



Tucson Kitchen Musicians' Association

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The Tucson Kitchen Musicians Association is proud to announce the 27th Annual Tucson Folk Festival is almost upon us. The festival is scheduled to take place on Saturday/Sunday May 5/6 in downtown Tucson. Centered in El Presidio Park, this year's festival will feature five stages including the brand new Patio Stage located on the east entrance patio of the Tucson Museum of Art. The other four stages are: Plaza Stage (in El Presidio Park just east of city hall); Courtyard stage (on the grounds of the Historic Old Pima County Courthouse, at Church & Alameda Streets); Museum Stage (Plaza of the Pioneers at the Tucson Museum of Art and Historic Block); La Cocina at Old Town Artisans.

Headlining this year's festival is the Grammy award winning Cajun Dance Band, BeauSoleil, featuring Michael Doucet. They will play at 9 pm, Saturday night on the Plaza Stage. Headlining Sunday evening (for the last three years a local headliner slot) is Sabra Faulk and the Angel band. Faulk's band will include other local luminaries Heather Hardy, Mitzi Cowell, Bev Seckinger and Bunny Kirby. The festival as always is free and runs from noon – 10 PM on Saturday and 11 AM – 9 PM on Sunday. This year over 130 acts featuring 400 different performers will take part. There will also be a Songwriting Competition and a Children's Show on Saturday afternoon as well as a Young Artists stage Sunday morning. The festival will include many craft vendors as well as a food court. TKMA's final fundraiser will be the official Folk Fest Kickoff, Friday evening, May 4 from 6-10 PM at La Cocina at Old town Artisans Courtyard, 201. N. Court Ave. Greg Morton and Friends will be hosting with many folk festival performers also appearing. \$5 donation requested.

For more information visit www.tucsonfolkfest.org or call Jim Lipson — 271-6943.