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Cooper's Glen Hosts More Great Entertainers in February

KALAMAZOO, MI -- The Great Lakes Acoustic Music Association (GLAMA) will continue its tradition of bringing top-notch entertainment to Kalamazoo on February 3-4, 2017.

The 15th annual Cooper's Glen Music Festival will be held at the downtown Radisson Plaza Hotel, 100 West Michigan Avenue, and will feature a variety of excellent performers, workshops and jam sessions.

"We have an exciting lineup for concerts on two stages as well as daytime activities," said GLAMA President Kathy Nichols, "including educational displays and learning sessions throughout the weekend."

Performers include bluegrass legends Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, consummate banjo artist Tony Trischka, king of juke joint swing music Wayne "The Train" Hancock, comic singer/songwriter/poet Heywood Banks, and "Americana" music masters Molly O'Brien and Rich Moore, known for their appearances on National Public Radio's "A Prairie Home Companion."

Also appearing will be Michigan favorite Joel Mabus, the genre-bending Ragbirds, the Celtic musical quartet Soltre, Kalamazoo's own vocalist/guitarist Nashon Holloway, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist Drew Nelson, the all-female roots group Stella!

After-hours acts, including a Honky Tonk dance Saturday night with regional country-rock band Four Wheel Drive will continue in the Bell's Room sponsored by Bell's Brewery, a space for casual gatherings with food and drink available for purchase.

As has been true in the past, the Saturday afternoon workshops will showcase various festival performers and special presentations. Popular sessions such as "Coffee with the Luthiers," a "Community Sing," an "Open Mic" and the "Slow Jam" will also return. The workshop schedule is staggered throughout the afternoon to allow sampling of every offering, while jamming will continue throughout the festival until the early morning hours.

For more information about the festival, tickets, GLAMA membership and other programs, visit www.greatlakesacoustic.org.

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