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# 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Bayou Boogaloo Music and Cajun Food Festival

The Most Authentic New Orleans Style Music and Cajun Food Festival North of Louisiana

**Norfolk, VA** – (June 14, 2019) – Norfolk Festevents is proud to announce the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Bayou Boogaloo Music and Cajun Food Festival Friday-Sunday, June 28-30, 2019, along the downtown Norfolk, VA waterfront at Town Point Park. The 3-day festival pays homage to the Cajun and Creole culture and traditions of New Orleans, LA with authentic food, music, arts and much more.

In celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Bayou Boogaloo, the festival will offer a limited number of authentic Cajun recipe cookbooks with recipes from current and previous year's performing artists as well as famous chefs from New Orleans. Guests can also take part in themed arts and crafts, an on-site scavenger hunt and much more.

Weekend passes are available for purchase now at [bit.ly/BayouTickets](http://bit.ly/BayouTickets) for \$30. Single-day tickets are also available for \$15.

### TICKET INFORMATION

**Weekend Package:** Friday - Sunday, June 28-30, 2019: \$30

#### **Friday, June 28, 2019 (Noon - 10pm)**

Noon - 2pm: Free and open to the public for a special lunch time preview

2pm - 10pm: \$15 (per day)

Advance Boater docking fee (Does not include festival admission): \$50

"Pay at the Pier" Boater docking fee (Does not include festival admission): \$75

#### **Saturday, June 29, 2019 (Noon - 10pm)**

Noon - 10pm: \$15 (per day)

Advance Boater docking fee (Does not include festival admission): \$50

"Pay at the Pier" Boater docking fee (Does not include festival admission): \$75

#### **Sunday, June 30, 2019 (Noon - 6pm)**

Noon - 6pm: \$15 (per day)

Advance Boater docking fee (Does not include festival admission): \$50

"Pay at the Pier" Boater docking fee (Does not include festival admission): \$75

*To reserve a Boater Package, email Jason Cantone at [cantonej@festevents.org](mailto:cantonej@festevents.org)*



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## **THE MUSIC OF BAYOU BOOGALOO 2019**

All the way from the Bayou, a total of 14 national and regional recording artists provide diverse cultural musical entertainment on two separate stages over the course of the weekend. Beginning on Friday afternoon and running through Sunday, both stages will deliver an eccentric mix of blues, rock, funk, soul, brass, R&B and more.

### **30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BAYOU BOOGALOO MUSIC SCHEDULE**

#### **ABNB MAIN STAGE**

##### **Friday, June 28, 2019**

**Dirty Dozen Brass Band – 8:30pm**  
**Chubby Carrier & The Bayou Swamp Band – 6:00pm**  
**Gregg Martinez & The Delta Kings – 3:30pm**

##### **Saturday, June 29, 2019**

**JJ Grey & Mofro – 8:30pm**  
**Chubby Carrier & The Bayou Swamp Band – 6:00pm**  
**New Breed Brass Band – 3:30pm**

##### **Sunday, June 30, 2019**

**Dumpstaphunk – 4:30pm**  
**New Orleans Suspects – 2:15pm**  
**New Breed Brass Band – 12:30pm**

#### **ADP CRESCENT CITY STAGE**

##### **Friday, June 28, 2019**

**CJ Chenier & The Red Hot Louisiana Band – 7:30pm**  
**Empire Strikes Brass – 5:00pm**  
**Jonathon Long – 2:30pm**

##### **Saturday, June 29, 2019**

**Cyril Neville – 7:30pm**  
**The Sean Ardoin Experience – 5:00pm**  
**The Sean Ardoin Experience – 2:30pm**  
**Jonathon Long – 1:00pm**

##### **Sunday, June 30, 2019**

**Chance Bushman & The Ibervillians – 3:30pm**  
**Dance Lessons with The NOLA Jitterbugs – 3:00pm**  
**Chance Bushman & The Ibervillians – 1:30pm**  
**Dance Lessons with The NOLA Jitterbugs – 12:30pm**

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### **Dirty Dozen Brass Band**

ABNB Main Stage – Friday, June 28, 8:30pm

Jazz

Website: [DirtyDozenBrass.com](http://DirtyDozenBrass.com)

Celebrating over 40 years since their founding in 1977, New Orleans-based Dirty Dozen Brass Band has taken the traditional foundation of brass band music and incorporated it into a blend of genres including Bebop Jazz, Funk and R&B/Soul. This unique sound, described by the band as a ‘musical gumbo,’ has allowed the Dirty Dozen to tour across 5 continents and more than 30 countries, record 12 studio albums and collaborate with a range of artists from Modest Mouse to Widespread Panic to Norah Jones.

