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**AthFest Educates Announces 20th Anniversary Commemorative 2 CD Set,
Calls for Submissions From Athens Musicians**

Local music and arts non-profit AthFest Educates announced that a special 2 CD set will be produced by UGA Music Business students and Ghostmeat Records to commemorate the 20th anniversary this year of the AthFest Music and Arts Festival. The set will include a CD with the "best of" from the past 19 years of AthFest CDs and the other CD will be like compilation CDs of past years, showcasing current Athens talent.

Athens musicians are encouraged to submit a track for consideration for inclusion in the 2016 compilation CD online by February 19th at <http://athfest.com/music-festival/compilation/submission>. The CD set will be released to promote the annual AthFest Music and Arts Festival, which this year takes place June 24th-26th, with affiliate events starting June 22nd. AthFest is a fundraiser for AthFest Educates, a community non-profit promoting music and arts education.

UGA Music Business (MBUS) students will work with MBUS Director David Barbe to curate and arrange both albums. The students will decide which of the tracks from the last 19 years of compilation CDs will be included on the special anniversary album, as well as which tracks will be a part of this year's compilation CD. One track for the compilation album will be a "People's Choice," voted on by the public on the athfest.com website.

MBUS Director David Barbe says, "curating and producing the AthFest compilation is a great opportunity for our students to do the actual work of putting out a record. It brings fresh perspective from a group of bright, creative young people, and is a connector for the music scene and the University community."

AthFest Educates advances high-quality music and arts education for local youth and the Athens community through direct support of school and community-based programs and events, including an annual music and arts festival.



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Zach Freshley, a student in Barbe's class working on the AthFest CD says he thinks he "will gain a vast amount of experience in the process of putting together this compilation that I could not have gained anywhere else, and a cool opportunity to be a part of Athens history in a really unique way."

Tolu Oluyemi, another MBUS student working on the project says the project is a great way for students to "see how music in Athens has changed over the years and a great way to apply some of the concepts we have learned in class."

Russ Hallauer at Ghostmeat Records will produce and release the CDs, as he has for the last 19 years. The CD set will be available at AthFest.com, Ghostmeat.com, select record stores, AthFest merch booths and globally via iTunes and other digital music stores.

Questions about the CDs can be addressed to Lindsey Broscher at lbroscher@gmail.com.

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