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AthFest Educates Makes AthFest Music & Arts Festival Lineup Announcements
Club Crawl Back and Tickets on Sale

(Athens, GA) --- Athens nonprofit AthFest Educates announced some of the over 100 acts that will play at the 2023 AthFest Music & Arts Festival, presented by Wicked Weed Brewing. The annual fundraiser festival, a showcase of Athens music, art and culture, will take place June 23-25th in downtown Athens and is the 25th year for the popular event. The free outdoor festival includes performances on the Wicked Weed Mainstage (on Pulaski St. at Washington St.), the Hull Street Stage (on Hull St. at Hancock Ave.) and the KidsFest Stage (on Washington St. at College Ave.). The 2023 festival sees the return of the official AthFest Club Crawl, with shows Friday and Saturday nights at local clubs and music venues.

The outdoor stages will feature performances by Family And Friends, Linqua Franqa, Bea Porges, Nuclear Tourism, Hunger Anthem, After Hourz Band, Monsoon, BlackNerdNinja, The Bad Ends, Elf Power, Dayroom, Mack2Tone, Chickasaw Mudd Puppies, Klezmer Local 42, Squallé, L.G. The Heart of the City, and many more. Friday night, the Hull Street Stage area will be host to a Silent Disco with DJ Chiefrocka.

The official AthFest Club Crawl will include shows by Vision Video, Tears for the Dying, Pylon Reenactment Society, Lo Talker, Elijah Johnston, Well Kept, Heffner, Lera Lynn, Deaf Condors, Randall Bramblett Band, Bloodkin, Mercyland, Dodd Ferrelle, Chris Stamey (with Eunice Kang on cello), Jim White, Betsy Franck & Friends, Cassie Chantel, Indigo Sound (JiiG, djbobfish & SHAKTi SOUND) and more. Purchase of a Club Crawl Wristband gets attendees into all official AthFest Club Crawl venues (subject to capacity and age restrictions). Venues include Georgia Theatre, 40 Watt Club, Live Wire Athens, Hendershots, The Foundry, Ciné, Flicker Theatre, Nowhere Bar and Paloma Park. Club Crawl Wristbands are now available on the festival's website, athfest.com.

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Lineup announcements for each venue and each day of the outdoor festival will come out on the organization's social media channels. The full lineup will be announced the first week of May.

AthFest Educates Executive Director, Mary Joyce, said, "We were thrilled to receive over 560 applications to perform at AthFest this year, more than double what we've received in the past, even though it did make selections incredibly hard! I think the bands at this, the 25th AthFest Music & Arts Festival, pay tribute to the history of AthFest and the Athens music scene, as well as highlight the new, young, or up-and-coming performers in our town. You'll be able to enjoy everything from rock to hip-hop to punk to jazz to electronica to bluegrass, there will be something for everyone at AthFest 2023!"

AthFest Educates is a nonprofit that 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 the annual music and arts festival. The proceeds from AthFest, and the AthHalf Half Marathon & 5K, fund the organization's annual grant-making efforts. To date, AthFest has issued over \$582,000 in grants to schools and community organizations. More at AthFestEducates.org

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