### **JJ Grey & Mofro**

ABNB Main Stage – Saturday, June 29, 8:30pm

Soul Rock

Website: [JJGrey.com](http://JJGrey.com)

From the days of playing greasy local juke joints to headlining major festivals, JJ Grey remains an unfettered, blissful performer, singing with a blue-collared spirit over the bone-deep grooves of his compositions. His presence before an audience is something startling and immediate, at times a funk rave-up, other times a sort of mass-absolution for the mortal weaknesses that make him and his audience human. Onstage, Grey delivers his songs with compassion and a relentless honesty, but perhaps not until Ol’ Glory has a studio record captured the fierceness and intimacy that defines a Grey live performance.

### **Dumpstaphunk**

ABNB Main Stage – Sunday, June 30, 4:30pm

Funk

Website: [Dumpstaphunk.com](http://Dumpstaphunk.com)

Dumpstaphunk stands out among New Orleans’ best as one of the funkier bands to ever arise from the Crescent City. Born on the Jazz & Heritage Festival stage, and descended from Neville family bloodlines, these soldiers of funk ignite a deep, gritty groove that dares listeners not to move. Their performances combine ingenious musicianship and complex funk and jazz arrangements with soulful melodies that are simple enough for anyone to enjoy.

### **Chubby Carrier & The Bayou Swamp Band**

ABNB Main Stage – Friday, June 28, 6:00pm & Saturday, June 29, 6:00pm

Zydeco

Website: [ChubbyCarrier.com](http://ChubbyCarrier.com)

Chubby Carrier is undeniably “The World’s Premier Zydeco Showman.” Born on July 1, 1967 in Churchpoint, Louisiana, Chubby is the third generation of zydeco artists with such famous relatives as Roy Carrier (father), Warren Carrier (grandfather), and cousins Bebe and Calvin Carrier who are presently considered legends in zydeco history.

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### **New Orleans Suspects**

ABNB Main Stage – Sunday, June 30, 2:15pm

Rock

Website: [NewOrleansSuspects.com](http://NewOrleansSuspects.com)

New Orleans Suspects began playing together in 2009 as a pick-up band. Comprised of some of the most seasoned, highly respected players in NOLA, the group called themselves The Unusual Suspects. Their chemistry was undeniable and by the summer of 2011 they decided to tour full-time, renaming the band New Orleans Suspects. They quickly began attracting large crowds from San Francisco to New York.

### **New Breed Brass Band**

ABNB Main Stage – Saturday, June 29, 3:30pm & Sunday, June 30, 12:30pm

Jazz

Website: [NewBreedBrassBand.com](http://NewBreedBrassBand.com)

New Breed Brass Band lives and breathes the culture of New Orleans, infusing funk, rock, jazz, and hip-hop into a custom-made enhancement of second-line brass band tradition. With a founding core of five New Orleans natives, New Breed Brass Band made its street debut as a nine-man unit in November 2013 at the Nine Times Second Line.

### **Gregg Martinez & The Delta Kings**

ABNB Main Stage – Friday, June 28, 3:30pm

R&B

Website: [GreggMartinez.com](http://GreggMartinez.com)

Gregg Martinez is South Louisiana's premier R&B/Blues/Swamp Pop artist. He has released eleven albums including 2016's Soul of the Bayou, and the regional hit Back to the Bayou from 2006. In addition to extensive performances throughout Louisiana, Gregg has toured across the U.S and around the world. He has five times been nominated for Best Male Vocalist by OFFBEAT Magazine.

### **CJ Chenier & The Red Hot Louisiana Band**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Friday, June 28, 7:30pm

Zydeco

Website: [OfficialCJChenier.com](http://OfficialCJChenier.com)

C.J. Chenier, a Creole born and raised in an indigenous American culture with its distinct language, cuisine and music, delivers a soulful vocal and accordion! Chenier, a GRAMMY® nominated world renowned musician and recording artist, has performed alongside many internationally recognized artists including his GRAMMY® awarded father, Clifton Chenier "The King of Zydeco."

