

## JUST A REMINDER

**DUE TO THE CLOSURE OF THE SWING BRIDGE AND NO SHUTTLE SERVICE FROM EAGLE LANDING, PARKING MAY BE AFFECTED. WE URGE YOU TO CAR POOL IF POSSIBLE.**

- Free parking is available in the Goodspeed parking lot.
- Great food and drinks are available to purchase at the Gelston House or bring a picnic.

**Out of courtesy to the audience, and respect for the Goodspeed property, we kindly ask you to honor these requests.**

### PLEASE:

- All Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult
- No dogs
- No smoking
- No vendors on concert grounds
- No soliciting at the concerts
- No parking on residential streets
- No children on river banks or dock

### *WITH APPRECIATION*

MOTR is privileged to invite you to experience summer evenings where you can watch the setting sun and rising moon while enjoying the finest music and gentle river breeze. We are grateful to Goodspeed Musicals for sharing this majestic setting and to the Gelston House Restaurant for hosting our bands and patrons. Thank you for your participation in making each concert an evening to remember.

## Welcome Back to MOTR

**Each season we strive to present a stellar lineup of concerts. This year is no exception. We are pleased to introduce bands who are new to the MOTR stage; all award winning recording artists on tour to support their latest albums.**



**Don't let the rain stop you from attending these amazing shows. Please see rain date schedule below.**

### Rain Date Schedule:

<u>Rain Date</u>		<u>Location:</u>
7/17	Matt Nakoa	7/17 NHRHS
7/24	Cirus of Dreams	7/25 GS Lawn
7/31	Mile Twelve	7/31 NHRHS
8/7	The Big Takeover	8/8 GS Lawn
8/14	Mighty Soul Drivers	8/15 GS Lawn
8/21	Canopy	8/22 GS Lawn

**NHRHS Address:  
15 School Road, Moodus CT 06469**

**Questions? Please call:**

**860-873-5058**

## East Haddam Parks & Recreation

### PRESENTS:

## MUSIC ON THE RIVER 2023

**A FREE CONCERT SERIES ON THE  
LAWN OF  
GOODSPEED MUSICALS**

**6 MAIN STREET, EAST HADDAM CT**

**MONDAY EVENINGS  
6:30 TO 8:30**



**Find us at:**

**[musicontheriver.net](http://musicontheriver.net)**

# MOTR 2023

(Please tear off and mail with your check)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Concert Donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## T-SHIRT PREORDER \$20 EACH

### SPONSORSHIP LEVELS:

\$10+	COPPER
\$100+	BRONZE
\$300+	SILVER
\$500+	GOLD
\$1000+	PLATINUM

## 2023 MOTR T-SHIRTS

Avoid the merch table rush and preorder your MOTR t-shirts.

Please make your check payable:

**EHPR, MUSIC ON THE RIVER**  
P.O. Box 385, Moodus CT 06469

Remember that all concerts are funded entirely by your contributions. Your early support will help meet operating expenses and will be acknowledged in our program.

Platinum sponsors will receive a banner to be displayed at all concerts.

*Thank you!*



## JULY 17 MATT NAKOA

Matt Nakoa is an award-winning songwriter, singer, pianist, and guitarist. A modern troubadour, he makes

his home on the highways and concert stages of America, touring regularly with folk music icon Tom Rush. Nakoa trained to be a concert pianist before accepting a scholarship to Berklee College of Music as a vocalist. He developed his dramatic songwriting style and guitar chops while playing with his art-rock bands and honed his skills in Manhattan's all-night piano bars and concert halls, developing an uncanny ability to command the attention of any audience. "A hot-handed phenom who can go from Chopin to beer-drenched honky-tonk in one set...he drops jaws". Boston Globe

## JULY 24 SLAMBOVIAN CIRCUS OF DREAMS

The Slambovian Circus of Dreams has been expanding the borders of the Americana genre with their fantastic stories and performances since the late 90's in Sleepy Hollow, New York. Led by the charismatic band leader Joziah Longo, presiding at center ring, their connection with audiences is captivating performance art. The Slambovians create a show that is constantly evolving. With a good dose of Woodstock era psychedelia framed in solid songwriting and musicianship, you have The Slambovian Circus of Dreams.

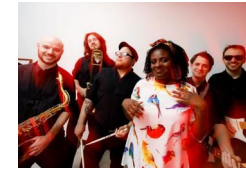


## JULY 31 MILE TWELVE

Mile Twelve, Boston's ultra modern string band, is back in motion from a restless pandemic induced hiatus, and is ready to take command of

the stage. The band has earned an IBMA's 2019 Album of the Year nomination and 2020 New Artist of the Year Award; gaining them an international reputation as one of the most dynamic bands in contemporary acoustic music. "Close Enough to Hear", their latest album, displays the vast creative potential of the this quintet, expanding the range to a Bluegrass Nouveau.

## AUGUST 7 THE BIG TAKEOVER



Fronted by the charismatic Jamaican-born singer and songwriter Nee Nee Rushie, the seven-piece New York band, plays original music rooted in

the genres and rhythms of Jamaican pop, reggae, rocksteady and ska. They are devotees of the old school style of Desmond Dekker while simultaneously crossing lines and blending traditions like global pop fusion. Their complex arrangements and big hooks connect with spirited Motown and 21st century retro soul and R&B. Their tours have been a smashing success delivering outrageously infectious nuanced performances to capacity crowds. Their current single "Rainboots" has scored big with the discerning tastes at NPR. They have done several live performances on NPR and their music is in rotation at many NPR stations.

## AUGUST 14 MIGHTY SOUL DRIVERS

The Mighty Soul Drivers are New England's answer to the allure of Memphis Soul. They mine deep Soul nuggets and breathe new life into them, exposing the cream of Memphis-styled music while creating their own soulful originals. The MSD has performed at music festivals from Musikfest in PA, to the New England Blues Summit in Sturbridge MA. Favorites at Hartford's Black-Eyed Sally's and Theodore's in Springfield MA, they were finalists in the CT Blues Society's Blues Challenge in 2012 and 2014; winning the 2015 Challenge representing CT at the International Blues Challenge in Memphis.



## AUGUST 21 CANOPY

With the belief that music is meant for taking risks, Canopy brings a raw, unfiltered approach to the live music

scene. Their sound combines the core elements of rock, funk, blues, and jazz and infuses them with deep psychedelia; wide open with tasteful improvisation. Tight and loose in all the right ways, this dynamic power trio delivers a satisfying performance.