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Wicker Park Fest 2018 Announces Full Lineups for all 3 Music Stages

More Details on Arts and Kids Areas also Revealed for Celebratory 15th Season, July 27-29

CHICAGO (July 10, 2018) – Organizers of the 15th annual Wicker Park Fest today accounced the full music lineup in addition to additional details on the popular Kids Fest and Arts Area. From July 27th through the 29th, the street festival that *Chicago Tribune* has called one of the "best" of the year returns to Milwaukee Avenue in the heart of the city's most eclectic neighborhood. Taking cue from the area's unique charm and character, Wicker Park Fest pays tribute to its neighborhood and annually attracts tens of thousands from across the Midwest. Chicago's longest neighborhood festival (in terms of length) reflects Wicker Park's rich musical heritage, original artistry and acclaimed dining scene. This year's colossal event, which is presented by the Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce, will include: three stages of continuous live music, a dedicated children's fun area, local food and drink vendors, an arts section with jaw-dropping installations, interactive exhibitions and roaming performances, a specialty beer tent, and roughly 120 local merchants.

Live Music:

Above all, Wicker Park Fest is a music-first festival, attracting some of the summer's most sought-after acts. Since the beginning, the iconic live music venue located in Wicker Park, Subterranean, has been a partner in curating the three stages. The full weekend lineup is as follows:

North Stage

FRIDAY	
9:00 - 10:00	Combo Chimbita
7:45 - 8:30	Dos Santos
6:30 - 7:15	Nikki Lynette
SATURDAY	
8:45 - 10:00	SIr The Baptist
7:30 - 8:30	Jonathan Toubin
6:00 - 7:00	Turqouise Jeep
4:45 - 5:30	Sidney Gish
3:30 - 4:15	DRAMA
2:15 - 3:00	Kaina
1:00 - 1:45	Bardo



SUNDAY 8:45 - 10:00 7:15 - 8:15 6:00 - 6:45 4:45 - 5:30 3:30 - 4:15 2:15 - 3:00 1:00 - 1:45	Porches Ezra Furman Remo Drive Mother Nature Frances Cone CJ Run Dream Version
	South Stage
FRIDAY 8:30 - 10:00 7:15 - 8:00 6:00 - 6:45 5:00 - 5:30	Against Me! The Brokedowns Sincere Engineer Typesetter
SATURDAY 9:00 - 10:00 7:45 - 8:30 6:30 - 7:15 5:15 - 6:00 4:00 - 4:45 3:00 - 3:30 1:00 - 2:30	The Get Up Kids Lemuria Snail Mail Rozwell Kid Mykele Deville Manwolves School of Rock Oak Park
SUNDAY 9:00 - 10:00 7:45 - 8:30 6:30 - 7:15 5:15 - 6:00 4:00 - 4:45 3:00 - 3:30 1:00 - 2:30	Red Fang Windhand Off With Their Heads Spells Slow Mass Outrun The Sunlight School of Rock Chicago
	Center Stage (Pachanga! Stage)
FRIDAY 8:30 - 10:00 7:00 - 8:30 6:00 - 7:00 5:00 - 6:00	Reggae Gold Gizzae Dove Muzik TBA
SATURDAY 8:45 - 10:00	DJ Orión (Discos Peligrosa)



8:00 - 8:45	Pachanga DJ's
7:00 - 8:00	DJ Sound Culture
6:00 - 7:00	Sandra Trevino
5:00 - 6:00	Dolor Folktronico

SUNDAY

8:00 - 10:00 Emo Nite LA 6:45 - 7:30 Retirement Party

5:30 - 6:15 Mark Rose

Arts and Fashion Wicker Park Fest:

Over the years, the Arts Area at Wicker Park Fest has included some of the year's most provoking sculpture installations and visually-compelling performance and interactive exhibitions. This showcase of unique and inspired works from some of the most talented local artists and arts organizations is always a "can't miss" of the summer. This season, among the many artistic draws at the fest there will be: an architecturally modelled seating installation/parklet, an interactive dry erase globe where festgoers can write on the globe, a curated live street art mural performance with DJs, live dancing and ping pong, and a roving performance art piece with multiple artists.

Likewise, Live Fashion Shows are now part of the Wicker Park Fest mix too. Produced in conjunction with Fashion Planet – an international fashion and media and events company – Wicker Park Fest 2018 will offer evening fashion shows on all three nights showcasing summer trends. High energy runway shows will preview a mix of stunning looks ranging from what's hot on a national level to what's hot locally in Wicker Park.

The Arts Area and Live Fashion Shows at Wicker Park Fest is presented by the Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber and is generously underwritten by the WPB Special Service Area #33.

Kids Fest at Wicker Park Fest:

Wicker Park Fest is also home to one of the summer's most beloved kid's events. Kids Fest at Wicker Park Fest is a fest-within-a-fest. Although it takes place off the beaten path at Wolcott and Milwaukee, there is no separate entrance fee for visitors. Kids Fest offers an exclusive area of family programming. The wide variety of offerings happens only on Saturday and Sunday only from noon to 6 pm. Activities this year include: inflatables, Au Pair Care (face painting), Super Soccer Stars (soccer clinics), Mad Science (science experiments), The Kids Table (cooking activities), City Epicurean Events (cookie decorating), Chess Wizards, Gogo Squeez (complimentary snacks!), Children's Learning Place (toddler fun), 606 Karate (karate lessons), nail painting, hair streaking, carnival games, balloon animals, and a live entertainment stage with featured acts including: (on Saturday) Bill Crosby Music, Ben's Bubble Show, Music House Variety Show and more TBA, and on Sunday: Mad Science, Merit School of Music, 606 Karate Demo, Bollywood Groove and more TBA.

Kids Fest at Wicker Park Fest benefits Jonathan Burr Elementary (specifically to improve the technology and programming) and is sponsored by the WPB SSA# 33. Burr Elementary receives 100% of ticket sales from activities in the Kids Fest area.



Wicker Park Fest 2018 Summary Detail:

Dates: July 27 – 29

Location: Milwaukee Avenue from North to Paulina, Chicago, IL

Cost: A \$10 gate donation (which makes it the steal of summer event season) benefits the Wicker Park

Bucktown Chamber of Commerce, a local non-profit specializing in small business assistance.

Hours: Friday 5-10p, Saturday & Sunday 12 noon-10p

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Parking: Free bike parking will be available at the North Honore Gate.

Dogs: Well-behaved dogs on leashes are permitted.