### **Cyril Neville**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Saturday, June 29, 7:30pm

Funk

Website: [UptownRuler.com](http://UptownRuler.com)

Grammy Award winning New Orleans' Neville Brother, Cyril Neville has been called a philosopher, poet, and one of the last great southern soul singers. There is no doubt that within the first few vocal notes it is easy to tell that musical royalty runs deep in Cyril's blood and he remains a percussionist and a drummer to be reckoned with.

### **Empire Strikes Brass**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Friday, June 28, 5:00pm

Funk

Website: [EmpireStrikeBrass.com](http://EmpireStrikeBrass.com)

Empire Strikes Brass (ESB) is a high energy Brass-Funk-Rock band hailing from the city of Asheville, NC. Formed on the streets of their hometown, ESB is rooted in the New Orleans Brass Band tradition of second-line parades and deep moving grooves reminiscent of old school funk. Combining complex musical arrangements with thoughtful lyrical song structure, ESB can stretch out and dig deep when they are feeling it or keep things tight and concise.

### **The Sean Ardoin Experience**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Saturday, June 29, 2:30pm & 5:00pm

Zydeco

Website: [SeanArdoin.com](http://SeanArdoin.com)

The Ardoin name is truly Creole/Zydeco royalty. Sean Ardoin represents both the rural roots and progressive future of Louisiana's Creole-Zydeco sound like no other artist. He's truly one of Zydeco's "triple threats." He's a rare combination of tradition, talent and creativity.

### **Jonathon Long**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Friday, June 28, 2:30pm & Saturday, June 29, 1:00pm

Blues

Website: [JonathonLongMusic.com](http://JonathonLongMusic.com)

Baton Rouge born Jonathon Long has mined, refined and re-defined his beloved blues for over half of his 29 years. The shuffles and homages to the King's and Collins's, along with his mastery of the red Gibson, have evolved into what will certainly be a milestone in that legacy, his third album, titled simply 'Jonathon Long.'

### **Chance Bushman & The Ibervillainaires**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Sunday, June 30, 1:30pm & 3:30pm

Jazz

Website: [Ibervillainaires.com](http://Ibervillainaires.com)

Led by song and dance man Chance Bushman, the Ibervillainaires match tap and jazz dance with the party music of yesteryear. The band's repertoire runs the gamut from classic New Orleans jazz to rock and roll, encompassing tight arrangements, blues-infused solos, and freewheeling collective improvisation. Consummate entertainers, the Ibervillainaires will have you singing along, bouncing out of your chair, and dancing in the street!

### **NOLA Jitterbugs Dance Lessons**

ADP Crescent City Stage – Sunday, June 30, 12:30pm & 3:00pm

Swing

Website: [NOLAjitterbugs.com](http://NOLAjitterbugs.com)

Dedicated to the preservation, promotion, and (yes!) innovation of Traditional American Music and Dance, NOLA Jitterbugs build stronger community through social dance and explore the relationship between tradition and innovation. They teach history and perpetuate culture in a fun and interactive way.



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## **THE FLAVORS OF BAYOU BOOGALOO 2019**

The Crescent City's most notable dishes are on the menu all weekend long at Bayou Boogaloo. More than 8,000 pounds of crawfish straight from the Gulf Coast waters will be boiled up in traditional Cajun fashion with sausage, corn, and potatoes. Authentic New Orleans chefs also serve up jambalaya, gumbo, etouffees, po' boy sandwiches, shrimp & grits, alligator, sausage, meat pies, frog legs, and much more. For those festival guests searching for something sweet, the famous New Orleans beignets are a fan favorite. Also, we can't forget about the cocktails. Hurricanes and Bloody Marys will be served all weekend long, in addition to refreshing craft beer and wine.

### **Nola Boils**

Website: [NolaBoils.com](http://NolaBoils.com)

Based in New Orleans, Nola Boils is South Louisiana's premier catering company. They specialize in the very best on-site seafood boils and provide first-rate local cuisine. Combining fresh Gulf Coast crawfish with a unique blend of spices, Nola Boils cooks up some of the best crawdads you will ever taste!

