grammy winners like Catherine Russell (Soundtrack for HBO's "Boardwalk Empire"), La Santa Cecelia (Best New Latin Band) and Raul Malo (Best New Country Band with The Mavericks). We have also presented artists who have had their work in movies and on TV like Stephane Wrembel who did the music for Woody Allen's "Midnight in Paris"; Moot Davis who had a song in the Academy Award winning film "Crash" and Lera Lynn who was featured in HBO's "True Detective". World class talents in every respect covering genres including Jazz, Latin, Reggae, Blues, Country, Folk and Rock among others.

Of the various nights of free concerts in summertime, every Thursday evening is dedicated to local bands to help support and nurture artists on a local level

All of this has been funded by Town Hall in collaboration with local business sponsors including Investors Bank, BCB Community Bank, Comfort Suites and numerous other businesses who recognize the value of being proactively involved with the efforts to improve and grow the community.

Many collaborative partnerships have been formed as an outcome Music on Main Street resulting in the following development and implementation of Woodbridge Wednesday, Local Band Thursday, Country Sunday, Second Friday Jazz, Tuesday Tribute Bands & Monday Oldies which are all presented through the collaboration of Woodbridge Township, and funding through many local members of our business community.

Consequently many visitors from all varied regions within in the state of New Jersey are in attendance along with many out of state attendees. They frequent our local downtown restaurants and often secure accommodations in our many hotels in the area. Overall a big success and boom to our local community, and economy.

Many township volunteers work the events and have available their services to help visitors by providing information about Woodbridge and its offerings with our ten communities. Every area of Woodbridge has seen a great revitalization as an outcome of what originated as the Music on Main.

Mayor's Pages



From the Mayor's Desk...



Mayor's Summer Concerts Performed to Sell-Out Crowds

The Mayor's Summer Concert series collected more than 50,000 pounds of food for Township food pantries – a new record that provided a huge assist to the Township food pantries working to help families in need throughout the Summer.

The 2018 Mayor's Summer Concert Series took the stage every Monday with classic Oldies & Doo-Wop and Rock n' Roll Tribute Tuesday. The performance stage at Parker Press Park hosted the eclectic Woodbridge Wednesday concerts and Local Band Thursday performed on the Tanzman Park stage. Second Friday Jazz returned to the Mayor's Summer Concert stage at Avenel Park and the Country Band Sunday rodeo hit Parker Press Park.

Thousands of residents and neighbors brought their lawn chairs and enjoyed the FREE concerts with family and friends. Have a favorite band? Let us know who you want us to book for 2019. Visit the Mayor's Summer Concert survey at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us.



The Infernos take center stage at the Mayor's Summer concert.



The Mayor's Summer Concert audience

The Nerds kick-off the 2018 Mayor's Summer Concert
with their energetic on-stage performance





Zac Brown Tribute Band headlined the Country Sunday stage at Parker Press Park.

MAYOR'S SUMMER CONCERT 2018

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August 6

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August 20

August 27

Cameos





















Joey Arminio and The Family Oldies Show

August 13





Best of the

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July 3 Fireworks

7:30 PM ON THE LAWN





































































































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Brandywine

August 23 Seven

Revolver August 16 Mirrors

Band

June 28

August 9























City Hicks

August 2

CONCERT HOTLINE 732-602-604

Across From Woodbridge
Train Station SPECIAL CONCERT PERFORMANCE





7:30 PM PARKER PRESS PARK





















AN EUENING WITH

2018 Woodbridge Events and Happenings 2018

Annual Independence Day FIREWORKS!!

Woodbridge Township

Tuesday, July 3, 2018

WOODBRIDGE

Alvin P. Williams Memorial Park

October 13

October 7 October 7 October 6

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| | Snapple Bowl 4:30 Woodbridge High School | uly 19 |
| | Downtown Cruise Car Show 6:00-9:00 Main Street | uly 18 |
| | Outdoor Flea Market 9:00-12:00 Barron Arts Center | uly 14 |
| | Pizza Run 5:30-8:00PM Alvin P. Williams Park Sewaren | uly II |
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| | Downtown Cruise Car Show | une 20 |
| | Summerfest Kickoff featuring The Nerds 5:30 - 9:30 Woodheidae Hinn School | une 20 |
| | Evening With Elvis-A Special Mayor's Concert | une 18 |
| | Nayor's Fluke Tournament | une 16 |
| | 6:00-12:00AM Woodbridge Community Center Relay For Life | une 9 |
| | 350th Sesquercentennial Gala at the WCC | une l |

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Please bring a non-perishable food item to beep us restock our food pantries

9:00-2:00

JOHN E. McCORMAC, MAYOR