### **Lasyone's Meat Pies**

Website: [Lasyones.com](http://Lasyones.com)

Lasyone's Meat Pie Restaurant is an authentic soulful Creole Cuisine restaurant out of Natchitoches, LA. Their recipes are handed down from family and always prepared with love from the soul of deep southern roots. Lasyone's is world famous for their meat pies and also offer creole taters, zydeco grilled salad, crawfish etouffee and more!

### **Real Cajun Cookin'**

Website: [Facebook](#)

Real Cajun Cookin' serves up authentic Cajun cuisine at fairs and festivals all across the East Coast. For Bayou Boogaloo, their menu will include several varieties of jambalaya, including pork, chicken, sausage and shrimp.

### **Make Me A Plate Seafood**

Website: [Facebook](#)

A Cajun-cuisine-based food truck, Make Me A Plate offers an eclectic menu featuring everything from shrimp & grits to meaty alligator skewers to succulent fresh fillets of whiting to frog legs.

### **Hammerheads**

Hammerheads, a staple of several Norfolk festivals, cooks up a bevy of New Orleans-inspired offerings, including Bourbon chicken, alligator bites, crab cake etouffee and beignets.

### **Strawberry Street**

At Strawberry Street, festival guests can find southern comfort dishes, including shrimp baskets, Cajun fries, collard greens and hush puppies, as well as local favorites, such as soft shell crabs and crab cakes.



## **THE CULTURE & ART OF BAYOU BOOGALOO 2019**

### **Arts Market of New Orleans**

Unique and one-of-a-kind artists from the Louisiana Crafts Guild travel all the way from the Gulf Coast to showcase their talent and artistry at Bayou Boogaloo. This year, 16 different artists representing several different mediums including jewelry, metal, painting, ceramics, fiber and folk art will be stationed at the festival, providing guests a unique opportunity to purchase a piece of New Orleans right here in Norfolk.

<b><u>Artist</u></b>	<b><u>Medium</u></b>	<b><u>Year at Bayou Boogaloo</u></b>
Forrest Bacigalupi	Jewelry	12th
Mitch Landry	Metal	9th
Annie Odell	Fiber	11th
Bebo	Folk Art	8th
Bonnie Miller	Painting	7th
Brian Miller	Photography	10th
Calvin Walton	Mixed Media	6th
Chester Allen	Jewelry	11th
Joshua Lee	Photography	12th
Louisiana Crafts Guild	Multi Disciplinary	5th
Michele Benson Hick	Ceramics	6th
Nicole Hart	Fiber	2nd
Pat Juneau	Metal	1st
Suzanne Juneau	Jewelry	1st
Trish Ransom	Folk Art	10th
Laura Scariano	Ceramics	1st

The Louisiana Crafts Guild passionately teaches and promotes creative expression and artistic excellence in Fine Craft. According to Gene Meneray, Director, Art Business Program, Louisiana Crafts Guild of New Orleans, “The Bayou Boogaloo is probably our favorite event of the year. Louisiana Crafts Guild is honored and humbled that so many citizens of Hampton Roads share our love for the culture of Louisiana. We’re bringing top artists from the Gulf Coast to show their artwork and join in the fun.”

For more information on the Louisiana Crafts Guild, visit [LouisianaCrafts.org](http://LouisianaCrafts.org).

### **Additional Retail Vendors**

In addition to the Louisiana Crafts Guild, Kamans Art (face paintings & caricatures), Toe Wranglers (jewelry), Emerson’s Cigars, Soco Swings, Wormtown Trading (jewelry, wooden & metal art, apparel) and Peacefrogs (festival merchandise) will also be stationed at the festival.

### **ADP Day at the Bayou Boogaloo**

Saturday, June 29 is ADP Day at the Bayou Boogaloo and Cajun Food Festival, where company employees will join festival guests for New Orleans-influenced music, dancing and authentic Cajun fare, such as jambalaya, gumbo, crawfish and etouffee, as well as signature Louisianan beverages. Be sure to

visit the ADP Guest Relations tent for information including entertainment schedules, lost and found, directions, ATMs and festival updates.

“At ADP, we believe it is important to make a positive impact on the communities in which we work and live,” said Dianne Greene division vice president and general manager at ADP’s Norfolk office. “We are excited to participate in this important event and look forward to celebrating with the community.”

### **Carrie B Paddleboard Piano Bar**

Bayou guests can experience the romance, history and fun aboard a 19th century replica of a Mississippi paddle wheeler! The Carrie B will be on-site throughout the weekend and provides festival guests a unique experience of southern history combined with live music from the Blazin’ Keys Dueling Pianos, all while relaxing, enjoying a cold drink and escaping the summer heat.

### **Dueling Piano Performances by Blazin’ Keys Dueling Pianos**

Blazin’ Keys Entertainment (Blazin’ Keys Dueling Pianos) is a provider of premium solo and dueling piano shows across the country. Based out of North Carolina, Blazin’ Keys (aka BKE) performs numerous shows for private and corporate events from the small venue to festivals nationwide. It is a veteran operated and owned company with a select group of performers from the different corners of the country, each with over 15 years of experience in this interactive niche production. Clap your hands, sing along, submit requests and enjoy the music all weekend long at the Carrie B Paddleboard Piano Bar.

### **The Flyin’ Bayou Busker**

Imagine a three-ring circus and Bourbon Street had a baby -- that's the Flyin' Bayou Busker. Having delighted audiences in over 10 countries and performed in 6 languages, this family show is loved around the world. With the zest and sweetness of a pineapple, grace of a dolphin, and jokes as great as your Dad's, Sara Kunz will whisk you away to the best vacation/most thrilling circus show you have ever experienced. You've never seen a hula-hoop show like this.

### **Reptiles of the Bayou LIVE Reptile Show by Reptile Adventures**

Danny Conner, known as The Croc Doc and owner of Reptile Adventures, has been keeping and caring for reptiles for over 30 years. His unique background blend of education, science and theater makes Danny Conner’s Reptile Adventures the number one reptile show in the country. Danny educates, entertains, and fascinates crowds for all ages as he shares his love, knowledge, and respect for these amazing and intriguing animals. There will be alligators, pythons, snapping turtles and more.

### **The Rad Hatter**

Since the Rad Hatter’s beginning since 1989, Tony Melendez has pleased spectators with his method of hat-making and interactive art form. This unique creation of “Rad Hats” from paper bags completed with various colors and fun embellishments has caught the attention of individuals of all types and ages throughout the nation.

### **The Voodoo Magician**

Edoardo Pignataro, professional magician, illusionist and hypnotist, will be wowing attendees with his Voodoo Magic all weekend long! With 15 years of experience sharing his magic all over the world, from



Brazil to Italy to Spain to Puerto Rico, Edoardo lands in Norfolk, VA for Bayou Boogaloo to wow crowds and perform the impossible.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** about the weekend's events, as well as additional events throughout the year, including hours, park regulations and parking, please visit [Festevents.org](http://Festevents.org) or call 757-441-2345.

**The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Bayou Boogaloo Music & Cajun Food Festival** is produced by Norfolk Festevents, presented by the City of Norfolk and sponsored by ADP Human Resources, ABNB Federal Credit Union, Southern Auto Group, Marriott Norfolk Waterside, Miller Lite, Waterside District, CFE Equipment Corporation and The Main.

**Norfolk Festevents, Ltd.**, based in Norfolk, Virginia, is a private, not-for-profit organization dedicated to creating the most dynamic urban waterfront community in America through innovative programming and imaginative uses of its historic waterfront spaces. An extensive 10-month schedule of diverse outdoor cultural events, festivals, concerts, entertainment, holiday programs, tall ship visits, sports and recreation are presented in two popular and welcoming waterfront environments; Town Point Park located in downtown Norfolk on the banks of the Elizabeth River and Ocean View Beach Park situated on the shore line of the Chesapeake Bay. Norfolk Festevents has served as the City of Norfolk's official event marketing agency since the city's downtown waterfront revitalization initiatives began in 1982. The organization has garnered international acclaim for its advocacy for public access to waterfronts, outstanding quality programming and development of public spaces, transforming Norfolk into one of the most progressive, fun and livable waterfront communities in the country. Residents, workers, and visitors to Norfolk and the Hampton Roads region are invited to experience all the fun and excitement of the 2019 season!

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